

## **Beloved Dog 1081**

Chapter 1081

The winner was decided

Liza and Shery were cheering on top of Riruru's back, but...the rest of us were just shocked.

It was the kind of battle that would be impossible for humans. I had been expecting something impressive, but not to this degree.

I had no idea how they were able to turn and change their trajectory while in the air... It was as if there were invisible platforms.

Was that really not magic? How could you do that with physical ability alone...? Well, Leo said it wasn't, so it must be true.

"Papa! Feri and Fen are so amazing! But I think Feri is going to lose?"

"They really are... But Feri is at a disadvantage? Can you really keep up with them?"

"I can't see it clearly, but... I can sense it?"

"Sense it..."

Well, her ears were moving too. Perhaps she could sense their movements in other ways. She was a beastkin, after all.

The fighting continued for about ten more minutes, and then it ended suddenly.

"Gau! Grau!!"

"Gurr..."

“...Is it...over?”

“It looks like it...”

There was a loud bang and the ground shook. A crater had been made, and Feri was inside of it, looking rather stunned.

Fen placed his paw on Feri’s stomach. And while pressing his opponent down, he howled in triumph.

So, Fen had won after all...

“Wuff. Wuff!”

“Awooo!”

“Gurr...”

Leo also nodded and raised her paw as she declared Fen the victor.

“Are you alright?”

“Gur...”

“Gau..”

“Haha. That was an impressive fight!”

“Grau!”

A short while later, I was petting Feri and consoling him.

He had been so confident about winning, and so he felt a little down now.

“Still... Feri and Fen sure have become dirty.”

“Grau?”

While I was petting the fenrirs, I noticed that they were covered in dust, and their fur was all tangled.

“I suppose you’ll have to take a bath...”

I remembered that while Leo took baths, we had never really washed the fenrirs.

“Wu-wuff!?”

“Grau?”

“Gur?”

“Why are you reacting, Leo? Well, I suppose it’s because you hate bathing. Regardless, it will have to be after we get back. ...Hmm? Riruru?”

“Grau.”

“Gau. Grau.”

I saw a shadow, and then Riruru came up behind me.

She then moved close to Fen and rubbed her face against him.

Fen barked happily. They sure got along well.

“Gurr...”

“Haha. You did well too, Fen. Here.”

“Gurr...”

Feri looked at Fen and Riruru a little jealously.

I quickly petted him again so he wouldn't go back to being depressed... Now that I thought about it, did Feri have a mate? It seemed likely, if he was the pack leader.

After that, Riruru told Fen not to be too proud and get carried away with the victory, as Feri was clearly old...

Chapter 1082

Sherry and Riruru fought

I learned from Liza, who interpreted for Sherry, that...Feri was quite an old wolf.

He even had children who had grown quite a while ago, and were now part of a different pack.

Regardless, it was not time for Sherry and Riruru to have their training battle.

“This time, I hope we can relax more while watching it?”

“But I am a little worried about Sherry...”

“Well, it is with Riruru. She would not go all out like the other two did...I think.”

Claire was a little worried when she saw that Sherry looked a little scared.

Though, Riruru had a more calm personality compared to the others, so I doubt there would be any injuries.

“Gauu.”

“Kyau....”

As they faced each other, Riruru growled for her daughter to attack.

But Sherry was hesitating.

Perhaps she still had some trauma from the troll. Her personality was a little cowardly... Even though she was very energetic when in a safe place.

“Grau? Gau...”

“Kyau!? Wou...kyau!”

“You can do it, Sherry!”

“Do your best!”

“Don’t lose!”

Riruru crouched into a low stance, and Sherry looked alarmed. She then made up her mind and pounced.

“Gauu!”

“Kyain!”

“...I feel like I’ve seen this before?”

“It’s the same as the battle with the orc in the forest...”

While Sherry's jump seemed a lot faster than it was last time, it was not effective on Riruru.

With one quick swipe of her paw, Riruru knocked Sherry to the side.

"Grau!"

"Kyu...kyau!"

"Oh, she got up. Unlike the time with the orc."

"Yes. Back then, she didn't want to continue until Leo talked to her."

"You can do it, Sherry!"

As Sherry got up to her feet unsteadily, Liza and Tilura started to cheer for her. It was like we were watching a boxing match. I could even hear a boxing film's soundtrack playing in my mind.

"Kyu...gyau!"

"Grau!"

Sherry shook the dust from her fur, and then after glaring at Riruru, punched once again.

Riruru prepared to meet her, however...Sherry suddenly changed position while in the air.

"Gau?"

"...Kyuuu, kyau!!"

"Grau!? Gau...gaau!"

"Is that..."

“It’s...magic.”

While she could not kick the air to change direction, she curled up and appeared to be charging her energy.

And then a moment later, a blue light shot out.

Riruru looked surprised, but then barked back and dodged the blue light.

The light slammed into the ground, freezing a small area.

“Gau! Gau-gau!”

“Kyaun!”

“Ah...”

Without losing momentum, Sherry shot towards Riuru, as if to bite her. But Riuru turned around and slapped Sherry with her tail.

Sherry flew through the air and landed hard on the ground.

“Sherry!”

“Wuff.”

Claire was worried, and was about to rush towards her, but Leo stuck her head out from the side in order to stop her.

Chapter 1083

Sherry was scolded for using magic

“Le-leo? But Sherry might be hurt...!”

“Wuff-wuff.”

“Leo is telling you to look towards her.”

“Huh?”

“Kyu...kyau!”

“She stood up!”

“So Sherry is fine...”

“Wuff. Wuff-wuff!”

“Leo says that she isn’t injured because she just bounced off of the tail.”

The tails of the fenrirs were covered in very soft fur... So it wouldn’t hurt compared to being struck by an orc or even Riruru’s paws.

Well...maybe Riruru’s paws were soft as well?

“Hah...what a relief.”

“Wuff. Wuff-wuff.”

“Well, I can understand why you were worried. Uh, Leo says that Shery must be rebuked for using magic.”

While the rule had mainly been to prevent Feri and Fen from damaging our surroundings, it was also in effect for Sherry and Riruru.

After all, it was possible that Riruru would go too far.



Sherry was not able to use magic on the same level. And it was clear that it was nothing for Riruru. Still, rules are rules.

“Grau. Gau-gau! Gau!”

“Kyau...”

“She said, you can’t use magic! Repent!”

“Haha. It’s a mother scolding her child.”

“We are always with them, so sometimes I forget they are fenrirs... But they really are powerful monsters...”

As Sherry stood up, Riruru began to bark at her.

Claire was right, we had started to see them more like dogs than monsters.

“...Gau. Grau!”

“Kyau!”

“Oh, so they are going to do it again. This time without magic.”

After Sherry and Riruru’s training battle, Sebastian passed out the winnings. I thought we would then return to the mansion...but it seemed like we would have to wait.

The reason that we couldn’t leave...was that we had to clean up after the fenrirs had fought.

They had opened quite a lot of holes in the ground. And they would have to be covered, or people might fall into them, and horses could break their legs.

That being said, we had not brought any tools with us. And so it was mostly the fenrirs who used their feet to fill up the holes.

“Wuff! Wuff!”

“Leo seems to be having fun.”

Liza and Tilura were playing in the first, and Leo was having fun with them.

Ah...they would all have to take a bath when we returned to the mansion.

Sherry was quite dirty as well...

“That really was amazing. Not just Leo, but the fenrirs. I doubt any human could beat them.”

“Was it really that impressive...? I am not sure if I’m glad or sad that I wasn’t there...”

After filling up the holes and erasing the marks of the fight, we made our way back.

Alfred and the other servants wasted no time telling the others about what they had seen. Like me, they had been astonished.

It was almost too impressive to describe. After all...the second half of the fight was mostly just a blur that my eyes couldn’t even follow.

Chapter 1084

We washed the fenrirs

“Alright, time for them to take a bath!”

“Yes!”

“Wuff...”

“Gurr!?”

As the fenrirs were filthy after the fighting, I had gathered them all together in the back garden.

Liza and Tilura were also excited.

Leo knew that there was no avoiding it, and so she just whimpered sadly, while the fenrirs sounded surprised.

Apparently, Leo had told them what would happen, and that it was horrible.

“Mr. Takumi. We are ready.”

“Thank you, Ms. Lyra. ...Uh, Ms. Gelda. I’m sure you are used to it now...but please be careful so that you don’t slip.”

“Ye-yes.”

“I will do my best as well.”

“Thank you, Milina.”

“Mr. Takumi, I am ready too.”

Claire and the others came out of the house.

Aside from her, Sebastian and the servants had decided to participate as well.

The fenrirs were the sizes of horses, and there were five of them. So the more people the better.

“Claire and Sebastian... I don’t really know what you would gain from the experience.”

“Hoho. Well, it is a rare thing. That is enough for me.”

Sebastian said with an amused expression.

“Still...”

“What is it?”

“Ah, no. It’s nothing...”

I was wondering about their clothes.

Last time, I had told them to wear clothes that could get wet, and they had worn thin clothes. But this time, they wore thicker layers. Probably for modesty reasons.

“Walter. Hurry up! You must participate as well. It will help you to get used to the fenrirs.”

“Ugh...”

After Sebastian shouted, Walter walked out slowly while looking towards the ground.

Well, this was a lot less dangerous than running outside, so I didn’t see a problem with it.

“Mr. Takumi. What should we do now? We cannot all go to the bathing room...”

“Indeed... We should start with Leo and Feri then...”

And when that was finished, it would be Fen and Riruru next.

Claire, Sebastian, Lyra and I would participate every time, and the other servants would take turns.

Liza and Tilura would be there as well, but they were basically playing.

“Alright, let’s go, Leo and Feri!”

“Wou...”

“Gurr...”

While it wasn’t as bad as before, Leo still did not like to take baths.

From what Claire had told me, Sherry had been anxious at first, but now she enjoyed them. So I had high hopes for Feri.

Well, it was probably different for everyone...so there was no guarantee that all of the fenrirs would like it.

Also, it depended on how we washed them.

I had to be careful so that they didn’t end up hating it like Leo... When Leo was small, I didn’t know what I was doing, which likely contributed to her dislike of it.

In other words...it was all my fault.

We then entered the bathing room and filled the buckets with water.

“Wou!”

“Gurr?”

Leo shut her eyes tightly, and Feri looked puzzled.

“Feri, you should probably close your eyes as well. Now...here comes the water.”

Chapter 1085

We washed Leo and Feri

“Hey, Leo. Don’t open your mouth, alright?”

Perhaps Liza and Tilura had poured a little too much water on her, as Leo opened her mouth and tried to bark.

Well, we were supposed to wash her face at the very end, so she must have been surprised by Liza and the others.

“Good, good. I see that Feri is behaving very well.”

“Gurr? Gurr...?”

“Ah, you don’t have to reply. If you open your mouth, you will become like Leo.”

“Gurr.”

Feri seemed to be puzzled. At this point, he was likely wondering why Leo had told him that this would be a horrible experience, when all we were doing was pouring water on him.

“Mr. Takumi. Feri’s fur is now flat!”

“Haha. Yes, that happens when they are wet. Still, it does make them look a lot smaller. Even though they are still big compared to humans.”

“Yes. The difference with Leo is even more obvious now.”

Ms. Lyra agreed with me.

This often happens when washing furry creatures like dogs and cats. They look a lot smaller when wet.

Strangely, Leo didn’t shrink down nearly as much... Perhaps it was because her fur was different?

Feri's fur was fluffy and resembled the wool of a sheep...

Leo's fur was very smooth and soft to the touch.

"No, let's get to the actual washing part. Uh..."

"Here, Mr. Takumi."

"Ah, thank you."

After rinsing them off, it was time to remove the dirt.

Ms. Lyra passed me a bucket that was filled with soap bubbles.

This soap was the same kind that we humans used, but it was not as strong as the soap I used in Japan.

I suppose it was because it was made of natural ingredients, and did not contain any chemicals.

So it was fine to use on Leo... Though, it likely didn't matter, as Leo's fur was a lot tougher than human hair or skin.

"Now, please wash the fur while being careful to remove the dust and dirt from in between... Also, try not to pull too hard when untangling the fur."

"Okay!"

"Some of the dirt...is difficult to remove..."

"Hmph...gah. It's hard to know how strong to scrub..."

Ms. Chita was enthusiastic, Alfred was struggling, and Ms. Jane was trying to figure out how much force to use.

I had had that problem at first, and would end up pulling Leo's fur...

"You're going to be very clean, mama!"

"Leo's fur is very nice when it's clean."

"Kuunn..."

When I looked over to Leo, I saw that Liza and Tilura were talking while washing her.

Leo was whimpering, but was sure to keep her mouth closed.

"Well, it looks like it might take some time to finish Feri."

Feri was now covered in bubbles, with the exception of his head.

He was rinsed off once, but on closer inspection, we saw that he was still filthy... Even before the fight, he had not been cleaned in a long time.

Feri kept his eyes closed, but he was now making impatient noises through his nose.

It was like the kind of squeaky sounds that Sherry made.

Regardless, I told him to wait a little longer as I scrubbed him with the soap.

Chapter 1086

We avoided getting hit by the water

"Alright, let's rinse off the soap now. ...Liza and Tilura. Make sure that you don't get water in her face, alright?"



“Okay. Splash!”

“Alright...now, everyone. Move over here!”

“Mr. Takumi?”

“If you don’t come, you will surely regret it!”

“Ye-yes...”

“Certainly...”

We poured water over Leo and Feri several times to wash away the soap.

And since I sensed that they were at their limits, I raised my hand and told everyone to move to the corner of the room.

Ms. Chita and Alfred looked confused, as this was their first time doing it.

Still, they followed me obediently.

“Alright, go ahead, Leo. Do it as much as you like.”

While it was large, it was still a room. So we could only move away a few meters. Still, it should be enough to avoid getting drenched.

“Kuuun...!”

“Gurr!? Gurururu...!”

Leo answered without opening her mouth, and then she shook her body wildly.

As she was so big, it was less of a spray and more of a wave of water... Feri was startled for a moment, but then he did the same thing.

Tilura and Liza had not moved away far enough, and I heard the scream. Though, it was clear that they were having fun.

“That was amazing.”

“...It was a good thing that we moved away.”

“I am still a little wet... Had I been closer, there would be little difference from falling into a bathtub.”

“Yes, I’ve been hit by it several times before. You will be drenched from head to toe.”

“I got wet last time. It was rather embarrassing...”

I recalled the time that Claire and Ms. Lyra had gotten wet. But I quickly pushed the memory out of my mind. There was no time for that. I had to wash Leo right now.

“Wuff. Wuff...”

“Gur...”

“Haha. Well done, both of you.”

Once they were calm again, I washed their stomach and other areas.

And then...the face. Feri had not enjoyed it much, and he sat still the whole time as if doing his best to bear it. I suppose some of the soap might have gotten into his nose, which would be quite uncomfortable.

“In any case, Leo and Feri. We are at the fun part.”

“Wuff! Wuff!”

“Gurr?”

Ms. Lyra then brought out the tools... The brushes.

They were too large for humans. At first, I wondered if they were used for horses, but they had actually been made for Leo and the fenrir.

Leo started wagging her tail, while Feri looked puzzled.

“Now, now, Leo. You’re still wet. So don’t wag your tail too much.”

“Ahhh!”

“Oh, it sure splashes far.”

Liza and Tilura screamed with delight as the water splashed.

They really were just playing here.

“Gurr?”

“Ah, this...”

Feri moved closer and started to sniff the brush.

He was curious as to why Leo was so happy.

I explained what to do to the servants, and they were all handed brushes so that we could get to work.

“Be sure to do it slowly. There is no need to pull hard... Gently untangle any knotted fur... If you find it difficult, then you can use your hands.”

“Wuff. Wuff.”

“Good Leo really does enjoy this.”

This was Leo’s favorite part. She really did like being brushed. It had been that way since she was a maltese.

As for Feri...

Chapter 1087

I thought about the bathing room

While brushing Leo’s fur, I turned to look at Feri. He was purring comfortably and hardly looked like a monster from the wild anymore.

“Sherry enjoys her baths, but sometimes she wants to take one just for the brushing.”

“Huh... I see. I guess that is one thing that they all like.”

Claire said with a smile.

It was not hard to imagine. The idea of Sherry picking up the brush with her mouth and pleading to Claire was quite cute.

Yes, brushing fur was similar to giving a massage for dogs.

Of course, it depended on how you did it. But since Feri enjoyed it, perhaps this could become a regular thing...

“Alright. Pour the water on... And let’s move away!”

“Yes.”

After brushing them, we rinsed them off once more.

And then we all moved away so that they could shake off the water.

“Next is Fen and Riruru... In the meantime, Liza and Tilura. You should stay in the hot water to keep warm.”

“Okay.”

After finishing with Leo and Feri, they were sent out in order to be dried by the servants who had prepared towels. And then they would be brushed again.

The rest of us waited and took a short break in the water.

“Hmm..”

“What is it, Sebastian?”

“What are you thinking about?”

While I was waiting and warming myself, I noticed that Sebastian appeared to be deep in thought.

Even Claire was curious.

“Oh, just that when you and Lady Claire move to the new house in Range village...you will need a bathing room similar to this one.”

That house... I had not wanted one as big as this mansion... But it would probably be similar in the end.

Regardless, it would be necessary to have a large bathing area in order to accommodate Leo and the fenrirs.

“Well, I don’t think we will be doing it like this often. It only needs to be big enough so that one can come in at a time.”

“Indeed...I suppose that is true.”

“Though, Sherry will also grow larger...”

“Hmm. It is not too late to make changes... We could have fewer rooms and enlarge the bathing area?”

The house would have extra rooms so that guests could stay with us.

Indeed...we had a little more than needed, so we could make adjustments...

“I don’t think that will be necessary.”

“Why is that?”

“Well...”

They did not have to be washed indoors.

It was only humans that did it for purposes of modesty.

Besides, Leo and the fenrirs were perfectly fine with cold water. It did not have to be hot.

So Leo and the fenrirs could just be washed outdoors...