

Apocalypse 121

Chapter 121: One blade settling everything

Mo Ye, Liang Chuyin and Little Tiger surrounded Park Xiuying in the middle. Each of them were in charge of a direction and they blocked the violent boars.

If not for the boars fearing the two Moon Edges, or the whip, a few of them would have already been swallowed by the boars.

But Mo Ye and the others knew that they wouldn't be able to hold on for too long. Liang Chuyin was exhausted and they needed Mo Ye and Little Tiger's help to hold on. If her side got broken through, a few of them would die.

En!

Little Tiger scoffed.

He tried to kill a level two wild boar, although he succeeded but another boar took the chance to thrust its fang into his leg. If he didn't react quick enough to slice down with Moon Edge to slice its fang off, he would have been flicked into the sky.

But the sharp fang was still left in his leg. Mo Ye felt Little Tiger's shoulder hitting her shoulder. If not for her, Little Tiger would have fallen onto the ground.

On the battlefield where flesh and blood spurted everywhere at any moment, falling down meant death.

Liang Chuyin cried out too. A boar bit onto the whip in her hands. Although the sharp willow leaves slashed its mouth and fresh blood flowed like a stream, but the whip was held down by the boars.

Two boars charged from left and right and wanted to end her life.

Park Xiuying looked at her allies powerlessly. She screamed before using Diamond Shield once more, barely blocking the boar on the right.

But after using it, her body went limp and she couldn't stand anymore. Her brain was as if there were many bees flying around. Her eyes were dark. If not for her still being in a fight, she would have fainted. Although she was barely holding on, but she couldn't walk anymore and she was just soft on the ground.

Mo Ye wanted to help after hearing Liang Chuyin's shouts but Little Tiger was resting on her. If she moved, he would fall and their defence would break apart. But if she didn't help, Liang Chuyin would be in trouble. Mo Ye really wished that she could split herself up into many parts.

Liang Chuyin was waiting for death but she saw Teacher Park risk her life to cast one more Diamond Shield to block one attack for her. She took out the gun that Ye Zhongming gave her and fired at the other boar.

The final two bullets shot into its head and shattered its attack, claiming its life.

Mo Ye heaved a sigh of relief.

But this only temporarily solved the dangers they faced. More and more boars appeared. Maybe things would get worst in the next second.

Mo Ye instinctively looked towards Gu Pan who was watching from the second floor. She noticed that someone had appeared behind Gu Pan, it was Ye Zhongming!

Gu Pan bit his teeth and looked at the battle below. Each death caused his heart to shake. But when he saw that the four people couldn't hold on anymore, he felt really excited.

There was the sound of wind from behind him. He wanted to turn his head but before he could move, he felt his arm being twisted. He only heard a crack and pain spread throughout his body.

“Ah!!”

Gu Pan cried out. Just a second and he felt like his neck was being strangled. His body flew out of the window along with the person that attacked him.

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He landed on the ground and wanted to struggle but the guy kned him. Gu Pan was in so much pain that his eyes nearly popped out of their sockets. After a moment, he cried as he had lost control of the lower half of his body.

He knew that he was finished. His spine was broken just like that!

Even if he didn't die today, he would just be handicapped.

Naturally, he didn't know that not long in the future, humans would significantly advance in this field. Such injuries in the apocalypse might be healed.

As long as you had enough money.

Their master was attacked so the boars were first stunned but then they all turned around and roared towards Ye Zhongming.

Ye Zhongming laughed coldly. He held his arm in front of Gu Pan's neck and dragged him backward.

The boar chased right away.

Ye Zhongming wasn't quick so the boars' speed was being restricted too. They ran while squeezing altogether.

Ye Zhongming dragged him for a distance before he suddenly pushed him forward. The future boar king was pushed towards his own boars.

Seeing their master getting released, the boars gathered. But their Master's face was filled with pain and unwillingness as he shouted.

“Run!”

Unfortunately, it was all too late. The boars saw a red flame rise up behind their master who hadn't even landed on the ground. Then, a star descended.

Seal: Flame Blade!

Light Seal Blademaster's job skills stacked and he used a shocking move.

A blade light covered in flames descended from above, sweeping up the boars that grouped together. They were sliced from the middle. Those at the sides lit up. The flames that only lasted for one to two seconds but at a really high temperature burnt them into a crisp.

Gu Pan also felt as if his world was being sliced into two. The right was a little big, the left was a little small... Before he stopped breathing he realised that the thing being cut wasn't the world but his body.

Ye Zhongming used all his mental energy and strength for that blade. From sneak attacking Gu Pan to dragging him out, all this was to gather the boars so that he could make the most use of this hit.

He succeeded in killing most of the boars with one blade. The few that were still alive weren't a threat to his party.

Although Mo Ye and the others had seen this before, but when they saw it again, they were still shocked. Was this job skill something that humans could have?

Ye Zhongming's breathing was a little chaotic. He consumed a lot of stamina for that strike but as he still had some mental energy, he was able to kill the remaining boars.

The battle ended quickly and Ye Zhongming and Mo Ye finished those remaining boars.

Even level-two mutated boars couldn't survive under two Moon Edge attacks.

When the battle settled, everyone felt like they were in a dream. Their minds were still filled with many numbers.

74... 46 level two... 28 level one....

Chapter 122: Gains

"Boss, we only found 72 of them, two are missing."

Little Tiger reported the numbers to Ye Zhongming and he still felt like this wasn't enough.

Actually, this was normal. The boars went out to feed so Ye Zhongming would not be able to locate all of them. Now that he was able to kill most of them, their gains were really decent.

Ye Zhongming looked at Little Tiger's leg, "If it hurts then take a break, even after using Cleansing Dew it still didn't heal fully."

The mental energy necklace was handed to Park Xiuying so after absorbing some level one demon crystals, her mental energy recovered a little. She healed Liang Chuyin and Little Tiger. Although their wounds weren't fully recovered but it didn't affect their movement.

Little Tiger had thick skin so he didn't care much about the pain.

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The battle had ended so all that was left was to clean up the battlefield. Apart from demon crystals, these boars were covered in treasures.

For example, each boar had fangs which were what Ye Zhongming needed the most. If these were used to enchant bullets, they would be extremely strong armor piercing bullets. Moreover, level two fangs would be much stronger.

Some boars had special mutations like fur on the necks becoming really sharp, the sharpness stats of these would be no weaker than the fangs.

What they had most would be the boar meat.

Although these mutated boar meat wasn't as effective as monsters of the same level, but they were great nourishment products. If one ate them, one could strengthen their body. By accumulating, after these boars were eaten, everyone would be a little stronger.

Apart from Park Xiuying who was recovering mental energy, the others including Le Dayuan and his five helpers, even Xia Lei were dealing with the boar corpses. They sliced the meat into pieces, using salt to marinate and then barbecued them so that one could take them out anytime in the future.

70 mutated boars who weighed over 300 kilograms, without bones and unneeded parts, one could make around 1500 kilograms of meat!

This was a time-consuming job, it was tiring and dirty but everyone had great stamina.

Gains always made everyone happy.

Of course, what they gained the most were these 40 plus level two demon crystals. Ye Zhongming took the risk of the squad getting wiped out so as to get all this.

The only thing he wanted to do now was to find a level two wheel and then test his luck.

The first batch of meat could be eaten. Ye Zhongming didn't restrict them, letting anyone eat as much as they wanted.

Liang Chuyin, Mo Ye, Little Tiger etc didn't think much about it. With Ye Zhongming here, they had never been hungry before. But Le Dayuan and his other five helpers were touched.

When they were in the family apartment in the factory, they weren't able to get such delicacies. This was mutated boar meat which would improve their strength and it was unlimited. Their team leader even found wine for them. As compared to sleeping on the cold floor without food, this was heaven.

Ye Zhongming casually ate a piece and drank some water before heading into a house. Inside it was Yellow Ball who was consuming the level two mutated boar with the highest evolution level.

Apart from the time when she coordinated with Mo Ye, Ye Zhongming didn't allow Yellow Ball to join in as it was only a level one mutated life form. It might end up dying in just a moment. It was rare to get such a smart pet dog so Ye Zhongming didn't want to lose it just like that.

Once the battle ended, Ye Zhongming tossed the best boar to Yellow Ball for it to eat.

Yellow Ball's appetite was consistent with its body size. In just a short while, a fifth of this boar was in its tummy. Ye Zhongming was shocked when he entered and saw that.

This boar was the closest to a level three life form. Its body was the biggest at around 400 kilograms. A fifth would mean 80 kilograms. How much did this fellow even eat?

Seeing its Master enter, Yellow Ball wanted to kiss him with its bloody mouth but Ye Zhongming pushed himself away. If this fellow licked him, his face would be covered in pig blood and flesh.

It cried out in sadness before going back to eat.

Ye Zhongming took a look and saw that Yellow Ball was really strategic. It chose special parts like the intestines, brain, spine etc which probably contained the most energy.

After eating all these, Ye Zhongming sensed that the color of Yellow Ball's crystal became lighter, it was probably going to evolve.

Yellow Ball licked its lips and ignored the boar corpse. It shook its butt as it walked over to Ye Zhongming. First, it rubbed its head on its master's leg before laying to the side to sleep.

Ye Zhongming noticed that the energy fluctuations of this big dog were changing. Once it woke up, it would evolve.

There was some movement outside of the room followed by some strange words. Ye Zhongming went out right away.

"You, hello..."

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Meng Fang placed the binoculars down and his heart was racing so much that he could even hear his heart beat.

He saw something unbelievable.

The weird guy that led a bunch of boars was actually dead. His boars became the food of a bunch of people!

He didn't look at the battle process, only that these people were pulling boars into a building.

Meng Fang heard the gunshots. Although he didn't see what happened, but he was sure that these people were the ones who killed the boars and that weird guy.

But the weird guy that even the new district base couldn't handle was so easily killed?

If these people could join the base then won't the base get stronger? If they didn't...

Meng Fang was thinking about this problem from the point of view of someone in the apocalypse. He counted the number of these people and killing intent flashed across his eyes.

These people had dozens of boar corpses and also dozens of demon crystals. What if the base got this fortune? As the person who completed all that, wouldn't I get an evolution potion?

Meng Fang was so excited about that thought.

He was not arrogant to think that his men could do anything to this group but that didn't mean that the base couldn't!

"Go, back to the base, we have to report this situation!"

Chapter 123: New work in the apocalypse

"Who are you two?"

The two strangers were brought into the room by Mo Ye. Ye Zhongming frowned slightly.

In the apocalypse, strangers often represented dangers.

But Ye Zhongming didn't sense any evolved aura from these two guys, they were just two normal people.

"Hello, we are from the new district base."

The slightly taller guy was the first to speak. He was much calmer than the other guy who followed behind him.

New district base?

Xia Lei stood up when she heard those words and she placed down the dagger that she was using to slice the boar meat.

Although she didn't know what the base was, but the new district still attracted her attention. Her husband was working in the new government district so if they formed a new base, there was a high chance that her husband was there.

Mo Ye brought these two guys over because of that reason. She looked at Xia Lei and also at Ye Zhongming before saying slowly, "Let's understand the situation first. That place is strictly managed."

Ye Zhongming laughed coldly. The new district base was obviously strictly managed. That place would grow and turn into Cloud Mountain War Squad but it would get wiped out in just half a year.

"Your new... Base, how did it get set up?" Xia Lei was really anxious. If not for her knowing that it would be tough for her to advance without Ye Zhongming, she would have left the team to find her husband.

Now that these two were most probably from the same place as her husband, she couldn't conceal her anxious emotions anymore.

The taller guy called Jia Ming looked at the people in the room and he glanced at the boar meat. He then replied, "The gun unit and the new district government built it. They gathered the workers in the government building and soldiers of the gun unit as well as the survivors of the few construction zones and small districts."

Xia Lei's eyes lit up and asked, "Do you know Qin Jun? He works at the new government office."

Jia Ming and Da Ming were both normal civilians so they didn't come into contact with the government personnel. Naturally, they didn't know Xia Lei's husband. After the apocalypse descended, the new district was in a hurry to build the base so many things were still very chaotic. It was tough for them to know Qin Jun out of tens of thousands of people.

Seeing the two of them shake their heads, disappointment flashed in Xia Lei's eyes but it was replaced quickly by hope. Since they met people from the new district, it means that the area was really safe and her husband might be alright.

After all, workers of the government did enjoy some special treatment.

"You all... Hunting?"

That phrase was often only used in dramas, books, or used by the rich. But now, this phrase was more and more common and it became more like a job.

The two of them nodded in reply, "The new base was set up not long ago and things are not perfect so there is a lack of resources. During these ten days, essentials have been reduced. If we didn't want to be hungry, then either we had the crystals on the heads of the zombies or bullets if not we had to come out to find food."

"So tough?" Xia Lei was shocked. Thinking back to how her husband was a weak scholar, she couldn't help but be a little worried.

Da Ming glanced at this mature lady and swallowed his saliva. He was already shocked by Mo Ye's heroic and elegant features and now that he saw a mature lady, it made him even more impressed. The quality of the girls in this team was really high.

This was even before he saw Park Xiuying who was resting in the other room if not this fellow would be even more shocked.

Da Ming also knew that this group didn't lack food. Look at what he was eating, it was all mutated boar meat. Everyone knew that mutated meat could strengthen the body so these foods were many times more expensive than normal food. But these people had a few thousand kilograms?

Da Ming felt okay if he didn't think about it but when he tried to think about it, he felt a little dizzy. Anyways, he knew that with this meat, he could have the best life in the base. A life where he didn't have to worry about anything and people would serve him and warm his bed!

But his thoughts didn't wander. Since these people could kill that weird pig farmer then they could kill ten thousand of him.

"What is the meaning of coming here?"

Little Tiger dealt with the boar meat while asking.

"Oh oh." Jia Ming touched his nose and was a little embarrassed, "I think you all want to head to the new base. We are more familiar with that place and we can bring you there. When you are in, we can be your guide in case people cheat you."

"Right, the new base is really chaotic now and there are dangers all around." Da Ming added.

"We have arms and legs so why do we need you to lead us in?" Little Tiger smiled in disdain, he didn't think that the new district was more dangerous than boar king Gu Pan.

Jia Ming wasn't annoyed and replied calmly, "You all don't understand,, the new district base is surrounded by zombies and mutated monsters so it is impossible to enter. You can only use other ways to get in."

That stunned everyone, the new district base was surrounded by zombies? Couldn't enter?

"Let me be direct, we had to use the water pipes to get out. As the water filtration system is new and imported from Germany so it is quite wide and people can pass through it. But the system is very complex and you will get lost. The two of us want to guide and then..."

Jia Ming's face flushed red, "We want two pieces of meat..."

His voice was a little soft and it was obvious that this was the first time he did such a thing.

Ye Zhongming didn't find it weird. This was one of the most common methods in the apocalypse. Bases would be covered in traps and tightly guarded so it was near impossible to get close without someone guiding.

"We, that, we are forced. We have relatives and including us, we have many mouths to feed." Da Ming lowered his head and explained, "Why not, one piece..."

"Two pieces per person!" Ye Zhongming decided, "But you must help us deal with this meat and then bring us to the base."

The two of them agreed in joy. One piece was at least .5 kilograms so that is 10 kilograms for them. That was enough for their two families to survive for half a month.

At that moment, there was some movement from Yellow Ball's apartment. Ye Zhongming's expression changed and he charged in.

Chapter 124: Yellow Ball evolved

Ye Zhongming charged in like the wind when he knocked the door open.

He had just met Yellow Ball and knew that this fellow had to take a nap before it could evolve. The evolution time wasn't certain, if short it would take a few hours, if long it might take a couple of days.

But how long had passed? Less than ten minutes? Why was there some movement?

Ye Zhongming saw the dog shaking but its eyes were still tightly shut. The fur that had grown out after its battle with the Talking Lady was now dropping and it turned bald once more.

Ye Zhongming noticed that the source of the noise came from Yellow Ball's stomach.

It was the sound of bones cracking.

If this sound appeared during battle, Ye Zhongming would think that its bones were breaking but that was obviously not the case now.

The others ran to the door to take a look. Yellow Ball might look like a stray dog but it was smart and everyone liked it. It acted as a sentry and also a scout so with it, they didn't need to stay up at night. Its sharp eyes and ears made it the best siren.

As a mutated animal, Yellow Ball's body was really strong. It was courageous and really loyal. Everyone treated it like a trusted companion.

Seeing Ye Zhongming panic a little, everyone was nervous too and paid more attention to Yellow Ball's situation.

Through the cracks, Jia Ming and Da Ming saw a huge mutated yellow dog there and they were shocked. But when they saw the reactions of everyone else, they knew that this was his pet so they were more envious than before.

Pets were the fastest way to strengthen your strength in the apocalypse. Although Jia Ming and Da Ming only spent ten days in the apocalypse and didn't understand much about pets, but the weird pig farmer showed them the importance of pets. If not, the new district base wouldn't be so worried about Gu Pan who had dozens of pets.

"Brother Ye, how is Yellow."

Liang Chuyin was nervous. The few girls were close to Yellow Ball and they were even closer to it than Ye Zhongming. They were worried about seeing Yellow Ball like this.

"It should be evolving, but this process..." Ye Zhongming was not too sure, "It is too intense."

"Boss, Yellow Ball is growing fur."

Little Tiger said softly, afraid that he would disturb the dog.

Ye Zhongming was paying more attention to Yellow Ball's expression but Little Tiger's reminder made him notice that the fur was growing quickly. This new fur was all golden!

Although it was not shining gold but it was still gold.

The fur was growing really quickly and it pretty much covered Yellow Ball's body in an instant. Especially its neck where it was long and dense and made one think about a lion. Although it wasn't as much as a lion but its neck was indeed denser than other parts. Ye Zhongming also noticed that the fur on its neck was tough. It didn't curve at all and they were all standing straight. If the sun shone on it, it would even reflect light.

Ye Zhongming was less worried now. All signs showed that Yellow Ball was evolving and he didn't face any danger. Maybe the energy in his body was too strong so the evolution process was too intense.

This problem was easy to understand. Yellow Ball was at peak level one and was just one step from level two. It needed just a bit more energy but it consumed a peak level two mutated boar meat. The two were a level different which gave it more energy which was why such a situation occurred.

After a while more, the fur stopped growing and the crackling bones stopped too. But everyone noticed that Yellow Ball's mouth was swelling. This change was not obvious but since they spent every day with it, they still noticed.

Apart from that, its sharp fingernails stretched out, turning from flesh color to yellow. Looking at it closely, the sharp claws were thicker and longer and gave off a metallic glow.

One could imagine the moment that claw scratched a person, that would probably kill.

When all the changes stopped, Yellow Ball's body moved and it opened its eyes. Everyone saw a fierce glow. The dog looked like it was made of metal and it was bigger than before. It was even a little bigger than the mutated boar that it had just ate. It looked like the king of the jungle and not a dog.

It wagged its thick tail, raising its head and yawning. While doing that, it revealed its sharp teeth. The fangs sent a chill down everyone's spine.

The most obvious change was the golden fur and the white crystal on its forehead.

Yellow Ball had finally evolved.

Seeing Ye Zhongming squatting at the side and caring about it, Yellow Ball pounced at him. But as it was a level two mutated life form now, its speed was far above a one star evolved and its body was much bigger too. It was two meters tall when it stood on its legs so Ye Zhongming who was just 1.9 meters was shorter than it. This pounced knocked Ye Zhongming to the ground. It licked him regardless of whether or not he wanted or not, leaving his face wet before stopping.

After letting Ye Zhongming go, Yellow Ball saw the influencer and Mo Ye at the side. It pounced onto them which caused Ye Zhongming to roll his eyes.

After playing with it, everyone woke up from the joy of Yellow Ball's evolution. They continued to deal with the meat. Only then did Ye Zhongming lead Yellow Ball out to an empty space outside.

"Do you have new skills?" Ye Zhongming signaled with his hands.

Yellow Ball understood and shook its head. Seeing that its master was slightly disappointed, it barked twice. Then its body shook and Ye Zhongming saw two streaks of golden light shooting out from its body.

A piercing sound could be heard in the building nearby.

Ye Zhongming took a look and saw two finger sized hair shot into the wall and piercing through it.

Yi? Skill evolution?

Chapter 125: Problem of the tunnels

In the past, Yellow Ball's talent skill was thin needles which were something that furry animals had.

This was a decent aoe attack. Although it wasn't really strong but when fighting numerous enemies like zombies, mutated mosquitoes etc, it was quite effective.

But Yellow Ball's attack was a single-target attack which was much stronger than before. It was even able to pierce the outer wall of the building.

Yellow Ball didn't get a brand new talent skill so it was still using thin needles.

Thin Needles that he could control the strength and amount?

That was unheard of.

Ye Zhongming and the dog experimented outside for some time and he was able to confirm that Yellow Ball's Thin Needles did evolve. It could control the amount of fur it could fire. When it fired a large amount, the strength would be little and when it fired a few strands, it was really strong. Those fur on its neck could be fired one by one and the strength of those fur was many times stronger than other parts of its body.

He touched Yellow Ball's dense golden fur. Ye Zhongming knew that this fellow's combat strength was one of the highest in the team now after it evolved. If Mo Ye and Little Tiger didn't have Moon Edge, they didn't even have the ability to face off against Yellow Ball.

He told the valiant Yellow Ball to stand guard before joining in to deal with the boars. No choice, there were too many boars that took them more than half a day.

Fortunately, they had Jia Ming, Da Ming, Le Dayuan and his five helpers. Including Ye Zhongming and Park Xiuying who had recovered some mental energy, they were nearly done with the meat when it reached late at night. They decided to finish the rest in the morning.

They rested in the building and woke up early to deal with the meat. After this, Jia Ming and Da Ming led them to the new district base.

As there was too much meat, they couldn't carry them all. Ye Zhongming hid half of the meat that they couldn't bring here. After they left the base, they would then bring these with them.

Yellow Ball was too eye-catching so Ye Zhongming didn't bring it with them, telling it to stay here to guard the boar meat.

This place was a slight distance from the new district base. Ye Zhongming saw that the density of zombies around wasn't high so he found two cars. He smashed the window and messed around to ignite the engine.

"You even know this?"

Other people didn't know but she knew Ye Zhongming's identity. He was just a normal student. If there was something different about him, it was that his girlfriend was the school flower. But the more they hung out, she felt that this guy, no little guy was not like a student at all.

Which normal student will know this? His skills were too professional that even car thieves were worse than him.

Ye Zhongming pouted and didn't reply to her question.

This skill wasn't anything special, it was one of the most essential skills in the apocalypse. When the job system totally collapsed, many survivors could modify and merge many abandoned cars into new drivable cars as long as they had petrol.

Dozen of them sat in two cars and headed towards the direction that Jia Ming and Da Ming pointed them to. Half an hour later, they came to a filtration factory.

"Jia Ming and I found this place so others don't know it yet." Da Ming was delighted. After seeing Park Xiuying, he changed the overall rating of the girls in this team from A to an S.

"That is the new district base."

Jia Ming was calmer and he pointed to the area nearby.

Everyone looked with their binoculars and knew why Jia Ming had to come out through the water tunnels.

The new district base was built really quickly and they only used bricks and cement to block the space between buildings. It formed something similar to ancient walls. With a small district as a base, they expanded the safe regions.

The land size was still okay from the outside, after all, the new region was not as squeezey as the city. No wonder they were able to fit ten thousand people.

Although Ye Zhongming knew that they could become Cloud Mountain War Squad, but at least it didn't look that good now.

At this moment, the area outside the base was covered in dense zombies. Probably, all the zombies in the new district were attracted here. They surrounded the base and scratched the cement walls. Occasionally, one could see mutated zombies. In just a minute, Ye Zhongming saw one Brain Sucker and a level two Frog Feet Zombie.

Apart from these zombies, there were some mutated animals that were around. For example, in the east near the road, there were over a hundred mutated birds which were all chickens, ducks and doves. They were the size of puppies and their flying ability was much higher. Just by flapping their wings, they were able to fly several meters into the sky. However, they weren't able to sustain it and were only able to glide for a short distance.

These should be the birds raised by the farmers but due to special reasons, they all mutated. They were all very bloodthirsty now which was why they were all gathered here.

The highest mutation level out of all of them was level two, moreover, there was more than one. So be it the people in the base or those zombies, there was nothing they could do with these mutated birds. Instead, these birds would attack some zombies to fill their stomachs.

Since they faced no dangers and could get food easily, these mutated birds remained in the area.

Ye Zhongming noticed that this side of the wall was better guarded than the other areas. It was obvious that the people in the base were worried about the flying birds. They were afraid that they would 'fly' over the wall and attack the survivors in the base.

"Life in the base isn't too good. We can't see the other side from here but there are more zombies than them and many are level two. Like your dog, their crystals are white in color. They would attack the base and each time people would die."

Jia Ming brought Ye Zhongming and the rest to a room in the factory. He opened an iron door that was locked and walked in. While walking, he explained to them the situation at the base.

"Be careful, mutated rats and bugs would often appear in the tunnels."

"So dangerous?" Le Dayuan was worried when he heard Jia Ming say that. After all, he wasn't evolved, "Then what if you all face those things, what do... You do?"

Le Dayuan's words were obvious. Jia Ming and Da Ming were just normal people so if they bumped into the rats, they would get eaten.

The two of them smiled bitterly, "No choice, it is better than dying from hunger in the base. Fortunately, the mutated animals here are afraid of light so torches and flames can scare them off."

The water net here was really advanced, it was so wide that humans could pass through it. Ventilation was good too. There was a weird smell but it was less thick than imagined.

Jia Ming was very familiar with this place. He followed some marks that he left and successfully brought everyone to the area below the new district base.

"There are four entrances to the new base and each one of them are tightly guarded. The guards will collect entrance fees from the strangers but don't worry, it isn't much."

It is best if it is food or weapons, just a little and one can enter. As for anything else, it depends on the mood of the guards.”

Light could be seen from ahead and one could hear the sounds of people speaking.

“The entrance fee isn’t much to all of you so I didn’t mention it beforehand, I hope you all don’t mind.”

Ye Zhongming nodded but he told everyone to pass their weapons to him while the two people led the way and he placed them in the space crystal.

Everyone stepped on the soft mushy ground as they walked forwards. Based on what Jia Ming said, just a few more minutes and they would see the biggest pipe and after entering, that would be the west entrance.

But before they saw that entrance, seven to eight people appeared in another tunnel.

“Isn’t that Jia Ming, you went out to hunt? What did you get?”

The middle aged man saw Jia Ming and waved to him. His gaze was more focused on Ye Zhongming and the others.

Ye Zhongming just glanced at him before ignoring them. They were just normal people and without guns, they were of no threat to him.

“Uncle Zhao.” Jia Ming waved and his expression didn’t change. Da Ming on the other hand was nervous as he grabbed the boar meat that he got.

“Da Ming you found something good? Let me take a look?”

A guy appeared behind Uncle Zhao who was of similar age to Jia Ming. He didn’t care whether or not Da Ming agreed and just went to grab the bag.

Da Ming was shocked and took a step back. But the tunnel was just so narrow so he bumped into Le Dayuan.

That guy grabbed the bag and snatched it over. He exclaimed, “Damn, such a big piece of meat?!”

Hearing that guy exclaim, the others surrounded and saw the barbecued meat in the bag. They started to drool and wanted to rip a piece to eat.

Da Ming was anxious. This was mutated boar meat. He saw Ye Zhongming slice them off a level two boar to pass it to Jia Ming and Da Ming. After eating it, their bodies would get stronger and this was what his family needed.

Now that these people snatched it, how was he going to get it back?

Da Ming who had eaten two meals of mutated boar meat was different from before. His body was a little stronger. He directly pushed that guy to the ground such that his head hit the pipe behind him. He scraped a bit of skin and blood flowed out.

The accident occurred really quickly. Apart from Ye Zhongming and the other evolved watching, the others couldn’t even react. Now that someone was injured, the situation got a little messy.

Uncle Zhao's smile disappeared and went to help up his son. Seeing that he was fine, he frowned, "He just wanted to see your stuff so why did you have to be so vicious? You want to get beaten up?"

Jia Ming sighed but he still smiled, "Uncle Zhao, Da Ming is rash so I hope you understand. He saw the meat that he used his life to get getting snatched away so he got anxious. How about this, take half of the meat so Brother Tai can nourish his body."

Ye Zhongming agreed to give each of them a piece but when paying up, he was very generous and sliced close to 15 kilograms each. Moreover, this was mutated boar meat. Based on what Jia Ming said, this could at least be exchanged for 50 kilograms of rice and two buckets of water.

In a base where there was a food shortage, this was a huge sum.

But it was obvious that these people didn't realise that it was level two boar meat and they treated it as normal meat. If they saved a little, this was enough for them for two days.

"How about this, I won't make things tough for you, I will take the meat." Uncle Zhao grabbed the bag. He saw Jia Ming and Da Ming's expressions and laughed coldly.

They thought that this was all he asked but he added another sentence, "And also yours."

He actually wanted all of Jia Ming and Da Ming's meat.

"And also all yours, put down your bags!"

Uncle Zhao's son Zhao Tai held his head and saw that everyone was holding big bags. They were heavy so who knew what was inside? His greed made him hold a steel pipe and shout.

Zhao Tai wasn't a fool. He observed that there were a few guys with glasses that looked weak so their bodies weren't a threat. There was also a few beautiful girls but the lighting wasn't good so he wasn't able to see clearly.

The ones with combat strength were just the two guys at the front. But they looked young so they shouldn't be strong which was why he was so bold.

Moreover, Zhao Tai sold meat in the past and he could tell that this meat came from a cow or pig. Since the cut was so clean, this meant that they found a whole cow and the rest was in the bags of these people.

Uncle Zhao looked at Ye Zhongming and the others but he didn't stop his son.

"Dumb!"

A female cursed and that attracted attention.

Liang Chuyin crossed her arms which made her c cup chests looked really huge. She looked coldly and these pieces of trash and said in disdain, "Return the meat and then scram as far as you can!"

If one had to say whose temper was the worst, it wasn't Mo Ye or Xia Lei. It definitely wasn't the studious Park Xiuying. It was the influencer Liang Chuyin who was born in a village and went through tough times in life. She had to go from a model, to bar singer to actor etc jobs, and she faced many problems which caused her personality. In her words, if she wasn't strong she would have been swallowed up by others.

She looked on coldly as Jia Ming and Da Ming were bullied. After all, they weren't her partners so she didn't need to stand up for them. She only cared about Ye Zhongming and put most of her attention on him. She saw him frown and knew that they annoyed him which was why she stood out.

Liang Chuyin felt that this was what an underling should do. Of course, she hoped that she was just an underling now and her identity could rise in the future.

"#%*)#@), you dare to scold me? Let's see if I settle you today!"

Seeing Liang Chuyin walk to the front and she was actually really beautiful, desire rose in Zhao Tai's eyes. He reached out to grab her chest and his action was really perverted.

That totally infuriated her.

Chapter 126: New district base

No matter whether or not they wanted to admit it, no matter if the apocalypse had just begun, evolved would feel superior as they learned how strong they had become.

Liang Chuyin spoke up to leave a good impression on Ye Zhongming but that didn't mean that she didn't want to do so herself. Although she didn't have as strong a sense of justice as Mo Ye and Park Xiuying, but helping the weak was a unique point of women and it was more apparent to her.

Jia Ming and Da Ming weren't in their team so Liang Chuyin did not need to bother about them. But after all, they were bringing the team into the base. Although Ye Zhongming didn't say it outright, but everyone was clear that Ye Zhongming wanted to enter to trade some things.

Now that these people were wasting Ye Zhongming's time and also trying to steal the team's items, that angered the influencer.

This guy who wasn't even evolved wanted to take advantage of her in front of Ye Zhongming which pissed her off even more.

She kicked as swiftly as lightning, accurately hitting Zhao Tai's stomach. This 1.8 meter tall guy was sent flying and he smashed into the wall of the tunnel.

That kick was totally different from Da Ming's push. Zhao Tai was a normal person and he couldn't take it at all.

He rebounded after hitting the wall and he couldn't even say a word as his mouth was filled with blood. He fainted a moment later and blood continued to flow out. His breathing became really weak.

"Little Tai!" Uncle Zhao cried out and wanted to help his son up but he realised that his body was as soft as noodles and he didn't react at all.

"Kill her!"

Uncle Zhao ordered as those men surrounded them. They had weapons and rods which were bloodstained.

Liang Chuyin's whip was kept by Ye Zhongming but she was evolved and also had a job. She needed just one hand to deal with normal people. She casually punched twice and that caused two of their faces to deform. After which, no one dared to head forwards.

Evolved!

If any of them didn't know that she was evolved then they were just fools.

Even Uncle Zhao whose son might be dead didn't dare to say anything, his face was filled with rage.

Evolved were like gods in the new district base. This aura was something that normal people feared.

"Don't move your hands!"

Liang Chuyin looked at the person who might be dead from her kick and she panicked a little but that disappeared in an instant.

She killed before. Although she couldn't adapt to this situation but she was much better than before.

"Move."

Ye Zhongming only said one word and the team started to move forwards.

Xia Lei shook her head slightly and felt that although Zhao Tai was not right but Liang Chuyin was too vicious. Thinking about it, her face was ice cold.

Da Ming took his own bag back and followed up. There was no need to describe how much better he felt.

Once Ye Zhongming and the others entered the tunnel of the entrance did Uncle Zhao look at his son with venom on his face.

"The guards are up ahead, just follow me." Jia Ming said and then added, "Thank you."

Ye Zhongming waved, instead, he said to his own men, "You have to adapt. Such things will happen all the time. Maybe even half of the battles of the apocalypse is to protect yourself from being robbed."

"Well done."

Liang Chuyin smiled after being praised.

"Chuyin was right to do what she did." Ye Zhongming saw the group of people using sandbags to build a simple defence at the end of the tunnel. Each one of them had guns that pointed at the tunnel. There was an iron net on the ground and they had to step over carefully. This was obviously to prevent mutated animals from sneak attacking.

"They might look like they are stealing but these things might be your lives in the apocalypse. So stealing and killing are no different. Even killing them isn't too much of a punishment."

“Stand still and prepare to get checked!”

They walked close and a guard walked out from behind before shouting in this direction.

Jia Ming walked over and said towards the guard.

“You can enter but pay the entrance fee! Also, you have to submit weapons!”

Entrance fees were a normal fee in the apocalypse but submitting weapons was something that was slowly removed. No evolved was willing to place their lives in the hands of others. If there was such a request, there would only be two outcomes. One was to leave the city and the other was to fight head on. In his last life, many conflicts occurred because of this rule such that it was slowly removed.

But the apocalypse had just started. Factions would find ways to protect their own interests and safety. Submitting weapons was the most important one which was why Ye Zhongming kept their weapons beforehand.

Jia Ming took out a piece of meat that was around 1.5 kilograms. This was enough for all these people to pass.

That action made Ye Zhongming impressed. This Jia Ming was a thorough and thoughtful person which was rare.

The guard's expression improved when he saw the meat before he looked at the others and finally at the big bags.

“Open them up and prepare to be searched!”

Jia Ming's expression turned ugly. He was clear about the commotion that would occur once the bags were seen by those of the base.

“Show them.”

Ye Zhongming opened his bag and the others did the same.

That soldier took one look and his mouth couldn't close anymore.

How much meat was there? That was at least a few hundred kilograms. This bunch actually had so much food?

He swallowed his saliva. Ye Zhongming took out five pieces, each was around 2.5 kilograms.

“These are for the brothers, it is hard to defend this place.”

The soldier was delighted and the other guards had similar expressions.

Although they were guards of the base and they had food provided to them, but they only had barely enough. They either eat salted vegetables and rarely get a can of meat.

Now that each person could get 2.5 kilograms of meat which could fill them up for two meals, obviously, they were delighted.

“Okay, we are done. You can go up, but the base has rules. Let these old civilians tell them to you, don't go against them if not getting exiled is the light punishment.”

Due to the meat, the guards had a much better attitude.

They carried their bags and crossed the structures before climbing up the stairs on the walls.

The entrance above was surrounded. This was the second defence line. If the ground was broken through then they would have to defend this area.

There were many guards here and they were shocked when they saw so many people come up at the same time. But they didn't ask about it as those below had already checked them.

When they were far away, Jia Ming asked, "You have just come and don't have a place to rest, why not follow us back? We have many empty houses that you can stay in."

Ye Zhongming hesitated a little before agreeing. He had some things to ask Jia Ming so it was a good choice to leave with him.

"I won't be going."

Xia Lei stepped out and said, "I will go find my husband."

"Sister Xia..."

They were about to go their separate ways so Mo Ye was a little reluctant. However, she knew that Xia Lei would definitely leave as both of them chose different paths.

"Take care Little Ye." Xia Lei hugged this junior sister and said into her ears, "If you have a chance then leave this guy, he is too cold blooded and isn't a good person."

Mo Ye was stunned, she smiled bitterly but she didn't say anything.

Xia Lei let go of Mo Ye and she waved to Little Tiger. Only then did she say to Ye Zhongming, "Although I don't agree with what you have done along the way but you are trustworthy. Now we are equal."

After saying that, she turned around and left.

Ye Zhongming shrugged and didn't care about it at all.

Jia Ming and Da Ming lived on the west of the new district. These were mostly some built but unfurnished apartments so many survivors gathered here at the start of the apocalypse.

Jia Ming brought everyone back to his home, the eighteenth floor of a building without elevators. As this place was a little high up so many people weren't willing to come here. There were many empty flats here. There were two empty flats beside where Jia Ming and Da Ming stayed at.

Seeing the two of them return, their eyes were red. Heading out to find food was a really dangerous thing. People would go out every day and there would be people who couldn't return. Jia Ming and Da Ming went out for a full day and night so they were all worried for the entire duration. Seeing them return, they felt like they had survived a calamity.

Jia Ming had a young brother and his parents. Da Ming's family was a little bigger. Apart from his grandparents and parents, he also had his uncle and auntie.

The two of them took out meat for their families to eat and they also told their families that they were able to survive because of Ye Zhongming. This resulted in those people being grateful to him.

Ye Zhongming and the others rested in the apartment. As it was unfurnished, there weren't even blankets there. But since everyone had tents with them so they could live outside, they didn't need to worry about sleeping on the floor.

But Ye Zhongming still decided to buy some blankets. Little Tiger and the others were evolved and could handle the toughness, however, Le Dayuan was still unevolved. After these few days, he looked a little tired. He didn't want this person who had a huge influence on his future plans to fall sick or even incur injuries.

He called out Jia Ming and he said seriously, "I need to buy some resources and some essentials. Do you know where I can get them?"

Jia Ming nodded, "They are easy to find. Not far from here at the intersection with the south region, there is a small market that sells everything. You just need to use some food to trade."

Ye Zhongming nodded and then he said something that shocked Jia Ming.

"What about bullets?"

Only then did he know that Ye Zhongming entered the base to restock these things. He thought about it and said, "Only the gun unit and Director Wang have bullets, you can't find them on the market, but..."

"I heard that there is a black market and occasionally bullets will be sold there."

Black market?

Ye Zhongming was stunned. He didn't expect there to be a black market just days after this new district base was built.

The human's adaptability to the apocalypse was far quicker than he imagined.

Since there was a black market, then...

Ye Zhongming asked, "Then did you see people that... Sell weird things?"

Jia Ming was stunned and said carefully, "What weird things do you refer to?"

"Like scrolls, certificates, potions etc."

Jia Ming thought about it, "I didn't see any of that."

Ye Zhongming was a little disappointed but Jia Ming's following words made him really interested.

"But I heard people say that there are people in the eastern region that wants to sell a recipe for a high price. People thought that they were crazy but now that I understand a little more about the apocalypse then they should be one of those types that you mentioned."

Recipe?

Ye Zhongming's eyes lit up. Recipes were really rare and if he could use them then they would be extremely valuable.

"Can you help me find that person?"

Jia Ming heard people mention it but he wasn't sure about it.

"These are for you, you can trade them for other things, treat it as your payment. Even if you didn't manage to find him, it doesn't matter." Ye Zhongming took out a piece of meat. Although it wasn't as big as the one he gave previously but it was 2.5-3 kilograms heavy.

Jia Ming bit his teeth, "Okay, I will find him for you."

Jia Ming went to find news about the recipe. Ye Zhongming called Da Ming to head to the market to buy some items. When the other girls heard that they were really interested and asked to follow. Even Mo Ye wanted to head out too.

Ye Zhongming had no choice but to let Little Tiger remain to protect Le Dayuan. He even passed Moon Edge to him. But he told Little Tiger to wrap it up so that others couldn't see it.

The few girls were led by Da Ming down. In just a few minutes they were at the southwest corner. After passing a building, they saw a flat ground with many stores. Many survivors were walking around and occasionally there would be people bargaining.

This was the first time everyone saw so many people gathered together since the apocalypse started so everyone was a little excited.

"The most welcomed product here is natural food but there aren't many stores selling food and they are all really expensive."

Da Ming brought a few of them into the market. As their group looked really energetic and not weak and powerless like others, along with three girls being top beauties, they attracted a lot of attention.

After walking for a while, Park Xiuying tugged Ye Zhongming. He looked over and he was stunned. He didn't expect such things to occur so quickly.

Chapter 127: Three gachapons?

A woman squatted there and lowered her head. Her messy hair covered her face.

In front of her was a white cloth and on it was a picture of herself and beside it were the words "a bag of bread for once".

No one was stupid and naturally knew what she meant.

She was selling her body to live!

Things that were very common in his last life looked so eye piercing at the start of the apocalypse.

Ye Zhongming took just one look before moving his attention away. In his last life, after he went through a life and death battle, he would only find one of these stores to spend a very little price to vent the fear and desire in his heart for a decent girl.

But for the other girls who weren't used to all of this, they didn't understand. Sadness, pity, and even some rage towards this world. They also felt angry towards this woman for her actions.

Now that they saw her, they realised that such a situation was common in this market. Using their bodies to exchange for food was a common occurrence.

“They are doing so to survive. At least I think that this is much cleaner than those stealing food in the water tunnels.”

Ye Zhongming came to a store and saw a bunch of brand new bedsheets. He selected while asking for the price while saying towards his teammates who were still looking at that woman.

The bed sheets were really cheap. The weather wasn't cold yet so these weren't essentials. Food was something that everyone wanted. When Ye Zhongming said that he would use meat to trade, the owner was delighted. Just 500 grams could take all of these items.

Ye Zhongming didn't bargain. He tossed a 500-gram piece of meat over to the store owner and asked the others to take the items. The owner took the meat and swallowed his saliva, carefully hiding it in his clothes. He wouldn't eat this, he would use it to trade for other things. If this was really mutated animal meat then it would be enough to trade for a week's worth of food for his family of three.

Park Xiuying bit her teeth and said softly to Ye Zhongming, “Can we help her? Give, give her some food.”

Ye Zhongming looked at the teacher coldly, causing her to lower her head.

“As an ally, this is the last time I will explain to you.”

Ye Zhongming pointed at her and also at the other women who were doing the same, “You give her food then you have to give the other women food. If you give them food then you have to give everyone in the market food. If you don't give then they will start stealing!”

“They can't beat you but you have to prove that you can beat them. You can't just beat them up, you have to kill them so they don't disturb you. Teacher Park, are you ready to kill? You not only have to kill one, you have to kill many. You give up food and you still have to kill to keep yourself safe. Are you sure you want to give her food?”

The people in the market were working hard to survive. They were hungry so that was why there was peace. If suddenly someone got rich and had much food to eat, others would rob him. If he tried to fight back, he would be killed.

Park Xiuying definitely wouldn't get killed as she was evolved. As long as she wasn't careless and get surrounded by normal people, she would be fine. But if she fight back, she had to kill someone if not she wouldn't be able to protect the items and her life.

Ye Zhongming's words might sound bad but it was the truth!

The few women weren't stupid and they all understood. Their faces were ashen white and they didn't speak for a long time.

Da Ming listened in from the side and he spoke up when everyone was silent, “Brother Ye's words make sense. Having a lot of food might not be a good thing. Every day there are people getting killed in the new district. Most of them died because they had food. Food has become a reason for

death. If you didn't have food then you would die from hunger. If you had too much then you would get killed. You all are really fortunate to become evolved."

He was really envious of Ye Zhongming and his group.

The few girls were silent and a thought rose up in their minds.

If not for Ye Zhongming, would they be hungry? Would they be forced to give up on their dignity and use their bodies to survive?

Mo Ye might not agree with that as she had strong skills. Even without Ye Zhongming she would become evolved but Liang Chuyin and Park Xiuying were certain that the chances of them becoming evolved without Ye Zhongming were low.

Thus, they felt much more grateful towards that guy.

Ye Zhongming wanted to select some canned meat and other canned food as they couldn't only just eat meat. But before he reached the area, he turned his head and saw two guys walk into the market.

The people in the market were filled with fear when they saw those two people. They lowered their heads and many people even started to hide the goods that they were selling.

"Who?" Ye Zhongming asked softly.

Da Ming replied, "Yue Chao and Yang Shilong, they are both evolved."

The two of them looked around and walked to the girl that Ye Zhongming and the group had seen. They looked at the photo and the muscular Yue Chao said, "Raise your head."

This girl who was selling her body for food shook her head and repeated, "I don't want to, I don't want to."

"Damn, didn't I give you face?"

Yang Shilong kicked her aside. Although she didn't use strength but the strength of an evolved was definitely not something that normal people could go up against. Her shoulder was hit and that revealed her face that was covered with her long hair. She was really beautiful but her face was currently filled with fear.

Yue Chao took out a bag of bread and tossed it to her face. He then dragged her out of the market, while dragging, he scolded her, "You come out to sell your body and say you won't do it? What are you faking?"

Everyone looked at those scenes and heard her cries but no one bothered. They only watched as the two evolved and dragged her away.

Park Xiuying was a little furious, "How can these two people do that? Is there a point to force people?"

"That woman... Why isn't she willing?" Liang Chuyin didn't understand why she would oppose.

“Evolved and normal people. If the evolved don’t hold back, the normal person would be tortured to death. Those two probably did similar things which was why that woman was not willing to go with him.”

Da Ming heard what Ye Zhongming said and nodded, “Brother Ye you are correct. These two animals don’t treat normal people as humans. During these few days, they have killed a couple of girls already so their reputation is really bad. Evolved here are like that, they kill and steal without a care.”

The three girls were shocked and understood what was going on. Evolved guys just cared about themselves and not about the woman, that woman... They couldn’t imagine what was going to happen.

“Damn, if not for the three gachapons being controlled by them, how could they be so arrogant!”

Ye Zhongming was stunned and he grabbed Da Ming’s arm, “What did you say? How many gachapons are there?”

Chapter 128: Thoughts on farming

“Brother Ye, Brother Ye, it hurts.” Da Ming was sweating profusely. Ye Zhongming’s grab nearly broke his arm.

Ye Zhongming quickly released his hand and expressed his apologies to Da Ming.

“The other people in the base know that there are three gachapons here. Before they were protected by people, many people saw them.”

Da Ming rubbed his arm and explained to Ye Zhongming.

“Three of them are all in the east. One is in the underground carpark, one is in a building and the other is on a rooftop.”

Ye Zhongming felt his heartbeat speed up and he asked the problem that he cared about most, “What level are they?”

“What level?” Da Ming scratched his head, “Should be level one and two? Anyways the crystals are the same as those on the heads of the zombies outside. Some are grey, some are white. The one on the rooftop is white so it should be level two.”

It really was level two!

Ye Zhongming was really excited.

In his last life, he left the city not long after he became a level one evolved which was why he didn’t know about the level two wheels in the city. After getting the level two crystals, he was planning to find a level two wheel. Apart from entering the base to get bullets and seeing if there were certificates or scrolls, he also wanted to get news about level two wheels.

He didn’t expect that not only was he getting news here, but the wheel was also even in the base!

This felt too easy.

Da Ming even knew the position of the wheel. Ye Zhongming memorised it. He wasn't worried that he couldn't find it as the gachapon would glow which made it easy to find at night.

A few of them returned back to the apartment after buying food. Due to what happened to that woman, the few girls had no interest at all. Nothing in the market could attract them.

Jia Ming was still searching for news and did not come back yet. They set up their own beds while Ye Zhongming went to the roof alone.

This building was 20 stories high. Jia Ming and Da Ming's family lived on the 18th floor and there was no one on the 19th and 20th floors.

Ye Zhongming looked out into the distance and was able to see the entire district. Only now did he know that this base was huge. It covered two streets. Although it didn't fully cover the two streets but there were at least a few hundred buildings.

Cement was used around the buildings to build a wall that many soldiers were patrolling. Their attention was placed on the outside and they didn't notice Ye Zhongming who was on the roof.

Ye Zhongming was able to see the situation outside the base too. Although he had seen such things many times, but he was still a little shocked now that he looked at it.

He saw that the entire base was surrounded by zombies and mutated animals. There were no gaps at all. On a rough count, there were over 50 thousand zombies gathered here!

The new district didn't have that many people but that was in comparison to the city center. There were still a few hundred thousand people living here. That might be fewer than those of other regions but after the apocalypse struck, the number of zombies was still very sizeable.

Ye Zhongming knew why the base was in danger every day. He saw many mutated zombies that were all level two. Fortunately, there weren't any level three zombies if not the walls wouldn't be able to block their attacks.

The human scent of the base was too strong such that the zombies weren't willing to leave. Although they couldn't do anything to the thick walls but dangers existed at any moment. If a problem occurred, the base would be in danger of collapsing.

Ye Zhongming frowned and felt a little uneasy.

In his last life, if survivor bases faced such a situation as zombie hoards or monster waves, the base would go all out to try and defend against them. Usually, there weren't be so many zombies surrounding the base as these were all hidden dangers that might explode. The survivors would find a way to wipe out the zombies and animals around to ensure that they were always safe.

The most common method would be for the survivors in the base themselves to wipe the monsters out. Not only would that give them huge amounts of crystals, but they could also train the army and protect the base better.

Some bases even used special methods like cannon formations, farms, drawing them to other places, even hiring mercenaries etc.

Ye Zhongming didn't know when the new base would clear them out but one thing was such, they would definitely do it if not the base would be in danger.

He looked around and he didn't see the level two gachapon from the roof. It was probably far away or blocked by other buildings.

He went downstairs and saw Liang Chuyin, Park Xiuying and Mo Ye cooking. They had a huge pot and found some old furniture to burn and cook rice. They placed sliced pork slices on it. Little Tiger was hacking wood while Le Dayuan and his helpers were opening cans.

Da Ming smiled and squatted down. The swallowing motion of his throat showed his inner thoughts.

Ye Zhongming looked at the food that others craved and was a little unsatisfied.

He realised that he had forgotten about a matter. Although evolved were strong but they still needed all sorts of vitamins to be healthy. Their food lacked vegetables and if this continued, problems would appear on their bodies.

Evolved were just strengthened normal people and that didn't mean they were gods that could survive on water.

Ye Zhongming knew that very clearly.

He told everyone and told Little Tiger and Da Ming to follow him down.

"Find some things to collect soil, try to get the fertile ones." Ye Zhongming ordered and they got busy. Although they didn't know what the boss wanted to do but they still did it.

Ye Zhongming found a bag and dug some dirt to put it in.

The three of them made two trips and Da Ming was so exhausted. He wasn't evolved. He climbed the 18 floors many times and he even had to carry the soil. If not for the boar meat strengthening his body, he might have already collapsed.

Ye Zhongming told Da Ming to rest and told him to come over for a meal. That made him so happy that his facial muscles were shaking. After which, he told Little Tiger to spread the soil on the roof and maintain a 10 centimeter height.

After this, Ye Zhongming returned to the market to purchase distilled water. He collected all the water. Although that attracted attention but after he casually punched a hole into the cement floor, people who had bad thoughts all retreated.

He carried the water and returned back to where they stayed.

The reason he did all this was because he wanted to test the Gardener skill, he wanted to see if he could make some fresh things.

Chapter 129: Xia Lei's husband

Qin Yu was really anxious as he waited outside but he didn't dare to show his unhappiness. He continued to nod and smile at the two guards outside.

He was an unassuming small figure in the government district before the apocalypse started.

If there was anything different about him, it would be that he had a good father and a beautiful wife. Moreover, she was a very famous and beautiful wife.

A female cop that was really outstanding and received many awards.

Because of that, even the governor heard of his name before.

But Qin Yu felt that it wasn't right after bragging about it for a while. That was because when people introduced him, they would add that he was Xia Lei's husband.

In the past when they weren't married, they would introduce him as Secretary Qin's son. After marriage, he became Xia Lei's husband.

It felt bad to have his own ability ignored, it even made him really annoyed.

He wanted to break free from this feeling but before he could do anything, the apocalypse descended.

His own father turned into a zombie on the day itself. His wife was working at the police headquarters and his two shining lights were gone. He thought that the apocalypse would feel good for him but reality smashed him in the face.

He noticed that he wasn't anything without his father and wife.

He didn't enjoy the special rights that his father gave him, he didn't enjoy the beauty of his wife. He was weak and even eating became a problem.

Fortunately, he was good at networking. He worked for the right hand man of Director Wang who gave him some food and water.

But his life wasn't good. The guy often scolded and hit him and did many things to humiliate him as he was just a temporary worker during peacetime. Compared to people like Qin Yu, he didn't even have the right to talk to him. That person evolved during the apocalypses and became Director Wang's right hand man. He felt great when he tortured Qin Yu.

Qin Yu was not only humiliated here, but he was also humiliated outside too.

As people started to get demon crystals, the number of evolved in the base increased. Evolved had more rights, they ate and used the best things. If they felt good they teased humans, if not they would scold and beat them up. Qin Yu was beaten up every few days. Although they didn't kill him, but he was bruised and there was no part of him that wasn't hurt.

Qin Yu decided to take a risk to get some crystals, at worse he could get some food and water to feed himself.

When he headed out and saw a huge situation, he saw a hope of getting the evolution potion.

Unfortunately, when he was here and hoped to meet Director Wang and Jin Chu, he was told to wait outside. Only Meng Fang himself was allowed to enter.

Although he was disappointed but he felt that there was a chance. After all, Meng Fang and he were the ones who noticed the situation. If there was a reward, he would get a part of it.

Meng Fang walked out from within and saw Qin Yu there. He looked at him with a weird expression and left with a cold expression which caught him off guard. What was going on?

He bit his teeth and wanted to head in to see the two leaders. In the past he knew how to network. What he faced during these few days also made him much more shameless.

After passing the crumpled cigarette to the guard, they agreed to go in and report. Qin Yu waited eagerly but after just half a minute, the door was opened and the guard was out. Along with him was Director Wang's right hand man who slapped Qin Yu right away. It caused him to drop several teeth and made him stumble onto a chair in the corridor.

"Look at your status, you want to see Director and Chef Jin? Are you sick of living? Scram and head back to wash my clothes."

His words made Qin Yu's expression dead as ash.

The two leaders inside didn't care about him at all and didn't bother about his request.

Qin Yu was furious. He suddenly had the courage to charge into the office. He even shouted, "I am the person who found that team, I saw them fighting the weird boar farmer."

The two guards that were bribed by him didn't give him face, they rained down punches on him which made him roll on the ground in pain. He couldn't take it and knelt down and kowtowed to them for them to stop.

In the end, Director Wang's right hand man stepped out to say a few words. The guard saw that there wasn't any movement inside so they release Qin Yu.

"Scram, before I get back if you haven't washed my clothing I will teach you a lesson." That guy scoffed and then said coldly, "Use my bath water from the morning. If I notice that you drank my water I will kill you, do you understand?"

Qin Yu didn't dare to say anything and just nodded his head.

In the room, a middle aged man in a black suit had a cigar in his hands. He listened in to the commotion outside and smiled, "Secretary Qin's son is really devolving."

Opposite him was a white fatty that smiled.

Qin Yu left the building where he left his blood and also his dignity. He walked forwards like a zombie toward where he stayed. A person walked towards him. He knew that person, a nanny that served another evolved that stayed here.

"Qin Yu? Eh, what happened to you?" That middle aged woman said that but her expression was not one of concern. It was as if she would rather Qin Yu just die.

Qin Yu lowered his head and didn't reply to her.

"Scoff, do you still think you are Secretary Qin's son?" Her tone became direct. Seeing Qin Yu not say a word, she felt uninterested and just left.

But a few steps later she stopped and turned towards Qin Yu, "Is your wife around 1.7 meters, medium length hair, huge chests and fox-like butt? Right, she has a red mark on her left ear?"

Qin Yu was stunned. His wife Xia Lei did have a birthmark on her ear.

"I got back from the trading area and saw this woman asking for you. Is she your wife?"

Qin Yu exclaimed and ran back without a care of the pain that he was in.

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Nurture and Activate were the two basic skills of the Gardener. Due to environmental restrictions, Ye Zhongming had not used Nurture yet.

He planned to use it once to see if he could make fresh vegetables.

As he got the Gardener skill, he found a seed shop along the way and got many types of seeds. He took out a bag of cabbage seeds and spread them out on the soil that Little Tiger scattered around.

He covered the seeds and watered them. Ye Zhongming squatted beside the area and used Nurture.

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Strictly speaking, this was the first time that Ye Zhongming was using the Nurture skill. As this was a continuous skill, it needed time and a specific location. With Ye Zhongming's roamer kind of state, he did not have the conditions to use the skill several times.

But the job was different from normal gardeners. Like other apocalypse jobs, it had magical stats that brought itself many advantages.

For example when nurturing normal earth plants.

Mutated plant seeds were the main target of the Gardener's skills. One needed time and a large amount of mental energy to grow the plants.

But Earth plants were much weaker than those mutated plants which was why Ye Zhongming was planning to train on them. Once he stabilised and got familiar, he would develop the Chompers that he got from the Chain Prisoner.

He pressed his hand on that layer of manmade soil. With Nurture, he injected his mental energy into the soil.

Ye Zhongming's eyes were originally opened but he closed in a moment later as he couldn't see anything on the surface. The mental energy from his hands actually felt like many tentacles that spread across the soil. The mental energy felt like a part of Ye Zhongming's body. Each seed it touched became a point in his mind which would light up when his mental energy touched it.

A moment later, all the seeds lit up in Ye Zhongming's mind. These seeds were connected by mental energy and formed a huge and complicated net of light.

When mental energy was shot out from Ye Zhongming, it was transmitted through the net. Ye Zhongming could sense that the light dots that represented the cabbage seeds were slowly getting brighter.

He knew that the cabbage seeds were growing!

This was a magical feeling. You felt the joy of controlling life and you could even feel the light growing. This made Ye Zhongming addicted and he subconsciously quickened the mental energy injection.

When he sensed it, he realised he had used up over a hundred points of mental energy which frightened him so much that he stopped.

This made him open his eyes and the scene ahead shocked him.

The empty soil had green spouts growing on it!

It sprouted?

Even if Ye Zhongming was sure that he caused all this, it still felt fake.

Things growing at a visible speed were something that one could only see on television. That was due to increased playback speed. Now, it had only been ten minutes since Ye Zhongming planted the seeds and it actually sprouted. Moreover, the sprouts were a few centimeters tall.

In the apocalypse that was riddled with holes, the familiar green color that represented life was a feeling that no one who didn't live in the apocalypse could understand. Ye Zhongming even felt a sour feeling in his nose and he found it hard to control his emotions.

Ye Zhongming had experienced it before and knew what this green represented.

That meant that Ye Zhongming wouldn't lack vitamins and micronutrients. It represented that he didn't need to worry about food. Once his Gardener job reached a higher level, he could raise the nutrients of these plants by many folds.

This meant that he could keep many people alive and it gave him unimaginable power and leadership.

Of course, he didn't know how the job would change as it evolves but what he thought about had a high chance of coming true.

However, the mental energy consumed made him feel a little helpless.

Ye Zhongming couldn't allow himself to exhaust his mental energy because he used it all on the cabbage. The apocalypse was filled with dangers and one had to maintain their strength.

Little Tiger was stunned as he looked on from the side. He saw the boss touch the soil like a madman and a moment later, those seeds sprouted out from the soil.

Little Tiger knew that the boss had more than one job but he didn't know that it had something to do with plants.

The more time he spent with this boss that was just a couple of years older than him, the more mysterious and strong he felt he was.

Little Tiger felt really fortunate that he was on the same side as this person. If he was an enemy... He shivered just thinking about it.

The two of them went downstairs and Ye Zhongming explained to Little Tiger what his job was. This made him really envious and more and more interested in the apocalypse.

It was as if this world had become a game. People will get all sorts of abilities and complete all sorts of quests.

But only Ye Zhongming knew that this wasn't a game. This world was more cruel than a game. You didn't obtain things from nowhere, you had to pay your blood and sweat. You have to make choices and even give up your life.

He believed that a person or some other life form was controlling everything and he wanted to know who it was.

The few women had finished cooking and seeing the two of them come down, it was time to eat. Da Ming who was here to enjoy finally ate something that was so delicious since the apocalypse started and he nearly swallowed his own tongue. Seeing everyone chew slowly, his face flushed red from embarrassment.

“Look at you... Boss will get something nicer at night!”

Little Tiger was drooling when he thought about the sprouting cabbage. No matter how delicious mutated boar meat was, one would get sick of it if one ate too much. If one could eat some fresh vegetables to neutralise the taste then it would be a great enjoyment.

Da Ming’s eyes lit up and he kept asking Little Tiger what it was. He just rolled his eyes and refused to tell him about it. This guy didn’t give face to anyone who was not a part of the team.

Ye Zhongming took the green mental energy necklace back from Park Xiuying to speed up his mental energy recovery. He was planning to accelerate the cabbage growth by today and make some cabbage and meat stew for dinner.

Jia Ming returned not long after they began and he brought interesting news for Ye Zhongming.

“Brother Ye, I know where to find the person with a recipe.” Jia Ming was excited. He knew that his hard work wouldn’t be for nothing. Serving Ye Zhongming was a job that paid a large amount.

“Where?”

“In the east region Ocean Community Club.”