

## Another World 1091

### Chapter 1091: 4th-level Talent

Zhao Hai sat by the window and looked outward. He didn't know when the ship took off, he simply didn't feel it moving. He couldn't help but praise the technology of this world.

After looking at the window for some time, Zhao Hai turned away and faced his room before taking out a small device. The device was an anti-monitoring device that Qi Yi had made for him. It had the most advanced anti-surveillance technology in the Machine Field. As long as a room had monitoring devices, this device would immediately issue an alarm before emitting an electromagnetic signal that causes the monitoring device to malfunction.

In the Machine Field, there were two ways to monitor a person. The first method was through monitoring devices. There were plenty of monitoring devices in the Machine Field, the same was true for anti-monitoring devices. But compared to monitoring devices, anti-monitoring devices were much easier to make.

Anti-monitoring devices were ingeniously crafted. As long as they emit their electromagnetic waves, they would certainly disturb any monitoring device in the vicinity. This way, the person who set-up the monitoring device wouldn't be able to get anything.

Besides monitoring devices, the other method used to spy on other people was through magic. This method was difficult to guard against. Surveillance magic was generally very secretive and difficult to detect. However, Zhao Hai wasn't really afraid of surveillance magic.

Zhao Hai's spiritual force was very formidable. And with the existence of the Sace, monitoring him using magic was almost impossible. Because of this, Zhao Hai only needed to worry about monitoring devices for now.

Seeing that there were no monitoring devices inside his room, Zhao Hai began to feel relieved. His figure immediately flashed as he returned to his room back at the academy. Laura and the others were also inside his room, waiting for Zhao Hai to bring them information.

When they saw Zhao Hai come out from the Space, the women couldn't help but stare. Then Laura stepped forward and said, "Brother Hai, why did you use the Space to come back? Are you starting your test? What kind of test is it?"

Zhao Hai smiled bitterly and said, “My test this time seems to be on a planet called Tyro, killing malicious ghosts. I won’t be taking it in the academy, you can go with me on the ship.”

As soon as they heard Zhao Hai, Laura and the others cheered before following Zhao Hai out of the Space. Zhao Hai also took the robot that Qi Yi had made for him. Zhao Hai named this robot ‘Number Nine’.

Bringing Laura and the others as well as Number Nine to the ship made Zhao Hai’s room look cramped. However, they only stayed inside for a short while before they returned to the Space. In any case, if someone came to look for him, it wouldn’t be too late to head back to his room.

Upon returning to the Space, Zhao Hai let out a long breath before going to the hot spring to take a nice bath. When he returned to the living room, Meg had already prepared a delicious meal for him.

Zhao Hai hadn’t entered the Space recently since he needed to adapt to the environment outside. Now that he had returned to the Space, he can finally relax.

After eating, Zhao Hai went on to condense magic formations at the side. Meanwhile, Laura and the others were browsing the internet. There wasn’t anything wrong with the Space, Laura and the others just preferred to stay beside Zhao Hai. They spent most of their time going to Zhao Hai’s room to accompany him.

Zhao Hai also understood their feelings. Therefore, he would accompany them while condensing his magic formations. Zhao Hai can spend more time with Laura and the others since he now has more control over his spiritual force.

Currently, Zhao Hai had already condensed nearly a hundred thousand magic formations. He had also gathered several hundred magic formations combinations. These combinations had been provided by the scanner. The least powerful combination he had composed of five layers while the most powerful one was actually a hundred layers.

A hundred layered formation was a symbol for level 4 Mages. There were only a small amount of people who had reached this stage in the Machine Field. If people become aware that Zhao Hai, who has yet to graduate from the academy, could use a hundred layer formation, they would certainly die from shock.

However, wanting to use the scanner to analyze formations with more layers would be impossible. This was because the Universal Scanner was still level 1. The most it could do was 100 layers.

Zhao Hai also accessed the net to look at how strong hundred-layer formations were. Take a small fireball for example. On its own, it was a weak magic. Even if Zhao Hai reached his current level, his fireball still wasn't strong. At the most, the fireball would be as strong as an anti-tank grenade.

However, after passing through a hundred-layer formation, its might would become similar to a missile. Killing several hundred people with it wouldn't be a problem.

The current issue for Zhao Hai at this moment was how to upgrade the Scanner. Only when the Scanner gets upgraded would his strength increase.

But as he was worrying about this, Zhao Hai discovered something. His spiritual force was just enough to use a hundred-layer formation. If he used anything more than that, his spiritual force would be extremely stressed out.

Because of this, there was no point for Zhao Hai to worry about upgrading the Scanner. Even if the Scanner could analyze more powerful formations, Zhao Hai still wouldn't be able to use them.

Although Zhao Hai's body was being constantly improved by the Stellar Transformations Art, it was still not enough for him to use magic with more layers.

Of course, Zhao Hai wouldn't idle because of this. Besides condensing formations as well as trying to compile formation combinations, Zhao Hai also did one other thing. He was looking into how Warriors in the Machine Realm fight.

In the Machine Field, combat methods of Warriors were very simple. They just need to increase the energy inside their body and then their groups would provide them with corresponding weapons. However, these weapons were different than what Warriors from the lower realms used. These weapons were specially made in the Machine Field to contain magic formations. These formations allowed the energy inside a Warrior's body to concentrate so that they could send it out.

Warriors in the lower realm would use their energy in order to coat their weapons, making them sharper. On the other hand, Warriors in the Machine Field can actually send their sword qi out, providing them with long-ranged attack.

Moreover, the sword qi that was sent out would be supported by the formation inside the weapon, increasing its attacking power. But in the end, how far the sword qi would travel still depended on the user's strength. It was said that there was once a legendary Warrior in the Machine Field that used his sword to slaughter his enemies in all directions unhindered.

Although this legend might be fake, Zhao Hai still took it with caution. He had already found some magic formations used for engraving weapons. After having it go through the scanner and then combining it into a hundred-layer formation, Zhao Hai had it engraved on his staff. This would be another one of his cards in the future.

Zhao Hai also conducted tests inside the Space. He used his staff and turned it into a sword in order to send a sword qi out into the distance. His sword qi reached ten thousand meters, which was equal to a level 4 Warrior. After testing both paths, Zhao Hai can confirm that his strength was indeed at level 4.

The current strongest being in the Machine Field was about level 8. Being only level 4, Zhao Hai still fell short.

However, if people from the Machine Realm knew that Zhao Hai had level 4 strength, they would certainly be startled. This was because, generally, lower realm ascenders would at most only reach level two upon graduating. There were a minority that reached level three, but never level 4.

Zhao Hai was constantly condensing magic formations inside the Space, he was also familiarizing himself with arranging layered formations. Although he can now use hundred-layer formations in almost a flash, he would still need to practice on it for a long time.

Being able to use layered formations wasn't a direct indicator of a person's strength. Layered formations were just like weapons, some were like spears, some were like shields. As long as one practices to the point where they knew the most appropriate way to use formations, only then would they effectively grasp its power.

At this point, Zhao Hai's everyday program has been arranged. Besides eating and sleeping, he spent most of his day practicing his layered formations while also practicing how to launch his sword qi.

Zhao Hai had just discovered why the swordsmanship in the Machine Field was so strong. This was because he can attach a bit of his spiritual force on the qi as it was launched. This allowed him to make the sword qi change directions.

This skill was new to Zhao Hai, so he needed to digest how to use it effectively. Zhao Hai was very clear that these things would be the basis of his survival in the Machine Field.

Although it looks like Laura and the others were leisurely browsing the internet, Zhao Hai actually knew that they were scouring for information. They were looking for things related to the Cultivation Realm as well as any methods to make the Undead stronger.

Even if there were a lot of information that were deemed confidential in the Machine Field. Information that was public was already enough for Zhao Hai and the others to use.

Information about Magic Theory, magic formations, alchemy, and other disciplines were definitely useful. This was especially true for alchemy.

Although Warriors still had their weapons in the Machine Field, lower realm magic staffs and magic potions were useless to Mages. However, Mages still had their weapons. The first of these weapons were magic staffs. Magic Theory was different than magic formations in the lower realms. According to their spiritual force, Mages in the machine field were able to engrave a number of magic formations on their staff.

Don't know why it was named like that.

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Engraving magic formations on their staffs allowed Mages to bypass using the void condensing technique. This way, they could launch magical spells instantly, strengthening a mage's combat ability.

However, the more magic formations they engrave on their staffs, the more spiritual force they would need. Therefore, the number of magic formations a Mage could engrave was limited by their own strength. If they engrave too many, they wouldn't be able to cast it. Their magic staff would burn and become useless trash.

This was also the difference between using staffs and using the void condensing magic formation technique. Magic formations from staffs required spiritual force to start. On the other hand, formations using the void condensing technique were already condensed using spiritual force. Because of this, there was no need for it to be started with spiritual force.

Besides magic staffs, there were also magic potions. Magic Potions had more uses in the Machine Field compared to the lower realms. In the lower realms, magic potions would generally heal wounds or enhance cultivation. But in the Machine Field, the most popular magic potion could rapidly restore one's spiritual force.

It was normal for Mages to run out of spiritual force during a fight. And once their spiritual force dries up, they wouldn't be able to cast magic formations, putting them in a dangerous position.

Having magic potions that can restore a significant amount of spiritual force greatly enhanced the capabilities of the Mages in the Machine Field. This allowed Mages to have more avenues for survival.

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For someone who was focused on their job, three days would quickly fly by. In these three days, aside from having his meals inside his room, he would practice and rest inside the Space.

On the third day, Zhao Hai left the Space and spent the entire time inside his room. He was afraid that Margaret would look for him. Therefore, he decided to wait for her inside his room. Although he came out of the Space, Zhao Hai still continued his nonstop condensing of magic formations. He can now condense more than 10 thousand formations at the same time.

After some time, while Zhao Hai was condensing formations, two faint knocks were heard on the door. Zhao Hai immediately got up and opened the door to see Margaret on the other side.

Margaret looked at Zhao Hai and said, "Come with me to the hall. We're about to arrive at our destination."

Zhao Hao nodded, then he followed behind Margaret. Normally, people couldn't casually go inside the ship's command hall. Of course, Zhao Hai wasn't aware of this rule since he stayed inside his room all this time. But since he can monitor the ship using the Space, he was able to find out that Margaret's status wasn't simple. Even the ship's commander was very respectful to her.

Meanwhile, Margaret was thinking that Zhao Hai wasn't only a genius and a clever person, he was also very patient. For three days, he was able to stay inside his room without leaving. Because of this, Margaret began to favor Zhao Hai.

From what Margaret had experienced, most people would be restless after entering a ship for the first time. On the other hand, Zhao Hai didn't have such restlessness. He didn't even seem to be curious as he just stayed inside his room. Such willpower made Margaret look at Zhao Hai in a favorable light.

The two quickly arrived at the ship's command hall. The room wasn't very large, it was only around a hundred square meters. There were about a dozen people inside operating the ship. However, these people didn't look busy. Most of them had cups of tea on their hands as they chatted with each other.

In the middle of the hall was a table with a couple of chairs. Sitting behind the table was a man about 40 years old. He had a neat appearance and also held a teacup on one hand. Meanwhile, displayed on his table was the view outside the ship. A planet was getting bigger and bigger on the display, showing that the ship was getting closer. This man was the ship's commander.

Seeing the two arrive, the commander quickly stood up and greeted Margaret, "Instructor Margaret."

Margaret nodded, then she gestured towards Zhao Hai and said, "This is Zhao Hai. Zhao Hai, this is the ship's commander, Kirk."

Zhao Hai gave Kirk a salute, the latter did the same. During this exchange, the other people inside the ship were looking at Zhao Hai with curiosity.

Zhao Hai didn't particularly care about their curiosity. Among everyone here, only Margaret and him had mage robes, showing that she was an academy instructor and he was the student. Therefore, it wouldn't be strange if these people were curious about him.

Margaret arrived by the commander's table and looked at the planet that was getting closer and closer. The planet was black and yellow. Zhao Hai came to know that this black part was actually the planet's oceans. Instead of being blue, the planet's waters were actually black. On the other hand, its lands were yellow. Scattered on these yellow lands were weeds. Moreover, there was no drinkable water on this planet, making it inhospitable.

The main reason why humans chose to develop this planet was because it had something that they need, Mithril!

This mithril was different than mithril found in the lower realm. In the lower realms, mithril was just a metal with magical properties. Mages wouldn't necessarily make use of it. But in the Machine Field, mithril wasn't just something used by Mages, it was something that they cannot separate themselves from.

In the Machine Field, mithril was a material with high conductivity. Whether it was magic or battle qi, both needed good conduction materials for their weapons. Therefore, both magic staffs and weapons couldn't be made without mithril.

In the beginning, Tyro planet only had miners operating in its mines. They lived inside tunnels and rarely went above ground. This was because the planet had a lot of powerful magic beasts. In addition, the plants and even the planet's water were toxic. These beasts had been eating and drinking these things while growing up, making them poisonous themselves. As long as they cut your skin, you've basically forfeited your life.

Afterwards, major powers from the Machine Field decided to develop the planet, establishing permanent residences. In these residences were water filtration systems as well as food manufacturing facilities. Although these residences were still inside tunnels, they gradually formed underground cities. Most people inside these residences were still miners, but their families also took residence in the planet.

At this time, besides its mining industry, Tyro planet also had a special tourism sector. They allowed tourists to explore the mines and stay in specially made tunnel hotels. There were also services that allowed people safe travel aboveground to kill the local poisonous beasts.



Tyro planet wasn't owned by any of the three major forces. Although those forces would want to swallow the planet, because of the other two, nobody was able to succeed. In the end, they granted Tyro planet its own independence. The planet would trade its ores for machine coins and other supplies from the three powers. Although the job was hard, the miners could earn a lot. It wouldn't be strange for a miner to be rich after working here for more than ten years.

Although the tunnels in Tyro planet were safe, the areas where the miners work in weren't. The underground had poisonous beasts as well as malicious ghosts. But since their population was little, and the density of spiritual qi was small, it wouldn't be worth it if an army was stationed here all the time. Therefore, the tasks of eradicating this danger was handed over to the academies.

This information wasn't something that Zhao Hai looked up, instead it was Laura and the others who found out about it.

Zhao Hai wasn't too concerned about this mission. With the density of spiritual qi not being strong, it would be impossible for powerful creatures to emerge from this place.

Although the ship seemed slow, it was actually approaching the planet quickly. But as it got closer to the planet's atmosphere, the ship began to slow down.

As soon as they entered Tyro planet, Zhao Hai couldn't help but stare. The place was really desolate, there was an endless number of yellow rocks as far as the eye could see. Growing on the cracks on the ground and the rocks were grasses and shrubs. These plants were similarly colored as the rocks, yellowish.

One could often see beasts roaming the surface or fighting for food. Zhao Hai couldn't see even a shadow of human civilization.

At this time, the spaceship descended on an enormous crater. It was at least a kilometer wide and was too dark to be able to see what was inside.

The ship slowly descended. Its speed got slower and slower and in about ten minutes, Zhao Hai discovered a beeping light. Then a staff turned towards Kirk and said, "Captain, a communication request." Kirk nodded and said, "Accept it."

Then the staff member nodded before tapping the desktop. Before long, an image of a person about 30 years old appeared. He appeared refined as he bowed and said, "Welcome, friends from the Ascender Academy. I am the station master of Tyro Planet's space port. Please follow the lights as you land your ship on port number five. Thank you in advance for cooperating."

Kirk gave a saute and said, "Yes, Station Master." Then the image vanished. Shortly after that, lights appeared, showing signals to lead the ship to its landing point.

After the ship landed successfully, Margaret led Zhao Hai to exit the ship. On the other hand, the staff on the ship actually stayed. They still needed to settle things on the ship before they could leave.

As Margaret led Zhao Hai out of the ship, someone was already waiting for them outside. He was an old man with white hair and beard. Surprisingly, this person was wearing mage robes.

After seeing Margaret and Zhao Hai, the old man immediately bowed and said, "Instructor Margaret, welcome. Please follow me." Margaret returned the greeting and said, "Mister Sim is too polite." Then the three proceeded towards nearby car. The car was quite big. It had four rows of seats. Margaret and Sim were on the second row while Zhao Hai was sitting alone on the third row.

The vehicle also had tea for its passengers. After going in, Sim offered Margaret and Zhao Hai a cup each. Then he opened his mouth and said, "To the Academy Reception." Zhao Hai knew that those words were meant for the computer driving the car. Just as Sim's voice was heard, the car immediately moved.

At this time, Sim turned to Margaret and said, "Instructor Margaret. I apologize for the trouble. Is this the only student that will take the trial?" Margaret placed her cup next to her chair and then nodded, "Yes, this time, only Zhao Hai will participate in the exam. In addition to our academy, who else is here?" Sim lowered his voice as he replied, "In addition to your academy, there's also the Adam family's academy as well as the Wild academy. Altogether, they brought ten people for the trial. The Adam Academy brought six people while the Wild Academy brought four."

Upon hearing the names of these two academies, Margaret couldn't help but knit her brows. She didn't say anything and just nodded. At this moment, the car stopped. The cave in front of them had ten layers overall. It looked like a ten-story building, but instead of floors it was made out of holes.

Besides the entrance and the exit, as well as the glass windows, the entire cave was made out of stone. It was a space of about a thousand square meters. There were already several cars parked inside.

Exiting the vehicle, Zhao Hai couldn't help but inspect the surroundings. The place was very lively, completely uncharacteristic of a mining tunnel. It was more than 200 meters high. On its ceiling were magic formations that provided light. Aside from the columns, the other places were places where people live in. There were also flying cars going in and out. The street was full of traffic. The neon signs on the shops added to the liveliness of the place.

If this wasn't a mining tunnel, it wouldn't have been different to a city. But since it was a mining tunnel, instead of buildings, people dug into holes. Because of this, the place exuded a unique characteristic.

Zhao Hai just gave the area a glance before he followed behind Margaret and Sim towards the reception. As soon as they entered, Zhao Hai couldn't help but stare for a moment. The inside was beautifully renovated. There was a bar inside the hall and even a lounge to relax. Carpet covered the floors and beautiful wallpapers plastered the walls.

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The cave was actually this beautiful. Zhao Hai didn't expect this. If he didn't see what it was like outside, he would've thought that he had just entered a hotel.

Sim, Zhao Hai, and Margaret proceeded to the counter. Behind this counter wasn't a human, instead it was a robot. Sim said, "Bring the room card prepared for the Ashley Ascender Academy."

The robot nodded before pulling out two cards and handed them over to Sim. After receiving the two cards, Sim gave them to Margaret and said, "Instructor Margaret, these are the rooms prepared for your academy. Please take a rest first."

Margaret took the room cards and then gave a polite nod, "Thank you, Mister Sim." After that, Margaret led Zhao Hai towards their room.

Just as the two arrived in front of the elevator, the elevator doors suddenly opened. On the other side of the doors were seven people wearing mage robes. This group ranged from young to old. At the center of the group was a middle-aged man. This man was very thin with a mouse-like moustache. He looks particularly annoying.

The man had expensive-looking golden yellow mage robes. Seeing this person, Zhao Hai couldn't help but stare. The man was one of the very rare metal element Mages.

There wasn't any magic for the metal element in the lower realms. Only people born in the Machine Field would have a talent in this area. Moreover, it was recognized by many people that metal magic was the hardest to deal with.

Naturally, this didn't mean that the other magic elements were inferior to the metal element. Their might also depended on the Mage's ability. Even if one had a peerlessly good sword, if it fell into the hands of an idiot, it was still impossible for the idiot to use the weapon's might. Magic was also the same. It was just that metal element Mages were rare than Mages from other elements. And with the metal element's strong attack and defensive magic, it was considered as the element that was the hardest to deal with.

In the past few days, Zhao Hai had also consumed knowledge about metal element magic. However, he was left disappointed. There wasn't anything special about metal element magic. It was just like any other magic in the Machine Field. It was only because metal element magic required a special physique that it was very rare.

Actually, one could study metal element magic in the lower realm. As long as one has physique compatible with metal element magic, they were able to study metal element magic.

People in the lower realms with metal element physique were heaven defying beings. Although they didn't have any cultivation methods, their bodies alone made them formidable. Therefore, they were slowly able to make their mark on society. In the Ark Continent, they were known as Divergent ability users. It was just a pity that there weren't any cultivation methods for the metal element. Or else there would be metal element Mages in the lower realm.

Behind this Metal element Mage were six other Mages. The ages of these people were greatly varied. The oldest of them already had white hair while the youngest seems to be nearing 30 years old. Their expressions were also varied. The old Mage had a gloomy look as though he had lost interest in everything. Dins and the others had this same look in the past.

As for the youngest Mage, he looked very arrogant, just like the Mage Frey that Zhao Hai ran into. Seeing these expressions, it seems like the Ascender Academies had the same atmospheres.

Still, Zhao Hai didn't say anything. He didn't want to make any contact with these people. After all, he wasn't a saint. If he wasn't trying to survive in the academy, he might not even care about Dins and the others.

In such an unfamiliar environment, it was unwise to meddle in other people's business. It wouldn't bring you any benefits, only risks.

Zhao Hai didn't plan to meddle with these people, but the other party actually stopped after going out of the elevator. With the thin Mage at the lead, he looked at Margaret with shining eyes. It seems like he was harboring evil intentions.

This caused Zhao Hai's heart to sink. Zhao Hai was able to see Margaret's reaction when Sim told her about the other academies present. Seeing the expression on the thin Mage's face, it seems like there was going to be a confrontation.

The thin Mage looked at Margaret and suddenly smiled, "Margaret, I didn't expect your academy to send you for the exam. Generally, it was those old turtles who would come here. Seeing you is rare, really rare."

Margaret looked at the Mage, and with a cold voice she replied, "Jin Changji, why are you talking to me with your stinky mouth? Want me to teach you a lesson?"

It was obvious that this Jin Changji somewhat dreaded Margaret. After a brief pause, he coldly snorted and said, "Margaret, don't forget where this is. This isn't your academy. If you dared to make a move here, then if not me, other people will deal with you. Right, it seems like your academy's talents have gotten less and less. This time, only one came to take the exam. What a pity."

Margaret just coldly snorted and didn't say anything else. Then she turned and entered the elevator. All this time, Zhao Hai stayed silent and just followed Margaret to the elevator. Seeing that Margaret didn't care about him, Jin Changji coldly snorted, then he led the other mages forward.

Sim arranged the Ashley Family academy to be on the eighth floor. After Margaret settled things in her own room, she entered Zhao Hai's.

Zhao Hai quickly invited Margaret to take a seat and then offered her a cup of tea. He then sat opposite Margaret, he knew that she had something to say, so he waited.

Sure enough, Margaret looked at Zhao Hai and said, "You should have heard what Sim said. In addition to our academy, there's also the Adam Academy and the Wild Academy. Wild Academy is an institute for warriors, they have no conflict of interest with us. The Northfield Family behind even has a friendly relationship with the Ashley Family. Therefore, you don't have to worry about them."

Zhao Hai nodded. He wasn't quite clear about the relationship between various influences in the Machine Field. Although he had looked things up on the internet, he couldn't believe anything online.

Margaret continued, "However, you need to pay attention to the Adam Academy. Behind the academy is the Adam Family. Our two families have a grudge against each other. Because of this, no matter which academy, if an extraordinary talent emerges, the other party would do their best to exterminate that talent. This time, Jin Changji saw you, he should be aware that you will be joining the Ashley Family. They have six people this time, so they will definitely try to make a move during the exam. You need to be careful." Zhao Hai nodded and said, "Rest assured, I will pay attention to them."

Margaret sighed, "I didn't want you to do the trial at this time, but your strength has already reached this level. It would be useless to let you learn the basics. Even though the Bone Symbol Camp didn't employ brutal training methods, exams like these are inevitable in the academy. And you can only join the camp after you pass the exam. In this exam, the most dangerous ones aren't the beasts and malicious ghosts. Instead, you need to be alert against those who will take the exam with you. You won't know when they'll make a move, so don't trust anyone. If necessary, kill them. Understand?"

Zhao Hai nodded, "Yes, I understand."

Margaret gave a nod, then she added, "Take a good rest. Sim will tell you about the contents of the exam tomorrow. You should prepare as well. You can go outside and buy things that you need. The money you have on your ID card can be used here as well."

Seeing Zhao Hai nod, Margaret turned and left the room. Zhao Hai immediately used his anti-surveillance device to see if there were any monitoring devices inside the room. Sure enough, he was able to discover monitoring devices. Moreover, it seems like these devices weren't installed recently. This caused Zhao Hai to be curious.

After removing the monitoring devices, Zhao Hai took a good look at his room. The place wasn't very big. There were only two rooms; a living room and then a small bedroom that had a bathroom inside.

Zhao Hai knew that Margaret was just next door. Moreover, the soundproofing wasn't good. Because of this, Zhao Hai didn't make Laura and the others come out. Instead, he went to his bedroom, pulled down the curtains, and then entered the Space.

After returning to the Space, Zhao Hai immediately started cultivating. He just discovered that the exam might be more dangerous than he imagined. Because of this, he needed to be more familiar with his strength as soon as possible.

Condensing magic formations, experimenting with magic formation combinations, and even trying out sword qi. Zhao Hai's workload has increased.

Although Laura and the others felt worried about Zhao Hai, they didn't stop him. They knew that Zhao Hai's hard work would only make their lives in the Machine Field much better and comfortable.

Because of this, they decided to be diligent in handling Zhao Hai's other affairs. They made sure that Zhao Hai ate well, rest well, and was always at his optimum condition.

After practicing for several hours, Zhao Hai proceeded to take a rest. He will understand the contents of the exam tomorrow. Perhaps, it might even start immediately. Zhao Hai didn't dare to tire himself out at this time since it would affect his condition tomorrow.

#### Chapter 1094: Killing Intent from Slaughtering a Million People

The academy reception looked similar to any commercial hotel. And in addition to rooms, there were also areas that allowed Mages and Warriors to practice as well as conference rooms.

This conference room wasn't the room with a round table that normal people might think. Instead, this room looked more like a classroom. There was one person in front while the others sat on the chairs.

Sim was standing in front of the room while Zhao Hai and the others sat on the chairs. Besides Zhao Hai and Margaret, Jin Changji's group of seven was also present. In addition, there were also five people that looked like Warriors. They were people from the Wild Academy.

Just like Margaret said, the people from the Wild Academy were very polite to them. Just as they entered the conference room, their Instructor greeted Margaret and shared a few words with her.

When everyone had sat down, Sim gestured towards the wall behind him. On the wall was a stretch of map. In this map were dazzling amounts of mining tunnels.

Fortunately, in this cobweb of a mining network, there were green lines that ran through them. There were also tunnels that had red lines and red dots.

Sim referred to the red lines and said, "These are old mining tunnels. Malicious ghosts appeared in these tunnels before so we send people to check them often. As soon as a malicious ghost is spotted, we will immediately inform the academies so that they can send people to destroy them."

After that, Sim pointed at the red dots and said, "In this particular tunnel, malicious ghosts and creatures frequently appear. We don't know what is going on inside. What we know is that some severe change occurred and some Undead creatures appeared. Sometimes, mutant beasts appear as well. At this time, there are five malicious ghosts and more than 100 Undead inside. We haven't fully explored the tunnel so we cannot rule out other dangers."

Margaret wrinkled her brow and said, "Mister Sim, how long has it been since you explored this tunnel? Why are there so many malicious ghosts?"

Sim immediately answered, "We explore the tunnels every other month. It isn't necessary that these malicious ghosts were produced in this tunnel. They can come from other tunnels and just ran here. This tunnel is very big and the dark energy inside it is strong, very suitable for dark creatures to live in. I think it's because of this reason that there are so many malicious ghosts."



Margaret nodded and said, "Is it necessary to be in teams during this exam?"

Sim shook his head and said, "This old man wouldn't require that. It depends on the arrangement your academies make. If you want to team up, then you can do so. It would also be fine to do the exam alone."

Margaret frowned, "Aren't all those malicious ghosts inside the same tunnel? How can one take the exam alone?"

Sim forced a smile and said, "Instructor Margaret, I think you misunderstood. This tunnel is very big, it isn't smaller than a mining city. In fact, this tunnel was intended to be used to make a mining city. Because of this, there are holes in this tunnel that led to other tunnels. It can be said that this cave tunnel extends in all directions, like a maze. Teams might have more trouble catching a malicious ghosts, but they are safer. On the other hand, those who are alone might find malicious ghosts easier, but they are in more danger..."

Hearing Sim's words, Margaret understood what he meant. Whether it was Sim or Margaret or the others, they all knew that the most dangerous element in this exam weren't the malicious ghosts, it was the other examinees. Because of this, going in a team was much more dangerous than going alone.

At this time, Jin Changji coldly snorted and said, "Some people really want to take advantage of others once they see their only candidate in trouble. Our Adam Academy already has six people as a team. We can't have any more people enter."

Anger flashed in Margaret's eyes. However, she didn't show her anger. She was just asking what being in a team meant. Taking the exam in a team and taking it individually was different. Teams weren't allowed to attack each other. Margaret also wasn't aware of Zhao Hai's current strength. In her mind, Zhao Hai was at most a 1st level Mage. Being able to layer five formations would already be good for him. But with his current strength, entering the exam without a team would be dangerous.

Now, after Jin Changji spoke, it was impossible for Margaret to prepare a team. She couldn't help but sigh. Zhao Hai was the best talent that the Bone Symbol Camp had seen in many years. She didn't really want to lose Zhao Hai in this exam.

As she sighed, Margaret began to have thoughts about withdrawing Zhao Hai from this examination. However, she knew that it would be impossible. Once people entered the examination area, participants were no longer able to withdraw. It was even impossible to admit defeat ahead of time.

Margaret began to blame herself for not preparing enough. She should have investigated the exam in advance. She didn't expect to run into the Adam Academy. Zhao Hai might get unlucky this time.

However, since things had developed up to this point, Margaret can no longer back down. Margaret just snorted as she stood up and approached the Wild Academy's leader and said, "Hello, Mister Dan, how about forming an alliance with my academy?"

The Wild Academy's instructor couldn't help but gawk upon hearing Margaret. Then he turned his head towards Jin Changji. Normally, he would agree to Margaret's request. After all, a Mage-Warrior team could display even bigger might.

But this time, the Adam Academy was present, and they brought six people with them. On the other hand, the Wild Academy only had four examinees. The Ashely Academy and the Adam Academy had a grudge against each other. Having Zhao Hai with them would definitely bring danger the Wild Academy team.

After seeing the expression on Instructor Dan's face, Margaret's heart couldn't help but sink. She knew what he was thinking. However, Margaret couldn't blame him, so before Dan could answer, Margaret just nodded and said, "It's fine if Instructor doesn't want to." Then she turned around and left, incurring Jin Changji's ridicule.

Seeing the look on Jin Changji's eyes, Zhao Hai turned his head to Margaret and whispered, "Instructor, will it be a problem if too many people die in the tunnels?"

After hearing Zhao Hai, Margaret couldn't help but stare. Then she turned to look at Zhao Hai. Although Zhao Hai's smile stayed the same, Margaret's heart turned cold.

Margaret knew that Zhao Hai was intending to kill upon hearing his words. However, no killing intent can be felt from Zhao Hai's body. His body language seemed as if he was talking to a friend. This kind of performance showed that Zhao Hai had been killing people in the lower realm.

The more one kills, the heavier a person's killing aura would be. If one killed 100 people, the killing aura on their body would be very heavy. If ordinary people met them, the killing aura would be enough to frighten them. However, once one killed more than a million people, they would be able to learn how to hide their killing intent. Even if they killed, they wouldn't exude any intention of murder.

It can be said that if a person can hide their killing intent well, then they were definitely butchers, people who killed a million people!

Margaret had seen a lot of devils that have ascended from the lower realms. However, these people were still far from killing a million people. These people couldn't hide their killing aura. In Margaret's case, she only saw one person who was able to hide their killing aura. This person was a core member of the Ashely family who had went to the six realm's battlefield for many years. People who came back from this smelting trial became extremely powerful. But even so, this person would still show his killing aura once he lost his temper. He was unlike Zhao Hai could completely hide his killing aura.

This only meant that Zhao Hai hadn't just killed a million people!

Thinking about this number was terrifying. One person killing a million people, what was this concept? Average people would have long turned insane from killing this much people. And now, Zhao Hai seemed like a normal person. He even gave people a very sunny feeling. Such a person was actually scary, he was certainly an abnormal character.

Zhao Hai didn't expect that his few words would invoke this many thoughts from Margaret. If he knew about Margaret's thoughts about his killing aura, he would definitely be rendered speechless.

Margaret's thoughts ended in an instant, then she replied, "No, there would be no problem if you kill those people." Zhao Hai nodded.

At this time, Sim looked at Margaret with sympathy. Then he turned his head to the others and said, "There are more than a dozen entrances to this tunnel. Will everyone go together or separately?"

Although Margaret knew that Zhao Hai had killed a lot of people, she still wasn't assured about his strength. So she was the first to reply, "We'll be going on our own." Sim nodded and then looked at the Adam Academy and the Wild Academy. The two also chose to leave separately.

Sim nodded and said, "Alright, then you three groups should prepare things and then eat. I will arrange three cars for you. These cars will send you down the tunnel and wait for your return. Although we can't see what happens in the tunnel, our people had set up an alarm inside it. Once you kill the malicious ghosts and the undead, the alarm would stop. We will then come and inform you that the exam is over. You have three hours to prepare. After three hours, come back here and I will lead you to your cars."

#### Chapter 1095: Like Watching a Horror Film

Zhao Hai calmly sat inside the moving car. The vehicle he was riding on was modified with thick armor. But besides that, the inside of the car didn't have too much change. The seats of the car could be levelled, allowing a person to lie down and rest. There was also a machine inside that automatically served tea.

While drinking tea, Zhao Hai used his spiritual force in order to examine the situation outside. In fact, the technique that he used was the same technique that was widely utilized in the Underworld. Because of this, he was quite familiar with it.

He didn't release his flying needles because he didn't know how people were monitoring this exam. It wouldn't be good if a Master came and saw the flying needles. Being in a strange environment, Zhao Hai needed to keep his cards secret as long as possible.

The car was very fast and agile. After flying for more than three hours, the car entered the tunnel that Sim described.

As soon as he entered the mine, Zhao Hai's brows couldn't help but jump. This was because there was a lot of dark energy inside. The dark energy was very strong. Although it was incomparable to the Underworld's level, on a planet with thin spiritual qi, it was still a strange phenomenon.

The speeding car advanced without slowing down. However, the lights coming from the front seemed to stop short. Zhao Hai knew that this wasn't because of the car's lights. The place just had a very thick dark energy, affecting the distance illuminated by the light.

Zhao Hai felt the dark energy around him and discovered that this energy was different than the one present in the Underworld. The dark energy in the Underworld was calm and pure. On the other hand, the dark energy here had a wild property to it. It can be compared to an angered magic beast.

Zhao Hai knit his brows. He knew that dark energy with this wild characteristic couldn't grow docile creatures. No wonder malicious ghosts were present here, so it was because of this.

Although Zhao Hai had some concerns about other things, he wasn't worried about the dark creatures present here. He had been too exposed to dark energy that he had already familiarized himself with it. The dark energy here might be different, but it didn't affect Zhao Hai at all.

After nearly another hour, the speeding car stopped. Once he was out, Zhao Hai swept the surroundings with his spiritual force. He had arrived at a fairly huge space, it should be a major mining tunnel. It wasn't any smaller than the mining city that Zhao Hai just came from.

Zhao Hai didn't stay by the speeding car for long. He quickly flew towards the tunnel. His spiritual force also scanned the surroundings. He wanted to see exactly how large the tunnel was.

With Zhao Hai's spiritual strength, this wasn't a difficult thing to do. His spiritual strength has been fully developed in the Underworld and could be sent thousands of kilometers away.

This was also the special characteristic of those who live in the Underworld. Because they weren't able to see anything, creatures in the Underworld needed to use their spiritual force instead of their eyes. Developing their spiritual force was very important.

Zhao Hai stayed in the Underworld for quite some time. In addition to his already formidable spiritual force, his stay in the Underworld made his spiritual force even stronger.

At this point, most Mages at the same level couldn't defeat Zhao Hai's spiritual force. And Zhao Hai had already reached level 4 as a Mage, he was considered as a minor expert.

Before long, Zhao Hai's spiritual force covered the entire tunnel. The total space inside was quite large. There were a lot of small and large tunnels connected to it. Moreover, Zhao Hai already discovered the two other academy student teams inside the tunnels.

Zhao Hai swept one of the team with his spiritual force, they were the four Warriors from the Wild Academy. They had already withdrawn their weapons and formed a circle. The one in front carried a bright lamp.

He didn't see anything wrong with what they were doing. After all, Warriors don't have very strong spiritual force.

When Zhao Hai swept the Adam Academy with his spiritual force, he couldn't help but smile. Although they came with six people, they weren't grouped up. They were wary of each other and even held their own lamps.

Mages in a dark environment, but they were using lamps, weren't they just making themselves a target? Warriors don't have strong spiritual force, so it was understandable for them to use lamps. However, one shouldn't forget that Warriors had formidable bodies. Even if an enemy gets close to them, they would still be able to defend themselves. As for Mages, they couldn't achieve this point.

Mages were more suited to long-distance attacks. And with their weak bodies, illuminating themselves with lamps could only be described as courting death.

Fortunately, these Mages still had a bit of brain matter left. They arranged several layers of protective formations on their bodies. However, most protective formations shone. This might not be an issue in a well-lit environment, but in the dark, the shine from the formations just made them moving lighthouses.

Zhao Hai didn't think about taking action against these people at this time. This was because he just discovered where the malicious ghosts and undead were. In addition to the malicious ghosts and the undead, Zhao Hai also found a few beasts. They were all inside small caves in the tunnel.

But what made Zhao Hai somewhat depressed was that the malicious ghosts and the Undead were very close to the Adam Academy's students. Meanwhile, he was a bit far from them.

Zhao Hai didn't know that this was actually because of Margaret's request to Sim. Naturally, Margaret and Sim didn't know where the malicious ghosts were. However, Sim can change where Zhao Hai would end up. Margaret requested Zhao Hai to be dropped far away from the Adam Academy. Therefore, the current situation happened.

Through the Space, Zhao Hai used a couple of jumps before arriving where the malicious ghosts were. However, he didn't make a move. Instead, he waited for an opportunity.

Zhao Hai calculated that if the Adam Academy's people were to continue going forward, it wouldn't take long before they meet the malicious ghosts. Once both sides fight, Zhao Hai would see the Adam Academy's level as well as the strength of the malicious ghosts.

If the malicious ghosts killed the Adam Academy students, then that would save Zhao Hai a lot of trouble. When Zhao Hai asked Margaret earlier, he was really intending to kill these Adam Academy students. Although they were both from the lower realms and didn't share any enmity, Zhao Hai was certain that Jin Changji had instructed them to get rid of him once they meet in the tunnel. Zhao Hai wasn't a saint, as long as a potential danger emerges, he will immediately eliminate it.

Zhao Hai had already dissolved into the dark energy around him. Even the malicious ghosts wouldn't be able to sense his presence, much less the people from the Adam Academy.

Zhao Hai learned this move from the Lich. The Lich had the ability to transform the energy inside their body into dark energy and then integrate it with the Underworld's dark mist. Actually, their bodies were still present during this time. Zhao Hai made adjustments on this trick so that he can use it for himself.

Before long, the Adam Academy's students entered the territory of a malicious ghost. From what Zhao Hai sensed, this tunnel didn't have five malicious ghosts, but seven. However, these seven ghosts weren't in a group. They were in their own territories and there seems to be no evidence of a close alliance between them.

Each malicious ghosts had several undead as subordinates. However, these Undead weren't only humanoid, there were also beasts among them.

When the group of Mages entered the malicious ghost's territory, the malicious ghost immediately discovered their presence. The ghost proceeded to hide itself before sending out a loud shout. The shout was very sharp and ugly to hear. It was truly a ghost's wail.

Hearing this ghost's wail, Zhao Hai couldn't help but knit his brows. This was because the ghost's cry was actually a spiritual attack.

The malicious ghosts looked a bit like the Lich, they didn't have physical bodies and were more ugly. They had horrific face and long fingernails. Zhao Hai didn't expect them to look like this.

As the malicious ghost issued its loud cry, its undead subordinates also moved towards the group of Mages. Besides them, the other malicious ghosts also sent their subordinates over. The beasts inside the tunnel were beginning to move as well.

Although Zhao Hai wasn't afraid of these things, he wasn't planning to offer his help. He wanted to see how strong the Adam Academy's students were.

Naturally, Adam Academy's six Mages were able to hear the ghost's cry. The group stopped before beginning to group up, but there were still some distance between them. Zhao Hai looked at their action and couldn't help but laugh. They were already in a predicament yet they were still wary of each other. It would be difficult for them to survive at this rate.

When he thought of this, Zhao Hai's figure flashed as he entered the Space. These ghosts were pretty sensitive to dark energy. Zhao Hai didn't want to risk himself being discovered and keeping disaster from happening to the Adam Academy's people.

As soon as Zhao Hai entered the Space, he saw Laura and the others looking at the monitor. Displayed on the screen was the situation with the malicious ghosts and the Adam Academy. The women were sitting there with a nervous expression.

Zhao Hai knew that they weren't really worried about the Mages of the Adam Academy. They were looking at the scene as though they were looking at a horror film.

Zhao Hai coughed lightly, causing Laura and the others to jump in fright. Seeing their reaction, Zhao Hai couldn't help but laugh. When Laura and the others saw Zhao Hai laughing at their frightened expressions, they couldn't help but scold him in anger. After some time, the group sat down and looked at the monitor.

Although the Adam Academy students kept some distance from the others, they could still see each other. At this time, an old Mage waved his staff, causing a magic formation to appear followed by a burst of light. The light condensed into a light ball that illuminated the surrounding area.



Zhao Hai nodded, seeing that it was light magic, it seems like the old Mage was a Light element Mage. Moreover, he seems to be able to use Magic Theory.

The younger Mages saw the old Mage's move and also cast their own magic. But since all of them weren't Light element Mages or all-element Mages, they can only use lower realm light magic.

Zhao Hai actually gave a nod. In this mining tunnel, only light energy can suppress the dark energy. Although Magic Theory was more formidable than ordinary magic, only light magic could suppress dark magic. Moreover, it wasn't a wise choice to use magic that one wasn't familiar with.

Ascenders like Zhao Hai could use almost all elements from the lower realms. Even if they weren't skilled, it still wouldn't be difficult to use low-level magic from other elements.

At this time, knowing that your enemy was a dark creature, the best choice was to use light magic of the lower realms other than using unfamiliar magic from Magic Theory. At the very least, they could guarantee their own safety.

Seeing that the Mages had used light magic, the malicious ghost didn't go forward and stayed hidden in the darkness. Its mouth cried time and time again. Besides being a spiritual attack, this cry also instructed its subordinates to charge towards the enemy.

The ghosts' subordinates were Undead, so they also have an innate fear of light magic. However, they couldn't hold back the command of the ghosts, the only thing they could do was to slowly move forward.

When the Undead got in contact with the light element magic, their bodies immediately emitted black gas. Each Undead gave out a pitiful yell as their bodies slowly dissolved.

The Adam Academy's students relaxed when they saw this happening. The magic in their hands went past the Undead but they weren't able to hit the malicious ghost at all. The ghost just floated in place like a viper hiding in the darkness, staring at the six Mages.

At this time, the other malicious ghosts did the same as the other ghost. They commanded their Undead towards the Mages as they themselves hid.

## Chapter 1096: Wild Beasts

Although the undead controlled by the malicious ghosts weren't strong, there weren't 100 just like Sim said. Instead, it was more than a thousand!

The Mages present here were strong, but in such an environment, they were already under tremendous pressure. And even if the light element magic were lethal to the Undead, the Undead just stopped going inside the range of the magic. Instead, the Undead took stones and began throwing them towards the Mages.

These Undead were low-level zombies. They weren't fast nor were they defensive, however, they were actually famed for their strength. Each stone that these zombies threw would certainly have great strength behind it.

Fortunately for the Mages, they already had protective measures on their bodies. Because of this, the stones didn't pose too much of a threat to them. And these Mages weren't just standing targets, they immediately launched their own magic towards the Undead. And after passing through layers of formations, the might of these spells couldn't be underestimated. It didn't take long before the Mages were able to decimate the more than 1000 Undead.

However, the Mages only managed to destroy the Undead. Their original target, the malicious ghosts, remained unharmed.

Not only did the malicious ghosts remain uninjured, the sounds of fighting also attracted the nearby beasts. The strange thing was, although the beasts could sense the malicious ghosts, both of them were actually living in peace. They seem to have a mutual understanding that the Mages were their enemy.

These beasts weren't simple. When Zhao Hai scanned them using his spiritual force, these beasts actually reacted. This reaction surprised Zhao Hai the most.

Zhao Hai's spiritual force was very hard to detect. However, these beasts actually managed to faintly sense it. Zhao Hai also discovered that these beasts and malicious ghosts had at least king-level strength. Although their strength couldn't compare to the Mages present, this didn't mean that they couldn't do anything.

Although Magic Theory produced great power, its requirements for spiritual force was also quite huge. These Mages had just ascended, even the staff they used were from the lower realms. If these Mages exhaust themselves, then they wouldn't be able to stop the assault coming from the malicious ghosts and the beasts.

Zhao Hai sat inside the Space and looked at the monitor. The malicious ghosts and the beasts had encircled the six Mages, prepared to attack at any time. However, the Mages were clueless about this development, they just continued to advance with caution.

Zhao Hai could see that the environment of the tunnel closely resembled the Underworld. Not only was its dark energy dense, it also had a slight suppression on the soul. This caused the strength of the people inside it to be suppressed. However, Zhao Hai already accustomed himself to the Underworld, and with his formidable spiritual force, this effect didn't have any use to him.

Zhao Hai knew that these Mages wouldn't live for long. The malicious ghosts and the beasts had coordinated themselves well. Currently, the Mages still had enough strength to put up a fight. But once they run out of energy, these malicious ghosts and beasts would definitely be impolite.

However, this development didn't make Zhao Hai glad. Even his feeling of watching a movie had disappeared. The movements of these malicious ghosts and beasts were very unusual. They were too smart and knew how to work with each other. This wasn't something that ordinary ghosts nor beasts could do.

Naturally, this didn't necessarily mean that these malicious ghosts and beasts were under someone's control. In fact, there was a very small probability for this to happen. Dark cultivators would never choose Tyro planet. Even if this tunnel had thick yin energy, almost similar to the Underworld, there were much better places for them to go in the Cultivation Realm.

Instead of being under someone's control, all signs indicated that these malicious ghosts and beasts were probably protecting something. The question now was, what were they protecting?

Does this tunnel have something like the Underworld's giant heart? Was it worth their protection?

The thought of this caused Zhao Hai's brows to wrinkle even more. Laura and the others had no time to notice Zhao Hai's expression at this time. Currently, all of their eyes were stuck on the monitor. They were completely immersed in this horror story happening in front of them.

Zhao Hai gently waved his hand, causing another smaller monitor to appear in front of him. Shown on this screen were the four Warriors from the Wild Academy. Hearing the battle between the Mages and the Undead, the four Warriors decided to come.

Zhao Hai didn't stop them, and he didn't have any reason to. Although the Ashley Family had some friendship with the Northwild family, Zhao Hai could see that this relationship wasn't that deep. Otherwise, when Margaret asked their instructor to team up, they wouldn't have disagreed.

Zhao Hai had certain classifications for people. The first type were his family, like Laura and the others. If someone dared to make a move on his family, then they would die!

The second type were his friends like Dins and the others. Although Zhao Hai would provide them help during their difficult time, he wouldn't treat them as though they were his family. And if there came a time where Dins and the others could help him but didn't, then that would be the time to end their friendship.

The third type of people were passers-by. These people had no relationship with him. He wouldn't go out of his way to give them a hand. To him, they didn't matter. After all, he wasn't a saint.

The last type were his enemies. Needless to say, they were people he needed to eliminate.

To Zhao Hai, people from the Wild Academy were passers-by. Their lives didn't matter to him. He wouldn't kill them, but he also wouldn't stop them if they were courting death.

Just before the Warriors from the Wild Academy reach the Adam Academy's Mages, the beasts suddenly began their attack. Meanwhile, the malicious ghosts stayed put.

However, those dark beasts were enough to deal with the Mages. All in all, there were 12 dark beasts with strengths equal or greater than king-level experts in the Underworld. Most importantly, although

the energy inside these beasts were dark, they weren't Undead, thus they were alive. In turn, this gave them the ability to resist light magic.

Of the 12 dark beasts, 10 looked like wolves. But instead of fur, they had scales on their bodies, making them look more terrifying.

The other two beasts had the form of snakes. Their entire body was black and covered in scales, making them fully integrate into the darkness. These snakes didn't look strong and could even be grabbed by one's hand. However, the snakes were very long, both of them had bodies that extended 20 meters out.

While searching for information about Tyro Planet, Zhao Hai was introduced to these snakes. In fact, these snakes were quite famous in the planet. They were relatives of Ironthread Snakes, known as Poisonous Ironthread Serpents!

Poisonous Ironthread Serpents were beasts unique to Tyro Planet. Their bodies were harder than iron and comparable to steel. Most importantly, their poison was very lethal; even their scales were poisonous. If one was bitten by this snake, even level four Warriors wouldn't be able to survive.

The wolves weren't simple either. They were known as Poisonscale Wolves. They were beasts that lived in a pack of five to ten members. They weren't strong but all of them were poisonous. They were also able to spit poison from their mouth. Their poison could corrode battle qi and magic. If the poison hits a human, the person would soon dissolve into black liquid.

Naturally, these things weren't found by Zhao Hai. They were all presented to him by Laura and the others. After knowing that Zhao Hai was heading to Tyro Planet, Laura and the others began to check for information regarding the place. Tyro Planet was relatively famous in the Machine Field, so they were able to find information about the planet quite easily. While they were browsing, they were able to find information about the Poisonous Ironthread Serpents as well as the Poisonscale Wolves.

The Poisonscale Wolves slowly came out of the shadows, coming under the light produced by light magic. The range of the Old Mage's light element magic was now smaller than before. It was obvious that he was beginning to be exhausted.

Seeing the Poisonscale Wolves, the expressions of the Mages couldn't help but change. They were here to eliminate malicious ghosts, they didn't expect to meet poisonscale wolves. They weren't fools, so

after arriving at Tyro Planet, they immediately searched for information about the planet. Therefore, they were aware about how terrifying these wolves were.

Upon seeing the wolves, a young Mage couldn't help but say, "Poisonscale Wolves? Why are they here? Where are the malicious ghosts?"

Nobody replied to him, causing the Mage's face to turn uglier. At this time, the poisonscale wolves began to launch their attack. As the wolves attacked, the two poisonous ironthread serpents began to scale the walls of the cave.

Zhao Hai couldn't help but frown upon seeing the wolves. Although poisonscale wolves were quite strong, they don't seem to be able to fly. In the lower realms, those with the same strength as the wolves were able to fly, so why weren't these wolves flying?

It was certainly strange.

While Zhao Hai was thinking about this, the poisonscale wolves swarmed the six Mages. The malicious ghosts and snakes stayed put, preparing to stage an ambush if an opportunity came.

Chapter 1097: Malicious Ghosts Possession

Hu!

A poisonscale wolf pounced towards a Mage. Although the wolf couldn't fly, its leap still covered a huge distance. It jumped a hundred meters in one go. The Mage didn't expect the wolf to jump so far, so he wasn't able to guard on time. This allowed the wolf to hit the Mage's protective barrier.

Boom!

The Mage's barrier fiercely shook, causing his body to fly backwards. While the Mage was pushed back, his barrier shattered as well.

This caused the Mage's expression to change. One should know that this protective barrier was made using Magic Theory. Although it was only a single-layer formation, it was still very powerful compared to normal barriers. How could such a barrier be destroyed by a poisonscale wolf in one strike?

However, it seems like the strike also exhausted the wolf. As it fell from the air, the wolf looked like a falling leaf as it fluttered to the ground.

The Mage relaxed. But just as he was about to arrange another single-layer barrier, he suddenly felt his back turn cold. He was startled and immediately flew forward.

But it was already too late. As the Mage was flying forward, he felt his neck turn cool, then his arms felt light, then his entire body completely shut down. At this time, the other Mages had yet to notice this, but Zhao Hai was able to see everything. A poisonous ironthread serpent just attacked. After tying down the Mage's neck, the snake bit off one arm before proceeding to take the Mage's life.

Not long after the Mage died, the snake wrapped around his neck tighter, slammed its body on the ground and then flung the body towards the darkness. At the same time, the snake used the momentum from throwing the Mage's body in order to retreat and find an opportunity to attack another Mage.

Before the first Mage's body hit the dark floor of the cave, a malicious ghost suddenly charged forward and slowly possessed the Mage's body. The 'Mage' then opened his eyes. However, the eyes were completely black. Also, his body was filled with strong killing aura.

The possessed Mage fluttered back into the light magic. But as he entered the range of the light magic, he began to emit black gas. His eyes also showed a painful expression. However, he didn't make any noise. Instead, he continued to get close to another Mage. This Mage turned out to be the Old Light Mage.

Zhao Hai calmly looked as all of these happened. After the poisonous ironthread serpent flung the Mage towards the darkness, Zhao Hai knew that the Mage was already dead. However, instead of being transformed into an Undead like he expected, the malicious ghost actually possessed the Mage's body.

Back on Earth, it was well-known that ghosts were able to possess a body. However, Zhao Hai didn't see any ghosts in the Ark Continent nor the Underworld that could do so. He didn't expect to see this ability here.

The possessed ghost was already beside the Old Mage. Although the Mages from the Adam Academy weren't united, they weren't stupid. They were aware that the Old Mage was the only Light element

Mage among them. If the Old Mage died, then they would have a very difficult time fending off the ghosts and beasts.

Because of this, the Mages grouped up with the Old Mage being in the center.

But since these Mages weren't able to see the action made by the poisonous ironthread serpent, they didn't have any suspicion towards the possessed Mage. This allowed the possessed Mage to get close to the Old Mage without any difficulties.

The possessed Mage also pretended to hold off the a.s.saulting poisonscale wolves. At the same time, he went closer and closer towards the Old Mage. Before long, the malicious ghost was already five meters away from the Old Mage.

Although the Old Mage noted this action, he didn't attack the malicious ghost. The Old Mage's magic now had reduced range. Also, the other Mages didn't use light magic from Magic Theory, instead they used lower realm magic.

Zhao Hai knew that the old Mage's spiritual force was beginning to be exhausted. It must be said that the Old Mage's spiritual force shouldn't have been exhausted this soon. However, the Old Mage still wasn't familiar with Magic Theory, this caused him to consume more spiritual force than usual.

Another reason for this consumption might be the Mages' underestimation of the Undead. These Mages had also met Undead in their own lower realms, so they didn't take the Undead too seriously. Because of this, they attacked the Undead without thinking. As a result, they consumed their spiritual force too quickly before even meeting a malicious ghost.

While the Old Mage was distracted, the possessed Mage suddenly charged towards him. Then the possessed Mage stretched his hands out. These hands didn't cast any magic, instead it became long black claws that looked very menacing.

The Old Mage wasn't on guard against this surprise attack. When he discovered the attack, it was already too late. Before the Old Mage could react, the ghost's claws had already ripped a whole on the Old Mage's throat.



The Old Mage's throat gave out a horrifying sound as he looked at the malicious ghost in horror. It didn't take long before the Old Mage lost his strength. With n.o.body left to maintain it, the light magic began to vanish.

With the Old Mage dead and the powerful light element magic gone, the other malicious ghosts began to charge towards the other Mages. The poisonscale wolves and the poisonous ironthread serpents also pounced towards the remaining four Mages.

The four Mages panicked, they didn't expect the Old Mage to die just like that. They were confident that as long as the Old Mage lived, even if they couldn't kill the malicious ghosts, they could still escape. Now that the Old Mage was dead, their opportunity to escape was gone.

While the four Mages were still fl.u.s.tered, the ghosts and the beasts seized the opportunity as their roared and charged over. With the cooperation between the ghosts and the beasts, the four Mages were killed in less than ten minutes.

After the remaining Mages died, the other malicious ghosts proceeded to possess their bodies. At the same time, the beasts hid themselves in the darkness. This was because they could feel other people entering the area.

This time, the team that entered were the Warriors from Wild Academy. Each one of them were now carrying lamps as they flew forward.

Zhao Hai looked at the four Warriors and then sighed, "If they came a few minutes earlier, they might have been able to unite with the Mages. Even if they can't kill the ghosts, it wouldn't be a problem for them to escape. But now, they are already too late." Laura and the other nodded. Then Laura turned to Zhao hai and said, "Brother Hai, will you make a move now?"

Zhao Hai smiled faintly and said, "Not immediately. If I do, then wouldn't I just be telling them that I have been watching all this time? At the very least, they should get injured before I make a move."

Laura nodded, then didn't say anything else. The experience that Laura and the others gained wasn't any less than Zhao Hai's. They also had their own ideas regarding human nature. And as they grew together with Zhao Hai, they were wise enough to know that they didn't need to be polite to their enemies.

Before long, the Warriors of the Wild Academy met with the malicious ghosts. Although the ghosts had completed their possession, they didn't use any of the Mages' magic. And with the Warriors being extremely cautious, the group of dark creatures weren't given any chances to sneak attack. The only thing they could do now was to attack head-on.

The four Warriors had impeccable cooperation. Naturally, this was taught to them by their academy. Because of this, they were able to hold on amidst the attacks of the seven ghosts and 12 beasts.

However, the faces of the Warriors were quite ugly. They had just discovered that the Mages were all dead. Also, there weren't four or five malicious ghosts, instead there were seven. And of the seven, six of them possessed the Mages. Not only that, there were also 12 powerful beasts. They couldn't win against this much enemies, the only choice they have was to retreat.

One of the four Warriors suddenly said, "Wu Quan, Lan Jiang, you two block them while me and Fei Ni attack them with our sword qi. We'll try killing two of them at a time as we retreat. The situation here is much worse than what Instructor told us. We aren't their opponents."

The three other Warriors nodded. After that, two of them began to take their weapons out and blocked the ghosts and the beasts. Meanwhile, the other two also took their weapons out as they readied themselves to launch their attack.

The latter two's aura got stronger and stronger as the swords in their hands shone. Then the two gave a shout as they waved their sword to cut the nearby poisonscale wolves.

The two poisonscale wolves just pounced. With their body still in mid-air, the wolves were unable to dodge. The sword qi slashed through the wolves as though they were paper. The wolves were immediately cut in half. They gave a pitiful sound as they hit the ground, their internal organs spewing out of their bodies. They only twitched for a few moments before they became motionless.

This wasn't the end, the Warriors wielded their swords once more as they killed another two poisonscale wolves, two malicious ghosts, and one poisonous ironthread serpent.

This attack caused the remaining malicious ghosts and beasts to be afraid. The dark creatures stopped their attack before retreating to the dark, plunging the cave into silence once more.

## Chapter 1098: The End of the Exam

The Warriors weren't naive enough to think that the ghosts and the beasts wouldn't try to attack them again. On the contrary, the ghosts and beasts were now more dangerous since they were hidden.

The two Warriors that sent the sword qi were now very pale. They had just exhausted themselves and would need to recover for some time.

The group's leader made a decision, "Let's retreat immediately. The Adam Academy's Mages are dead. Also, there are more enemies than reported. We cannot kill them all by ourselves. We need to head back and look for instructor."

The others immediately agreed. The two Warriors who didn't send sword qi proceeded to protect their two weakened comrades.

Seeing that the situation had reached a crucial point, Zhao Hai stood up before turning his head to Laura and the others and said, "It's my time to enter the stage. Everyone, witness my performance!"

Laura and the others gave a warm applause, causing Zhao Hai to laugh before his figure flashed and left the s.p.a.ce. The next moment, Zhao Hai appeared back in the tunnel at a distance away from the battlefield. Naturally, he wasn't stupid enough to appear directly in the middle of the fight. That would make people think that he was just watching all this time. Therefore, Zhao Hai appeared at a distance and pretended to have just arrived at the scene.

When Zhao Hai appeared in the tunnel, he immediately released light element magic. His light element magic was released using Magic Theory. However, this magic wasn't an area attack. Instead, the light was concentrated, as though it was a searchlight from a lighthouse.

After that, Zhao Hai roared as he flew straight into the battle. His speed was very fast. Currently on Zhao Hai's hand was his blood ghost staff. He lifted his staff as the magic formation directed the light magic forward. The light looked like a sharp sword that was plunged into the darkness.

Zhao Hai made sure to have the Warriors notice his arrival, hoping that the Warriors would stop retreating and deal with the enemy together with him. With this, there would be no suspicions placed on him. If the Warriors left, then the Adam Academy might doubt his claims.

With how huge Zhao Hai's move was, it was impossible for the Warriors to not notice him. Seeing the glaring beam of light, the Warriors immediately looked for its source. It didn't take long for them to know who was coming over.

There were three academies participating in this trial. And the Adam Academy's six students were already dead. The only person that has yet to show themselves was the Ashley Academy's sole participant.

With this thought, the Warriors couldn't help but hesitate. Then one of them said, "Khan, what do we do now? Should we keep retreating?" Khan looked at the beam of light and said, "That's light magic, it should be able to suppress the Undead. We can use this opportunity to fight alongside him. If we retreat now, we will fail the exam."

The other Warriors agreed, so all four of them stopped before they roared and joined the battle. Wu Qian and Lan Jiang put Fei Ni and Khan in the middle so that the two could recover their strength as soon as possible.

Zhao Hai was very fast. He also pretended to miss the Warriors' location. After the Warriors roared, he immediately adjusted his course and flew towards them at the quickest speed.

Before long, Zhao Hai arrived where the Warriors were. Zhao Hai also discovered that the malicious ghosts and the beasts had already encircled them.

Zhao Hai looked at the Warriors and smiled as he gave his greetings, "So its our friends from Wild Academy. What happened? I just sensed a disturbance in the energy of this place. Did you manage to find the malicious ghosts?"

Khan and the others returned the greeting. Then Khan answered, "We've seen Mister Zhao Hai. Yes, we've met with the malicious ghosts. They've already dealt with the Adam Academy. At this time, it's possible that we have been surrounded. Mister should be careful."

Zhao Hai wrinkled his brows as he said, "Really? I didn't expect malicious ghosts to be that strong."

Khan quickly answered, "Mister, there aren't just five malicious ghosts, but seven. There are also 12 poisonous beasts. But now, their numbers have been reduced to five ghosts and seven beasts. The others have already been killed by us."

Zhao Hai said 'oh' then he laughed as he waved his hand. A magic formation appeared on his magic staff. This magic formation caused a huge explosion of white light. This explosion illuminated a kilometer of area. Naturally, this illumination revealed the presence of ghosts and beasts.

After seeing the forms of the ghosts and beasts, Zhao Hai couldn't help but laugh as he said, "You dark creatures truly have skills. But unfortunately, it's time for you to die."

Appearing in Zhao Hai's hand was a magic formation. This formation was different than the light element one he used earlier. When the formation was released, the dark energy not being hit by the light beam became absorbed into the formation. The formation got darker and darker before it became extremely black. Then Zhao Hai waved his hand, causing the formation to enlarge and cover the malicious ghosts. While the malicious ghosts were struggling to get free, Zhao Hai muttered, "Receive!"

Just as his voice fell, the magic formation sucked everything into the middle. Khan and the others saw several shadows going out of the bodies of the Mages. Without the ghosts possessing them, the bodies of the Mages collapsed to the ground.

This was dark element magic. Dark element magic wasn't strong by itself, but after passing through formations, their strength multiplied. Because of this, the ghosts were easily sucked in and sent to the s.p.a.ce.

Just as the group of malicious ghosts entered the s.p.a.ce, a prompt was immediately heard, "Mutant Dark Element Undead detected. Undead has a large tendency for violence. Sensing negative sentiment towards the s.p.a.ce. Subduing. Undead has been subdued."

Zhao Hai wasn't too surprised about this prompt. As long as the ghosts were sent to the s.p.a.ce, then there was no way for them to escape.

After dealing with the malicious ghosts, Zhao Hai turned his attention to the remaining beasts. Then he said, "You b.a.s.t.a.r.ds also want to join in on the fun right? Then you might as well join them!"

Zhao Hai waved his hand, causing five formations to appear in front of him. As these formations appeared, the dark energy in the surroundings began to move once again. And this time, the suction speed was much greater. In a blink of an eye, the formations turned pure black. Zhao Hai looked at the formations and then said, "Dark being, tear the s.p.a.ce open!"

After Zhao Hai spoke, the five formations broke the s.p.a.ce. Shortly after that, an ancient savage roar was heard from the rift. Then two claws grabbed the rift, ripping a bigger hole. The spatial rift grew bigger and bigger. It was as if the world itself was being torn apart.

Then a head emerged from the rift.

The huge head was covered with black scales. It had a huge mouth enough to swallow ten people in one bite. It had teeth that seem like it could tear into one's soul. This caused the head to send chills to a person. The eyes on the head had slits, appearing both cold and ruthless.

The huge head looked around before fully emerging out of the rift. After going through, it issued a loud cry, causing pressure on the beasts. The beasts couldn't help but cower in its presence. They seem to be panicking at the sight of the monster.

Zhao Hai recognized the being at first glance. It turned out to be a Black Dragon. It looked similar to the dragons in the Ark Continent. However, the strength of this dragon was much stronger.

This dragon doesn't seem to be able to fly. From its looks, Zhao Hai thought that it was a T-rex. It was about 15 meters tall. It had two short front limbs. However, its legs had sharp looking claws. All of these plus its st.u.r.dy-looking tail demonstrated the creature's strength.

After the black dragon faced upwards and roared, its cold eyes turned towards the posionscale wolves and poisonous ironthread serpents. Then the dragon opened its mouth, breathing black flames towards the beasts.

The poisonscale wolves immediately turned around and ran. However, the black dragon didn't give them the opportunity to escape. It immediately charged over and overtook the wolves. Then it swung its tail, sending the wolves flying into the air. On the other hand, the poisonous ironthread serpents slithered towards a nearby tunnel to get out.

Khan and the others were looking at these events in a daze. They didn't expect a single person to deal with the wolves and the serpents. Wasn't this too easy?

In fact, they weren't aware that after the poisonscale wolves were sent flying, Zhao Hai opened a spatial rift and caught them, sending them to the s.p.a.ce. The same outcome happened to the poisonous ironthread serpents. As the serpents ran into the tunnels, they didn't expect a spatial rift waiting for them. Without even recognizing it, the serpents went towards the s.p.a.ce.

Seeing that the beasts had been taken care of, Zhao Hai gave a satisfied nod. Then he waved his hand, causing a spatial rift to appear, taking the black dragon in.

After he received the black dragon, Zhao Hai turned towards Khan and the other. He smiled faintly and said, "Everyone, I think there's nothing else left here. I'll be taking my leave first."

Just as his voice fell, he heard a voice, "The exam has been completed. Students, please return to your own vehicles."

Zhao Hai gave one last nod to Khan and the others before flying towards his car. It didn't take long before he reached his car, rode it, and proceeded to leave the place.

When Zhao Hai left, Khan and the others let out a long breath. Wu Quan turned to Khan and said, "Big Brother Khan, that Zhao Hai, how could he be that strong?"

Khan sighed, then he said, "By his present standard, he should still be a level 1 Mage. However, he can use more than one element. If it came to combat power, he is more powerful than most people at his level. Things aren't looking so good."

Wu Quan said, "Big Brother? Isn't the exam finished?"

Khan replied, "The Wild Academy and the Ashely Academy are in good terms with each other while the Adam Academy and the Ashley Academy are on bad terms. In this exam, all of the Adam Academy's Mages died. Although Zhao Hai and us aren't related to their deaths, I'm afraid the Adam Academy wouldn't believe our testimonies. Even if we are safe inside our Academies, we might be met with revenge once we left. This would bring us endless trouble. It would be great if we could store their bodies inside a spatial item. This way, we might be able to find a way out of this."

Wu Quan and the others understood what Khan wanted to do. However, when they ascended, they had already left their spatial item behind. They didn't have one right now.

Lan Jiang looked at the Mage corpses and then said, "Big Brother Khan, maybe those Mages have spatial items on them. Let's search their bodies first before we go back."

Those words made Khan nod. He said, "Right, I forgot about that. Go and search their bodies." Then the group flew towards the Mages. After they searched the bodies, they were able to get three pieces of spatial equipment. The group immediately placed the corpses inside a spatial item. Then they left the area and returned to their car.

As they flew, Wu Quan turned to Khan and said, "Big Brother Khan, since we've decided to join the Northwild Camp, how about we take two of these spatial items for ourselves? Let's return only one of them to the Adam Academy."

Khan shook his head and said, "We can't touch these spatial items. I'm almost sure that they're registered with the Adam Academy. If we take it, they would only doubt us. We'll hand everything over. Rest assured, after searching the Machine Field's network, it seems like spatial items aren't that rare. We can buy some if we earn some money."

Wu Quan and the others nodded. They agreed to this decision. When they returned to the car, the vehicle began to fly.

After a couple of hours, everyone returned to the tunnel city. Margaret and the others were already waiting for them there.

Seeing that Zhao Hai was safe, Margaret began to relax. Not long after Zhao Hai arrived, Khan and the others also came back.



After Zhao Hai gave Margaret his greetings, he stood behind her and didn't say anything. And while Khan was greeting his instructor, he also whispered a couple of words to him. Upon hearing Khan, the instructor's face couldn't help but change. He turned to Khan and said, "Are you telling the truth?"

Khan nodded and said, "It's true. These are their spatial items. There are three all in all." Then he handed the three items to the instructor.

Seeing the spatial items on his hands, the instructor sighed before walking towards Jin Changji.

#### Chapter 1099: You're Lying!

Jin Changji was currently feeling strange. The Wild Academy and the Ashley Academy's students had already returned. However, the Adam Academy's students had yet to arrive.

He didn't believe that the Adam Academy's students would have no survivors. After all, there were six of them, how could none of them survive?

Instructor Dan went to Jin Changji and said, "There's no need for Instructor Jin to wait. The Adam Academy's students wouldn't be returning." Then he handed over the three spatial items.

Jin Changji stared at the spatial items in Instructor Dan's hand. His expression changed as he said, "Why do you have their spatial items? Did the Wild Academy kill them?"

Instructor Dan didn't expect Jin Changji to turn hostile this soon. He coldly snorted before taking out six corpses. These corpses belonged to the Adam Academy's six Mages.

After releasing the corpses, Dan looked at Jin Changji and said, "Surnamed Jin, don't just bark like a wild dog. Act like your position. You aren't an idiot, you can look at their injuries to see how they died. Take these three spatial items, my Northwild family has a lot of them." Then he slammed the spatial rings into a nearby table. It might even be said that he embedded the rings into the table. One could see from this point how strong Dan really was.

Seeing Dan's conduct, Jin Changji's eyes couldn't help but shrink. But he just coldly snorted before turning his head to the six Mages.

After carefully looking at the corpses, Jin Changji's expression sank. This was because the injuries seen on the bodies indicated that they had been killed by malicious ghosts and beasts. And there wasn't any indication of tampering.

This wasn't the first time Jin Changji brought students to an exam. Therefore, he could see injuries caused by ghosts and beasts.

After some time, Jin Changji stood up slowly. He looked at Dan and said, "What happened?"

Although Dan was mad at him, that was only a momentary anger. Even so, he didn't look at Jin Changji's face and just answered, "There aren't just five ghosts in the tunnel, but seven ghosts and twelve beasts. It was your team that met them first. As for the state of the battle, Khan and the others only arrived when it was finished. When they sensed fighting, they immediately headed over. But when they arrived, the battle was already over. At that time, the six bodies had already been possessed by the ghosts. Khan's team was also surrounded by the ghosts and the beasts. They have no choice but to retreat. And just as they retreated, Zhao Hai appeared, killing all the ghosts and beasts."

Jin Changji quietly listened to Dan. Not only him, Margaret also took note of Dan's words. Upon hearing that Zhao Hai appeared and killed the ghosts and beasts, Margaret's eyes shone with happiness. She turned her head to Zhao Hai and said, "Zhao Hai, is Instructor Dan telling the truth?"

Zhao Hai shook his head and said, "When I appeared, the friends from Wild Academy had already killed five beasts and two ghosts. Therefore, I only killed five ghosts and seven beasts. As for what happened before, I haven't seen anything."

Jin Changji looked at Zhao Hai and said, "How could you possibly kill five ghosts and seven beasts? You're lying!"

Zhao Hai just coldly snorted and didn't answer. At this moment, Khan lightly coughed and said, "Instructor Jin, Mister Zhao Hai can certainly kill five five ghosts and seven beats. This is because he is already a level 1 Mage."

Jin Changji and Margaret who were listening to Khan couldn't help but gawk. Margaret felt pleasantly surprised at Zhao Hai. She turned to him and said, "Zhao Hai, are you really a level 1 Mage?" Jin Changji and Dan might not know how significant Zhao Hai's current level was, but Margaret did. Zhao Hai had just ascended last month. One month after ascending to the Machine Field, he was already a level 1 Mage. If others knew about this, it would certainly cause huge waves.

Not even waiting for Zhao Hai to answer, Jin Changji interjected, "Stop talking nonsense. How could he possibly be a level 1 Mage? I don't believe it." Then his hand moved, causing a ten layer formation to appear. Immediately after the formation appeared, a huge sword appeared and pierced towards Zhao Hai.

Margaret was able to see Jin Changji's movement. However, when she noticed it, the sword had already attacked. She just stopped thinking and went in front of Zhao Hai. Then she waved her hand, summoning a five-layer formation. The formation immediately activated, causing a water shield to appear.

With Jin Changji's sudden action, Margaret could only use this method to deal with it. A five-layer formation versus a ten-layer formation, their difference was a level. In this case, Margaret's water shield could only block the sword for a moment.

It didn't take long for the sword to cut through the water shield. With a force as strong as lightning, the sword cut towards Margaret. Seeing this development, Jin Changji's face turned pale as a corpse. But it was already impossible to stop the magic at this time.

Jin knew very well that Margaret wasn't just any other Instructor. Her true status wasn't simple. If he really killed Margaret here, then even the Adam Family wouldn't be able to save him.

At this time, a fiery red formation suddenly appeared in front of the sword, melting it slowly.

Fire magic just so happens to subdue Jin Changji's sword. Additionally, fire element magic was inherently strong. Otherwise, it wouldn't have been able to deal with the giant sword.

Repulsion between the five elements was also relative. Even if water counters fire, pouring a cup of water over a mountain of fire was still a useless move. At that time, it would be the fire repelling the water.

Seeing his sword being blocked, Jin Changji couldn't help but feel relieved. But at the same time, he could also see that the fire magic came from a five-layer formation. Moreover, it can be seen that this magic shield was made by Zhao Hai.

This discovery made Jin Changji's expression sink. He can now affirm that Zhao Hai was truly a level 1 Mage. Moreover, it seems like his spiritual force was strong. Level 1 Mages were usually unable to melt his sword. Although the sword was blocked by Margaret's five-layer water shield, its energy was mostly preserved after piercing through. At least, the sword should still have seven-tenths of its power. Nevertheless, Zhao Hai's fire shield was still able to block it. This meant that Zhao Hai's five-layer shield was able to block a seven-layer sword's strength. This was enough to show Zhao Hai's strength.

Margaret also responded at this time, her pale face turned towards Jin Changji and said, "Jin Changji, good, good. You actually dared to attack here. It seems like we'll see more deaths today!"

After she said that, she began to wave her staff. Upon seeing Margaret's expression, Jin Changji knew that if she went through with this, things wouldn't turn out great. He immediately bowed and said, "Instructor Margaret, you misunderstand. Please, calm down. Please calm down. I didn't do it on purpose!"

When she saw Jin Changji's helpless expression, Margaret decided to stop. Then she said, "What? You believe it now?"

Jin Changji smiled bitterly and said, "I believe it. I just didn't expect the Ashley Family to send a level 1 Mage for an exam. Instructor Margaret, how many months has it been since he ascended? How did he get so strong?"

The reason why Jin Changji asked this was because people who came to Tyro Planet for the exams were ascenders who had ascended for three or four months. And generally, three to four-month ascenders had yet to reach level 1.

Margaret looked at Jin Changji, she seemed to be dissatisfied with how things turned out. But she still replied, "Five months. He's the most talented genius that Ashley Academy had in the past ten years. Therefore, we had him participate in the exam a bit later. You're unlucky. If he met your students sooner, then those ghosts might not have killed them. I really didn't expect the ghosts to increase at this time."

After she spoke, everyone turned their attention to Sim. After all, it was Sim that gave them information about the ghosts. If Zhao Hai wasn't strong enough, then n.o.body would have survived the exam.

Although lower realm ascenders still needed some training, it was undeniable that they were geniuses. Especially those like Zhao Hai and Khan's group. After they develop in the Machine Field for several years, it would be possible for them to become intermediate level experts, capable of handling important matters. So if they died in this place, the losses incurred would be huge. This situation wasn't something that Sim would permit.

Receiving the gazes from Margaret and the others, Sim immediately knew what they were thinking. He couldn't help but force a smile and said, "Everybody, you should know that I wouldn't permit such things from happening. We really aren't aware that there would be that much danger. We've already known each other for many years, you already know that I wouldn't dare harm ascenders from the lower realms."

Margaret and the others nodded upon hearing Sim's words. Sim certainly wouldn't harm ascenders since he was an ascender himself. It has been 30 years since Sim had ascended. And he was also considered as someone with talent. It was only when he suffered a severe wound that his strength stopped progressing any further. In the end, he could only become an official responsible for exams. Because of his origin, Sim held special sentiments towards fellow ascenders. It was impossible for him to cause them harm in this exam.

#### Chapter 1100: Ghost Mithril Ore!

Margaret and the others sighed. They couldn't help but admit that they were unlucky this time. They couldn't blame this matter on Sim. This was because there had been numerous times where the exams had mistakes in their investigation. This wasn't the first time that the strength of the enemy had suddenly increased.

Everyone rested for a day before they headed back to their own academies. Naturally, Zhao Hai and Margaret rode their own ship. The other academies had their own s.p.a.ceships to take them home.

After Zhao Hai returned to the ship, he immediately entered his room, closed the door, and didn't make any sound. Margaret didn't comment on this. In her mind, Zhao Hai was practicing. If he didn't act like this, he wouldn't have been this strong.

However, she was wrong. Zhao Hai returned to his room and entered the s.p.a.ce. But this time, he didn't cultivate.

Upon entering the s.p.a.ce, Zhao Hai looked at Laura and said, "We need to take a look at that tunnel. It's very weird to have that much beasts and malicious ghosts in one place. I want to see what they were there for."

Laura lightly frowned and said, "Brother Hai, why do you need to do this? Isn't it just a little weird? It has nothing to do with us."

Zhao Hai smiled faintly and said, "You don't need to worry about me. I just want to see if there are any treasures back there. Didn't you see? Those ghosts and beasts seem to be guarding something. Otherwise, they wouldn't have worked that well with each other."

Upon hearing Zhao Hai say treasure, Laura and the others immediately understood what he was saying. Ever since they arrived at the Machine Field, they understood that it would be difficult for them to live comfortably with their present strength. Not to mention that the Machine Field was one of the weaker powers in the World of Cultivation.

Zhao Hai's current strength could be considered to be medium-grade in the Machine Field. Medium-grade experts might be one of the top people in the Machine Field, but they still wouldn't be able to contend against mechas and battleships.

If they wish for the s.p.a.ce to level-up, then they would need to seek treasures of the World of Cultivation. Otherwise, it would be very difficult for the s.p.a.ce to level up.

Even if Laura and the others didn't want Zhao Hai to take any risks, they also saw the ghosts and the beasts from the tunnel. At the same time, they could see that Zhao Hai didn't have any problems dealing with them. With this thought in mind, Laura didn't prevent Zhao Hai any longer as she nodded and said, "Alright. But Brother Hai, you need to be careful."

Zhao Hai smiled faintly and said, "Rest a.s.sured, there wouldn't be any problems." Then his figure vanished. The next moment, he appeared back in the mining tunnel. Meanwhile, Laura and the others

began to move and opened their computers. They divided the mine into sections and scoured through to see any peculiar things.

This was what Laura and the others planned to do in order to give Zhao Hai help. They couldn't go outside the s.p.a.ce and help Zhao Hai fight. This was the only way they could do in order to provide a.s.sistance.

Their computers weren't any ordinary computer. These were devices specially created by the s.p.a.ce. They had large screens like the s.p.a.ce's monitor and were more convenient to use.

Zhao Hai didn't just randomly teleport to a random place in the tunnel. He was currently inside the region that the malicious ghosts and the beasts used to occupy.

The malicious ghosts and beasts didn't nest in the center of the tunnel. Instead, they were based at the northern part. This also happened to be where the Adam Academy's students were dropped off.

Malicious ghosts and beasts usually never moved from their areas unless a problem occurred. They wouldn't have made a move if they weren't protecting something.

When he appeared in the tunnel. Zhao Hai immediately released his spiritual force in order to scan the area for any dangers. Sure enough, he was able to discover something.

The malicious ghosts and the beasts had just been cleared up. But there were already several weaker ghosts here!

Zhao Hai couldn't help but stare at this discovery. Then he smiled and said, "Interesting, there already ghosts here. It seems like this place really isn't normal. Laura, go take a closer look at the surrounding area."

Laura and the others complied and immediately carried on a careful examination of the nearby region. On the other hand, Zhao Hai released a five-fold light element magic, instantaneously killing the weak ghosts that had gathered.

Zhao Hai also released his own spiritual force in order to scan the surroundings.

At this time, Meg's voice was suddenly heard, "Young Master, I discovered a very high density of dark energy southeast of your location. The dark energy here is much thicker than the Underworld. Maybe it's the place we're looking for." Zhao Hai nodded, then a map appeared in his head. The map marked the place that Meg mentioned. With a flash, Zhao Hai appeared in that place.

Upon experiencing the density of dark energy, Zhao Hai couldn't help but stare. It was very thick, much thicker than in the Underworld. What puzzled Zhao Hai was the fact that even though the dark energy was thick, it wasn't black. Instead, it was actually silver in color.

Dark energy generally manifested as black, this was common knowledge. However, the dark energy of this place didn't follow this rule. This caused Zhao Hai to wonder.

At this moment, a ring suddenly sounded inside Zhao Hai's head. It seems like this ringing was Lizzy's doing.

Lizzy had also seen the place, what's the point of this alarm? Zhao Hai quickly answered, "What happened?"

Just as his voice fell, Lizzy said, "Big Brother Hai, a kilometer under you is a mithril vein. However, this vein looks very strange. They were all mithril ores, but they looked like ghosts. It's weird. Wait a moment. Sister Laura and the others are looking for information about this ore online."

Just as Lizzy finished talking, Laura's voice was heard, "Found it. Brother Hai, a kilometer under you is a ghost mithril ore vein. Ghost mithril is a special type of mineral in the World of Cultivation. It is a mithril ore that had dark energy mixed into it while it formed. It's a dual-element material. It is mainly used to forge yin-type weapons, but it has a lot of other uses. Any realm in the World of Cultivation consider it as a treasure. Moreover, there's a good possibility for ghost mithril essence to be born inside each ore vein. Surrounding the ghost mithril essence would be the best ghost mithril of the entire vein. If we can get them all, that would be equal to gaining a lot of ghost mithril weapons. This is something that experts in the World of Cultivation long to get hold of."

Zhao Hai stared, then his two eyes shone and said, "Really? Fantastic. Right, what are mithril weapons used for?"



Laura answered, "There aren't that much uses for mithril weapons. This is because it isn't known for its hardness. Instead, mithril is the best metal when it comes to conduction. Ghost mithril has a strong memory storage function. If Mages in the Machine Field use a weapon made with ghost mithril, then they could store their layered formations much easier. When the time comes, they would be able to release it all in one go. This will save a lot of time."

Zhao Hai nodded, then he said, "Good, then let's go take a look." Then Zhao Hai waved his hand, taking his blood ghost staff out. After he entered the blood lotus, it proceeded to drill below the ground.

It didn't take long before Zhao Hai drilled a kilometer down. What appeared in front of him caused him to be greatly surprised. He didn't expect ghost mithril to look like this.

Zhao Hai could affirm that in front of him was a rich reserve of high-quality ore. There were pieces of silvery-white ores closely clumped together. Seen on these ores were different forms of ugly faces. All of them looked incomparably scary. Additionally, these ores projected a strong presence of dark energy. The strong gloomy dark energy perfectly matched the ugly faces on the ore. It would cause ordinary people to flee in terror.

Zhao Hai just smiled. He wasn't actually afraid of these things. He moved his hand and immediately released large amounts of Undead in order to mine these ghost mithril ores.

As the ghost mithril ore entered the s.p.a.ce, a prompt was heard, "Special mithril ore with dark energy detected." Then there was no other sound. Zhao Hai expected the s.p.a.ce to say more. But it was just that.

Zhao Hai didn't care and just had the Undead continue to mine the ores and had it sent to the s.p.a.ce. What he wanted to see right now was the ghost mithril essence.

The Undead were connected to the s.p.a.ce by Cai'er. As long as they mine ghost mithril ore, the ore would be immediately sent to the s.p.a.ce. There was no need for Zhao Hai to open a rift. With this arrangement, the Undead moved very quickly.

Zhao Hai wasn't in a hurry and just advanced bit by bit. Since he had already found this place, even if the ship arrived at the academy, he could still return from his room. At this time, Zhao Hai wanted Laura and the others to look for the ghost silver essence.

Although ghost mithril essence was a little weak for Zhao Hai, it was still a treasure in the eyes of other people. Moreover, Zhao Hai had an idea. In the past, when he placed ore essences in the s.p.a.ce, it allowed the s.p.a.ce to produce the ores themselves. He wanted to see whether the ghost mithril essence would allow the s.p.a.ce to create ghost mithril ore!