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Chapter 251: A Mystery

As the Drakon were dealt with, I ended leveling twice:

[Player Name]: [Planta]

[Title]: [Legendary Warrior]

[Race]: [Hamadryad: Lv34/60] -> [36/60]

[Race EXP]: [18000/72000]

[Job Class]: [Spirit Farmer: Lv34/60] -> [36/60]

[Job Class EXP]: [18000/72000]

[Subclass]: [Novice Of All Trades: Lv30/60] -> [32/60]

[Subclass EXP]: [24000/60000]

[Satiation]: [67/100]

[HP]: [850/850] -> [900/900]

[MP]: [2640/2640] -> [2760/2760]

[STR]: [315] -> [335]

[VIT]: [305] -> [325]

[DEX]: [348] -> [372]

[AGI]: [602] -> [638]

[INT]: [652] -> [688]

[WIS]: [520] -> [550]

[LUC]: [330] -> [350]

[Race Skills: 10/10]

[Ancient Spirit of the Forest: Lv3], [Photosynthesis: Lv2], [Green Magic: Lv4], [Life Drain: Lv3], [Plant Companion: Lv1], [Daughter of Nature: Lv1], [Spirit Magic: Lv4], [Spiritual Barrier: Lv1 (Evolved)], [Plant Synthesis: Lv1] [Fairy Queen's Protection: Lv3]

[Job Class Skills: 10/10]

[Spirit Agriculture: Lv3], [AGI UP: Lv1], [Tame: Lv1], [Farm Animal Companion: Lv1], [Fishing: Lv2], [Robust Body: Lv1], [Spirit Farming Tool Mastery: Lv1 (Evolved)], [Terrain Manipulation: Lv1 (Evolved)], [Soil Domain: Lv1 (Evolved)], [Great Spirit Vessel: Lv3]

[Subclass Skills: 1/7]

[All Trades: Lv3]

[Stored Skills (Unequipped): 3]

[Race Skills]: None

[Job Class Skills]: [Crafting: Lv1], [Alchemy: Lv1], [Cooking: Lv2]

[Summons: 2/2]

[White Goat (Female): Name: Belle: Lv30/30]

[Carnivorous Amber Lotus Flower: Name: Loki: Lv30/30]

[Tamed Monsters: 2/2]

[Silver-horned Lake Snake (Female): Name: Silver: Lv30/30: Affection: Lv8/10]

[Black Armor Mimic Swordsman (Hermaphrodite): Name: Mimy: Lv30/30: Affection: Lv7/10]

[Skill Points: 464] [Stat Points: 30]

[Equipment]: [Spirit of the Forest Robes] [Bracelet of Nature] [Great Spirit Crown of Harvest and Nature] [Seed Pouch] [Mushroom Hero Ring] [Mushroom Hero Bracelet] [Heavenly Ring of Life and Souls]

Huh, my stats increased quite nicely compared to before evolving. I guess evolving also comes with increase in stat growth per level, isn't it? Well, aside from that, got a lot of Skill Points, if things get desperate, I can use them to give me an enhancement in something, or maybe I should purchase some new Skills while I am at it, shouldn't I? But it would feel like a waste to replace my other Skills, ugh. Well, I guess this is how this game works at the end.

Nonetheless, when the Drakons died I got a lot of their dropped items, their scales, meat, and even things such as their fangs and eyes. They can all be used for Alchemy most likely, creating potions... or something else I guess?

"Whew that was certainly a challenge." Titan sighed. "However, once we caught up to our strength, I guess we managed to pull through quite more easily than I had imagined."

"Yeah, I guess we just had to go all out instead of trying to play like we did before, we got new spells and skills after all." Rita added.

"More importantly, we avenged the wolf pups that Rosette talked about. I hope they can rest in peace now, wherever they are." I sighed with a mild smile.

"Yeah, it is a pity that they got... well, I don't really want to mention it." Rosette said. "Nonetheless, this is weird! Why are there Drakons in here, and of such high level?!"

"Do you know more about Drakons, Rosette?" I asked.

"Well yeah, they're vicious monsters but we have only heard about them from old tales. We Brownie never dig so deep as to go into the Underworld where they roam around freely, that's several kilometers down!" Said the little Brownie tomboy girl, she looked very cute.

"Several kilometers down?!" I asked.

Wait, if those monsters come from so down into the earth how come they got here so quickly and out of the blue? Surely they would had been able to hear them breaking through the bedrock below, right?

"The Underworld... Wait, this forest connects to the underworld?!" Asked Titan.

"What's that place?" I asked.

"It is an underground map that encompasses most of the continent of Verdant, other continents also got their own underworlds. They are enormous underground worlds made up of gigantic caves interconnecting together into mazes. Very high-level monsters roam there, they often never get out because they're locked there. There's a quest you can get with the dwarves of this continent to go through a path to the underworld, usually when you are already high level enough." Said Titan.

"This is indeed odd, even through the perspective of a Player it seems strange, isn't it? The Miasma infecting the Drakons also made them more formidable foes." Titania's Spiritual Projection spoke. She helped in the fight by mostly buffing us through her [Fairy Queen's Divine Protection] and decreasing enemy stats through her [Fairy Queen's Divine Authority], her specialties.

"Could someone have brought the Drakon here?" Nieve wondered. "It shouldn't be out of the question that there might be someone trying to do things in the background, this entire event seems artificial, as if someone was doing it like what happened with Florie."

"Do you remember anything more Rosette?" I wondered.

"No, I wasn't in the mines when this entire incident happened, but if there were really Drakons the ones that showed up, then your low-level friend might be in grave danger! I don't know how Players can handle it, but there should be a limit of how much you can die and revive, right?!" Asked Rosette.

"Yeah, we should leave conversations for later, let's hurry for now!" I said, as I conjured Wind Spirits through Dragon Vein Detection and used Whirlwind to lift all of us off the ground.

"Uwaaaah!" Rosette began to freak out. "W-Wind Magic?!"

"Wind Spirits! They're my friends! Let's go as fast as we can!" I said, using Whirlwinds to enhance our speed, we traveled across the dark and mossy caves, finding all sorts of ores and materials I wanted to pick up but contained myself.

FLAAAASH!

Suddenly, as Rosette led us through the paths, we came in front of weird sightings, such as a lot of Miasma flowing across the walls, and several passages being covered in so much Miasma they resembled swamps! I wanted to use my powers to purify the terrain here, but we were in a hurry, so we continued moving forward, even evading red dots that showed up in the distance as we wanted to get to Lily as fast as we could.

Until finally, we found a blue dot within the map!

"LILYYYYY!"

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Chapter 252: Lily Logs In

The moment Elayne showed the ropes to Lily and then went back home, she quickly decided to play the game that Elayne was so excited about, Brand New Life Online. It was a Massive Multiplayer Online Game, or MMO, but also a Virtual Reality Game, a VR, therefore, a VRMMO. Lily wasn't born so long ago, but in the 80's. She was someone that had her experience playing video games on her own and with her cousin and little brother, and played them until her early twenties, when she started to dedicate to gardening and working to slowly get money for her dream of a gardening shop to spread her love for plants and gardening.

However, over time she slowly fell off, constantly working herself to almost death to get enough money, she lost contact with most of her family and became a lonely woman. She never managed to get experience with people, and all her female friends slowly disappeared from her life, never contacting her again, nor her contacting them again either. She even had her dream of finding a gentle-hearted person to accompany her gardener life but could never find an opportunity to find any.

In her previous office jobs she always found some good young men around her age, when she was younger, but she was distant with everybody, and could not truly build relationships with anybody other than the bare minimum. In her workplace, she was even known as the "lonely girl" that always spoke very little and just did her job and walked away. This wasn't really what she wanted in life, but due to her insecurities and never having accumulated enough experience herself, she never was able to step forward and find someone.

Even after she got a shop, her life continued being lonely, she sold her products rather well over the years, but as time went by, things slowly became going downhill. Her sales slowly decreased, and not many people within her community was interested in plants anymore. There were times when nobody came to the shop in days, but these days became weeks over time.

When Elayne showed up, her gentle nature and her kind heart was like a ray of sunshine coming from within the dark clouds covering Lily's life. Her smile and her friendly nature quickly caught her off guard. Elayne not only helped her with many things but even introduced her to new ways to gain profit, Lily felt like she was a bit too behind all of this world's technological advancements than she should had been.

And due to her recommendation and all the things Elayne told her BNLO had, she wanted to try the game... But also for her, Elayne. Perhaps if she were to play the game, she could grow closer to her and know her better. It has been ages since she had an actual friend, if she wanted to keep her, she had to put on some effort.

"For Elayne I want to play too!" She said to herself, as she quickly logged into the game, finding herself in a black space. In there, she was greeted by a beautiful black-skinned lady with long brown hair that reached down, as countless flowers grew over her hair, she had beautiful jewels all across her body, and her eyes shone brightly like rainbows.

"Hello, dear child. In this place, you can create your own Avatar. I am a humble goddess, let me lead you through this tutorial."

"G-Goddess?!"

Lily felt shocked to meet a goddess of Earth named Terra. She swiftly decided to shape her Avatar as she wanted, finding the adorable Brownie and their cute and child-like appearances as endearing to her, and ultimately, she picked up a not so popular Job Class that wasn't Gardener, as this Class offered more possibilities in what she wanted to specialize into.

"Thank you for everything!" Lily said.

"No problem dear, have fun. You're blessed with great Fate, don't falter in the middle of great challenges." Said Terra, gently waving her hand as Lily, in her adorable Brownie avatar quickly emerged elsewhere.

Her appearance was adorable to say the least, she looked way younger than her real-life counterpart, resembling a girl in her twelves or thirteens. She had short white hair and shiny golden eyes, with brown, chocolate skin. Her clothes were tomboyish in appearance, with a brown overall and a white shirt, and her weapon of preference, a Wooden Mace.

She quickly picked up Skills she found interesting in the way to the game, as Terra had taught her to use the bonus Skill Points and Stat Points she received at the beginning.

[Player Name]: [Lily]

[Race]: [Brownie: Lv1/20]

[Race EXP]: [0/1000]

[Job Class]: [Geomancer: Lv1/20]

[Job Class EXP]: [0/1000]

[Satiation]: [100/100]

[HP]: [50/50]

[MP]: [220/220]

[STR]: [50]

[VIT]: [35]

[DEX]: [25]

[AGI]: [25]

[INT]: [40]

[WIS]: [45]

[LUC]: [25]

[Race Skills: 5/10]

[Spirit of the Earth: Lv1], [Spiritual Shield: Lv1], [Green Magic: Lv1] [VIT/WIS UP: Lv1] [Magic Gardening: Lv1]

[Job Class Skills: 4/10]

[One With The Earth: Lv1], [Earth Spirit Magic: Lv1], [Hammer Mastery: Lv1], [Dirt Shaping: Lv1]

[Equipment]

[Spirit Blessed Overall]

[White Shirt]

[Mining Boots]

[Magic Wooden Hammer]

"All set!" Lily said happily, without understanding things completely, a small Guider Spirit guided her in these things, and made her understand everything a bit better.

She was told that Brownies are a race that specialize in shaping dirt and enhancing soil, while also being good at gardening and taking care of plants and even work on wood and other small tools. They have an impressive strength for their sizes and are also good at a variety of not so popular magics.

"Brownies are also capable of drawing energy from the soil, the healthier it is the better- Hey! Are you listening to me, Lily?" The Guider Spirit annoyed Lily as she began wandering around the cave she suddenly appeared into.

"Woow... This is really so realistic! Look, so many shiny crystals and ores... Are these mushrooms that glow in the dark? I want them! Can I pick them? Is it okay?" Lily wondered, fascinated by everything, she used her Hammer Mastery Skill to smack the ores and crystals and mine them around as she walked carefreely.

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Chapter 253: A Nice Beginning Interrupted By A Lurking Evil

Brownies had the passive ability to Mine thanks to their Starting Racial Skills. They can Mine all they want without the necessity for the Mining Skill, and if they combine such Skill with their Racial Skill, they can mine even higher quality materials. The only two other races with this innate Mining Ability were Dwarves and Gnomes.

Like this, Lily ended gathering a lot of materials in her way through the caves, finally reaching somewhere, as she found herself surrounded by many small people!

"Uwaah, they're so small and cute!"

She saw chocolate-skinned brownies like her smacking the ores with their pickaxes or hammers, and even long bearded gnomes helping them. The Miners, which were around twenty or over that suddenly saw her getting into their mining grounds, most continued working and ignored her. It wasn't

uncommon for kids to get into the caves sometimes. However, a group of curious Brownies quickly ran to see her.

"Hey! What's your name? I have never seen you before!"

"Wow those clothes are awesome! You look like a tomboy."

"Where did you got such a high quality hammer?"

"I like your white hair."

"E-Ehhh?! Uwaahhh!"

Lily was suddenly swarmed by adorable Brownies; she could had never felt so happy in her entire life. She suddenly realized this game was the most incredibly thing there was if it allowed her to be with adorable little Brownies, who were like the kids she always dreamed to have. She was honestly rather fascinated by being surrounded by them, this was a dream come true.

"I-I am a Player... Name's Lily. Are you people of this village? I am looking for a friend Elay- I mean, Planta..." She said.

"Player? What's that?"

"A Player is... Dunno."

"I think it is immortal people?"

"Something like that."

"Well anyways come with us, do you want to mine?"

"I've already mined some ores myself..." Said Lily, but the other Brownies didn't believed her, she wasn't bringing anything with herself after all. "Here!"

However, she quickly surprised them as she opened her inventory, dozens of shiny ores, crystals, and even mushrooms of rare and high qualities appeared, amazing the Brownies and even the nearby miners immersed in their work.

"Woah, she just summoned items out of the blue?"

"Oi, what's that?"

"Amazing! Is that space magic?"

"No this is Inventory, it is something Players have... You don't have it?" Asked Lily curiously.

"We don't have such a fancy Skill at all!"

"Hey, hey, you can use it to store stuff? Can you help us carry things back to town? I think we could do it easier with your help!"

"We'll give you some food in exchange, and money!"

"Eh? R-Really?" Asked Lily. "I'll do it for free, don't worry. But I would love a meal if you can."

Ding!

[A New Beginner Quest has been created: [Help the Brownies and Gnomes carry their Ores back to the Village]!]

Like that, for the next hour, Lily began gathering the drops from the mining process inside her Inventory and walked back and forth between the village and the mines, meeting many brownies and gnomes in the way.

Some were curious about her being a player, others feared her and didn't spoke with her, but she already had a small group of Brownies that began treating her almost instantly like a friend. Brownies were a very innocent and almost naïve tribe; this is why the grumpy gnomes had to protect them.

"Phew, I think this should be the last one?" Lily said with a smile.

"Yeah, yeah! We are almost done! Thank you!"

"Thanks to you we won't be so tired, so we can cook tasty meals together."

"I'm hungry..."

The Brownies were so adorable and straightforward that they quickly soothed Lily's heart, she wanted to spend more time here with them and know them better.

However, something unexpected ended happening.

TRUUUUMMM...!

Tremors started happening across the entire cave, interrupting the mining and gathering process. The gnomes and brownies suddenly panicked, as they felt shocked of what was happening.

"What was that just now!?"

"I don't know..."

"Monsters?"

"But the entrance to the deeper areas is closed, monsters can't-"

"Unless... that wall was broken?"

"ROOOOOAARRRRR!"

The roar of a monster echoed across the caves, as enormous claws suddenly emerged from within the end of the mining grounds, the enormous and furious face of a Drakon appeared, with several others behind it!

"Ah, what a nice surprise."

And the voice of a young man echoed behind the Drakons, as the small people noticed his eyes glaring from behind, a malicious smile curling on his lips.

"My dear Drakon, have a good meal!"

"GROOOARRR!"

"ROOOOARRR!"

"RAAAARRR!"

The enormous, scaled beasts rushed forward, as the Brownies and Gnomes ran for their lives. However, the higher leveled monsters were quickly and vicious, catching many of them with their long claws and scratching their bodies, breaking their clothes, and splattering blood across the cave.

"Ahh...!"

Lily felt paralyzed at the gruesome scene, the little fairytale she thought she was living was quickly interrupted by the other aspect of the game she had forgotten, monsters, danger, and death.

"Lily run! Run!"

"Come! Don't stay there, they're coming!"

"Lily!!!"

The little Brownies tried to bring her with them, quickly grabbing her clothes and trying to her off her paralyzed state, which was actually due to the intimidation skills of the Drakons.

"Planta... where are you?!" She began to think, suddenly panicking, as she received a call from her.

"Lily! Are you there?! What's wrong?!" Planta heard the screams and everything, panicking.

"Monsters!"

"Damn it, did they come from the depths again?"

"T-There are a bit too many this time..."

"Run!"

"Uwaah! Planta, hurry! There are a lot of monsters... I'll run for now, I don't know if I can beat high level stuff yet..."

"Yeah, you do that, wait for us!"

The call was suddenly closed as Lily regained control over her own body, running with her Brownie friends as fast as she could... However, the claws of the Drakon neared closer.

CLAAASH!

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Chapter 254: Immortal Player

"ROOOARRR!"

One of the Drakon caught up to Lily's party of Brownies, as its venomous, miasma-covered claws got near, clashing over the floor right behind her and her friends, making a hole and crumbling the ground beneath their foot, making them trip over!

BAAAM!

"Uwaah! Help!"

One of the Brownies began to cry as the Drakon got closer, opening its jaws to devour him.

"GRAAARRR!"

The monstrous high-level creature was about to devour Lily's new friend, as Lily screamed, pointing her small hands at the monster.

"NOOO! CLAY WALL!"

TRUUUUMMM...!

Suddenly, the spirits of the earth and the very soil itself responded to her call, shapeshifting into an enormous wall made of Clay that cost over half of her total MP, impacting the Drakon's jaws and filling them with dirt!

"GRAHH... KAHHAAA...!"

The Drakon began to cough the dirt as it struggled to do as it had originally planned.

"Now, RUN!!!" Lily cried, as her Brownie friends panicked.

"But come with us!"

"Lily!!!"

"W-What are you planning to do?!"

"I am a Player! I... cannot die. I'll stay here and hold them off somehow, you go away and close the mines before it is too late! Protect your village! Protect those beautiful gardens you've made!" Lily said, as tears flowed through her eyes.

"Lily...!"

"Damn it! Let's go!"

"Uuagh! No wait!"

The bigger Brownie grabbed the other two as he forcefully carried them away from Lily.

Lily saw the tiny people run away, as a group of sorcerers stood in the entrance of the mine, mostly gnomes and old brownies, touching the ground as they unleashed an incantation using Geomancy and Green Magic.

"Oi, what about the one that stayed behind?!"

"Wait, don't close yet!"

"I'm sorry, but we cannot let the monsters get closer!"

TRUUUUUMMM!!!

The mine closed behind Lily, as she saw the Drakon throwing away the Clay Wall and shattering it into pieces with ease using its sharp claws... the ferocious monster glared at her with its sharp red eyes.

"You're a rather brave little one. But it makes no difference."

The voice of that young man she heard before echoed once more, his entire body covered in a black cloak, but she noticed his red eyes and blue hair beneath the cloak.

"W-Who are you?! Are you controlling these monsters?" Asked Lily desperately, slowly stepping back, but quickly realizing that if she leads the monsters to the wall made with magic, they might end up destroying it.

"Who am I? Well, I shouldn't be telling this to a mere lowly creature such as you... But seeing how you're going to die; I don't see why not comply with your last wish." The man spoke viciously. "Lowly creature, you're in front of Jeremias Arc Crux, the greatest apprentice of the Ancient Wizard of the Luminous Kingdom. Due to my recent revelation, I've decided to come and conquer your damned forest!"

"The what... of what?!" Lily asked, feeling completely confused, she didn't know whatever these things were.

"Hmph, as if a being such as you could understand a single thing." He said with a smile. "The great Miasmic Core is pulsating with new life. This entire forest shall become the sacrifice to restore the Demon King of Miasma from his recent damage taken! Feel honored, you shall become the first of his victims!"

"Eh? D-Demon King?!" Lily wondered. "Are you his friend?"

"Friend? I am his servant! A Warlock that has channeled his divine power! I have been enlightened!" Laughed Jeremias. His name was rather simply for an evil sorcerer. "This morning he finally gave me an order, after years of silence!"

"Wait, we could talk things out, you don't really have to kill people, you know? This is just a game; can't you calm down? We could discuss things perhaps and-" Lily tried to talk things out, but Jeremias's cold red eyes didn't have any intention to listen to her.

"Kill her."

"ROOOARRR!"

His black staff shone with a black aura of Miasma, which seemed to shape itself as strings controlling the Drakon, the one in front of Lily pounced forwards towards her with a speed she couldn't even keep up with!

"Clay Wall!!!"

Lily cried, generating another wall right in front of the Drakon, only for the monster to use its brute force and weight to destroy the wall with ease, reaching up to her in an instant!

CRAAASH!

"Ahhh...!"

The monster's claws reached her body, crushing her and shredding her into pieces.

SLAAASH!

Her body fell into the floor, blood and guts.

"Heh, that was so easy, these little creatures are really just ants..." Sighed the blue haired man.

Lily's mind suddenly dived into pure darkness, she felt a slight sensation of pain all over her body before she was torn apart and died. For a few seconds, it felt like she was falling asleep, finding herself in her soul form, the form players took after their deaths in the game.

"Huh? I... died?" She wondered, looking at her body torn to shreds. "Ugh, this game is really realistic, isn't it?"

She suddenly noticed a counter in front of her eyes.

[You have died!]

[Due to being a Player below Level 10, you are not penalized and can revive in ten seconds after death.]

[Reviving in 9... 8... 7... 6... 5... 4... 3... 2... 1... 0...]

Jeremias quickly looked around, finding the wall the people at the village built. It was reinforced with powerful high-level magic and even spiritual power; it was tougher than he thought it would be.

"A powerful Wall reinforced with high level magic..." He said, but then suddenly smiled. "Even for the Drakon that's going to be tough, but well, we can always just force our way- Eh?"

However, he suddenly noticed that Lily's body suddenly turned into particles of light melding together magically through a power he had never seen before, until her body was completely restructured.

"What the...?!"

Lily quickly stood up, opening her eyes wide open in surprise.

"I-I was revived... Amazing, so this is really a game at the end..." Lily sighed in relief, everything was so realistic that for her it felt like it wasn't truly a game.

And that wasn't all, Jeremias's scream of surprise was just the beginning.

[A new implementation to help beginner Players below Level 10 has been activated.]

[Every time you die, all stats increase by +10% with a max of 400%, only lasts until you're Level 10. Additionally, MP and HP recovery is tripled and Skill Damage Dealt is increased by +50%.]

Apparently, the game had implemented a new system to help beginners that struggled in the game and died too much at the beginning, helping them get through Level 10 with ease in the latest patch.

And for Lily's current situation, it was perfect!

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Chapter 255: Stalling For Time!

The self-proclaimed Servant of the Demon King of Miasma had never seen something like this in his entire life. Although he knew of "Reviving Magic" only the highest of Priests back in the Kingdom could perform it, and only if the body wasn't as damaged as Lily ended as. Even more, the spell didn't even work through ways such as restructuring her entire body from scratch to the point even her broken equipment was back as pristine as it was before.

His red eyes were shocked, his face flabbergasted, and he couldn't simply believe what he was seeing!

"S-She revived?! What is the meaning of this?! How? How is this possible?!" He wondered, suddenly remembering something.

"You..." The young sorcerer said, looking down at Lily. "You're a Player, aren't you?"

"I-I am! I won't let you pass no matter what! Not even over my dead body!" Lily said firmly, as Jeremias's face twisted with anger.

"Hmph, even if you can revive, your Level is too low! You cannot even compare with my Drakon and my Magic! Fine! Player or not, I'll just have to kill you a hundred times if necessary!" Jeremias said.

He had heard that Players were people "chosen by the gods" and had the power to revive, alongside other perks at their disposal. However, most of them took a while to revive once dead, it was very strange that Lily was revived so quickly after her death.

Nonetheless, someone with such a twisted and vicious mind as him didn't even care, seeing Lily as a test subject. If she doesn't die now, he'll try anything else and kill her somehow.

A smile emerged on his lips.

"Heheheh, you will become my test subject! Kill her again! Fill her entire body with Miasma!" Laughed the wicked man, as Lily didn't falter this time.

"If I can revive and barely feel anything when dying... then!"

Lily suddenly activated her Skills without even thinking, as if naturally. The power of Earth and the Spirits concentrated within her body, as the very earth making this cave seemed to want to help her. This was part of the Brownie's special racial trait, [Spirit of the Earth]!

While Dryads and Ents received the aid of the forest, boosting their stats and more, Brownies had to draw the strength of Earth itself, durable, powerful, and strong, holding everything together.

"Clay Wall won't do...! Mountain Wall!"

BAAAM!

Lily hit the ground with her hammer, as the entire ground shook. One of the nearby Drakons jumped towards her to stop her, but an enormous wall resembling a tiny mountain emerged, crushing the monster into the ceiling!

BOOOOMMMMM!!!

"W-What?!" Jeremias was shocked, looking at the tiny Brownie surprised.

"GRAAARR! GROOARR!"

The Drakon was of course not dead, barely having taken any damage at all! However, the beast got stuck in the ceiling as the strong Mountain Wall was taking a while to slowly crack and break.

"Ah, my entire MP pool is gone, but I did something pretty awesome, and I ended blocking the path as well." Thought Lily.

"DIE!" Jeremias furious fired a spear made of darkness he conjured on the spot, as it reached Lily.

"Ah!"

CLAAASH!

Her entire body was impaled by the spear, as it slowly dissipated into light, restructured itself and revived Lily once more!

"Huh?! You're back so soon? So your cooldown is... ten seconds?! That's nothing...!" Jeremias muttered, gritting his teeth. "Well no matter! Die again- agh?!"

"Mountain Wall!"

Lily conjured Mountain Wall before Jeremias could conjure his magic, as the moment her body began to restructure she forcefully charged her intent into conjuring the spell, conjuring it almost instantly after reviving!

TRUUUUMMMM...!

The enormous wall resembling a small mountain surged from the floor before her, reaching the ceiling and stopping Jeremias from attacking her, impacting the Drakon he was mounting and making the beast trip into the floor. Drakons were rather clumsy creatures by themselves.

"D-Damn it! Kill her! KILL!" Jeremias cried angrily, as the three other Drakon reached Lily, breaking her apart into shreds!

CRASH! CRASH! CRASH!

"And just after she revives, instantly kill her again! Keep her dying like that!" The evil sorcerer said, smiling. "I've already figured out your timing, stupid shrimp. You're not getting out of my permanent death trap!"

FLASH!

However, Lily suddenly was revived right behind the Drakons!

"Huh?! She appeared behind them?!"

Apparently, if the system saw that the life of a revived player was threatened by nearby enemies, the revived player would simply appear far away from them, sometimes even behind monsters for a surprise attack.

Lily thought as she slowly revived, that Planta had told her things about the game she could use right now... one of its greatest factors when conjuring magic was... imagination! The ability to create magic and skill synergy was the key to conjuring strong magic despite being low-level.

"Imagination... Then how about a big fist?!"

All of Lily's Mana gathered within the floor below her, as the Spirits of Earth and the soil itself answered her call. The very material this cave was made of began to shapeshift into an enormous, twenty-meter-big hand! Thanks to her increased MP recovery due to the newbie's assistance, she was rocking it!

TRUUUMMMM...!

"Wh-What the hell?!" Jeremias asked in shock, as he saw with horror such high class magic that not even he could ever fathom to conjure! ...Although it was all for show, its total power level was way below the Drakon or his own magic.

BAAAAMMM!

However, as it was made from the rocks, ores, and crystals of this entire cave, which might even be of high quality, something very interesting happened. The spell suddenly became as strong as the materials that composed it!

The enormous fist hit one of the Drakons, pushing it down into the floor, then it gave another punch at the Drakon holding Jeremias, throwing the delicate sorcerer across the air.

BOOM! BOOM! BOOOOM!

"Unnnggh...?! What is this?! How come a Level 1 Garbage Player like you can conjure this magic?!" The young man asked.

"It is just Beginner's aid." Lily answered.

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Chapter 256: How Long Can She Handle It?

Usually, when Players hurt NPC, they would be penalized. However, there were many times, especially in the story of quests in the world of the game where NPC were evil villains, in such case, NPC would be branded as "Bandit" or even "Monsters" and be allowed to be exterminated if they threatened a Player.

As of now, despite being a human, Jeremias was obviously evil and has killed Lily three times already. It was more than obvious he was a foe, and therefore, a red brand appeared above his head, which only Lily could see...

[Bandit: Can be exterminated to receive a reward.]

The System seemed to not be biased towards NPC, if they dared to become villainous and threaten Players, with all the rights they had to hurt others, then Players would also acquire the rights to hurt them back.

"Unnnggh...! I heard Players can't hurt people!? Why did you hurt me?! Is this... What is this?!" Jeremias was shocked, he was too unexperienced with Players to know the truth of the System's intricacies.

"You cry too much! You're like a spoiled brat!" Lily angrily said, she raised her hammer as dirt, rocks, ores, and crystals suddenly sprouted out of the ground and from her inventory, temporarily fusing with it as she conjured her [Rock Hammer] Earth Spirit Spell!

CLAAAAASSSSHHH!!!

The enormous hammer hit the floor, as an enormous shockwave broke the sound barrier for a split of a second, shacking the entire cave. Jeremias panicked, as he gritted his teeth, running away from the falling boulders that the tremor provoked.

"Well, no matter! I'll leave you fighting my Drakon while I go elsewhere." Said Jeremias, as his body suddenly was enhanced with his darkness and miasma. "(Killing these rats wasn't even my top priority anyways, that is getting into the Roots of that one tree supporting this forest!)" He thought, quickly summoning a large snake made of shadows and miasma, which he jumped over and ordered to slide through the caves and run from the scene. "You Drakon, fight her until you can break through the walls behind her and kill her village!"

His last command reached his enslaved Drakons, as the five enormous draconic monsters quickly freed themselves from the boulders over their bodies. Covered by powerful scales, their defenses were amazing. No matter how much chaos Lily's spells caused, the damage she dealt was pitiful even with her buffs!

...And she was out of MP.

CLAAASH!

The enormous foot of one of the Drakon reached her in an instant, crushing her into the ground and flattening her body like a pancake.

"ROOOARR!"

The Drakon roared victoriously, as the other four began to march towards the walls. However, within ten seconds, Lily appeared a few meters away from the Drakon that killed her, quickly conjuring another of those enormous arms.

"[Titan's Fist]!"

TRUUUUMMMM...!

An enormous fist made out of this cave's materials emerged once more, hitting the Drakon as it appeared right before their faces, throwing them away and back into the cave where they originally were.

"[Mountain Wall]!"

TRUUUUMMMM...!

Right after that, a big Mountain Wall reappeared, closing the path for them to reach the village of the Brownies and Gnomes. Lily was gasping for air, despite dying and reviving all the time, her Satiation bar was going down without recovering. Back then players that revived would have their satiation healed to 100%, but now it could only recover up to 30, the bare minimum.

She had been using so much energy that her Satiation was already at 30 each time she revived, she had to eat something to not feel so tired. She quickly tried opening her inventory to see any food the game could have given to her, but before she could even do anything, a deadly dark breath reached her, vaporizing her in an instant.

BOOOOMMMM!!!

Ten seconds passed, as Lily's mind continued moving faster every seconds, thinking about new strategies. She had to strategize with what she had at hand, using the environment to hold the monsters where they were!

She constantly conjured [Mountain Wall] as she was being killed, constantly stacking them up, making it more difficult for the Drakon to break them with their brute strength, and each time they did, she made more and more. Ultimately, she was being constantly killed as she made one or two Mountain Walls, for nearly half an hour.

"Ugh... My head hurts..." Lily sighed, slowly standing up, finding herself atop one of her Mountain Walls, as the Drakon greeted her from afar, opening their jaws and roaring at her, several rays of darkness reached her, as she managed to create two more walls before being vaporized.

BOOOOMMMM!!!

Three walls broke, but the other two held off, the Drakon swiftly tried to break them, only for Lily to appear again, generate a big hammer made of the cave's components, and shake the entire cave again, making several boulders fall from above, which inhibited the Drakon's movements for a few seconds as they tried to get out of their small predicament.

"My head hurts more and more as I revive... Ugh, I should log off... But if I do, the people there will die... NPC can't revive, right? I can't let them die..." Lily sighed, remembering the memories she built with the Brownies.

It was just a few hours, but for her it felt like she had gone into a whole different world, and became a different person altogether, someone she always perhaps wanted to be. This was a beautiful chance to restart again, to become someone new, someone she wanted to be...

Those adorable brownies, and the grumpy gnomes were all good people. Lily knew this was a game, but she was way too invested now to leave them to their deaths. It was the same feeling when someone loved characters from series or novels and suffered when they died the same way a real person died.

"Planta... hurry..." Sighed Lily, as she was about to be devoured once more...

Until she heard Elayne's voice.

"LILYYYYYYYYY!"

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Chapter 257: Reaching Lily!

Ding!

Before Lily's eyes, after dying over fifty times, a strange Title emerged at the same time as she heard Elayne's voice.

[You have acquired the [Undying Hero] Title!]

[The Title has been automatically equipped]

[Undying Hero]

Acquisition Conditions: Die over 50 Times within less than an hour while trying to protect someone important to you.

Equip Bonus: All Stats +100, Revive Time Shortened by Half.

A Title only given to those who have sacrificed themselves dozens of times to protect what's important to them. Death is only a mere little scratch for someone like you, who is willing to abuse the power of a Player and die a thousand times if necessary.

"W-Woah... Is this something like a reward for dying so much?" Sighed Lily, as enormous claws suddenly reached her once more.

"ROOOARR!"

"GROOAAR!"

"RAAARRR!"

"Ugh... Time to die again..." Lily sighed, as a gardener and florist herself, she never thought she would ever act so heroically in her entire life, even less inside a simple game.

"Planta... hurry..." Sighed Lily, as she was about to be devoured once more...

Until she heard Elayne's voice.

"LILYYYYYYYYY!"

"Eh?!"

Lily's eyes opened wide, as she saw an enormous sphere of fire emerging out of thin air. For a second, she saw countless colorful spiritual veins everywhere, where this enormous boy emerged! It had a cute and adorable face, but it was quite clear it resembled a miniature sun!

"Fofoooeheheheh..."

The enormous sphere of fire emerged right over the Drakon, as it suddenly began shining bright red!

BOOOOMMMMM!!!

And it exploded!

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(Planta's POV)

While in the way back to Lily, I quickly realized that my tamed pets and summons had yet to evolve, I had to quickly make them evolve so I don't make them struggle as much. Damn it, I am really a dummy for forcing them to fight like this without helping them evolve. But none of them had even said anything about it, so it really surprised me when I realized they had yet to evolve!

"Alright you guys, evolve!"

FLASH! FLASH! FLASH! FLASH!

All four of them suddenly began to shine brightly, encompassed by powerful light, their evolution was slow, as their bodies, while moving, started to grow larger and shapeshift.

Meanwhile, without wasting a single second, I decided to spend some Skill Points myself, as I wanted to reinforce my Magic Power and get some new Spells while I am at it.

[You have exchanged 4 Skill Points]

[The [Green Magic: Lv4] Skill has leveled up to level 6!]

[Green Magic: Lv6] has unlocked the [Wooden Spears] [Wooden Hammer] [Spiritual Healing] and [Greater Antidote Sap] Spells!

[You have exchanged 4 Skill Points]

[The [Spirit Magic: Lv4] Skill has leveled up to level 6!]

[Spirit Magic: Lv6] has unlocked the [Flare Explosion] [Sunlight Beam] [Blazing Fairy Call] [Mountain Wall] [Land Spirit Combination] and [Stone Fairy Call] Spells!

Oh, so many new Spells!

Well, while we are at it, also let's level up the rest of the Skills!

[You exchanged 8 Skill Points]

[The [Spiritual Barrier: Lv1 (Evolved)] Skill has Leveled up to Level 5!]

[You exchanged 8 Skill Points]

[The [Spirit Farming Tool Mastery: Lv1 (Evolved)] Skill has Leveled up to Level 5!]

[You exchanged 8 Skill Points]

[The [Terrain Manipulation: Lv1 (Evolved)] Skill has Leveled up to Level 5!]

[You exchanged 8 Skill Points]

[The [Soil Domain: Lv1 (Evolved)] Skill has Leveled up to Level 5!]

And of course, these two other Skills so my Summons and Tamed Monsters can get a nice boost to their strength now!

[You exchanged 18 Skill Points]

[The [Tame: Lv1] Skill has Levelled up to Level 10!]

[You can now Tame up to Ten Monsters!]

[You exchanged 18 Skill Points]

[The [Farm Animal Companion: Lv1] Skill has Levelled up to Level 10!]

[You can now Summon a New Farm Animal Companion!]

[You exchanged 18 Skill Points]

[The [Plant Companion: Lv1] Skill has Levelled up to Level 10!]

[You can now Summon a New Plant Companion!]

I decided to leave them at Level 5 because that's as much as I can afford the MP to use the Skills. If these evolved skills reach higher levels, they'll ask for even more MP to be conjured, which will be counter-productive!

Ding!

[Due to having reached Level 10 in their respective Skills, your Tamed Monsters and Summons have evolved into Special, Unique Evolutions!]

As I saw my companions evolve and everyone opened their eyes in surprise, I screamed for Lily's name, as I saw a blue dot in the map, checking it, the blue dot said it was her, Lily!

"LILYYYYYY!"

I screamed my lungs out, as I quickly pointed my staff-shaped weapon into the cave right before my eyes and then called upon the Spirits of the Elements within these rich Dragon Veins!

"Fire Spirit Call!!!"

FLAAAASH!

An enormous Fire Spirit emerged, a Big Nova, which flew directly towards Lily and quickly encountered five furious Drakon fighting against her!

"Now, let's use our newest spell! [Flare Explosion]!"

"Fofooeheheheh..."

The big Sunlight Spirit laughed as it greeted all five of the Drakon, suddenly shining brightly like a ray of sunshine itself, and then exploding! This powerful Spell was very simple, by using the power of a Sunlight Spirit, it conjured a powerful explosion based in how big the Sunlight Spirit was!

BOOOOOOMMMM!!!

An enormous flare explosion emerged, as the Drakons were engulfed within it! The Drakon roared in agony, but were not defeated with a single spell, quickly moving towards the direction where the spell came from, confronting us head-on!

"ROOARR!"

"Drakons!" Titan said.

"There are five here as well?!" Rita asked.

"We'll have to slay them then!" Nieve valiantly said.

"Let's go, Belle!" I said, as Belle suddenly jumped off the ground, her entire body having grown thrice as big as before, as the light covering her body quickly dissipated, revealing a majestic divine goat with horns made of gold and beautiful rainbow eyes, with fluffy white hair and powerful black hoofs with sharp ends!

"MAAAAH!"

CLAAASH!

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Chapter 258: Crushing The Drakon!

Belle's golden horns grew several times their original size, piercing through the Drakon's scales easily, as a powerful wave of shining light emerged from them, filling the wounds she caused with powerful Light Attribute Damage!

BOOOOMMMM!!!

"GRAAAAARRGGH...!"

The Drakon groaned in agony, falling into the ground and screaming with pain. The draconic monster quickly tried to get back up but Belle mercilessly used her hoofs to kick its entire body, and then, from within her horns, countless beams of light emerged one after the other!

FLASH! FLASH! FLASH! FLASH! FLASH!

"Take this!"

I jumped off Belle to finish off the Drakon, infusing Mana into my Weapon as I shaped it into a Shovel, and then unleashed a powerful attack with it! The Spiritual Farming Tool Mastery Skill activated right away, as flames emerged as the spiritual blessing, unleashing an explosive blazing attack as my shovel reached the large wound Belle opened for me.

CLAAAASSSHHH!

"GRUUOOOHHH...!"

The Drakon struggled in vain, as I began to pierce through its flesh and then find its weak spot, the Magic Crystal inside of monsters! It is often a special drop that serves as a magic catalyzer, what better to target than this?!

Let's scoop it out!

CRAAASH!

"GAAAARRGH...!"

The Drakon gave a last cry, as its Magic Crystal flew away from its chest covered in blood. The monster and the crystal began to quickly turn into particles of light, leaving many items lying over the floor.

Ding!

[You have defeated [Lesser Miasma Drakon: Lv32 (ELITE)] x1!]

[You gained the [Lesser Drakon's Scales] x10, [Shattered Miasmic Core Fragment] x5, [Lesser Drakon's Meat and Bones] x10, [Drakon Magic Crystal] x1]

[You earned 32000 EXP]

[You gained 4000 Gold]

"ROOAR!"

The other Drakons were not wasting time even when their comrade just died, as they quickly attacked the rest of us viciously. Three out of the four of them stayed still and opened their jaws, charging their Darkness Breath and unleashing explosive black-colored flares towards us.

FLUOOOSSH!

As the flames were about to reach us, Silver jumped right into the middle of the black flames, his formerly smaller body was no more, as she had grown up to 15 meters of height and stood taller than the Drakons themselves! She opened her jaws, unleashing a storm of spiraling waters and impacting against the combined Black Flare Breath from the Corrupted Miasmic Drakons!

SPLAAAASSSSH!

"SHAAA!"

Silver hissed like a snake, as her newly grown silver-colored horns above her head, resembling a crown, shone brightly, the water she unleashed suddenly froze into ice, catching the legs and arms of the Drakons and inhibiting their movements temporarily!

"ROAR!"

And right after that, she conjured several Icicle Spears, firing them at the Drakon consecutively.

CLASH! CLASH! CLASH! CLASH!

The powerful Lesser Dragons resisted the ice better than I thought, as they kept going even while having their scales pierced by icicle spears. Using their strength, they forcefully tried to free themselves, while one of the Drakons reached Silver, attacking her with its claws and tail. Silver responded angrily and ferociously, using the tip of her tail to slam the Drakon and fire her magic at it!

CLAASH! CLAASH! BOOOOM!!!

As this happened, several vines of enormous size and thickness grew out of the floor below the trapped Drakons with ice, entangling them all completely as the vines trapped them in place. Right after that, the vines grew colorful flowers that let out toxic pollen, inflicting status effects into the powerful monsters

as if it were so easy, [Paralysis], [Poison], [Confusion], and even [Sleep] were inflicted at the same time, as the Drakon were fighting against the status effects constantly.

An enormous mass of vines with a gigantic, red-colored flower on top emerged, opening its jaws and curling them as if it were smiling, that was Loki! She grew so big it was insane! She was perhaps around eight meters big now?!

"Shishishi!"

She laughed like she usually does, letting out a malicious, purple-colored breath from her jaws, intoxicating the Drakon even more, weakening them severely.

"Guuu!"

FLAAASH!

And then, a three-meter-tall black knight emerged, as red tentacles appeared across the crevices of the armored knight, reinforcing its arms and legs and enhancing its physical strength. An enormous black sword suddenly grew several times bigger, as the black knight swung the blade horizontally, slashing through the Drakon's bodies and inflicting great amounts of damage!

SLAAAAASSSHHH!!!

"GRAAARRRGH!"

The Drakons roared in pain, their HP quickly reaching below 20%, the rest of our party unleashed all their long-ranged magic, bombarding the Drakons with everything we had until their last bits of HP finally dissipated, reaching zero.

Ding!

[You have defeated [Lesser Miasma Drakon: Lv32 (ELITE)] x4!]

[You gained the [Lesser Drakon's Scales] x40, [Shattered Miasmatic Core Fragment] x20, [Lesser Drakon's Meat and Bones] x40, [Drakon Magic Crystal] x4]

[You earned 130000 EXP]

[You gained 16000 Gold]

[The Level of your Race and Class has increased from Level 36 to Level 37!]

[The Level of your Race and Class has increased from Level 37 to Level 38!]

[The Level of your Subclass has increased from Level 32 to Level 33!]

[The Level of your Subclass has increased from Level 33 to Level 34!]

[The Level of your Subclass has increased from Level 34 to Level 35!]

[You gained Stat Points and Skill Points]

Oh, I gained so many levels! But well, I cannot really worry about this right now, I have to go check if Lily's alright!

"LILYYY!"

I ran towards the cave, finally finding a small and adorable tomboyish Brownie over the floor. She had short white hair reaching up to her neck, colorful golden eyes and brown, almost chocolate colored skin wearing brown overall and a white shirt, with big brown boots and with a wooden hammer nearby.

"Lily! Is it you?!" I asked.

"Huh? Ah! El- Planta!" She said, quickly sitting. "Ugh, I died so many times... Is this game always this demanding?"

Thankfully, Lily seemed to be alright... I guess I shouldn't had worried so much as she's a Player and all.

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Chapter 259: Special Quest Completed!

"Lily! Is it you?!" I asked.

"Huh? Ah! Ela- Planta!" She said, quickly sitting. "Ugh, I died so many times... Is this game always this demanding?"

Thankfully, Lily seemed to be alright... I guess I shouldn't had worried so much as she's a Player and all.

"Oh, no! This is... some sort of special event. You see the game got its own story, and it is like a world of its own, so things are constantly changing and shifting here and there." I sighed. "Anyways, do you feel alright? I've read that dying too much causes headaches..."

"Yeah I am actually having a deadly one right now...." Sighed Lily. "But I couldn't really log off, those little Brownies... I had to save them."

"Ah... I understand how you feel." I said while nodding, as I used some Healing Magic I had at my disposal to heal her.

"Oh? My headache is gone..." She said in surprise.

"Eh? So it was related to the game?" I wondered.

"Who knows... Well, you defeated those big guys, right? Oh, I suddenly leveled up a lot!" She said in surprise.

"If you were fighting them, I guess you counted as damaging them so you got a share of the EXP." I said. "But it's weird, I don't think players can get EXP from monsters several levels above them, how did this even work?"

"I don't know, but it says I completed a quest named "Defend the village", the reward was getting EXP from these monsters, and a few other things such as Gold." Said Lily.

"Huh, so rewards like those exist? Damn..." I said while rubbing my chin. "Anyways, welcome to the game! ...Sorry for making you have to go through this as your first time playing it though."

"Ah, well... yeah, it was tough, but now I am too invested to get mad at it." Lily said.

Ding!

[The Special Quest [Save the Brownies and Gnomes from the Menace of the Underground!] Act I has been completed]

[After finding the village of the Brownies and Gnomes, not only have you healed them from their deadly injuries, but you've also earned their respect and gratitude. Now, having finally found your lost friend after defeating the vicious Drakons, you've managed to help her relieve herself from the Soul Pain caused by reviving too many consecutive times.]

[Having finally secured the last Brownie to be saved, you now must embark in a journey to find the culprit behind the Drakons appearance and the constant spreading of Miasma across the Underground of the Forest of Beginnings before it is too late!]

[You may find clues by asking your Friend]

[You and your Party received the Completion Rewards: [100K EXP], [20K Gold], [Skill: [Mining: Lv1]

[Act II shall begin once you gather enough Clues with your Party]

Huh? I got a bunch of rewards! Ah, I guess this is more of a normal Quest now? Well, I even got the amazing Mining Skill, something that was missing in my own Skill Trees. Perhaps completing a quest related to these people that like to Mine has given me the Skill. It'll come in handy.

And wait! Not only me, but everyone got the Mining Skill! Well, now that's convenient.

[Mining: Lv1]

Grants the ability to Mine all sorts of Ores and Materials from available Resources using a respective Minin Tool, often times in the shape of a Pickaxe or an Ice Axe. Hammers and other heavy weapons can also be used, and even Shovels. Mining resources and ores is important for the creation of all sorts of items. The higher the level of the skill, the more high-quality materials can be gathered through the act of Mining.

Oh sounds like something I should level up to level 10 asap... But I don't feel like wasting 18 Skill Points right now. Perhaps later when I have proper time to mine for resources. If the Brownies and Gnomes allow me, I could come here to mine for ores and crystals, although that one small dungeon where we fought the Mushroom Hero also had crystals to mine, so I might revisit that place that I've left mostly abandoned.

"Oh we got Mining?" Wondered Titan.

"Me too?!" Rita asked.

"Woah, I don't think I'll be using this skill as much." Nieve said.

"Mining... Can a fairy mine? Do we even got enough strength?" Wondered Florie.

"Mining sound fun, there's a lot of materials that can be processed into potions and medicines that are extracted from mining." Said Acorn.

The whole party was here, as they quickly noticed the small and adorable Lily. Seriously, she looked like she was a girl in her thirteen years of age, I guess she really wanted to look younger and choose Brownie? Not like I am judging.

"Are these your friends?" Lily wondered, quickly getting up and looking at everyone.

"Yep, everyone this is Lily." I said, as everyone quickly decided to greet her.

"Nice to meet you! Name's Acorn! I am an Alchemist and a Doctor." Acorn was bold enough to quickly go greet her.

"Oh my god it's so cute..." Lily said, as she began to shed a tear of happiness at seeing such an adorable little thing as Acorn. "Nice to meet you!" Lily quickly hugged Acorn, as the little squirrel felt a bit surprised but welcomed the hug.

"I am Titan, the tanker here for the most part." Said Titan. "Sorry if I might look a bit scary..."

"Oh, you're so tall! I could climb you! Nice to meet you Titan!" Lily said, as she began to suddenly climb over his body.

"Ahahah... Acorn likes to do this too." Titan giggled. His entire body had many branches so it was easy to climb over him.

"He's very big indeed." I laughed.

"Name's Nieve, nice to meet a new Player in the team." Said Nieve. "I am a knight of Lady Titania, the queen of fairies. She cannot be here personally, but this is her projection."

"You don't really need to present me to others, Nieve..." Sighed Titania.

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Chapter 260: Back To The Village

"I am the Queen of Fairies as Nieve said." Sighed Titania. "I've connected my soul with Planta here, so I can be summoned in my Spiritual Form. I can accompany you anywhere like this."

"Oh, I see-"

"And me and Planta only meet some days ago but we already have a long history together. She saved my Kingdom from the corrupted forms of my former friends, which... was very sad. She's a brave and heroic woman that fears no evil. She recently evolved into a Hamadryad and is enhancing the forest's life and richness with her very existence..."

"Ah, so it is like that-"

"And as I said Planta and I are very connected with one another. I owe her so much I would do anything for her. I am now traveling with her to-"

"Okay! Okay! That's enough introductions, Titania!" I cried.

Lily was getting so confused her eyes were spiraling around comically.

"S-So what happened?" She wondered.

"Ah, well, she's a friend we made recently... A-Anyways... Achlys?" I asked as Rita was looking at Lily while crossing her arms and narrowing her eyes.

She was giving off a very intimidating presence, a black aura surged from her body, her eyes were even shining red!

"H-Hello?" Asked Lily.

"Let me tell you that I am Planta's bestie." Said Achlys.

"E-Eh? I see..." Lily said.

"I am not going to lose..." Achlys said.

"L-Lose what?" Asked Lily.

Rita was staring at Lily as if she were new competition or something, but I quickly calmed her down.

"Sorry, she's like that... Oi stop being so stupid!" I smacked her head, as she suddenly looked at me with puppy eyes.

"Are you planning to replace me with this cute friend now? I'm sorry for being such a pervert sometimes! I was born like that! Uwaaaahh!" Rita suddenly grabbed me with her arms and began to cry...

"Sigh..."

At the end, I managed to calm her down and tell her I wasn't planning to replace her as my IRL best friend. She calmed down eventually but still remained slightly wary of Lily, I never thought she could get jealous of Lily when she's such a love.

"And these are our pets and summons!" I said, showing Lily the last members, a bunch of creatures. All my Summons and Pets evolved recently so they looked slightly... intimidating.

"Uwaah, they're so big and terrifying!" She said.

"Ahahah... I guess." I sighed. "I swear they were cute before! Well, they still are!"

"Yours are but Achly's summons are looking at me weirdly..." Lily said, as Rita's Arachne and Nightmare were glaring down at Lily evilly. They were a giant black horse of nightmares and the other an enormous and terrifying black spider, of course they were scary. Maybe they share a bit of their master's emotions.

"Anyways! Now that we are all together we should probably go back to the village before doing anything else." I said. "We cannot just stay here while Lily's still kind of low level..."

"I am Level 17, is that low?" Lily wondered.

"Certainly not but- Wait what?! 17?!" I asked in surprise.

"Y-Yeah..." Lily said. "It's low right?"

"Not as much, I guess. But still, if monsters here are level thirty and beyond, you can't level up from their EXP..." Titan said.

"Hm, I got this one Potion as a leftover from the rewards of the quest..." Nieve said, taking out a 50k EXP Potion. "Is this useful? I was saving it for emergencies. Even if I consumed it I wouldn't had leveled up back then so I ended saving it."

"Woah, that would certainly be useful!" I said. "I can buy it from you, Nieve... How about... 500k Gold?"

"500k?!" Nieve asked in surprise. "I-I don't think you should give me money, it is an act of kindness between friends, she can have it for free!" Said Nieve gently, as she handed the potion to Lily.

"Wow, thanks a lot..." Lily sighed. "Ugh, I didn't knew this game would make you so hungry though..."

"Ah, how low is your satiation?!" I wondered.

"24..." Sighed Lily.

"We need to make her some food asap." Said Titan.

"Yep."

Like that, Lily used her [Return Home] Racial Ability within her Racial Skill to return to the center of the Brownie and Gnome Village instantly with all of us included, this Village was named Earthen by the way.

The chief, the grumpy old gnome was surprised when we suddenly teleported into his village out of nowhere, with the guard he sent with us included.

FLAAASH!

"EHEEEEE?!"

The old chief ended falling into the ground in shock as he saw us materialize out of thin air. I felt slightly bad that we surprised him this much though.

"We are back!" I said.

"Eh? You are back?!" He asked. "How did you teleported to the village?"

"I used the ability I have?" Wondered Lily.

"Players seem to be able to teleport to a designated "home" area." Said Titania.

"Yeah, I can teleport back to the Ents Forest." Said Titan.

"And I near the Tree of Beginnings." I said.

"And I... I think near some where in the forest... I dunno." Achlys said.

"Well... It seems you brought back your friend, that's good- Wait a second, you could had teleported back all this time and you didn't?" The old gnome asked.

"If I did, the monsters would had gone through the wall there with ease. The man controlling them seemed confident they could had been able to easily break it. They were Level 32 Drakon Monsters..." Said Lily.

"Ah..." The gnome chief felt slightly taken aback. "S-So you used your reviving ability to... protect us all this time while we were leisurely recovering from what happened as if we were completely free from those monsters?"

"Yep, she did." I said.

"..."

The chief slowly fell to his knees, lowering his head to Lily.

"Thank you very much for saving the village from destruction!" He said, thanking Lily for her help.

Lily felt slightly embarrassed.

"O-Oh, it is nothing... I did my best to protect the place of the people that welcomed me so nicely. I would do it again." Said Lily