

Dragon King 391

Chapter 391: No Match at All...

The night quickly arrived.

Under the illumination of the streetlights in the school, the nightly sky looked like black silk, quiet and soft.

In a one-piece dress, a pair of black knee-high stockings, and a pair of blue denim shoes, Xie Yujia stood at the school gate and waited.

All kinds cabs and taxis were parked on the street outside of the school gate, and the students who wanted to go shopping or eat at downtown all went there to carpool.

Standing by the three big golden word statues 'East Ocean University', Xie Yujia was also slightly lit up by the residual lights that came off the of three words, and she gave people a dream-like feel.

The students, both male and female, who were here to take taxis all glanced at her and wondered whom this great beauty was waiting for.

Screech! A taxi stopped at the gate of a small, and a little beauty jumped out.

Dressed in a black suit jacket and a grey pleated skirt which accentuated her long legs, she looked a bit s*xy.

The yellow ground light shone on the little beauty as if she had just rushed onto a stage, stunning people with her cuteness.

One tall and one short, the big and little beauties stood together, giving a picture of disorderly charm and elegance.

"Hey! Where is Uncle?" The little beauty rushed to Xie Yujia's side and asked rudely.

"I don't know," Xie Yujia answered lightly.

Undoubtedly, this little beauty was Zhao Yanzi. She told her mom that she was coming here to find Xie Yujia for a tutoring session. After Zhao Hongyu confirmed it with Xie Yujia on the phone, she let Zhao Yanzi out.

"Humph! You must know!" Zhao Yanzi narrowed her eyes at Xie Yujia in disbelief.

Her gaze looked like that of the first wife in the ancient big family when she was interrogating a concubine.

However, Xie Yujia looked older and calmer than Zhao Yanzi.

Seeing that her killer gaze was useless, Zhao Yanzi changed the subject and asked, "Where is Little White?"

"It's over there." Xie Yujia finally answered her and pointed at a spot on the grasses.

The grasses shifted, and Little White trotted out cheerfully while swaying its rump. Upon a closer look, they saw a pile of yellow stuff at the bottom of the word statues 'East Ocean University'.

Despite this, Little White shamelessly jumped up at Zhao Yanzi.

Knowing what Little White had been up to, Zhao Yanzi hurriedly dodged it.

Little White missed her and landed on the ground. Wagging its tail, it jumped up at her again.

"You stink, Little White!" Zhao Yanzi immediately blocked it with both hands.

"Chirp..." Discouraged, Little White curled its white tail and laid on the ground.

In the dim light, none of them noticed that the pile of yellow stuff at the bottom of word statues 'East Ocean University' was melting away quickly while the grasses around it began growing fast, almost covering the lower half of the statues.

"You want to go to Fifth Heaven?" Xie Yujia looked at Zhao Yanzi and asked.

"I was coming here to find Uncle. Now that he's not here, I'll go to Fifth Heaven to play," Zhao Yanzi said in a purposefully light way.

"Ok. Hao Ren asked me to take care of you. I'll go with you then," Xie Yujia said.

Zhao Yanzi glanced at Xie Yujia, but she didn't dare to say anything too vicious. She knew that even her parents were polite toward Xie Yujia. After all, Xie Yujia had a mighty master who was also a great elixir master.

"Little White!" Xie Yujia shouted at Little White who was asking for attention by rolling around on the ground.

Seeing Xie Yujia's look, Little White knew its strategy had failed.

Obediently, it stood up from the ground and trotted to her side.

"Where are we going?" Zhao Yanzi looked at Xie Yujia.

"Do you want to fly to the sky here?" Xie Yujia glanced at the cars and students around the main gate of the school.

"Humph!" Zhao Yanzi pouted.

Xie Yujia didn't speak while she led Zhao Yanzi into the campus through the main gate.

The campus of the East Ocean University during the night was tranquil. Occasionally, some student couples passed them while holding hands.

Zhao Yanzi turned to look at the student couples and suspected that Hao Ren and Xie Yujia had taken walks like this.

At this thought, an unnamed rage rose in her.

Before them, Little White raced forward for a few meters before stopping for a few seconds to wait for them. Its four golden legs looked like four small golden lotus flowers that were lifting its small, pure white body while it moved across the campus.

Xie Yujia walked along casually, neither impatient nor hesitant.

Zhao Yanzi turned her head and glanced at Xie Yujia, suddenly realizing that the latter was very beautiful under the street light in the school. However, Xie Yujia was so quiet that Zhao Yanzi couldn't find an excuse to start a fight with her.

Step by step, they walked to the depth of the campus. While she walked, Zhao Yanzi suddenly felt a yearning for university life.

"I suppose you don't have a lot of homework in university, right?" Zhao Yanzi suddenly asked.

"Oh, we have some homework. Some courses are difficult, and if we don't work hard, we might fail them," Xie Yujia answered.

"Oh..." Zhao Yanzi curled her lips and didn't pursue the topic.

Xie Yujia walked at an even speed. Zhao Yanzi walked forward for a few steps before she asked again, "Were you really ranked no.1 in the grade when you studied at LingZhao Middle School?"

"I was the no.1 a couple of times." Xie Yujia didn't deny it.

"Then, why weren't you the Class Secretary?" Zhao Yanzi asked.

In Zhao Yanzi's mind, the excellent students were either Class Presidents or Class Secretaries. The girls usually took the positions of Class Secretaries and were responsible for things such as collecting class fees, organizing extracurricular activities, and class meetings, etc.

"I only wanted to focus my attention on my studies instead of other stuff when I was in middle school..." Xie Yujia paused and glanced at Zhao Yanzi. "Did you ask around about me?"

Zhao Yanzi pouted. "Not really. I just learned a few things about you by accident."

She then glanced at Xie Yujia cautiously with her peripheral vision.

"Pretty, smart, gentle, and considerate... She left great impressions on the minds of the teachers in my school. Besides, she never had a boyfriend even though many boys pursued her..." A strong sense of danger rose in Zhao Yanzi's mind as she thought about all that.

Chapter 392: I'm Not Her Sister!

It was the first time that Xie Yujia and Zhao Yanzi walked together at the school.

If it weren't because of Zhao Yanzi's slightly twisted facial expression, it would be a very heart-warming and harmonious scene as they were both wearing skirts and were walking through the campus trail that was surrounded by trees.

"That's Hao Ren's girlfriend, Xie Yujia, right?"

“Yeah, and is the little girl beside her, her little sister?”

“Not sure, but it seems like it though.”

A few girls, who were walking past them, whispered to each other.

Zhao Yanzi pricked up her ears and gritted her teeth. “Who wants to be Xie Yujia’s little sister!” she thought.

“This Xie Yujia is Hao Ren official girlfriend. That pair of beautiful twins fell for him but haven’t gotten him yet.”

“They are always together at the library and the cafeteria...”

“Xie Wanjun is her brother, that tall captain of the school’s basketball team.”

“This Hao Ren is actually quite handsome. Isn’t there a pretty girl in the Music Program who likes him too?”

“Forget it. Even the most popular girls at the school can’t get him; the others won’t stand a chance.”

“Xie Yujia used to be the Class President, and she was always helping the Student Union. Because of Hao Ren, she resigned from all her positions, and sometimes she doesn’t even go back to her dorm at night anymore.”

“What is so good about Hao Ren? I can’t find anything attractive about him.”

“Even Su Han was walking with him near the lake. You tell me he is not attractive?”

“He also doesn’t have to go to classes and was specially approved by the Vice Principal Lu Qing. There were a few times when he drove to school in a Ferrari. Isn’t he more arrogant than Huang Xujie?”

“Oh, so he has rich parents. These people are useless...”

Those girls thought that Xie Yujia and Zhao Yanzi couldn’t hear them chatting. They walked along the trail and gossiped even more.

The veins on Zhao Yanzi’s head started bulging a little.

On the other hand, Xie Yujia was feeling a little awkward and embarrassed. The reason why she didn’t return to her dorm room was that she was cultivating with Hao Ren on Fifth Heaven. However, from another people’s perspective... If her brother, Xie Wanjun, heard about this...

Zhao Yanzi was furious after she heard the gossips.

“So, Hao Ren is always together with Xie Yujia in school. No wonder their relationship is getting closer, and Hao Ren even let Xie Yujia stay at his house.

“One more word and I will bite you,” Zhao Yanzi, who could no longer hold back her anger, yelled at those girls.

“This little girl... doesn’t know anything about manners... Not cute at all... She will definitely not be able to get married in the future... Huh huh...”

Of course, these university students weren't afraid of a middle-schooler like Zhao Yanzi. They turned around and looked at Zhao Yanzi as they made some comments about her before continuing walking.

Zhao Yanzi was so mad that smokes were about to come out of her ears. However, dragon cultivators were not allowed to harm mortals. Zhao Yanzi gritted her teeth; there was nothing that she could do about it.

"Whatever, just ignore them," Xie Yujia held Zhao Yanzi's hand gently and continued walking.

People's words were powerful, and Xie Yujia had gotten used to the gossip in school. Since Hao Ren became a 'celebrity' in school, countless love letters got sent to Hao Ren's dorm room in many different ways.

Hao Ren completely ignored all these love letters. Thus, these letters had become Hao Ren's roommates' entertainment when they were not playing cards.

If the students didn't believe that Xie Yujia was Hao Ren's girlfriend in school, he would be bothered by many more girls. Because of Xie Yujia, at least those girls who weren't as beautiful knew that they got no chance and retreated.

Zhao Yanzi was being pulled by Xie Yujia. Although she wasn't quite willing, she felt a strange sense of dependence

Xie Yujia's palm was warm and soft, and her face looked kind but also strong as she wasn't affected by the gossips around her.

"Hey..." Zhao Yanzi asked after walking with Xie Yujia for a while, "Is it true that you and Hao Ren always go to the library together?"

"Is there anything wrong with going to the library?" Xie Yujia asked back.

"That..." Zhao Yanzi pouted as she could not come up with an argument.

"We will have a fair competition; you don't have to be so hostile toward me," Xie Yujia said.

"Fair competition..." Zhao Yanzi tried to understand what these words meant.

While she was thinking, she got used to being held by Xie Yujia's soft hand as they walked toward the student dorm area.

There was a small forest near the girls' dorm, and it had become Hao Ren's 'departure point' for entering Fifth Heaven.

Perhaps because of Little White's 'irrigation', the trees in the forest grew a lot and got healthier.

Xie Yujia brought Zhao Yanzi into the forest, and Little White instantly transformed into its snow lion form.

Xie Yujia created a red energy sphere and helped Zhao Yanzi to get on Little White's back.

Xie Yujia's thoughtful act softened Zhao Yanzi's heart a little bit. Then, she suddenly woke up and pushed Xie Yujia's hand aside. "Huh! You don't need to try to impress me!"

Xie Yujia smiled helplessly and sat on Little White's back. If Hao Ren didn't ask her to take care of Zhao Yanzi, she wouldn't want to face Zhao Yanzi, a little girl who was hard to deal with.

Little White entered Fifth Heaven in an instant.

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Hao Ren was drinking a cup of coffee at Su Han's apartment while reading the 'handbook'. At the moment, he was already on page 1260.

Su Han, who was in her white pajamas, was sitting next to Hao Ren with a cup of coffee as well; she was ready to answer any of his questions.

Her long black hair covered the top of the white pajamas like a waterfall, and she was extremely beautiful from all angles.

"There are 36 types of situations where inspectors are allowed to tackle mortals. The amount of force that is allowed depends on the situation, and it can be divided into 83 levels. In violation of any rules are considered illegal..."

Hao Ren looked at the dense explanations and felt like his head was about to explode.

Each time a page was flipped, the content on the previous page would disappear and turn into a blank page. Therefore, each page could only be read through once. Although Hao Ren had excellent memories, this twisted memorization requirement was too hard for Hao Ren.

Even though Hao Ren didn't have to take part in this general examination, it was his wish to explore the Dragon God Shrine's mysteries and to join forces with Su Han in order to kick out Qin Shaoyang.

Also, participating in the exams of the Dragon God Shrine was also a test of his true strength.

"Hmm..." Su Han hummed.

Hao Ren turned his head and found out that Su Han had her eyes closed and was falling asleep.

Su Han had returned to the Dragon God's Shrine for the interrogation for two days straight before she rushed back to the East Ocean City. Of course, she was exhausted.

In the few seconds, while Hao Ren was looking at her, her body swayed, and her left shoulder hit Hao Ren's right shoulder.

Even though Su Han was always energetic and imposing, there were times where she was exhausted...

Su Han's long fingers were holding a cup of coffee while her exhausted body continued to sway left and right.

Her head was lowered, and her lips were slightly curled up. Her crumbling appearance made her look like a sleeping black finch.

Hao Ren smiled and thought, "Su Han could be so cute sometimes."

He reached out gently; he was planning to hold Su Han's shoulder with his hand and lower her body so that she could sleep on the couch for a little bit.

However, as soon as his finger touched Su Han's shoulder, Su Han suddenly drew out her White Jade Sword and placed it beside Hao Ren's neck at lightning speed.

The chilly white jade shocked Hao Ren, and it almost made him forget about the information on the last two pages that he just read.

Su Han looked at Hao Ren with her sleepy eyes and asked, "What are you doing?"

"No... Nothing," Hao Ren almost didn't dare to speak after that incident.

Su Han thought for a moment and put the White Jade Sword away. Then, she looked at Hao Ren's hands cautiously.

Hao Ren quickly hid his hands behind his back. Su Han's stare was like a sharp blade. Hao Ren felt like his hands would be cut off by Su Han within a second.

He could never have thought that Su Han's reaction would be so violent even though she was asleep.

Hao Ren was just trying to help, but he almost got his throat slit...

It seemed like Su Han wouldn't allow anyone to touch her...

"You seem tired already. Let's switch things up a bit and let me see if you have made any improvements in terms of combat abilities," Su Han said to Hao Ren after she finished her coffee and stood up.

Hao Ren looked at Su Han, and he couldn't help but sigh once again. Even though Su Han was wearing her pajamas, she was still as beautiful as a fairy. It seemed like only Su Han could look so beautiful in pajamas.

Shoo!

Su Han drew out her White Jade Sword once again and pointed it at Hao Ren's forehead as she saw him not moving.

Hao Ren wasn't sure if Su Han was angry because of what just happened. However, it was hard for him to explain the situation. Therefore, all he could do was to stand up and follow Su Han to her cultivation room.

The cultivate room was spacious, and it was specially designed for Su Han to cultivate and to practice her sword techniques. Other than a few incense burners and pillows, there was nothing else in the room.

"The combat exams are a series of one-on-one battles. The contestants are not divided and selected by levels nor realms. The participants will immediately lose their qualifications if they lose the fight. Whoever wins will continue to the next round," Su Han said after she entered the cultivate room.

She was wearing a pair of white furry slippers that had cute piglets on them, and it looked very cartoonish. Who would have thought that the ice-cold Su Han liked to wear this kind of slippers at home?

"Random selections... That means weak cultivators might have to fight against strong cultivators right at the beginning?" Hao Ren asked.

“The Dragon God Shrine seeks only the strongest, and they are not here to rank all the cultivators who will be participating in the exams,” Su Han looked at Hao Ren coldly. “If you are unlucky and encounter a cultivator who is much more powerful than you, there’s only one way out.”

“What is that?” Hao Ren asked immediately.

“Surrender,” Su Han said.

“That’s...” Hao Ren was speechless.

“The intensity of the exams is unimaginable every year. Each cultivator would exert their full strength in order to become the inspector. For many low-level cultivators, they participate in the exams only to have the chance to battle with other cultivators who are on their levels. Therefore, if they had to fight against powerful cultivators, surrendering immediately would be the best choice. Otherwise, they would be severely injured, and they might not be able to fully recover from the injuries for several years and would miss out on many opportunities.

After this comment, Su Han raised her chin and looked at Hao Ren with slight disdain. “So... show me what you’ve got.”

Chapter 393: No Match for Su Han?

“Everything I got, huh?” Hao Ren had been planning to use his Gen-level power. Instantly, he got fully alerted!

The 320 sword energies dashed out of Hao Ren’s body and circled him.

Despite her knowledge about the uniqueness of Hao Ren’s cultivation technique, Su Han was a bit surprised at the sight of so many sword energies. After all, the last time when Hao Ren fought with her in the cultivation room, he could barely release simple sword energies!

At that time, Hao Ren could, at most, shoot out ten sword energies with ten fingers at a time at great speed, giving him the ability to attack Su Han with 30 sword energies at the same time.

But now, he could easily control 320 sword energies! Su Han knew that having hundreds of sword energies and controlling smoothly and continuously were two entirely different things!

Hao Ren’s cultivation speed had far surpassed her prediction.

“Be careful,” Hao Ren said out of politeness.

“Humph!” With her White Jade sword in hand, Su Han snorted lightly and released her aura abruptly.

Hao Ren’s 320 sword energies dashed out at Su Han in three waves, one after another like three moving walls!

Faced with a master like Su Han, Hao Ren had to unleash his full force!

With a twirl of her White Jade Sword, Su Han cut out a circular hole in Hao Ren's first layer of sword array. Leaping lightly, she jumped through this circular hole and swung her sword again, breaking through the second layer of the sword energies.

"Back!"

Hao Ren immediately changed his chant, and the sword energies that had passed Su Han turned back, blocking her exit.

The 320 sword energies filled the small cultivation room and thus could easily surround Su Han.

"Piece of cake!" At Qian-level, it was impossible for Su Han to be trapped by Hao Ren's sword array. She swung her White Jade Sword and broke the five-colored sword energies which were dizzying to look at for ordinary people.

A part of Hao Ren's spiritual senses was inside the hundreds of sword energies, and each of which contained a tiny thread of his spiritual senses. This way, his sword energies were agility and behaved like natal dharma treasure. However, since the amount of spiritual senses in each sword energy was low, he didn't need to worry about the damage to his spiritual senses after the sword energies were broken.

When he first cultivated the Light Sword Splitting Shadow Scroll, he didn't feel anything extraordinary about it. But as he progressed further, the power of the sword energies in battles began to show.

If Su Han and Hao Ren were at the same level, she would have been overwhelmed by his sword energies. However, for Su Han, a Qian-level cultivator, the combat abilities of the sword energies were insignificant.

After swinging her White Jade Sword, she broke more than 40 of Hao Ren's sword energies.

"Do you want me to lower myself to Gen-level to battle with you?" Su Han turned gracefully and said.

The surrounding five-colored sword energies couldn't get close to her. Instead, they accentuated her great beauty like fireworks.

"Three Talents Heaven Earth Array Formation!" Hao Ren sped up his attacks.

The 320 sword energies hummed in answer to each other.

The power of the sword array!

"Humph!" Su Han's White Jade Sword released a white light.

Level 9 Ice Frost Scroll!

While she was recovering from her injuries in the East Ocean Dragon Palace, she had taken advantage of the godly elixir pills and reached the ninth level, the ultimate level of her main cultivation technique!

Metal-elemental and water-elemental nature essences!

Water was responsible for defense while metal was responsible for offense!

"Break!" Su Han's thin lips opened slightly.

Countless ice and frost crystals splashed outward.

Standing with the falling snowflakes, Su Han looked elegant and powerful in her pajamas!

Hao Ren's sword energies all vanished when they touched the snowflakes!

It was the first time that Hao Ren saw Su Han using the Ice Frost Scroll, and he was amazed. He knew that the Ice Frost Scroll was only a yellow-grade technique, a mid-range cultivation technique according to the categories in the Profound Cultivation Palace of East Ocean. It could only unleash such great power because of Su Han's high realm and great strength.

"Not bad, you are able to force me to use my technique..." Su Han said coldly as she slashed down.

However, before she could finish her sentence, she found that among the dozens of sword energies, she couldn't break through two of them.

While she was startled, the two sword energies instantly broke through her defense line and slipped to her feet.

Hundun godly lightning could break everything that was made from the primary five elements!

Among his 320 sword energies, only 318 of were the five-elemental sword energies, and the last two were hundun sword energies!

Su Han didn't expect that Hao Ren would be so sly and hide the hundun sword energies among the ordinary ones.... She underestimated him and didn't put enough cultivation strength into her sword.

Snap! Snap!

The two furry slippers she was wearing broke at the same time.

Her two cute feet were exposed in the air.

They were white, small, and smooth as if they were made with top-grade jade.

Su Han looked at Hao Ren in surprise and blushed when she found that Hao Ren's eyes were locked onto her feet.

She hid her feet beneath her pajama pants immediately.

Despite her efforts, her pants couldn't cover her entire feet; her toes were still exposed as she stood on the dark-colored floor.

"One can't be too sly in battle," Hao Ren said with a smug smile.

"This place is too small. I'm afraid that we'll damage my room!" Su Han took two steps forward and grabbed Hao Ren's collar in a surge of shame and anger.

She lifted him onto her White Jade Sword. Then, she jumped onto it as well with her bare feet before flying out of the window with Hao Ren.

If Hao Ren's two sword energies hit the lethal acupoints on her feet instead of the back of her feet, Su Han would have been totally defeated!

At this thought, Su Han was alarmed and ashamed, but she didn't want to admit that she had lost to Hao Ren this time.

"Where are we going?" Hao Ren asked uneasily under Su Han's grip.

"Somewhere with a lot of space!" The moment she said this, the White Jade Sword began to drop.

Seeing the grasses on the ground below them, Hao Ren immediately leaped down and gained his balance.

Almost at the same time, Su Han's White Jade Sword hacked toward him, shooting a frost sword energy at his chest!

Pressing his hand on his chest, Hao Ren retreated three steps and realized that they were in the biggest soccer stadium of the East Ocean City!

In her white pajamas, Su Han stood on the green grasses bare-footed, holding the longsword horizontally with the tip pointing at Hao Ren.

"I was careless. But now, I won't let you get me so easily. I'll fight you with only Gen-level strength!" Su Han said as she moved around and stabbed toward Hao Ren with a sharp sword energy!

Hao Ren tried to dodge in a hurry.

This stadium was a comprehensive stadium that followed international guidelines and equipped with top-tier infrastructures. Hao Ren came here before to watch soccer games with Zhao Jiayi and his other buddies, and he never imagined that he would be battling Su Han at this place!

The empty stands around them made Hao Ren feel like he was a gladiator in a colosseum!

Swoosh! Swoosh!

Another two icy cold sword energies shot toward his shoulders.

Alarmed, Hao Ren released a series of five-elemental sword energies immediately.

With the sword energies engulfing his fingers, he blocked Su Han's sword attacks and made a series of clinking sounds.

Tiger Breaking into Mountains! Seven Star Steps! Sword Engulfing Pear Flowers! Ice Covering Vast Land!

These sword techniques of Su Han got faster one after another, and each strike carried a chilling aura!

Although Hao Ren reached Gen-level, he was far less experienced in battle than Su Han. Overwhelmed by her strikes, he got flustered and was forced to retreat!

In contrast, Su Han chased him bare-footed. Her loose pajamas fluttered under the overwhelming wind create by her strikes, and this gave her a unique look.

"If you can't defeat me at Gen-level, you can't hope to enter the top 50 in the exams!" Su Han abruptly put more force into her sword, and a long ice mark appeared on the green field.

Hao Ren was in disarray under Su Han's fierce attacks, but she was just showing him the ordinary level of the dragon cultivators who would be attending the exams in the Dragon God Shrine!

Hiss!

Su Han's sword left a tear on Hao Ren's clothes.

Hiss! Hiss!

Another two tears appeared on his clothes.

Although Hao Ren could create sword arrays with ease, he couldn't block Su Han's fast and fierce sword strikes in a close-range. In the blink of an eye, a wound appeared on his shoulder.

"If you don't fight back, you'll lose!" Su Han's sword transformed into three sword shadows and stab at his neck, chest, and stomach.

In the book that the old Grandma gave to Hao Ren, there were only sword arrays and no close-range sword combat techniques. Also, the Light Sword Splitting Shadow Scroll was only a cultivation technique and didn't provide him with any combat techniques.

Hiss... A long cut appeared in his right leg while his pants were slashed in two, chilling his thighs.

Bang!

Suddenly, Hao Ren planted his feet on the ground and placed his fists on the sides of his waist.

The fundamental boxing technique from the East Ocean Dragon Palace!

The first move: Horse Stance Forward Punch!

With sword energies engulfing his fist, he swung it toward the tip of Su Han's sword!

Ding... Su Han's sword was forced away from its target.

Swirling the White Jade Sword agilely with her wrist, she changed the direction of the sword and stabbed at his chest.

Hao Ren changed directions he was facing and used Horse Stance Forward Punch again!

Su Han changed her direction, and Hao Ren also moved to use Horse Stance Forward Punch again!

With light steps, Su Han circled Hao Ren. At the same time, Hao Ren used Horse Stance Forward Punch again and again, following Su Han's movements.

Hao Ren condensed the five-elemental sword energies into his fists, making them as hard as dharma treasures. Su Han couldn't find a way to deal with him at only Gen-level.

Horse Stance Forward Punch!

Hao Ren launched another vicious punch, and Su Han was forced back half a step.

With her hair fluttering in the wind and the moon rising high in the sky, Su Han looked fragile as she retreated in her pajamas with bare feet.

The more fragile she looked, the more beautiful she was!

Boom!

An overwhelming aura was released from her body.

Qian-level!

“You are playing dirty! You said you’d only fight me with Gen-level strength!” Hao Ren yelled in alarm.

“Yeah, I’m playing dirty! What can you do about it?” Su Han leaped high into the air as she pouted sulkily.

Chapter 394: Great Helpers

“Hey! Hey! You can’t do this...” Hao Ren immediately raised his hands.

“Ten-thousand Ice Strike!”

Leaping high in the air, silhouetted against the moon, Su Han struck down with her sword and shot out hundreds of icicles.

Not daring to try to block them with Horse Stance Forward Punch, Hao Ren rolled toward the goal to his left.

Swoosh! Swoosh...

The icicles stabbed into the field, piercing many holes that were ten centimeters deep on the green grass.

“Ten-thousand Ice Strike!”

Before Hao Ren could heave a sigh of relief, Su Han’s low voice sounded again.

“Are you trying to kill me?!” Hao Ren leaped out of the goal while hundreds of icicles poured down!

“Ten-thousand Ice Strike...”

Su Han’s demonic voice sounded again.

“Surrender! I surrender!” Hao Ren leaped up abruptly and called out to Su Han in a hurry.

“This woman is not a gracious loser! I beat her twice by luck, and now she got into such a rage of humiliation. She asked me to fight her with my full force but wouldn’t allow me to win!” Hao Ren complained in his mind.

“Humph!” Finally, Su Han withdrew her sword and landed slowly on the field.

She looked as cold as ice, and she felt ashamed on the inside. When they were in her home, she lost her shoes to Hao Ren; after they moved to the open space outside, she tried to fight Hao Ren at Gen-level and still lost to him.

It was a great blow to her self-esteem!

Looking at Su Han who acted like a kid cheating in a lost fight, Hao Ren had the urge to laugh. Although he landed on his face into the mud, he found Su Han quite adorable.

“Your cultivation technique is indeed unique.” With a long face, Su Han still couldn’t admit her defeat. “Although you are at low-tier Gen-level, with your technique, you could even defeat top-tier Gen-level cultivators.”

“I couldn’t have achieved this without your teaching,” Hao Ren immediately cupped his hands toward her and fluttered.

Actually, it was half flattery and half-truth. Right now, he was disheveled and covered in wounds, but he gained a deeper understanding of battles.

Cultivating and fighting were entirely different things. As a cultivation genius, Su Han wasn’t a battle genius, and her sword technique was lousy in Qin Shaoyang’s eyes.

However, Su Han was at Qian-level; one casual attack from her was earth-shaking. In contrast, Hao Ren was only at Gen-level. If he couldn’t improve his battle experience, he wouldn’t be able to stand out in the Dragon God Shrine.

“Don’t flatter me.” Su Han glanced at him and suddenly moved.

Thud! Thud... Bare-footed, Su Han ran swiftly before suddenly flying up with her sword in hand.

Frost Shooting Through Nine Heavens!

A crescent-shaped frost beam swept across the distant stand.

Boom!

A whole row of chairs was cut in half.

In this upheaval, a golden figure flew up into the high sky.

“Crescent Strike!” Su Han stood straighter and slashed her sword upward.

Her pajama top rose slightly, revealing a small portion of her white belly.

Boom!

Like a flashbang, a silver light beam dashed into the sky as an airwave.

A groan came from the sky, and Hao Ren recognized it was Qin Shaoyang’s voice.

“Su Han, do you hate me that much?” Qin Shaoyang’s question came from the void.

Hao Ren widened his eyes but couldn’t find Qin Shaoyang’s whereabouts.

“Get out of here!” Su Han landed while her sword shot out another sword energy.

“You actually like this weak Gen-level brat? I’ll see how you can protect him in the Dragon God Shrine in a few days!” The golden light in the sky vanished in a flash.

It was clear that Su Han's sudden attack landed on Qin Shaoyang. He followed them when they flew into the stadium and watched them while they practiced.

"It seems like I was wrong. The reason why Qin Shaoyang didn't stop you from enrolling in the exams of the Dragon God Shrine is that he knows I'm no longer a level 4 inspector," Su Han put away her sword and said lightly.

Since she wasn't a level 4 inspector, she couldn't be an examiner, which meant that she couldn't do anything to help him during the exams.

However, Qin Shaoyang was still an examiner, and it would be easy for him to place Hao Ren in a position to fight stronger competitors.

Since Su Han hoped to drive Qin Shaoyang away through Hao Ren, Qin Shaoyang could also strike back using Hao Ren.

From Qin Shaoyang's perspective, Hao Ren had little hope of becoming an official inspector, and he hoped that a bad-tempered cultivator could beat Hao Ren so hard that the latter would fall one to two levels in cultivation realm. That would probably trigger some conflict between the East Ocean Dragon Palace and Su Han who had encouraged Hao Ren to participate in the exams in the Dragon God Shrine!

"No matter what, I'd like to give it a try," Hao Ren replied.

Staying in the East Ocean Dragon Palace would give him safety and comfort, but Hao Ren wanted to push himself to a higher realm. After all, he had to toughen himself through battles so that he could ensure Zhao Yanzi's safety!

The landslide incident showed him that in the cultivation world, power conquered all! Without great strength, he couldn't even protect his family!

Su Han looked baffled at the determination on Hao Ren's face. After all, she had always kept to herself, and the person whom she trusted most and felt the closest to was her master, Elder Xingyue. She entered the Dragon God Shrine only to get access to better cultivation resources, and that was why she found it hard to understand Hao Ren's feelings.

"These... wear them." Su Han took out five thin silver bracelets from her bracelet.

"Mount Tai Bracelets?" Hao Ren looked at her with caution and confusion.

"No, they are not." Su Han shook her head. "They can elevate your cultivation strength by 50% and thus give you great help when you do the exams in the Dragon God Shrine."

Seeing the doubt in Hao Ren's eyes, Su Han curled her lips up helplessly before looking at him again. "How can I lie to you about this?"

Standing on the field bare-footed, Su Han looked as beautiful as a moon goddess in the misty starry light.

"Put two on your wrists, two on your ankles, and one around your neck." Su Han took hold of his arm before putting them on him intimately.

The moment the five bracelets were put into position, they immediately merged into Hao Ren's skin and disappeared.

"Ok, Try them," Su Han said gently after taking several steps back

Hao Ren tightened his fists and circulated the Light Splitting Sword Shadow Scroll, finding that he couldn't move his nature essence at all!

"They are called Five Mountains Bracelets, several times more advanced than the previous Mount Tai Bracelets. They can limit the physical strength and nature essence of the user except for top-tier Qian-level cultivators. However, they are set up so that you can still use 40% of your cultivation strength."

Su Han spoke in a low voice as she squinted her eyes; a mischievous smile appeared on her face at the same time.

"This..." Hao Ren felt as if he was pressed down by five mountains, and it was even difficult to breathe.

"I'll remove the Five Mountains Bracelets before your combat exams. You can wear them before the exams, and they would be great helps to you," Su Han nodded in satisfaction and said cheerfully.

"Aren't you too revengeful? I did nothing but touch your shoulder, ruin your slippers, and win in the practice fight!" Hao Ren yelled in his mind.

"You are covered in wounds. Let's head back, and I'll put some medicine on them." Su Han grabbed Hao Ren's right hand, and they stepped onto the White Jade Sword and left the damaged stadium.

Chapter 395: Hang out in a Big City!!

It was already late at night when they returned to the apartment.

"Here!"

Su Han took a little bottle out of her storage ring and threw it at Hao Ren.

He opened the bottle, and a pleasant scent came out of it.

Even though it was not a great elixir, it was still a very decent curing ointment.

"Thank you very much," Hao Ren said to Su Han as he took some of the ointment.

Su Han curled her lips and didn't say anything.

She was the one who put the wounds on Hao Ren, yet he was still thanking her. It made her feel a little weird.

However, it also reminded her of her own master Elder Xingyue. Su Han was the 'weird kid' in the East Ocean Dragon Palace because all the other cultivators were water-element while she was both metal-elemental and water-elemental.

The cultivators of her generation were either from families of elders or generals while she stayed with Elder Xingyue the entire time as an orphan.

Elder Xingyue cared a lot about Su Han, but she was very strict when it came to cultivation.

Su Han was always covered in wounds when she was young, and Elder Xingyue would always toss her a bottle of healing ointment with a stern face.

Su Han had a pair of large shining eyes, but she never cried or threw a tantrum. Before anyone noticed, she had already become a stunning beauty who was even stronger than her master Elder Xingyue. Whenever she thought of her childhood, Su Han was still very grateful toward her master.

“You can keep this bottle of ointment because you will need this a lot in the future,” Su Han said before Hao Ren passed the bottle back to her.

“Ok...” Hao Ren took his hand back.

Su Han made it very clear; today was only a warmup, and there would be more days like this ahead of him! With Su Han’s strength, she could break Hao Ren’s skin and cut into his flesh every single day...

Since Su Han was still standing there, Hao Ren thought about it and opened his shirt up. Then, he started to apply the white ointment on the bruises on his shoulders.

Su Han was stupefied as she didn’t expect Hao Ren to take his clothes off suddenly. She thought he was going to apply the ointment in the bathroom...

Hao Ren’s exercising method was different from Su Han’s. He took a more intensive path, and the fundamental boxing techniques he had been practicing lately bulged his muscles and made them look symmetrical.

Su Han had great strength, but she had never seen a man’s ‘naked body’. Her head buzzed as she had a feeling of being defeated.

Hao Ren didn’t think about it much since he was used to playing cards on the balcony half naked with his roommates when it was hot, and the female dorm building was just a few dozen meters across from them; no one seemed to have cared...

Hao Ren took turns with both hands and applied the ointment on his shoulders.

Then, he looked at Su Han who was still standing there and looked as calm as a dead pool of water. He handed the bottle to her and said in embarrassment, “Um... could you help me put some on my back, please? I can’t reach it...”

Su Han’s eyes slowly opened wider as the cold expression stayed on her face.

She took a deep breath and clenched her fists all of a sudden.

“Sorry for the trouble...” Hao Ren turned his back to her.

Su Han felt like she was struck by lightning, and the White Jade Sword instantly appeared in her hand.

“Just...a little bit,” Hao Ren said in embarrassment with his back facing Su Han.

“Ka...Ka...” Su Han gritted her teeth.

She breathed out deeply after a few seconds of hesitation. Then, she put back the White Jade Sword and squeezed out some ointment.

She picked up a piece of cloth from the table and covered her hand with it before she rubbed it on Hao Ren's wound.

"Thanks a lot!" Hao Ren felt the chill on his back. He then turned over, put his shredded coat on, and smiled at Su Han.

"Humph!" she threw the bottle back at him and headed toward her bedroom.

"Su Han?" Hao Ren suddenly stopped her.

"What?" Su Han squinted her eyes and looked at Hao Ren.

"Are there... any new clothes I can wear?" Hao Ren twisted his ripped coat and asked.

Cold, intense light rays shot out of Su Han's eyes, and she said word by word, "What Do You Think?"

"Um..." Hao Ren sensed a tremendous amount of pressure pouring toward him. He immediately waved to let her know that it was not necessary anymore.

Su Han had never let any man into her apartment. How on earth would there be men's clothes in here?

She slowly walked into her bedroom and closed the door behind her roughly.

Hao Ren looked at the two-thirds full ointment bottle in his hand. He thought for a bit and threw it into his necklace.

There was another room next to Su Han's bedroom, but Hao Ren didn't plan to sleep in there. He curled up on the couch and fell asleep as he circulated the nature essence according to the Light Splitting Sword Shadow Scroll.

It slowly turned bright outside.

Fifth Heaven also turned bright.

Xie Yujia had quietly cultivated in her cave abode for an entire night. She slowly breathed out and looked outside at the valley. The spiritual herbs were thriving in the five sections.

A string of heavy golden-brown fruits hung under the thick light-yellow leaves of a thousand years old Pi Ma Grass; they seemed to be almost ripe.

The Yuan Bao Grass grew a few more leaves in a night, and it looked extremely green.

A Hong Xiang Vine grew out of the water in the paddy field. Since it had obtained sufficient nature essence and was in a proper environment, it looked particularly bright and fresh in the morning mist... Xie Yujia was delighted to see the spiritual herbs growing up luxuriant. Nature essence swam throughout her body along with some slight comprehension. She suddenly leveled up from level 9 to level 10 Qi Refinement Realm!

She was only one step away from the Foundation Establishment Realm!

Zhao Yanzi flew out of the cave abode next to her on her sword.

Little White was sleeping at the entrance, and it was awoken by a slight pain when Zhao Yanzi pulled some of its white hair off. It flew out after her immediately.

“First sword technique of the Big Dipper Constellation Scroll. Tianshu, up!”

Zhao Yanzi slightly hopped up as the Purple Green Treasure Sword underneath her suddenly dashed ahead.

The upside-down longsword suddenly drew out a tremendous ray as if it was an upside-down waterfall, and Little White hastily backed up and tripped embarrassingly in the middle of the air.

“Hahaha...” Zhao Yanzi laughed happily. The longsword circled in the air and went back under Zhao Yanzi’s feet.

Little White growled; it felt wronged and was a little mad.

“Alright, Little White. I won’t tease you anymore” Zhao Yanzi got closer to it on her sword and hopped onto its back. “Let’s take a look outside! It’s still early!”

Little White’s black eyes shone immediately when it heard this. It wanted to play around on Fifth Heaven, but it had to stay in the valley when Hao Ren cultivated there. It got very bored.

“Zi!” Xie Yujia saw Zhao Yanzi heading outside of the valley on Little White and shouted out.

However, she didn’t know how to ride a sword, and Zhao Yanzi took Little White with her. So, she was left grinding her teeth and worrying.

The dawn on Fifth Heaven was very quiet; one could see endless mountains and rivers.

Zhao Yanzi flew around the three sects near Ethereal Summit on Little White, and she headed to a further place to look around.

“Slow down, Little White!” Zhao Yanzi grasped its ear and said. Little White was going very fast in excitement, and the scenery around them disappeared rapidly beside them.

“Wu...” Little White made a small sound in its throat as it slowed down the speed of the sword. It was proudest of its speed, yet Zhao Yanzi wouldn’t let it show off.

“Are you alone, little girl?” a mid-aged man suddenly got near them on a sword.

“Ya!” Zhao Yanzi blinked and nodded immediately.

“Your spirit beast is very pretty. Are you the disciple of the Sky Mountain Sect?” The guy asked Zhao Yanzi.

“Yup, I’m running an errand for my master,” Zhao Yanzi answered.

“You are so young, and it seems like you are not even at the Foundation Establishment Realm. Your master let you come out?” The man continued.

“My master says our Sky Mountain Sect is a well-known sect, and ordinary cultivators wouldn’t dare to bully us.” She pouted her mouth.

“Hehehe...” the man faked a few laughs, “This spirit beast is pretty decent. I’ll take it! The Sky Mountain Sect really thinks it is the biggest sect in the world. They would even let a disciple under the Foundation Establishment Realm out of the mountain!”

He flipped five beads out of his hand and blocked all five of Zhao Yanzi’s directions.

“Don’t rush, Little White. I’m on it!” Zhao Yanzi wasn’t scared of the situation. On the other hand, she got a bit excited. She whipped her Purple Green Treasured Sword out and yelled, “Tianshu, up!”

A ray of bright white light whipped ahead and blocked the two beads in front of her. They exploded immediately before they even started functioning.

“Top-tier dharma treasure!” the mid-aged man was genuinely astonished to see Zhao Yanzi’s longsword.

He suddenly realized that although she looked very young, she was of the Foundation Establishment Realm instead of the Qi Refinement Realm!

In general, one had to be at least 20 or 30 years old to reach the Foundation Establishment Realm. How could a little girl like Zhao Yanzi be on the Foundation Establishment Realm?

“Tianshu, up again!” Zhao Yanzi wanted to see how powerful her technique was, and this unlucky guy knocked on her door. She was pleased about it.

A 15-meter wide light waterfall dashed toward this mid-aged man.

He didn’t even get a chance to block it before the power of the Purple Green Treasure Sword and the power of the Big Dipper Constellation Scroll hit him. It threw his entire body over ten meters away onto a mountain, knocking a dozen trees down.

“How... how can you...” the mid-aged man looked at Zhao Yanzi with wounds all over him. His clothes were ripped into pieces.

Zhao Yanzi patted Little White’s bum and landed beside the man. “Hand over all your valuables, and I will spare you a life!”

The man shivered and handed his storage bag to her hastily.

He was a Foundation Establishment Realm cultivator after all, but he couldn’t even handle Zhao Yanzi’s single attack!

Zhao Yanzi opened the brown storage bag up and saw a few materials, several spiritual stones, and two techniques inside. She nodded in satisfaction and tied it onto her waist.

“You thought you could trick me, huh? I hang out in a big city! Humph!” She patted Little White’s bum. Shoo...they flew away.

“What kind of sect is a big city...” the mid-aged man sat on the ground and looked at Zhao Yanzi as she left, astonished. He couldn’t handle the power of the Big Dipper Constellation Scroll at last and passed out on the ground.

Chapter 396: Zhao Yanzi's Ambition...

Zhao Yanzi returned to the Ethereal Summit on Little White, satisfied.

Xie Yujia was watering the spiritual herbs in the valley; she was relieved when she looked up and saw Zhao Yanzi and Little White coming back. Although Zhao Yanzi was mean to her, she didn't want anything to happen to her.

Zhao Yanzi ignored Xie Yujia and flew directly into her own cave abode.

Upon returning, she took the four storage bags off her waist and poured a whole bunch of stuff out.

All kinds of spirit stones, techniques, flying swords, and dharma notes were piled up together.

She and Little White 'robbed' four passing by cultivators from dawn till now, and they obtained four storage bags in total.

Of course, the cultivators who came to her weren't so upright themselves. They saw how young Zhao Yanzi seemed and thought she was at the Qi Refinement Realm. They wanted to rob her because they thought she sneaked out with the spirit beast due to her master's absolute protection, but to their surprise, Zhao Yanzi 'practiced' her sword technique and robbed them instead.

The smaller versioned Little White hopped up and down in excitement when it saw the ground covered with shiny objects. Obviously, Little White fell in love with it 'promising robbing career' because of hearing what Zhen Congming said and experiencing it first hand with Zhao Yanzi.

"106 low-tier spirit stones, four mid-tier spirit stones, three techniques, two flying swords, six dharma notes, three bottles of elixirs..." Zhao Yanzi looked through her trophies as she mumbled, "They don't even have top-tier spirit stones. They are so poor!"

She didn't know how rare those spirit stones were on Fifth Heaven. Only a high-status cultivator could own top-tier spirit stones.

Her cave abode wasn't big, and those things took up a lot of space. However, they were all her trophies, so she didn't want to throw them away. Zhao Yanzi thought for a bit and said to herself, "I'll ask Hao Ren to open up another cave for these treasures when he comes up to Fifth Heaven next time."

She turned to Little White, "What do you think, Little White?"

"Um...um..." It murmured and continued to nod as it wagged its tail.

"I'm not sure about these elixirs and techniques though. I'll ask Zhen Congming to evaluate them when he comes here next time."

She had it all planned. She and Little White would be the robbing gang that would rob evil people, Zhen Congming would be the adviser. Hao Ren would be the gang leader, and as for Xie Yujia... Um... she could be the support worker for the time being...

It had always been her dream to be a heroine who had a strong sense of justice and ready to help the weak. She wished to start a sect in the valley and take the mountain for her own.

Fifth Heaven now seemed to be an excellent place for her!

“We should head back, Zi!” Xie Yujia shouted as she stood in the valley.

“I know! I know!” Zhao Yanzi put everything in the corner and answered loudly.

Shoo! She flew out of the cave abode on Little White.

Xie Yujia looked at Zhao Yanzi standing in the valley and shrugged.

Little White landed in the valley and carried Xie Yujia on its back steadily. It liked Zhao Yanzi but didn't want to mistreat the Big Zhumu. Therefore, it was well-behaved in front of Xie Yujia.

Shoo...Little White carried the two of them out of Fifth Heaven.

“Hao Ren is not in Fifth Heaven, so you shouldn't mess around. We wouldn't even have time to save you if something goes wrong,” Xie Yujia couldn't hold back anymore and said.

“I know! I was just wandering around and didn't do anything bad. Plus, Little White is really strong now, and no one can catch us!” Zhao Yanzi answered.

“Ah...” Xie Yujia knew she couldn't win this argument, so she simply zipped her mouth.

Sitting in the front, Zhao Yanzi pouted. She knew that Xie Yujia was worried about her. She also knew that she would be scared in the valley last night if it weren't for Xie Yujia. However, she acted like she didn't want to hear what Xie Yujia had to say.

The two of them went back to First Heaven, and Xie Yujia dropped Zhao Yanzi off at her home.

Zhao Hongyu got up early and was in the kitchen when Zhao Yanzi pressed the doorbell. She opened the door and asked, “How come you didn't come back all night, Zi!”

Zhao Yanzi didn't say anything because she didn't know how to explain herself. Xie Yujia smiled and covered up. “Auntie, Zi came to my place to review her schoolwork last night, and I kept her in my dorm for the night because it was pretty late.”

“So, where are your studying materials?” Zhao Hongyu looked down at Zhao Yanzi's empty hands.

“They are in my dorm. I didn't let her bring them back because she will be coming to my place to study every day,” Xie Yujia added.

“I couldn't even reach you on your cell phone...” Zhao Hongyu complained, but then she smiled happily at Xie Yujia. “Thank you so much, Yujia. You are tutoring Zi even though your finals are coming soon as well. Plus, you dropped her off so early in the morning. Come in and have some breakfast!”

“It's ok, Auntie. I need to go back to school soon,” Xie Yujia said politely.

“A meal won't take up much of your time. I'll drive you to school afterward.” Zhao Hongyu pulled Xie Yujia into the room in full spirit.

Zhao Jiayi pouted as she looked at Xie Yujia in dissatisfaction. But she then thought of how Xie Yujia covered for her and how she needed her excuses to go cultivate on Fifth Heaven over the next few days, so she had to pretend that she was close with Xie Yujia.

“Speaking of this, how come Ren didn’t tutor Zi?” Zhao Hongyu asked.

“He has been a bit busy, so I’m doing it for him,” Xie Yujia said with a smile.

Zhao Hongyu nodded slightly. She thought back to the big event that all dragon cultivators were closely paying attention to and knew why Hao Ren was busy.

It would be good for the East Ocean Dragon Palace if Hao Ren could become an official inspector now.

The influence of the Dragon God Shrine had been increasing during these years since there were more and more Qian-level masters joining them. It had slowly become a strong power, and it would even rival against the four ocean dragon palaces that had been accumulating power for ages.

For example, the Dragon God Shrine played a role in the war between East Ocean and West Ocean.

If Hao Ren could have a say in the Dragon God Shrine, it would offer the East Ocean Dragon Clan more control.

Even if Hao Ren couldn’t become an inspector, it wouldn’t hurt to have some practice. All the young dragon cultivators saw participating in the exams in the Dragon God Shrine as an honor, and it would be something to show off about if they could get a place in the top 200. That meant they were the top cultivators among hundreds of thousands of younger dragon cultivators.

Commanding General was a powerful yet somewhat chill position. Hao Ren had nothing to worry about as long as he didn’t need to lead the army to fight a war.

Hao Ren didn’t have any military merits, and his strength had never been shown. Some elders were secretly against this appointment.

But if Hao Ren could get a ranking in the Dragon God Shrine’s exams, it could turn some of the opposing voices in the dragon palace down as the Dragon God Shrine’s third-party assessment was very convincing.

Therefore, from this angle, Zhao Hongyu also wanted Hao Ren to attend the Dragon God Shrine’s exams and get a good rank.

“Since Ren has been busy lately, we will have to bother Yujia to tutor Zi,” Zhao Hongyu smiled gently and said to Xie Yujia.

“That’s my responsibility,” Xie Yujia slightly bowed. She was half mad at Zhao Yanzi, but Zhao Hongyu’s smile made her realize that she should tutor Zhao Yanzi carefully.

“Alright, Auntie. Let me help you with making the breakfast,” Xie Yujia laughed happily and entered the kitchen with her.

Zhao Yanzi looked at Zhao Hongyu and Xie Yujia as they walked away. She stood in the living room and wrinkled her nose, thinking, “Who’s my mom’s daughter here?”

While Xie Yujia and Zhao Hongyu were busy preparing breakfast in the kitchen, Hao Ren suddenly sat up from Su Han’s couch.

He didn’t wake up naturally. Instead, he woke up because he was starving.

He had a bowl of instant noodles last night and a simple snack afterward. How could he handle a whole night without food? Especially after Su Han beat him up badly in the field.

Hao Ren realized it was seven o'clock in the morning, so he turned on the TV, and the morning news was playing.

"Last night around midnight, unidentified individuals invaded the East Ocean Stadium and damaged some equipment and the field. We are further investigating this case..." The news popped up on the TV.

Hao Ren looked at Su Han's bedroom, thinking, "You have such a big heart. My parents would kill me if they found out that I was related to this vandalization..."

Su Han's bedroom was still quiet, and it seemed like she wasn't going to wake up anytime soon. Hao Ren turned off the TV and put on his shoes. Then, he opened the door to the apartment and rang the bell of the opposite apartment.

After a few rings, the door opened.

Lu Qing appeared in front of Hao Ren in his grey pajamas.

"Gongzi Hao...Oh... Commanding General..." Lu Qing bowed.

He looked down at Hao Ren's slippers and ragged clothes. Then, he looked at Su Han's opened door behind Hao Ren...

"What did they do? Hao Ren's clothes are all ragged. There are even some scratches on Hao Ren's chest and shoulders..." he thought.

"Um... it's not like that." Hao Ren raised his hand. "Do you... have anything... I could wear?"

"Please come in, General," Lu Qing stepped two steps back.

Hao Ren was only the Fuma before without a title, so Lu Qing could still call him 'Gongzi Hao'. Now that he was the Commanding General of West Peace who could command close 1,000,000 soldiers, Hao Ren's official ranking was even higher than Lu Qing!

"Please call me anything but General." Hao Ren entered Lu Qing's room. "Just give me some simple clothes."

"Ok!" Lu Qing went back into his bedroom and walked out quickly with five to six suits.

Hao Ren remembered that Lu Qing usually wore suits, so most of his clothes at home were suits.

"Is there anything... that's not so formal..." Hao Ren shook his head, embarrassed.

"Gongzi Hao, please wait a moment," Lu Qing went back into his bedroom.

A few seconds later, he brought a set of Hawaiian T-shirt and shorts out of the bedroom.

"Um..." Hao Ren didn't know what to say.

"Linlin and Lili just got these for me as they wanted me to take them to the beach during the summer vacation. This is the only thing that is not a suit here..." Lu Qing shrugged.

"It's time for morning practice now, Hao Ren," Su Han appeared at Lu Qing's door in her deep-blue leaf-patterned shirt and mini skirt pants.

She had a short bat in her hand.

Chapter 397: You Can't Handle This

"Inspector Su..." Lu Qing bowed to her when he saw Su Han.

Lu Qing was close with Elder Xingyue, and Su Han was her disciple as well as an inspector. Lu Qing needed to show his respect due to her status.

Su Han slightly nodded and turned to Hao Ren. "I'll give you one minute to change."

Hao Ren was the Commanding General of the East Ocean Dragon Palace, but that was not important to Su Han. Hao Ren was Su Han's assistant in the Dragon God Shrine.

Hao Ren secretly pitied his hard life. He quickly went into Lu Qing's room and changed into the Hawaiian clothes.

He looked like he was ready to go to the beach when he came back out of the bedroom. Hao Ren pitied himself, even more, when he thought of going to school in such an eye-catching outfit.

"Let's go!" Su Han waved a short bat in her hand at the door.

Su Han looked pretty in anything since she had such a beautiful face and a nice figure. The mini skirt pants made her look even more charming, and she could be an enjoyable scenery even when she was holding a bat.

"I'll have to leave now, Elder Lu..." Hao Ren said to Lu Qing, embarrassed.

"Yes... yes... take it easy, Gongzi Hao." Lu Qing slightly bowed, embarrassed as well.

The Commanding General of the East Ocean Dragon Clan was called out by a woman with a bat...that it...

Ding!

The elevator reached their floor and opened, and Su Han and Hao Ren walked inside side by side.

Without showing her Qian-level strength, Su Han appeared to be a quiet and beautiful lady. They seemed like a lovely couple when she stood beside Hao Ren, who was well-built.

The door to the elevator slowly closed, and the screen showed the floor number as they descended. Lu Qing took his phone out at the door and dialed a number. "Hello, Dragon King..."

Hao Ren and Su Han came out of the apartment building; it was still a bit chilly in the morning.

Sunshine filled up the garden-style high-rise, and it looked stunning.

"What is our morning exercise?" Hao Ren stretched his arms and asked.

"How are your injuries?" Su Han glimpsed at Hao Ren.

Hao Ren realized that Su Han was caring about him. He smiled and said, "It's almost healed. The ointment worked really well."

"In that case, let's double the strength of your morning exercise," Su Han said lightly.

"Um..." Hao Ren's heart sunk.

"Run after me!" Su Han struck his back with her bat and shouted.

Su Han didn't put much strength into it, but the bat hit where the bones were on Hao Ren's back. He felt like the strike broke the bones in his back.

"This bat is made of Five-Color Stone and is a dharma treasure too. One hit will make you suffer for an entire day," continued Su Han.

"Damn it!" Hao Ren couldn't help but curse.

"Run faster than me if you don't want to get hit," Su Han glanced at him even colder, and it cleared Hao Ren's distracting thoughts completely.

Hao Ren ran immediately when Su Han raised the short bat again.

But soon, he realized that something was wrong. The Five Mountains Bracelets in his arms, legs, and neck were as heavy as five mountains. How could someone run when they were dragging five mountains on their arms, legs, and neck!

Boom!

Su Han's short bat landed mercilessly on Hao Ren's back again.

The pain was so acute as it traveled into Hao Ren's brain immediately, making him almost scream out.

"So brutal... what a sadist..." Hao Ren thought as he stepped ahead crazily, disregarding the weight on his body.

Su Han caught up easily with the bat in her hand, and it landed heavily on Hao Ren's bum!

Hao Ren's butt experienced burning pain, and it was precisely the part that moved the most when he ran.

"You'll get more hits if you keep running this slowly," Su Han ran beside Hao Ren.

"Damn it! Try to run with the Five Mountains Bracelets yourself!" Hao Ren said.

"You don't think I have?" Su Han looked at Hao Ren with her pretty eyes and said lightly as she ran ahead elegantly.

Hao Ren looked down at Su Han's pale ankles and hesitated for a second as he thought, "Could the strength Su Han is showing now not her actual strength...?"

"Too slow!" Su Han's bat hit on Hao Ren's bum again.

"Ouch!" Hao Ren couldn't help but shout. He thrust his pelvis forward and sped up immediately.

The Five Mountains Bracelets blocked 60% of Hao Ren's strength including his nature essence and physical power. They borrowed the power of the five mountains to restrain the user, and the bracelets themselves were a set of top-tier dharma treasure.

Cultivators who were restrained by Five Mountains Bracelet couldn't move at all, but Hao Ren was allowed to use 40% of his strength. However, it was tough to run like an ordinary person.

"Shoo... Shoo..." A muscular man in a tank-top and shorts surpassed Hao Ren and turned back to look at him with disdain. Then, he raised his eyebrow and whistled at Su Han.

Having ignored him, Su Han said to Hao Ren softly, "Come on, three more rounds around the complex."

Pu...Hao Ren almost started bleeding out of his nose.

"Useless; such poor endurance!" The muscular man looked at Hao Ren with more disdain and said. Then, he sped up and ran further with his muscular legs.

Hao Ren looked at that man and opened his eyes... "Try the Five Mountains Bracelets on and see if you can move half a step!"

"Too slow!" Su Han raised the short bat and swung it towards Hao Ren's bum again.

Hao Ren almost jumped up in pain, but he could neither defeat Su Han nor escape. So, he circulated his nature essence according to the Light Splitting Sword Shadow Scroll with all his power and transferred most of his nature essence into his heels.

Creak, creak, creak... A six years old boy surpassed Hao Ren on a colorful tricycle. Then, he looked back at Hao Ren with a smug look on his face.

"Since when did kids get so bratty..." Hao Ren was pissed, but his butt got hit again by Su Han's bat.

"Too slow!" It was Su Han's devil-like voice again.

Hao Ren was all sweaty after just a few minutes, yet he was since inside this neighborhood.

The power of the Five Mountains Bracelets was hundreds even thousands of times stronger than the Mount Tai Bracelets! If Hao Ren weren't at Gen-level, he would have fallen to the ground as soon as he put the Five Mountains Bracelets on. He wouldn't even be able to get up.

"How much further?" Hao Ren asked Su Han. He thought he only had to review for the written exams at night and had no idea that he had to go through such brutal training. Hao Ren realized that he completely fell into Su Han's evil hand.

"You are done when you get to school," Su Han answered.

"How far are we?" Hao Ren asked.

"Pretty close; just 12 more kilometers." Su Han smiled slightly, and her eyes looked like two new moons.

Chapter 398: Personal Coach

The eastern Mount Tai had the element of wood, the western Mount Hua captured the element of metal, the southern Mount Heng contained the element of fire, the northern Mount Hang absorbed the element of water, and in the center was Mount Song which pulled in the element of earth.

The Five Mountains Bracelets contained the power of the five sacred mountains, locking all five elements within them.

The Five Mountains Bracelets contained the power of the five fundamental elements. Unless the cultivator reached peak Qian-level which was on the verge of jumping out of the wheel of reincarnation, no one could escape the wrath of the bracelets.

Inspectors used them to capture dragon cultivators, and sometimes even human cultivators. No matter which clan the cultivators belonged to, they would not be able to escape their power.

Hao Ren practiced the Light Splitting Sword Shadow Scroll, which incorporated all five elements. However, even he could not escape the magic of the Five Mountains Bracelets.

Su Han waved her hands in the air, skipping lightly while still running at a brisk pace. She was beside Hao Ren, ensuring he was keeping up.

Everyone around Hao Ren envied him, thinking how lucky he was to have such a beauty running beside him. For Hao Ren though, he dragged his body unwillingly, showing no signs of thankfulness.

The mortals were unable to understand the pressure Hao Ren was under. Hao Ren was under the spell of the five sacred mountains, and his every step took a toll on his body. His strength and nature essence decreased drastically with every movement.

The Five Mountains Bracelets were powerful enough to seal the nature essence and physical strength of cultivators who had the ability to transform into dragons. To capture these powerful cultivators, the one who had the bracelets on should not be able to have the ability to move freely.

Su Han 'forced' Hao Ren to wear the powerful bracelets, but he could still use 40% of his power. However, for Hao Ren who had only reached Gen-level, even running was an extremely tedious exercise.

"If we don't get to the school by eight, the Five Mountains Bracelets will decrease your power to only 20%," Su Han said while briskly running alongside Hao Ren.

Su Han's leaf-patterned shirt fluttered against the wind; she looked taller under the blue sky and the shades of trees.

The blue and white mini skirt pants she wore emphasized her long and beautiful legs. Each of her steps was firm, and each of her breath followed the same rhythm.

"Ok..."

Hao Ren tried his hardest. Using all his nature essence to counter the power of the Five Mountains Bracelets that he wore, he continued to run.

"Faster," Su Han yelled as she took out her short bat and poked Hao Ren in the back.

The pain of the poke went through Hao Ren's body; it was unbearable.

However. That pain also unleashed his potential to run faster. Now. Hao Ren realized that Su Han was not just poking him for fun. Instead, every poke went through an acupoint, helping him grow stronger.

Just like the unbearable pain that one must endure to go from Kan-level to Li-level, then from Li-level to Zhen-level, and finally reaching Gen-level; the pain he endured was immense.

However, he understood that to reach a higher level, he must endure a greater amount of pain.

If one cannot persevere, one could not become a strong cultivator. This was the Heavenly Dao that everyone must follow.

In the beginning, Su Han had low expectations for Hao Ren. However, his outperformance made her believe in him. Now, the thought of taking him to the Dragon God Shrine and make him into an official inspector had even budded in her mind.

The dragon core in Hao Ren's body was spinning rapidly under the bracelets' pressure. The bracelets had suppressed the power of the dragon core, which stimulated the nature essence within his body.

Hao Ren had cultivated all five-elemental essences simultaneously. For others who had only cultivated one or two elements, they would not be able to endure the elemental pressure of the Five Mountains Bracelets on the elemental essences they hadn't cultivated.

However, Hao Ren had all five-elemental essences, so he was under the pressure of all the element, yet the pressure stimulated his body and his dragon core.

The wonder of the Five Mountains Bracelets was that it had a fine balance of all five elements. There was a delicate balance of the five elements in Hao Ren's body as well.

Bup! Another opening appeared on the dragon core, and Hao Ren's nature essence slowly flowed out of the opening.

However, the leaking nature essence was quickly sealed by the Five Mountains Bracelets.

Hao Ren took half a step with his left foot and another half step with his right foot. Following the fundamental boxing technique he learned, he stepped into a white tiger position, and he focused the nature essence in his palm, flowing it directly to his head.

The spiritual core that had originally been sleeping in the Qihai Acupoint was quickly awakened.

The power that Zhao Haoran had accumulated in his one thousand years of training was all within it.

This was the energy of top-tier Qian-level!

The Five Mountains Bracelets which were in Hao Ren's arms, legs, and neck let out a dim, warm light.

White, green, blue, red, and yellow!

Just when Su Han was about to use her short bat on Hao Ren again, she couldn't believe what she was seeing with her eyes.

The lights released by the Five Mountains Bracelets signaled that it was about to be set free.

"It can't be!?! Did Hao Ren reach top-tier Qian-level already?" Su Han thought.

However, the signals displayed by the dharma treasure told no lies.

Suddenly, the lights darkened.

Hao Ren was exhausted and almost fell to his feet.

Su Han's eyes opened wide, but they slowly returned to normal.

If Hao Ren were able to break free from the Five Mountains Bracelets, Su Han would be deeply impressed and shocked by his ability.

There was only one way for the Five Mountains Bracelets to be broken; one had to reach top-tier Qian-level.

"Hurry up!" Su Han took out her short bat and hit Hao Ren on his thigh.

"Ah... ah..." Hao Ren yelled in pain as he continued to run.

Although Hao Ren felt like he was having a small breakthrough, it only appeared in a flash unexpectedly. He wasn't able to increase his understanding of the Heavenly Dao; he only got one more opening on his dragon core.

No matter how much pain Hao Ren displayed on his face, Su Han kept a cold expression on hers.

She knew deep in her heart that Hao Ren didn't like this suffering, but the perseverance that Hao Ren had was no weaker than hers. Otherwise, he would have given up a long time ago, and she wouldn't have stopped him from giving up either.

"Pa! Pa!"

The sound of Hao Ren's steps became louder. Due to his continuous battle with the Five Mountains Bracelets, he slowly became accustomed to them, learning the rhythm.

A delicate array formation connected the Five Mountains Bracelet, and this array formation would have a split-second pause every second.

If Hao Ren could take advantage of that split-second pause by controlling and using his nature essence preciously, he still got a chance.

The opportunities Su Han had to poke Hao Ren with her short bat decreased as Hao Ren slowly caught up to her by himself.

"That's Su Han, right? The guy next to her is Hao Ren, the person that Lu Linlin and Lu Lili like?"

Just as the first class of the day was about to begin, Su Han and Hao Ren reached the paths near the school. The students that were on their way to school witnessed the sight of Hao Ren and Su Han, which was a picture to the eyes.

Hao Ren was wearing a Hawaiian outfit, so he looked extremely sharp. Anyone from miles away could see him in those bright colors.

The male students who witnessed this scene were filled with curiosity and envy.

“He’s running with Su Han this early in the morning, how nice…” They thought.

Su Han wasn’t a figure who was easy to approach. Therefore, they couldn’t imagine how difficult it would be to have the chance to run with her in the morning.

She was in a soft shirt and mini skirt pants, exhibiting the brightness of youth.

Su Han breathed out slowly as she tried to maintain her running speed while leading Hao Ren to the entrance of the East Ocean University. The air seemed to smell like flowers as she passed by.

Hao Ren didn’t want to enter the university like this by creating such a big scene. However, he couldn’t handle Su Han’s poking with her short bat, so he obeyed her orders and followed her into the administrative building.

Amongst those students at the entrance, there were not only ordinary students but also a select group of students – young dragon cultivators!

They were very envious as they saw Su Han and Hao Ren slowly fade into the horizon.

It was almost time for the general exams at the Dragon God Shrine. It would be great to have an official inspector like Su Han to be one’s personal coach!

Chapter 399: Heavenly Dragon, Treasure!

“That’s all for the day,” Su Han jogged to the front entrance of the administrative building and said.

“Great!” Hao Ren nodded frantically.

A 12-kilometer run. In the past, even though Hao Ren didn’t start cultivating at the time, he could finish the run without any problems with his title as a long-distance runner in high school.

Now, a 12-kilometer run was as difficult as crossing mountains and rivers for Hao Ren. His shorts and t-shirts were soaked in his sweat.

In contrast, Su Han seemed very relaxed. Although her face was slightly flushed, she did not sweat at all. The blue shirt and mini skirt pants made her look like a flower blooming from the cement floor in front of the administrative building.

Countless male student around the area stopped to watch Su Han like hungry wolves.

Su Han used to jog in the morning, but she always wore white sportswear with long sleeves. Although she still seemed very s*xy, it was not as youthful and attractive as this time.

“That’s all,” Su Han said coldly as she saw Hao Ren staring at her. Then, she turned around and was about to walk into the administrative building.

Suddenly, she stopped for a moment and returned to Hao Ren. She raised her hands and fixed Hao Ren’s collar. Then, she smiled softly and walked into the building.

This small act made the male students around them gasp as they couldn’t help but start to scream.

How could a gorgeous and icy girl like Su Han fix the collar for a guy like Hao Ren!

Especially that gentle smile; it was definitely a sign that the iceberg was melting!

One smile could overthrow a city, another smile could overthrow a country.

Hao Ren enjoyed the glory of making all the male students jealous! Their jealous then immediately turned into hatred!

Hao Ren stood still in the same position as his shoulder could still feel Su Han's touch when she fixed his collar.

From his perspective, Su Han's smile was a smile of encouragement.

Within an hour, Hao Ren mastered the rhythm of the Five Mountains Bracelets and could control his nature essence accurately. Su Han's little act was, perhaps, praise or a reward.

In the flock of angry eyes, Hao Ren walked into an academic building.

The Five Mountains Bracelets sealed off 60 percent of Hao Ren nature essence. However, if Hao Ren could control his nature essence well and use the split-second pause in the array formations of the Five Mountains Bracelets each second, he could smoothly utilize the remaining 40 percent of his nature essence.

It was similar to controlling the flow of water that would stall for a split second every second before it started flowing again. Although it seemed that there was one more thing to be worried about, this practice could drastically improve one's skill in controlling nature essence!

Hao Ren even suspected that Su Han might have been wearing Five Mountains Bracelets herself.

From the fact that she insisted on jogging every morning, did not like to fight with people, and did not bother to walk around on campus, it seemed like Su Han was wearing Five Mountains Bracelets that limit her nature essence. If that were true, Su Han only showed a part of her true strength!

Su Han wanted to reach the Heavenly Dragon Realm. Things that were not related to the elevation of realms were useless to Su Han.

Therefore, she would not waste any time.

The last Heavenly Dragon appeared a few hundred years ago. The super-strong cultivators who remained on the land and First Heaven all wanted to become the next Heavenly Dragon!

Zhao Kuo wanted that, so did Su Han!

Su Han wanted the supreme power! Zhao Kuo wanted to demonstrate his might! They wanted to see who could reach the Heavenly Dragon Realm first!

Su Han gave up battling and improved her realm through cultivation. Zhao Kuo, on the other hand, must have been strengthening himself through insane battles right now somewhere.

Although the two of them were on different paths, they both had the same goal, and that was to reach the Heavenly Dragon Realm which was beyond Qian-level!

“Heavenly Dragon Realm...”

As Hao Ren thought about that, he used some of his nature essence and started running away from the school.

In the morning, the sunlight shined from the east onto the street. The trees on both sides of the street were lined up properly.

Ahead of the straight road was golden glory.

Hao Ren, who clenched his fists, started running faster and faster.

If the nature essence were flowing smoothly, it would definitely trigger the Five Mountains Bracelets. If one could release and restrain nature essence with great control within a second, he would be able to control 40 percent of his nature essence without triggering the Five Mountains Bracelets. That required Hao Ren to control his nature essence on top of doing everything else.

One second, one moment!

In fact, that was the trick for accumulating strength and unleashing strength!

Hao Ren, who was running on the empty street, gradually disappeared.

He formed a red energy sphere around him and released 16 sword energies from his palm.

The sword energies accompanied Hao Ren by his side and followed in his footsteps, piercing forward and pulling back.

Because of the Five Mountains Bracelets, Hao Ren could not use his nature essence continuously. The sword energies dimmed down and brightened up as they followed the flow of Hao Ren’s nature essence rhythm.

Boom!

Hao Ren’s energy sphere was suddenly enlarged.

There were now 160 sword energies flowing on top of Hao Ren’s head and formed a giant array.

Hum! Hum!

The colorful sword energies flickered.

The sword energies didn’t float in mid-air as usual. Instead, they retracted along with Hao Ren’s rhythm. With the sword handle as the axis, every sword energy was slowly circling him.

The 160 sword energies formed a neatly arranged array. Each sword energy was continuously flickering within its own position, and the instability made it look even more shocking!

Seemingly, the sword energies were about to attack at any moment!

“Gongzi!”

Two clear voices appeared on both sides of the road.

Hao Ren looked around and saw Lu Linlin and Lu Lili standing on both sides of the road as they grinned at him.

Hao Ren smiled awkwardly as he withdrew the sword energies and revoked the energy sphere.

Hao Ren reappeared on the street.

“Gongzi is going through a tough day!” Lu Linlin and Lu Lili hopped to Hao Ren and smiled.

“Oh, you saw?” Hao Ren asked.

Lu Linlin snickered, “Is Gongzi’s butt still hurting?”

“Yes...” Hao Ren replied honestly.

“A strict teacher produces outstanding students. Gongzi will be able to win at the Dragon God Shrine!”

“Do you guys know anything about the Dragon God Shrine?” Hao Ren asked.

“Since the Dragon God Shrine was established, the general exams had become a great event each year for dragon cultivators. The general exams would take place on the date of the Dragon Boat Festival,” Lu Lili looked at Hao Ren and said as she blushed slightly.

“Oh, the Dragon Boat Festival...” Hao Ren then remembered that it was the Dragon Boat Festival this weekend.

Dragon boat racing and eating zongzi were the most common customs of the Dragon Boat Festival. Hao Ren also heard from Grandma that the Dragon Boat Festival was actually a day to worship the Dragon God.

Lu Linlin suddenly turned serious and said, “Gongzi, we want to give you some advice. If you win, you don’t need to care about other treasures. You only need to get one thing, and that is the Seven-Core Five-Color Lotus.”

Chapter 400: Top-Tier Mystic Crystal!!!

“Seven-Core Five-Color Lotus” Hao Ren was a bit confused.

“Yes, Gongzi. To put it more precisely, it’s the seed of the Seven-Core Five-Color Lotus. My sister and I have been asking around, and we finally found out that there is such a seed in the Dragon God Shrine,” Lu Lili said.

“You need the treasure...for something?” Hao Ren asked.

His sweat from running outside had already dried up, and Hao Ren drew back his nature essence as he walked back to school.

“Not for us, but for Gongzi,” Lu Linlin interrupted, “The Seven-Color Snow Lotus is one of the ten best elixir materials, and the Seven-Core Five-Color Lotus has even purer essence than the Seven-Color Snow Lotus. However, the Seven-Core Five-Color Lotus melts when it meets fire, so it can not be used to make

elixir pills. On the other hand, the lotus seed of the Seven-Core Five-Color Lotus is actually the most balanced natural ingredient in the world and the most suitable for Gongzi to refine into a mystic crystal.

Mystic crystal!

Hao Ren was familiar with this word.

“A thousand-year Seven-Color Snow Lotus can be turned into mystic crystal as well, but the Seven-Core Five-Color Lotus is a rarer treasure no matter what,” Lu Linlin said.

Speaking of this, Hao Ren remembered the two thousand-year Seven-Color Snow Lotuses left in the cave in Sky Mountain. Only low-level cultivators under Zhen-level or the Core Formation Realm could enter the cave, so Hao Ren wouldn't be able to get in there anymore. However, Xie Yujia and Zhao Yanzi might be able to get inside.

There was an abundance of spiritual herbs in the Herb King Valley, A.K.A the Ethereal Summit, on Fifth Heaven, but there were no snow lotuses. These lotuses were probably the specialty of the Sky Mountain Sect on Sixth Heaven, and they strictly kept the lotuses in their own hands.

Hao Ren had personally seen the magical use of the snow lotuses when Zhao Kuo failed the Heavenly Tribulation and was in severe danger. Even Zhen Congming said that the snow lotuses were holy materials for elixir making. If they could transplant some of them to Fifth Heaven and grow them on a large scale...

“If I can refine a mystic crystal for myself, I will be able to absorb more nature sense and break through realms easier. Is that right?” Hao Ren asked.

“Mystic crystal is like a second dragon core to a dragon cultivator, and it will be inside the cultivator for the rest of his or her life. Therefore, dragon cultivators are very careful in selecting mystic crystals. It has to be the best match for their physique and has abundant nature essence,” Lu Linlin answered.

“Gongzi cultivates all five elemental essences at the same time. Therefore, your mystic crystal has to be a natural treasure of all five elements as well. Otherwise, you need to gather different materials and connect them through external forces. Its effect will be reduced since it is not natural,” Lu Lili stuck her head over and said.

Hao Ren was a little convinced by their persuasive attitude.

He had never considered mystic crystal since he just reached Gen-level. Generally, dragon cultivators would start paying special attention to mystic crystals when they reached Dui-level. They would try to get a mystic crystal of their own before breaking through to Xun-level in order to assist them in reaching Kun-level and Qian-level.

All the Qian-level and Kun-level cultivators had their mystic crystals. In other words, there was no chance to get to Kun-level and Qian-level with just the dragon core!

The importance of a mystic crystal to a high-level cultivator was crucial.

The smaller dragon clan didn't possess the materials or treasures to refine mystic crystals. In addition, the materials that could be used as mystic crystals were scarce and scattered around. They were either under the control of large dragon clans or in extremely dangerous places.

Therefore, there was only one place to get it for talented dragon cultivators from small forces- the Dragon God Shrine!

The Dragon God Shrine possessed abundant resources and information. The identity as an inspector could allow them to enter some restricted areas. There was hope in either getting the mystic crystal from the Dragon God Shrine by outstanding performance or finding it themselves!

“So, the Seven-Core Five-Color Lotus is a treasure but can’t be used in elixir making. It is useless for most cultivators, right?” Hao Ren thought for a bit and asked.

Hao Ren didn’t have the confidence to get to rank one. As a matter of fact, he didn’t even expect himself to rank in the top three in the exams. As long as he could rank within the top ten and become an official inspector, he could potentially get his hands on this treasure.

“The Seven-Core Five-Color Lotus can’t be used in elixir making, but it can be used to make dharma treasures. So, some inspectors might use it to create dharma treasures,” Lu Linlin said.

Some of the thousand-year spiritual herbs could be used in elixir making as well as dharma treasure making. For example, thousand-year rosewood could be made into elixir pills as well as wood-elemental dharma treasures.

The seed of the Seven-Core Five-Color Lotus was very hard, and it combined all five elements. It would be great if someone made it into a beam-shaped dharma treasure that could help with boosting cultivation speed and offer additional protection.

“So...” Hao Ren felt the sudden pressure. The quality of the mystic crystal affected the level of his future realm. It could also potentially determine if he could become a Heavenly Dragon or not in the future.

All dragon cultivators tried their best to locate the best mystic crystal for them. Even Su Han, who dedicated herself to cultivation, spent a long time looking for the most suitable mystic crystal for herself.

Since the Seven-Core Five-Color Lotus was the best mystic crystal for someone like him, Hao Ren sure wouldn’t consider the Seven-Color Snow Lotus anymore.

“Don’t you worry, Gongzi. I have discussed with Lili, and we decided to sneak into the Dragon God Shrine to take the Seven-Core Five-Color Lotus for you in case you don’t get rank one!” Lu Linlin bit her lip and said.

“No; that’s too risky!” Hao Ren immediately rejected this idea.

The Dragon God Shrine was the highest administration institution which governed the Dragon Tribe. It was also the united force of the dragon cultivators against the human cultivators who were on and above Fifth Heaven.

Even a top-tier Qian-level master wouldn’t be able to get in and out of there freely! Not to mention that Lu Linlin and Lu Lili were only on the low-tier Qian-level at the moment.

The twins were surprised at Hao Ren’s intense reaction. Then, they smiled at each other happily.

Their Gongzi rarely contacted them, but his rejection showed how much he cared about them!

“You two are more important than the Seven-Core Five-Color Lotus,” Hao Ren said slowly.

Lu Linlin and Lu Lili looked at each other again and felt the warmth in their hearts.

One of them had a ponytail, and the other had pigtails. Their hairs were so long that they reached their waists. They hugged Hao Ren from both sides and said, “You are important to us too, Gongzi!”

Hao Ren looked at them and laughed helplessly.

The scene of Lu Linlin and Lu Lili entering the school gate with their arms on Hao Ren’s arms almost killed all the male students in the area!

Hao Ren had just arrived at school side by side with Su Han, and now he was making another entry with the twins! He had won the wrath of God and the resentment of men!

Not to mention that his actual girlfriend, Xie Yujia, was also a beautiful girl!

“Alright, I’m going to class.” Hao Ren realized that it was almost time for class. He lightly waved off Lu Linlin and Lu Lili’s arms.

“Ok, Gongzi!” the twins stood straight and said pleasantly as their hairs swayed behind them.

Their voices caused so many guys to be jealous!

Although they couldn’t get near ice-cold Su Han, they wished to get close to the beautiful twin sisters who were so energetic and cute! However, the sisters didn’t seem to be interested in any other guys!

Hao Ren jogged into an academic building, knowing that he had now become the public enemy of all guys in the entire school.

Morning class was about to start.

Xie Yujia slightly waved at Hao Ren from the front row.

Hao Ren waved back. He thought for a bit before he walked over to her. He bent over and asked her quietly, “Did Zhao Yanzi cause you any trouble?”

“No, she was good.” Xie Yujia laughed.

“Oh... that’s a relief,” Hao Ren looked up at Zhao Jiayi and the guys at the back. He straightened up and whispered, “I’ll sit with them today.”

“Um! Sit in the back.” Xie Yujia nodded understandingly.

Hao Ren ran to the back, and Zhao Jiayi softly knocked Hao Ren’s shoulder.

“What’s wrong?” Hao Ren asked.

“Did you jog to school with Su Han today? I saw you guys when I was jogging by the south gate.” Zhao Jiayi glimpsed at Xie Yujia up front and said, “Are you not worried about Xie Yujia getting mad at you now that you are so close with Su Han?”

“It’s ok!” Hao Ren squeezed behind the desk, but he felt an acute pain on his butt the second he sat down.

“Hiss,” he breathed in deeply through his teeth and stood up immediately, covering up his bum.

“Hemorrhoids?” Zhou Liren shouted toward Hao Ren.

“Get lost!” Hao Ren rolled his eyes at Zhao Liren. Then, he took Zhou Liren’s empty bag from his desk and put it on his chair. Then, he slowly sat himself down.

Su Han showed him tough love and didn’t spare him any mercy. Amongst the 12 kilometers Hao Ren covered from her place to school, Su Han had beaten him for almost eight kilometers. His butt was the primary target. It was ok for him to walk but sitting down caused him a lot of pain.

Also, as soon as he relaxed, the Five Mountains Bracelets would start functioning. It blocked Hao Ren’s meridians tightly and paralyzed his body.

Xie Yujia turned her head toward Hao Ren right before class started and gave him a sweet smile.

She had a light blue hairpin on the side of her hair, and it made her look very relaxing and refreshing.

“It worked out?” Zhao Jiayi looked at Hao Ren in admiration. He couldn’t help but show Hao Ren his big thumb.

He believed that Xie Yujia must have heard about Hao Ren jogging to school with Su Han. However, she didn’t appear to be upset at all. That was why Zhao Jiayi admired Hao Ren.

Beep, beep... Hao Ren’s phone rang, and he immediately picked it up.

“Ren, you are going to attend the Dragon God Shrine’s general examinations?” It was Zhao Guang’s calm voice.

“Yes, Uncle.” Hao Ren didn’t expect Zhao Guang to call, but he lowered his voice and answered.

“Um...” Zhao Guang was silent for a few seconds. “This is the first time for our East Ocean Dragon Clan to attend the Dragon God Shrine’s general examinations.”

“Is there anything I should know, Uncle?” Hao Ren hesitated before he asked.

“I just got the news; my third brother will be in the exams as well,” Zhao Guang said calmly after a few seconds of silence.