

Dragon King 561

Chapter 561: Very Sweet~

Hao Ren's heart raced when he thought about Zhao Yanzi's soft lips after he hopped over the fence. They tasted slightly sweet and were quite soft.

Zhao Yanzi's body was light and soft. Hao Ren could easily hold her in his arms with her slightly developed chest pressing against his... The more Hao Ren thought about it, the more amazing those few seconds felt.

Zhao Yanzi didn't know where to place her hands, and she was in shock when her tiny nose slightly touched Hao Ren's.

Hao Ren would have panicked more if she had any reactions. However, those few seconds were still enough to get Hao Ren excited.

She was sweet and cute.

No matter how tough she was before, she was completely suppressed by Hao Ren in those several seconds.

Hao Ren regretted not grabbing her hand to feel her heartbeat when he kissed her. However, he could still somewhat sense it as she slowly breathed in and out. Zhao Yanzi was as nervous as a bunny.

Hao Ren realized how bad he was at this thought, but he was feeling warm and excited at the same time. His palms were sweating.

"Hu..." Hao Ren exhaled deeply and dashed toward his dorm.

He bought a bottle of coke on the way and went back to his room.

The guys were in the middle of a heated game. When Hao Ren came in, they shouted, "Did you get lost, Ren? It took you a long time to get a bottle of coke!"

Hao Ren shook his head and laughed as he went up to his upper-berth. He had already washed up and only wanted to comfort Zhao Yanzi after her phone got taken away. This little incident occurred unexpectedly.

Zhao Yanzi's scent still lingered on Hao Ren's nose, and he was happy about what just happened. He didn't want to go wash up again.

"What are you so happy about, Ren?" Zhao Jiayi glimpsed at Hao Ren as he played.

"Nothing." Hao Ren smile.

He was like a middle-schooler who was anxious about love and worried about losing.

However, he was very excited as if he just succeeded in confessing his love.

Hao Ren couldn't image what Zhao Yanzi was thinking about at this moment. He knocked on his own head, picked up a textbook beside his bed, and flipped through a few pages.

"Is Ren possessed?" Zhou Liren asked when he saw Hao Ren hitting his own head on his bed.

"Damn it, you played the wrong card again! You just played a pair of Kings!" Zhou Jiayi knocked Zhou Liren's head with his fan.

Hao Ren gradually calmed down as he listened to their chatters. He suddenly realized how much he liked Zhao Yanzi.

Soon, it was 11 o'clock, and all the lights were out. The guys finished their game and went to freshen up before they went to bed.

Hao Ren slowly released the energy from the lightning ball in his body, and he extracted the power of lightning with his sword energies.

It was a slow process. The dragon core was slowly being empowered, and Hao Ren was able to open two openings in the night.

This method of unlocking openings in the dragon core was completely different from before. It was a lot smoother and softer.

The guys wouldn't have the patience to watch a plant overnight to see how it blossomed. Hao Ren acquired this kind of patience nowadays.

After opening two opening, Hao Ren didn't rush to open another one. He used his five-elemental nature essences to stabilize his realm a little after that.

Since the guys were deep asleep, he started studying the Transformation Scroll that Lady Zhen gave to him.

This technique didn't seem like something Hao Ren could cultivate. It was more like a method of exporting nature essence. The Light Splitting Sword Shadow Technique could both absorb and release nature essence while the Transformation Scroll could only release nature essence.

Lady Zhen delivered this technique directly into Hao Ren's mind, so he easily comprehended it. After several hours of practice, he was able to use it smoothly.

It slowly got bright outside, and Zhao Jiayi and the guys were still sleeping so soundly as if they were animals. Hao Ren hopped off the bed, took his basin, and he freshened up before leaving the dorm room.

He headed toward LingZhao Elementary School.

Students could choose to live on-campus as well, but Zhen Congming decided to live off-campus. Hao Zhonghua gave him a ride every day.

Hao Ren waited at the school gate as he watched the students hop into the school cheerfully. Finally, he saw his dad's white Ford.

Hao Zhonghua saw Hao Ren at the school gate as well because Hao Ren stood out from the groups of short elementary students.

Zhen Congming got out of the car with his new backpack, and he simply waved at Hao Ren to greet him.

“What’s the matter, Ren?” Hao Zhonghua got out of the car and asked.

“I’m here to see Congming; I haven’t seen him all summer,” Hao Ren answered.

“Oh, he only started yesterday, and I ran into his mom when I brought him to school yesterday,” Hao Zhonghua said.

“Ah?” Hao Ren looked at Hao Zhonghua in surprise.

“Congming’s mom came here to attend the parent-teacher meeting, and she chatted with me for a bit. She is very young, and she thanked us for taking care of Congming. However, she had to leave right after the parent-teacher meeting because she had some other important things to do,” Hao Zhonghua said.

It seemed like Lady Zhen left him a profound impression as well.

Hao Ren didn’t expect Lady Zhen to meet his dad. But since it was the beginning of the school year, Hao Zhonghua would for sure take Zhen Congming to school as well as attend the parent-teacher meeting as Zhen Congming’s current guardian.

“Oh, what else did she say?” Hao Ren asked.

“Nothing else. She said that she would come and visit us,” Hao Zhonghua answered.

He was a world-famous scientist, so he had much better control of himself than ordinary men. He was able to keep calm even in front of the beautiful Lady Zhen.

“Oh...” Hao Ren nodded.

It was quite extraordinary for a demon king to want to come and visit his family.

“What’s wrong? You seem like you have a lot on your mind.” Hao Zhonghua glimpsed at Hao Ren. “I asked you to take care of Zi these days. How is it going?”

“I did take care of her!” Hao Ren answered immediately, but he panicked a little when he remembered the kiss last night.

“Um, she called us yesterday and told us that her first day went well,” Hao Zhonghua said.

Hao Ren touched his forehead in relief, thanking God that she didn’t tell on him.

“How is Yujia?” Hao Zhonghua asked.

“She is doing well.”

“You are a man, and you need to take care of Yujia at school.” Hao Zhonghua reminded him.

“I know...” Hao Ren shrugged.

"I'm heading to the research institute. Call me if anything happens." Hao Zhonghua got into his white Ford and quickly made a U-turn before leaving.

Yue Yang got a call last night about an earthquake near Kunlun Mountain, so she rushed to the Weather Bureau right away. Therefore, Hao Zhonghua didn't get a good night's sleep either. He was heading to the Ocean Research Institute to see if there were any other problems caused by this earthquake.

The earth's geologically activities and climate hadn't been stable lately. As a biologist, he was concerned. He sent a deep ocean submarine down the sea, and it captured a vague picture of a giant creature for his dragon-seeking project. It made him very excited.

"Hey, what did my mom say to you?" Zhen Congming asked Hao Ren at the school gate.

He was as impolite as before.

"Your mom told me to keep an eye on you." Hao Ren gave him a sharp answer in return.

Zhen Congming made a face, but he then sensed Lady Zhen's purple gold hairpin in Hao Ren's necklace. Then, he shut his mouth since he knew that Hao Ren wasn't lying.

Zhen Congming had only been scared of two things in the world, his master Qiu Niu and his mom Lady Zhen.

Within the Demon Sea, he was afraid of Lady Zhen. Outside of the Demon Sea, he was terrified of Qiu Niu.

Now that his master Qiu Niu was cultivating in the Nine Dragon Palace, he thought he could do whatever he wanted. However, his mom came out of the Demon Sea.

Before Qiu Niu tamed him, he was the utmost bully in the Demon Sea. Even the demon kings didn't dare to get on his bad side, let alone those level 10 demon beasts.

All the demon kings almost celebrated when Qiu Niu took Zhen Congming away.

"Finally, this little bully had been caught!" they thought back then.

This was why those high-leveled demon beasts ran away in horror when they sensed Zhen Congming's aura on Hao Ren's necklace. None of them dared to get involved with this little bully!

They would be in deep trouble if this little bully followed them back to the Demon Sea!

"How do you use the Transformation Scroll?" Hao Ren asked.

Hao Ren had no idea how bad Zhen Congming was in the Demon Sea. He was only a bit mad by this kid's attitude.

"The Transformation Scroll is a transformation technique for demon beasts. Only those who activated their intelligence could cultivate this technique," Zhen Congming explained reluctantly, "But it is useful for low-leveled demon beasts too because high-leveled demon beasts can stimulate their own meridians."

Zhen Congming had become a lot more well-behaved after Qiu Niu made him an elixir-making disciple. It was even more evident after his success in transforming.

Qiu Niu was very strict with him and didn't offer him any high-leveled techniques; he wanted Zhen Congming to strengthen his own foundation to suppress his character.

However, Zhen Congming still had to behave in front of Hao Ren, a Gen-level cultivator, since he had to restart cultivation.

Hao Ren asked again to make sure, "So I can use this technique to level up Little White?"

"Not to level it up but to improve its meridians." Zhen Congming looked at Hao Ren with a little disdain. "How come you don't know any of this? I heard that the Sky Mountain Sect has this technique too, but it is an incomplete version, so their snow lions couldn't surpass level 6. What my mom gave you is the complete version of Transformation Scroll, which was stored in the center of the Demon Sea!"

Chapter 562: In Love!

Zhen Congming ran into the school with his new backpack; he was too lazy to give Hao Ren a free lecture.

Hao Ren was going to ask him how it was going with Wu Luoxue. But since this kid appeared to be grumpy, that relationship was definitely not heading anywhere.

Hao Ren went back to East Ocean University and had breakfast in the cafeteria before going to his first class.

Xie Yujia and the Lu sisters were already in the classroom. They all waved at Hao Ren when they saw him.

Hao Ren sat down in the spot they saved for him, and Xie Yujia started to report before he could say anything. "I investigated Xu Ke. He got first place in the university entrance exams at City North First High School and sixth place amongst all students in the science programs at East Ocean City. He got full marks in Physics and Math, and his grades have always been very good at school. We don't know why he applied for East Ocean University instead of the better universities in Beijing."

"Um..." Hao Ren pondered for a few seconds and didn't find anything suspicious.

"There are also some gossips about him," Xie Yujia continued, "He was quite popular at high school, and there were many girls who were fond of him. However, he never really dated anyone. I feel like he didn't spend much time studying. He participated in all the races but didn't attend training very often. He also went to play baseball at a club every weekend, so there were usually a lot of girls watching him play."

Hao Ren nodded, feeling like Xu Ke's high school life was simple.

"Where does he live then? Does he have any family members?" Hao Ren asked.

"I'm not sure, but I think he is from a pretty well-off family. The girls in his grade say that he has a gentle, prince-like temperament. Also, baseball isn't a popular sport in China. Some say that he used to live abroad and went to City North First High School after he came back with his family."

Xie Yujia told Hao Ren everything she learned.

She was a little curious as to why Hao Ren would be interested in a first-year student who was from the same high school as him. She thought they had some unfinished problems.

"We need to look more into him. He claims that he is only at mid-tier Dui-level," Hao Ren said.

"Dui-level?" Xie Yujia was a bit surprised since she didn't think that Xu Ke was a dragon cultivator. She was a cultivator herself, and the Life-Death Notes that Old Grandma gave her could help her in comprehending nature. Even if she couldn't tell the realm and level of the dragon cultivators on campus, she was able to sense that they were cultivators.

She didn't sense Xu Ke's nature essence at all and thought that he was an ordinary student.

"Is he the one who came to the classroom to see Gongzi? His dragon core is unstable, and we couldn't figure out his realm," Lu Linlin and Lu Lili interrupted.

"Yes." Hao Ren gritted his teeth; he decided to try out Xu Ke's strength if necessary.

Metal-elemental dragons were unique. Both their cultivation methods and social structures were completely different from the other four elemental dragon clans. They had their own system, so even the Dragon God Shrine couldn't really interfere with them, let alone investigating one of them.

Also, Hao Ren didn't want to use the Dragon God Shrine's investigation system either. He hadn't completely comprehended the Mystic Water Sword Techniques, and he would be in trouble if the Dragon God Shrine were to find out about it.

The Mystic Water Sword Techniques were very difficult to comprehend, and Hao Ren wasn't able to see more content without enough power. He would never want to lose this set of techniques.

Also, it sounded like Xu Ke and his master were very interested in the Light Splitting Sword Shadow Scroll. This was related to Hao Ren and Zhao Kuo's safety, so Hao Ren would never let them have it either.

Cultivation technique was like a cultivator's life. If Hao Ren's opponent could find a loophole from the technique, he would be defeated in a second.

Although Zhao Kuo had a bad temper, he was upbeat and generous just like Hao Ren. Therefore, having him practicing the Light Splitting Sword Shadow Scroll wasn't a threat to Hao Ren. On the contrary, he could even teach Hao Ren, which was a great benefit.

In terms of other cultivators, Zhao Guang wouldn't even let them close to the technique.

"Should I... ask more people?" Xie Yujia asked when she noticed Hao Ren's serious look.

"That's ok." Hao Ren waves his hand.

Xie Yujia could only get information from the school, so it was very limited. He had already asked Huang Xujie to get more information from his channels.

That guy came over to apologize cautiously, so he must have been terrified. Therefore, he would be doing all he could to look into it.

As for if Huang Xujie would bother Xu Ke or offend Xu Ke, it was not Hao Ren's concerns. The metal-elemental dragons were mighty, but they still had to abide by the rules; they wouldn't kill mortals. Therefore, it might be a good idea to teach Huang Xujie a lesson this way.

Ring... Hao Ren picked up his phone.

"Brother Hao, the club's general meeting is arranged at one o'clock in the afternoon. I also asked someone to look into that Xu Ke you mentioned yesterday. He is a first-year student and is from a metal-elemental dragon. He used to study at City North First High School, and he didn't have any interaction with our circle. Therefore, there isn't much more information that I can get. He didn't register at the Calligraphy Club. I can send a few five-elemental dragons to keep an eye on him 24/7 if you want," Lu Qi said on the other side of the phone.

"No need; you can't keep an eye on him. I'll come over on time this evening. Thank you for doing this." Hao Ren hung up the phone.

Lu Qi was a detailed person indeed. Hao Ren just mentioned it yesterday, and he went on and investigated Xu Ke. Only the Vice Shrine Master of the Dragon God Shrine, Yue Zilong, knew Xu Ke's actual background. Lu Qi's investigation would yield in nothing.

Right now, Hao Ren had set a few nets up for Xu Ke.

He believed that Xu Ke must have sensed it, and that was exactly what Hao Ren wanted.

The class began.

Hao Ren and Xie Yujia were paying attention to the class while Lu Linlin and Lu Lili were playing the chess game, Five in a Row, on their blank notebooks.

Time flew by, and it was noon already.

Suddenly, Zhao Yanzi's number appeared on Hao Ren's phone.

"Ling and I are coming over for lunch!" Zhao Yanzi said the second Hao Ren picked up the phone. Then, she hung it up immediately.

Hao Ren laughed with a shake of his head. He checked the time and realized that class was almost over.

"That's all for today. Now, I'll assign you several questions to think about..." The instructor put on the slides.

Xie Yujia picked up a pen to make notes, but Hao Ren only took a glance and remembered all the questions.

His memory had improved by five or six times since he started cultivating. It was good before, but he had a photographic memory now. Those tests and exams that required a lot of memorizations were as easy as a piece of cake for him.

The four walked out of this academic building and saw Zhao Yanzi riding over with Ling on the backseat of the bicycle.

Their uniforms, which were light blue T-shirts and short skirts, stood out in the crowd.

Shoo!

Zhao Yanzi stopped right in front of Hao Ren.

She turned to Hao Ren and blushed, but she immediately put on an angry face. "Buy us some food!"

Ling was only dragged over by her for an obvious purpose; Zhao Yanzi was too embarrassed to come on her own, so she asked Ling to come along.

Hao Ren remembered the sweet kiss from last night when he looked at her. He wouldn't have been able to fall asleep if it weren't for cultivation. That was what a first kiss was like; it kept people thinking back to it with their hearts thumping.

Zhao Yanzi couldn't sleep all night after she went back to her dorm. So, she came to see Hao Ren as soon as the school gate was opened today.

"Ok, I'll take you out for lunch." Hao Ren smiled at her.

Xie Yujia looked at them. She sensed something weird between them, but she couldn't tell exactly what it was.

The cafeteria was already crowded with students.

Ling secretly complained, "Is East Ocean University's cafeteria that good? You literally pulled me here... I was going to have lunch with Liu Yuntao outside."

She saw Zhao Yanzi's eyes shine brightly and knew that her friend was coming here to see Hao Ren

"Humph, she claimed not to like him, but her eyes tell the whole story," she thought.

She then looked at Hao Ren and wondered, "There are three other pretty girls with him at university, so he is not very loyal! Zhao Yanzi must have been crazy over him to accept this!"

She had no idea that although Hao Ren and Zhao Yanzi seemed to have been together for a long time now, they just had their first kiss yesterday!

Zhao Yanzi had been spacing out during the first two classes in the morning, and the teacher called her name a few times. However, she appeared to be happy during the last two classes in the morning, and it confused Ling.

"This was the reason for her sudden change of mood," Ling thought.

"This is Hao Ren's little cousin..."

“He had a fight at the middle school because of her...”

“I heard she is not his cousin. That’s his girlfriend... or something like a fiancée...”

“No way. They are middle school students, right?”

Zhao Yanzi sat down, and those gossipy girls soon started to discuss her.

“They are talking about you, Zi.” Ling nudged Zhao Yanzi’s arm.

“Let them talk!” Zhao Yanzi was not afraid of these university students at all.

Her parents accepted Hao Ren already, and even her class advisor, Luo Ying, couldn’t do anything about it. There was no way that she was afraid of the gossips.

“Hey,” Ling nudged her arm again. “Who’s that girl beside Uncle? She’s very pretty.”

Ling was looking at Xie Yujia who was standing in line beside Hao Ren.

Xie Yujia was wearing a light-colored dress without much makeup. However, her refreshing temperament and beauty were something middle school girls didn’t have.

“Her...” Zhao Yanzi pouted, not knowing how to explain.

“I think Uncle is kind of a playboy, Zi. You have got to be careful. Maybe he will only like you for a while...” Ling reminded Zhao Yanzi kind-heartedly.

Zhao Yanzi was very energetic and cute, but Ling knew that many guys would only like a girl before they got her. Once they did, they wouldn’t be as loving.

There were three pretty girls beside Hao Ren, and it seemed like they were very close. As Zhao Yanzi’s best friend, Ling was a little worried for her.

Zhao Yanzi was in a very good mood just now, and Ling’s remark brought her spirit down a bit.

“Xue, relax! I am familiar with East Ocean University!” Zhen Congming pulled Wu Luoxue into the cafeteria; they were both in their elementary school uniforms.

Chapter 563: Tricky Little Girl

Zhao Yanzi was surprised to see Zhen Congming and Wu Luoxue enter the cafeteria.

She and Ling were already standing out here in their middle school uniforms, so Zhen Congming and Wu Luoxue, as two elementary school students, stood out even more.

“This is Zhao Yanzi. I’ll introduce you to her later.” Zhen Congming pointed at Zhao Yanzi as he walked by her with Wu Luoxue.

Zhao Yanzi stared at Zhen Congming, thinking “This kid is so rude! I am a Grade Nine student; he should at least call me, Big Sister!”

Zhen Congming couldn't care less about Zhao Yanzi's reaction. He dragged Wu Luoxue straight to Hao Ren and pushed on his waist, "Hey! Buy my girlfriend some lunch!"

Hao Ren was waiting in line; he had no idea that Zhen Congming would be here. Then, he became more surprised when he looked over at Wu Luoxue who was holding his hand.

"Did he seal the deal during the summer?" Hao Ren thought, "This is how efficient the elementary school students are nowadays?"

Wu Luoxue slightly took her hand back as she kept quiet.

Seeing that Hao Ren didn't respond, Zhen Congming shouted again, "Buy my girlfriend some lunch!"

Hao Ren was at a loss for words. He wondered how Zhen Congming could be so thick-faced as the latter tried to ask for a favor. Then, he saw Wu Luoxue's cold reaction and knew that Zhen Congming named himself Wu Luoxue's boyfriend.

"Damn it. So shameless..." Hao Ren thought as he walked around Zhen Congming and said to Wu Luoxue, "Xue, I'll buy you some lunch."

Wu Luoxue nodded quietly. "Thank you, uncle!"

Pa!

Hao Ren felt like he was struck by lightning when she greeted him like that.

"Uncle... Wu Luoxue is not cute at all!" he thought.

"Let me treat you, Xue," Xie Yujia crouched down and gently patted Wu Luoxue's head.

"Ok. Thank you, Big Sister," Wu Luoxue nodded and said softly.

"Big Sister...!"

Hao Ren felt like he was struck again! Did he look that old?"

"Haha, Xue is so sweet!" The Lu sisters patted Wu Luoxue's head as they adored her very much.

"Hey! Buy me lunch!" Zhen Congming shouted at Hao Ren again.

Hao Ren said without looking at him, "Call me 'Big Brother'."

Zhen Congming gritted his teeth in anger, but he wanted to keep his image. When Hao Ren arrived at the ordering window, he finally asked softly, "Big Brother... get me a combo."

"That's more like it..." Hao Ren didn't push it. He placed the prepaid card on the machine and said, "Four pork chop combos please!"

He handed two over to Zhen Congming and walked to Zhao Yanzi with the other two.

Xie Yujia paid for Wu Luoxue's meal, and the latter held the chicken tender combo careful and sat beside Zhao Yanzi.

Zhen Congming smiled flatteringly as he pushed his tray over. Then, he moved to the seat beside Wu Luoxue.

Wu Luoxue didn't care about him as she ate quietly with the chopsticks in her tiny pink hand. Her mom prepared a lunch box for her, but Zhen Congming dragged her to come and visit East Ocean University.

During the summer, she stayed at home and read, painted, and played the piano... as if Zhen Congming didn't exist. However, Zhen Congming always dragged her to play games and get ice cream.

Wu Luoxue was neither annoyed nor fond of it. It was both an ordinary and an unordinary summer for her.

Zhen Congming had a different mindset. He felt like Wu Luoxue and he had gotten very close during the summer, so he took her on a tour of East Ocean University. It was like an emperor was taking his imperial concubine on a tour of the royal backyard.

He would be heavily shocked if he learned that Wu Luoxue only came because her dad had told her to get along with Zhen Congming. In fact, she wasn't interested in him.

Xie Luoxue ate slowly and elegantly as she was brought up properly. Zhao Yanzi devoured half of her meal before she realized how Wu Luoxue was eating, and she looked at Hao Ren and saw him watching her. Her face suddenly turned red.

Hao Ren looked at her lovingly. Even though Zhao Yanzi warned herself to be careful of Hao Ren, she still felt very sweet inside.

"Hem...Hem..." Zhao Yanzi patted her chest and dry coughed a little. Then, she sipped the soup and started to eat as slowly as Wu Luoxue.

This was the first time that Zhao Yanzi paid attention to her behavior...

Hao Ren was going to see Lu Qi at the library after lunch, so Xie Yujia and the Lu sisters followed him there. Zhao Yanzi looked at the time and saw that she still had some time before the lunch break ended, so she handed the bike to Ling and followed Hao Ren to the library as well.

Ling looked Zhao Yanzi and thought angrily, "She said that I'm always putting my boyfriend before her, but she is doing the same!"

Zhen Congming and Wu Luoxue also followed them out of the cafeteria. Zhen Congming hesitated and tried to hold Wu Luoxue's hand, but she wouldn't let him this time. She raised her hand and moved it around, and Zhen Congming couldn't grab it. This made him want it even more.

"Brother Hao!" Lu Qi was hosting the Go Club's recruiting event for the second day, and he immediately greeted Hao Ren when the latter walked over.

"Um..." Hao Ren walked over and asked, "Where is the Calligraphy Club's general meeting?"

"Academic Building F, Room 101 at 1:00 PM. It is the largest lecture hall of our school," Lu Qi answered.

"Ok." Hao Ren nodded. By establishing the Calligraphy Club, he would be able to gather all the cultivators at school so that it wouldn't be such a mess.

“Also, Vice Principle Lu assigned us a club office himself. It’s a separate large office, Room 302 of Academic Building E,” Lu Qi said.

Hao Ren smiled powerlessly and wondered how large of a discussion this arrangement would cause. At least, all other clubs would be extremely jealous of them because even Huang Xujie’s Rock-Climbing Club didn’t get such special treatment.

Lu Qi looked at Zhao Yanzi, who was beside Hao Ren, and thought to himself, “So, this is the little princess of the East Ocean Dragon Clan. She looks pretty even in her middle school uniform.”

Lu Qi wasn’t a water-elemental dragon, and his dragon clan was very far from East Ocean. Therefore, he didn’t have that much respect for the East Ocean Dragon Clan. In fact, it was Hao Ren’s abilities and character that earned his admiration.

“Xue, they play Go as well!” Zhen Congming noticed the Go chess pieces on the long table and said to Wu Luoxue.

Zhen Congming said that mainly to start a conversation with Wu Luoxue, but his tone offended the members of the Go Club.

“Where did these kids come from? This is Go, not Five in a Row!” they thought.

Zhen Congming took the opportunity to grab Wu Luoxue’s slim wrist, and they walked over to see the board arrangement.

Wu Luoxue took her wrist back. She was a little against Zhen Congming touched her hand, but it was not enough to get her mad.

Zhen Congming glimpsed at the board and randomly picked up a black piece, placing it on the board.

“Hey! Kid, you are not supposed to touch this!” one of the club members shouted immediately.

All these arrangements were copies of the games between their leader, Lu Qi, and top players. They were used to test new members, and it would take a long time for them to rearrange it according to the record if it were messed up.

“62 black pieces and 62 white pieces. It is black’s turn,” Zhen Congming said.

The member who was in charge of this arrangement looked at Zhen Congming in surprise. He thought, “This kid only glanced at it, and he already knew the number of the pieces...”

Wu Luoxue walked over to see the game. She was more interested in Go than in Zhen Congming.

That club member thought for a bit, and he picked up a white piece and placed it on the board.

Zhen Congming played another piece without thinking about it much.

Then, this member set another white piece down. It was very rare for elementary school students to know how to play Go.

He heard that some of the elementary schools were giving Go lessons as well, so he wanted to see how good this cute boy was.

Pa! Pa! Pa! Pa!

The black and white pieces landed on the board one by one.

“Um...” Ten minutes later, this member couldn't decide where to put his next white piece.

It might have been the heat of the afternoon, or this member might have been very nervous. He was sweating on the forehead, but he had no time to wipe it off. He was a level 5 amateur player with excellent skills, but Zhen Congming was making it difficult for him to fight back!

Lu Qi stared at the board and thought of a few places to put the white piece. However, he then realized that those were bad choices.

“You should put it here,” Wu Luoxue said gently as she pointed at a spot on the board with her tiny finger.

Lu Qi was suddenly enlightened, and the club member who was playing against Zhen Congming immediately placed the white piece in his hand over at that spot.

This move had brought the passive white pieces some hope.

Lu Qi looked at this calm-looking little girl in surprise. He realized that this girl might be even better than him in Go.

“Then, I'll go here!” Zhen Congming laid another black piece down, and the situation change again.

“Here.” Wu Luoxue pointed again.

This member of the Go Club became Wu Luoxue's puppet, and he placed the piece at where she was pointing.”

“Here!” Zhen Congming went again.

“Here.” Wu Luoxue gently pointed again.

The battle between the black pieces and the white pieces was very intense. Hao Ren didn't understand how it went, but he could tell that the two players were almost of equal skills.

Lu Qi, on the other hand, watched in excitement.

This was a game between top players! Even level 7 amateur players wouldn't be able to play like this!

Pa! Pa! Pa! Pa! The chess pieces slowly took up the board. Wu Luoxue picked up a white chess piece in the end and put it on the board herself.

“You... have lost” She tilted her head and said.

Zhen Congming gritted his teeth as his eyebrows almost twisted together. He watched the board for a few seconds before he threw the black piece back into the can; he was mad and unwilling to accept defeat.

“You are too weak,” Wu Luoxue said pleasantly.

Lu Qi stared at the board as he couldn't tell the result yet. He calculated a dozen steps ahead and realized that it was a dead end for the black pieces.

Hao Ren looked at Wu Luoxue as he realized that she was a tricky little girl; she didn't need a bat to beat Zhen Congming.

"Excuse me, can I join the Go Club?" someone said suddenly.

Chapter 564: Showcase of Power!!

Lu Qi looked back and saw that the person who spoke was Xu Ke, and one whom he planned to keep an eye on.

Looking back and seeing Xu Ke behind him, Hao Ren broke into a cold sweat; he hadn't sensed a trace of Xu Ke's aura and didn't know that the latter was in the crowd behind him.

If they were in the wilderness, Xu Ke could have hidden and killed Hao Ren with one strike.

"I'm heading back." Zhao Yanzi tugged at Hao Ren's hand.

"Should I walk you back?" Hao Ren asked her.

"I can go by myself; it's not like I don't know the way." Zhao Yanzi curled her lips, feeling a bit sulky since she still had a mock exam this afternoon.

"I'll take you back with my bicycle," Xie Yujia said immediately with her hands on the handles of her bicycle.

From the talk this morning, she knew that Xu Ke was a tough guy, so she tried to take Zhao Yanzi away as soon as possible. This way, Hao Ren could stay here to deal with this guy without the involvement of Zhao Yanzi.

Zhao Yanzi glanced at Xie Yujia and nodded. "Ok."

She didn't know what the problem was with this Xu Ke, but Xie Yujia's offer would save her the efforts of walking.

Seeing them riding toward the direction of the school gate on one bicycle, Hao Ren touched his forehead, wondering since when the two girls had gotten along so well.

Wu Luoxue checked the time and walked toward the main gate of East Ocean University slowly. Zhen Congming had no sense of time and didn't work hard, but she wanted to go back to school for the afternoon classes on time.

Seeing Wu Luoxue walking away slowly, Zhen Congming hurried after her.

Walking slowly through the university campus, Wu Luoxue attracted many people's attention. She was as cute as a doll in the university students' mind.

“Hm.” Hao Ren looked at them and suddenly wondered what Lady Zhen thought about Wu Luoxue, the girlfriend her son chose by himself. After all, since Lady Zhen was that powerful, she must have known about Zhen Congming’s pursuit of Wu Luoxue...

“Little Liu, test this student’s skills,” Lu Qi said to a member of the Go Club.

Xu Ke had issued a challenge to the Go Club as the retaliation for Lu Qi sending people after him. However, Lu Qi wasn’t afraid of this challenge.

At Dui-level, Lu Qi’s dharma treasure that looked like a chess board was quite powerful, and he was one of the masters among the young generation of cultivators in East Ocean University.

“Ok.” Xu Ke walked over with a smile and placed a piece on the chess board.

The member who was responsible for recruiting new members thought for a moment and came to play with Xu Ke.

Hao Ren was surprised that the athletic Xu Ke could also play chess, wondering if the training program at the metal-elemental dragon clan also included chess skills.

According to Yue Zilong, the metal-elemental dragon clan was famous for its devilish cultivation program. The cultivators below Kun-level weren’t even called “cultivators” and were quite disposable.

Under such a culture, all metal-elemental dragons must be cultivation maniacs like Su Han...

Lu Qi watched for a while and found that Xu Ke was placing chess pieces on the board randomly.

Slap!

Xu Ke placed another chess piece.

The member who was playing chess with Xu Ke thought Xu Ke’s chess strategy was messy as if he didn’t know how to play at all. However, after the shock brought to him by Zhen Congming and Wu Luoxue, he didn’t dare to lower his guards.

Cautiously, he put down another piece.

Crack... The smooth chessboard suddenly shattered.

Just withdrawing his right hand, this member was so shocked that sweat appeared on his forehead.

This was Lu Qi’s favorite Nanzhu Chessboard and one of his collections. He had brought it for this special occasion of member recruitment, but now it was shattered!

“President...” This member looked at Lu Qi fearfully, afraid that Lu Qi would get mad.

To his surprise, Lu Qi didn’t look at him. Instead, Lu Qi turned to glare at Xu Ke with gritted teeth. Although his strength was inferior to Hao Ren’s, he was one of the elites among the young generation, especially in the fire-elemental dragon clan. Since his dharma treasure was a Go chessboard, he harbored a special feeling for chessboards in general and liked playing Go.

Obviously, Xu Ke’s act was his counterattack against Lu Qi’s secret investigation on him.

“Senior, I’m sorry! It seems like I have damaged the chessboard.” Seeing Xu Ke’s glare, Xu Ke said nervously.

He drew out several hundred yuan from his wallet and said, “I must pay for it. How much is it? 300 or 400?”

He looked and sounded so sincere that the watching students thought this first-year student was indeed well-mannered. After all, it wasn’t him who was the last to touch the chessboard.

Despite Lu Qi’s great power, it didn’t reflect well on him if he bullied a freshman.

Lu Qi gritted his teeth, knowing that the surrounding students had no idea that the chessboard had cost him more than 50,000 yuan. It was an antique, not something that could be bought for a few hundred yuan.

Also, these collectibles were hard to be valued with money. The ordinary students wouldn’t understand Lu Qi’s heartache and anger. Only the members of the Go Club could understand.

“It’s ok. Forget it,” Lu Qi said with squinted eyes.

Cultivators were not supposed to care too much for external things. Despite his love for the chessboard, it was not a dharma treasure and thus was not a real loss to him.

Xu Ke’s act showed his hostility toward Lu Qi. It was very simple for the dragon cultivators to solve their disagreements and that was to fight each other fiercely in a remote corner inside a red energy sphere.

“Senior, I’m really sorry.” Xu Ke still put 200 yuan upon the shattered chessboard and hurried toward the Academic Building.

The surrounding students were all silently exclaiming about this student’s sincerity.

However, Hao Ren knew it as a blow Xu Ke gave to Lu Qi, and the real purpose was to warn him.

“Tonight, I’ll ask Xu Ke out for a fight.” Hao Ren thought for a moment. “Please arrange a place for me.”

“Really?” Lu Qi looked at Hao Ren in surprise.

Due to the small number of metal-elemental dragons, most dragon cultivators had never challenged them before. That was why Lu Qi was surprised at Hao Ren’s request to fight Xu Ke.

However, he knew Hao Ren was serious from the determination on his face. “How about the sports field? I’ll build a basic array formation there.”

“That’s settled then.” Hao Ren turned to pick up the broken chessboard and felt the wood patterns in the chessboard while injecting threads of pure wood-elemental nature essence into them.

Beside the desk of the Go Club, there was a black case for storing the chessboard.

Careful with this chessboard Lu Qi usually stored it in the case and rarely took it out for use. Today, he had meant to air it under the sun while showing it to the members of the Go Club, not expecting that Xu Ke would damage it.

“Take the chessboard and put it away.” Placing the chessboard into the black case, Hao Ren handed it to Lu Qi.

Lu Qi opened the case and found the shattered chessboard back in its original state!

Hao Ren’s control of power was silent but very impressive! Wood-elemental cultivators excelled in repairing damaged dharma treasures and nurturing cultivators’ meridians.

“However, Hao Ren, a water-elemental cultivator, had repaired the chessboard with ease! His skills are probably even greater than wood-elemental cultivators since it is a challenge to control the nature essence that much and have that level of sharp spiritual senses. However, with only one touch, Hao Ren had reconnected the thousands of fibers inside the chessboard! Powerful! So powerful!”

Lu Qi thought Hao Ren was even more powerful than when he was in the Dragon God Shrine’s general exams!

He had been worried that Hao Ren would be at a disadvantage in the battle with a metal-elemental cultivator, but now he was quite expectant of it! He wondered if the metal-elemental dragon clan was as powerful as the legends said, and he hoped that Hao Ren could win!

Hao Ren crossed Lu Qi’s Go Club’s booth and move to the Green Hill Café.

Due to yesterday’s sudden storm, many clubs had ended their recruitment earlier than planned. Today, with the beautiful weather, each club put up their booth again.

Seeing Hao Ren walked over, they all felt pressured.

Within half a day, he had become the awesome President of a major club with 500 members, and he had collected membership fees of 250,000 yuan!

Glancing around at the clubs, Hao Ren walked directly toward the Rock-Climbing Club which occupied the biggest space.

Seeing Hao Ren’s approach, Huang Xujie immediately stood up, all smiles.

The arrogant members of the Rock-Climbing Club all looked deferential when they saw Hao Ren walked toward their booth.

“How’s the investigation on Xu Ke?” Hao Ren asked Huang Xujie.

“I checked! This fellow was a student of Class Four of City North First High School with good academic performance and one member of the long-distance race team of the school, but he didn’t attend junior middle school in East Ocean City. His dorm address is Room 507 of South 8 Building and home address is Lane 269 on Guangyin Road of West City District...” Huang Xujie took out a slip of paper from his pocket and read out the information on it.

Hao Ren glanced at him and knew he must have got the information from his sources at the police station. However, it was useful to have Xu Ke’s home address. Without waiting for Huang Xujie to finish, he took the paper from his hands and glanced at it before slipping it into his wallet.

“I was about to call you, but there is some information missing. However, we know he must be living alone here, and his parents are not in East Ocean City.” Huang Xujie watched Hao Ren’s expression. “Did he offend you, Brother Hao? Do you want me to call some guys and give him a lesson?”

“It’s not your business. Don’t get involved.” Hao Ren glanced at him.

After obtaining Xu Ke’s information in the mortal world through Huang Xujie, Hao Ren didn’t want to have more dealings with him.

“Yes! Yes! You’re right, Brother Hao.” Huang Xujie nodded.

In fact, he had considered cornering the freshman Xu Ke and interrogating him with some buddies from the Rock-Climbing Club. However, his intuition told him that the shiny-looking Xu Ke was not an ordinary guy.

Ruff... Little White jumped up from the grass behind the cafeteria onto the desk in front of Huang Xujie and spurt out a white stream of liquid with a lift of its rump.

Little White’s urine ruined the book with names of the dozen or so new members that Huang Xujie had recruited with great effort...

Chapter 565: Rooting For Brother Ren!

Seeing the words in the booklet getting blurry, Huang Xujie’s face turned ugly.

With a pungent smell, Little White’s urine flowed along the surface of the desk.

If it had been another puppy, Huang Xujie would have slapped it long ago. However, everyone knew that this puppy with golden paws was Hao Ren’s pet.

“Hehehe, Little White is so cute,” Huang Xujie looked at Little White who was cleaning its rump with the booklet and said against his will.

“I was looking for you.” Hao Ren picked up Little White with one hand and walked toward Academic Building F.

Lu Qi was no longer around the cafeteria, and only a few members of the Go Club operated the booth. It was nearly one o’clock in the afternoon, and it was time for the first general meeting of the Calligraphy Club.

Classroom 101 in Academic Building F was the largest on campus, and it showed Lu Qi’s resourcefulness since he could borrow this classroom for a club meeting.

When Hao Ren entered with Little White in his hand, the classroom was fully seated.

Except for Xu Ke, all the young dragon cultivators in East Ocean University were gathered in the classroom. When Hao Ren walked in, he felt the intense nature essence inside the room.

The noisy room quieted down when Hao Ren walked in.

Regardless of Hao Ren's strength, he was an inspector. According to the information they got from their respective dragon clans, Hao Ren overpowered all the other competitors at Dragon God Shrine's general exams and even defeated Lu Qi, who was at Dui-level, within two attacks.

"Ruff..."

Little White jumped onto the desk on the platform, taking the highest position in the classroom.

Glancing at Little White, the cultivators didn't dare to say anything. They knew that this puppy-like creature was Hao Ren's spirit beast!

After transforming back to its snow lion form, it could defeat any of the cultivators in the classroom!

Besides, they didn't know that Little White had elevated to level 3; it meant that it could easily defeat Gen-level cultivators and could challenge Dui-level cultivators!

Hao Ren walked up, picked up Little White, and tossed it back down by his feet since it was not the time for Little White to show off.

Standing in the front of the room, he glanced around at the young cultivators and found most of them were at Gen-level and Zhen-level with a few at Dui-level.

Since the dragon cultivators lived longer than human cultivators, they could gain some experience in the cities when they were young. Only the cultivation geniuses had to stay in and cultivate under the collective guidance of several elders.

Anyway, it was a significant force with 500 Gen-level and Zhen-level cultivators together.

Even though there were many soldiers at East Ocean, their average level could barely reach Zhen-level.

Hum! Hum!

A red energy sphere suddenly rose and engulfed the whole classroom.

Hao Ren steadied his nerves and said, "The chaos in East Ocean University ends today. From now on, I hope you'll stop the conflicts between small groups and begin to share information while cultivating more diligently.

"Lu Qi is the vice president of the club, and he will manage the daily operation of the club. I'll need two more vice presidents to assist him."

"We all come from different dragon clans with different elemental attributes and cultivation techniques. I gather you into one club not to force you to stay together or create ranks among you. Wood, water, fire, and earth; each of the dragon clans has its own unique characteristics. We need to learn from each other instead of holding grudges against each other."

Hao Ren talked smoothly in front of 500 people without showing any dread, surprising Lu Qi.

As a leader of a small high-end club, Lu Qi was experienced, but he didn't expect Hao Ren to have the nerve to talk to and command the dragons from different dragon clans.

If it were the past, Hao Ren would have been blushing at such an occasion. But now, he had even led an army of hundreds of thousands of soldiers, so he didn't feel nervous facing these young cultivators.

"I have ten level 4 foundation establishment pills here. The vice presidents each can have one pill, and the remaining seven pills will be left as rewards." Hao Ren took out a bottle of elixirs from his necklace and placed it on the desk.

All the cultivators had their eyes on the white porcelain bottle on the desk.

Level 4 elixirs were rare.

They had joined the club due to their fear of Su Han and Hao Ren as inspectors, not expecting that they would get benefits from it.

For human cultivators, foundation establishment pills were holy elixirs for cultivation. It was the same for dragon cultivators; these foundation establishment pills could help them achieve realm elevation.

Most of the dragon clan only had level 3 elixir pills, and the smaller ones didn't even possess level 3 elixir pills.

When Hao Ren offered them something that even their dragon clans didn't have, they were tempted.

"I want to be a vice president! I want to be a vice president!"

The dragon cultivators raised their hands eagerly.

They had joined the club for safety reasons, hoping the two inspectors wouldn't make them targets. But now, they found that they could earn cultivation resources which they couldn't even get at their respective dragon clans, they all wanted to put in the work.

"Lu Qi will be in charge of the selection of the vice presidents and the work arrangements," Hao Ren said.

In general, Hao Ren trusted Lu Qi. If they could select two more powerful cultivators as vice presidents, they could keep all the young cultivators in East Ocean University in control.

"One more thing. Now that we are a group, we must be united. I won't tolerate any misconduct of any club members, and I won't allow any of our members to be bullied. Regardless of the sizes and locations of your dragon clans, we are brothers and sisters as long as you are members of the Calligraphy Club of East Ocean University."

Hao Ren's words were heartfelt, and new club members were shaken by what he said.

They used to determine the relationships between them according to their different elemental attributes and the locations of their dragon clans.

However, Hao Ren intended to unite them into a real circle instead of simply tossing them into a club. They would still be a member of the club years later after they leave East Ocean University.

The club would be similar to ordinary students' Alumni Association, and the members would continue to keep in touch and help each other after they went into different careers.

Hao Ren's words instantly opened their future development.

For example, Lu Qi might return to his Wude Forrest Dragon Clan and become an elder. When he needed a piece of Bitter Bamboo from a wood-elemental dragon clan, his first thought might be to contact a member of the Calligraphy Club who was from such a dragon clan.

Similarly, if a club member from a wood-elemental dragon clan tried to find something in the Wude Forrest in the future, his first thought would be to contact Lu Qi.

Most of the young cultivators in East Ocean University were not the rare geniuses or future stars of their respective dragon clans. Thus, they didn't have free access to the resources or the attention of their dragon clans. They had to rely on themselves, and Hao Ren's club gave them hope and direction while they were in confusion!

"This is what I wanted to say," Hao Ren finished speaking as he felt the emotion of his club members.

Over 500 students in the room remained silent, but they realized that Hao Ren was no ordinary cultivator!

"Brother Hao, shall we announce your battle with Xu Ke tonight?" Standing beside Hao Ren, Lu Qi reminded him.

"Go ahead." Hao Ren nodded.

Lu Qi cleared his throat and said, "Tonight, Brother Hao will have a practice battle with Xu Ke from the metal-element dragon clan, and the venue is the sports field to the west of the swimming pool."

"Xu Ke..." The members of the club looked at each other after hearing this name, and their interest was piqued at the mention of metal-elemental dragon clan.

Everyone knew that the metal-elemental dragon clan rarely involve themselves in the mortal world, and their cultivators were all hermits who almost had no dealings with other dragon clans.

However, all the metal-elemental dragon cultivators were masters, which was said to be the result of their bloodline or their cultivation method. After all, the cultivators with ordinary talent would be eliminated in the cruel cultivation process, making the number of metal-elemental dragon cultivators the smallest one among all five elemental dragon clans.

Now, a metal-elemental dragon had appeared in East Ocean University and would have a practice battle with their club president, Hao Ren. This news was quite stunning.

"It was said that Hao Ren's strength far surpassed his realm, and his sudden eruption of strength during the Dragon God Shrine's general exams even suppressed Qin Shaoyang, a Kun-level inspector..." they thought.

"If you have time, you may go there and root for Brother Hao." Lu Qi looked at them again. "Earth-elemental dragons, stay behind to help me build the big array formation. The others are free to go."

Hao Ren picked up Little White and withdrew the red energy sphere before walking out of the classroom.

He wanted to fight Xu Ke and test his strength, but he wasn't sure about the result of the fight.

With two elemental attributes of metal and water, Su Han had the bloodline of the metal-elemental dragons. However, she didn't represent the strength of the metal-elemental dragons since she had been raised by Elder Xingyue of the East Ocean Dragon Palace.

Although Qin Shaoyang was from the metal-elemental dragon clan, Su Han said that he was just an ordinary guy in his clan, which was why he had entered the Dragon God Shrine after reaching Kun-level and continued his cultivation with the Dragon God Shrine's resources.

In contrast, Xu Ke was brought up using the cruel and effective training methods of the metal-elemental dragon clan, and his master occupied Taiyi Cave in Zhongnan Mountain.

"He must have great talents to have been selected by his master," Hao Ren thought as he walked toward Xu Ke's dorm building.

Chapter 566: Little White, Transformation Scroll!

Entering the Dorm Building No.8, Little White passed the gate following Hao Ren by his heels and skipped up the stairs.

Dorm Building No.7 and Dorm Building No.8 were situated on opposite sides of the main street, so they were connected despite their numbering.

The residents of Dorm Building No.8 were mainly first-year students of the Mechatronic Engineering Program.

Hao Ren found Room 507 but didn't see Xu Ke. Only two of his roommates were in the room.

Following Hao Ren, Little White entered the dorm room as well.

"Is Xu Ke not here?" Hao Ren asked them.

The dorm rooms for first-year students were comparatively clean and had less stuff.

The two students who were reading in the room were a little surprised when they saw Hao Ren.

Days after they entered the school, they were told of stories from upper-year students. They were warned that they should never mess with two guys at East Ocean University; one was Huang Xujie, and the other was Hao Ren.

Now, the legendary Hao Ren had suddenly come to Room 507. It made the two first-year students nervous.

"He... is out. Senior, what do you want... him for?" They immediately stood up and asked shakily.

Seeing their nervousness, Hao Ren looked down at himself and wondered if he had become as ferocious as Huang Xujie.

"Oh. A small issue. Do you have his cell phone number?" Hao Ren asked.

“Ye... Yes!” One of the guys scrambled to dig out his cell phone.

They had heard that Huang Xujie was asking about Xu Ke, and now Hao Ren had also come to look for him, making them wonder if Xu Ke was in big trouble even though they thought he was a well-behaved guy...

“139...” The guy told Hao Ren the cell phone number.

Hao Ren took out his cell phone and recorded the number.

After putting away his cell phone, Hao Ren looked around the room and asked, “Which is Xu Ke’s bed?”

“This one...” The guy who gave Hao Ren Xu Ke’s phone number pointed at the upper berth near to the door.

Hao Ren looked up at the berth and then at the corresponding desk and found both neat and clean.

The two guys in the room looked at Hao Ren cautiously, feeling like Xu Ke was indeed targeted.

“Ok. That’s all.” Hao Ren turned and walked out of the dorm room.

Little White followed Hao Ren and trotted out.

When he walked downstairs, Hao Ren sent a text message to Xu Ke, asking to have a practice battle with him at nine o’clock in the evening at the sports field by the swimming pool.

Xu Ke’s reply came after about a dozen minutes with two words, “Ok, Senior.”

Hao Ren guessed that Xu Ke’s roommates must have called Xu Ke already, but he wasn’t concerned about such minor details.

For ordinary students, it was indeed troublesome that they became the targets of an ‘evil’ and ‘legendary’ senior as soon as they entered the university.

However, Xu Ke was the one who issued the challenge first.

After returning to campus, Hao Ren went to the Administration Building to see Yue Zilong in the counselors’ office.

To his surprise, Yue Zilong didn’t come to the school and was on ‘sick leave.’

Hao Ren had planned to report to Yue Zilong about the club and ask him for some resources from the Dragon God Shrine to put some momentum into the club.

Although Su Han was the supervisor of the club, the real boss was Yue Zilong, a deputy shrine master of the Dragon God Shrine. Hao Ren wanted him to be the club’s support behind the scene.

It was Yue Zilong who had proposed to gather all the dragon cultivators in East Ocean University, so it was only natural for he must provide the funds.

After all, Dragon God Shrine enjoyed a fortune no less than any of the four ocean dragon clans, and it had the responsibility to fund the club.

If Yue Zilong had known about Hao Ren's plans, he would have spat out blood despite his peak Qian-level strength

Tap, tap, tap.

Hao Ren walked to the Calligraphy Club's office in Academic Building E.

In the office, two students were connecting computers under Lu Qi's request. Seeing Hao Ren, they immediately greeted him.

"Hi, President."

Wagging its tail, Little White followed Hao Ren into the office.

The office was even larger than Hao Ren expected; it was almost as big as Lu Qing's office. The only thing was that the desks and chairs were made of regular wood instead of precious sandalwood which was used in Lu Qing's office.

The two students who were connecting computers were members of the Calligraphy Club and wood-elemental dragons.

"It's ok. You can go now; I'll take it from here," Hao Ren said.

"President, we must clean the office before we go," they replied.

They had offered to help to make a good impression on Hao Ren and Lu Qi.

Seeing that their realms were only at Zhen-level and not that stable, Hao Ren took out two essence replenishment pills and said, "I'll use this office now, and you can clean it tomorrow. Take these two pills and replenish your essences."

It seemed like the two wood-elemental dragon cultivators were from the same dragon clan, and they were exhilarated when they saw the pills and took them from Hao Ren's hand before going out of the office.

They were excited by Hao Ren's generosity and decided to work harder in the club.

After closing the office door and putting up a simple red energy sphere, Hao Ren picked up Little White with one hand and placed it on the desk.

He had not used the Transformation Scroll that Lady Zhen had given him. But according to Zhen Congming, it was a valuable technique.

Hao Ren was wary of Lady Zhen and didn't know her real intentions. In contrast, Zhen Congming was not so complicated despite his bad temper.

With Zhen Congming's confirmation, Hao Ren was confident that the technique had nothing wrong with it.

At level 3, Little white had golden fur on its paws and most of its legs.

Circulating his nature essence according to Transformation Scroll twice, Hao Ren followed the instructions of the scroll and lightly placed his forefinger and middle finger on Little Whites forehead.

Lying on the desk on its belly, Little White who had been biting at the computer cable in boredom suddenly shivered.

A pure five-elemental nature essence flowed from Hao Ren's fingers into Little White's body slowly.

"Don't move, Little White!" Feeling the agitation in Little White, Hao Ren said quickly

As Hao Ren's spirit beast, Little White understood his words and lied down again while looking at Hao Ren with its black eyes.

This act was called 'pressing the beast temple.'

Demon beasts had different meridians from human cultivators, and the layout of demon beasts' acupoints was very different from those of humans' as well.

The so-called transformation meant that the demon beasts would change into human forms after passing the Heavenly Tribulation, gaining the same meridians as the human cultivators. They would have smoother cultivation experiences this way and could charge at the second Heavenly Tribulation.

The dragon cultivators were technically demon beasts as well, but they were born in human forms and had the same meridians.

In addition, equipped with dragon cores, they were the group of creatures who enjoyed the easiest cultivation process.

As long as they reached Dui-level, the dragon cultivators could activate their primitive demonic bloodline and transform into their dragon forms.

Different species of demon beasts had different meridians and acupoints, but they all had an important acupoint in the center of their foreheads, and it was called Beast Temple.

Hao Ren's nature essence entered Little White's meridians through the Beast Temple Acupoint, and Hao Ren was able to sense the structure of its meridians.

Of course, the act of pressing the demon temple must be done with the demon beasts' trust. Otherwise, the demon beasts would get violent and hurt the cultivators who tried it. After all, the demon beasts' demonic energy was quite powerful, and the repulsion force generated by the Beast Temple Acupoint would be strong.

Lying obediently, Little White tried its best to control itself despite the discomfort caused by Hao Ren's nature essence that was traveling in its body.

A map of meridians began to take shape in Hao Ren's mind while a white bead near Little White's belly was blinking vaguely; it was Little White's internal core.

Also, there were four golden pieces on Little White's paws; they were the set of dharma treasures that Zhen Congming put in its paws.

The important acupoints began to show one by one.

The intersections of the meridians were the acupoints in Little White's body. The Beast Temple Acupoint itself was the intersection of three main meridians.

“Hu...” While Hao Ren’s nature essence traveled slowly through its meridians, Little White was no longer stiff. Instead, it relaxed on the desk and let out sounds like snores with pleasure.

This tingling feeling was more enjoyable than a massage!

Little White was enjoying it, but Hao Ren felt tired. It was a great test of his spiritual senses and nature essence to nurture Little White’s body with the Transformation Scroll.

At level 3, Little White’s realm was equivalent to the Core Formation Realm. Hao Ren’s Gen-level was also equivalent to the Core Formation Realm, and his overall strength was probably no greater than Little White’s.

Since Little White was a demon beast with dual elemental attributes of water and fire, Hao Ren withdrew the other three elements of his five-elemental nature essences. He used only the water-elemental and fire-elemental nature essences to rub the area around Little White’s demon core.

Through the Transformation Scroll, the high-level cultivators could nurture and communicate with demon beasts.

After Hao Ren did that for a while, a burst of water-elemental and fire-elemental nature essences rushed out of Little White’s internal core.

“Don’t move!” Hao Ren’s left hand pressed gently onto an important acupoint on Little White’s back.

Little White’s pure demonic energy rushed out of its forehead and entered Hao Ren’s chest through his right arm before going to his left arm and returning to its back.

Like the loops of Tai Chi, Little White’s demonic energy and Hao Ren’s nature essence began to circulate smoothly!

Chapter 567: Battle of Dharma Treasures!

Boom... Boom... Little White’s tremendous demonic energy swung between Hao Ren’s arms like a huge iron ball, and it almost stifled him when it traveled through his chest.

Hao Ren’s Light Splitting Sword Shadow Scroll could release the nature essence from his body into nature, and he was directing Little White’s demonic energy to form a great circulatory cycle outside its body.

The cultivators looked to be motionless when they were cultivating, but the natural essences in their bodies were circulating continuously. The more active the nature essence was, the smoother the communication with nature became, and the higher the realm would be.

The so-called Transformation Scroll was the cultivation technique for demon beasts. Since Little White had not activated its intelligence yet, it needed Hao Ren to cultivate for it.

Little White’s internal core was a level 3 demon internal core, which was why its demonic energy was very pure. For human cultivators, demon beasts’ internal cores were valuable elixirs.

While Hao Ren was unblocking Little White's acupoints, he was nurturing his own meridians in the process.

High-level demon beasts' internal cores were valuable materials that cultivators fought for since demon beasts' bloodlines were similar to those of the primitive godly beasts, and the energy in the internal cores far surpassed the internal cores condensed by cultivators. The higher level a demon beast was, the more ancient bloodline was activated, and more valuable the internal core was.

As a level 3 demon beast, even though ancient godly beast bloodline was thin in Little White's body, the full energy released from its internal core was quite tremendous.

Hao Ren closed his eyes and moved the five-elemental nature essences to the limit while Little White's internal core released even more demonic energy.

In theory, nature essence and demonic energy were the same. They were both essences from nature and came out as five-elemental energy. The combination of two energies brought brand-new vibrancy to Hao Ren's body.

Similarly, Little White's pure demonic energy became even purer after the exchange.

With the Transformation Scroll, Hao Ren helped Little White eliminate the impurities from its body, improve its physique, and made its godly beast bloodline more distinct.

If all the impurities in Little White's body could be eliminated, it could activate its ancient bloodline and become a godly beast!

In the office, Hao Ren sank into the deepest cultivation state with all his pores open, and the impurities in his body oozed out with the purification of Little White's bloodline.

While nurturing the spirit beast, Hao Ren and Little White formed a true relationship of master and pet.

"Hu..."

Hao Ren exhaled deeply and withdrew his hands which had become a bit numb.

Little White felt so comfortable that it had almost fallen asleep. Feeling Hao Ren withdrawing his hands, it shook its head and stood up on the desk before moving to Hao Ren's side and nibbling his fingers intimately.

Hao Ren was fatigued after sorting through Little White's meridians, but he gained a stronger bond with it. Little White felt relaxed and refreshed all over with more abundant demonic energy in its internal core.

A layer of black matter had appeared on Hao Ren's skin, which was the result of cleansing his own meridians while he applied the Transformation Scroll on Little White.

Although Light Splitting Sword Shadow Scroll could release and withdraw sword energies, Hao Ren had always focused on absorbing nature essence and hadn't cleaned the impurities in his body since he didn't know how.

Hao Ren took off his shirt and washed it in the sink. After spinning it dry, he put it back on.

Standing on the edge of the desk, Little White wagged its tail and looked at Hao Ren in gratitude.

Hao Ren pulled open the curtain and realized that it was already night. About seven hours had passed without him noticing while he nurtured the meridians for Little White!

It was 9:30 PM already; he was already half an hour late for the scheduled fight.

“Let’s go!” Hao Ren opened the window and tossed out Little White before quickly releasing a red energy sphere.

Hovering in the air, Little White’s paws released golden flames. When Hao Ren jumped out of the window, it immediately transformed into its snow lion form and flew toward the sports field in the north with Hao Ren on its back.

In the sports field that was mostly used as a soccer field, over 500 members of the Calligraphy Club stood on the tracks around the field, forming a big circle.

Wearing shorts, sneakers and a plaid shirt, Xu Ke stood in the middle of the field.

Hao Ren took out a level 4 essence replenishment pill from his necklace and swallowed it, instantly refilled his body.

“Here he comes! Here he comes!”

The members of the Calligraphy Club shouted at the arrival of Hao Ren.

Most of them had never seen Little White’s snow lion form before, and they were stunned when they saw Little White flying over with its paws enveloped in flames.

Most of them didn’t dare to fight a demon beast like Little White.

Bang!

Little White landed on the field, and the shaking it caused was so great that it felt like a ten-ton truck was passing by.

With such tremendous force, its paws could send any ordinary cultivators flying by 500 to 600 meters.

“Little White, stand over there.” Hao Ren stood on the field and pointed to a spot on the side.

Little White scratched its nose with its paw and changed back into its puppy form. Then, it trotted to the edge of the field like a rolling white ball of fur and stood by Lu Qi’s feet.

Those young cultivators looked at Little White, not daring to think little of this ‘puppy.’

“Senior, I’ve waited for you for a long time,” Xu Ke looked at Hao Ren and said sincerely.

His tone was calm; there weren’t traces of sarcasm or mockery.

“I’m late.” Hao Ren waved his hand and didn’t explain.

He looked around the field and saw a black or white chess piece inlaid in the grass every half a meter; they were a part of the middle-scale array formation Lu Qi had built.

Hao Ren was surprised that Lu Qi understood array formations, and he was even more convinced that Lu Qi was a talented guy.

The array formation surrounding the field was like the energy sphere that the cultivators put up before fights, but this one was larger, and the cultivators had more space to move around.

Looking at Xu Ke, Hao Ren backed off several steps and raised his hands lightly.

Immediately, 160 white sword energies appeared around Hao Ren.

“Wow! Awesome...”

“It’s said that Brother Hao used this technique in the Dragon God Shrine...”

All kinds of gasps sounded among the members of the Calligraphy Club who were standing on the edge of the sports field.

The sword energies circled Hao Ren slowly.

It was dark since the sports field was illuminated only by the streetlights on the road outside, making Hao Ren’s 160 sword energies especially radiant.

“Go!” Hao Ren sent his 160 sword energies flying toward Xu Ke.

Many of the young cultivators had never seen attacks with condensed sword energies before, and they widened their eyes.

Standing 100 meters from Hao Ren, Xu Ke raised his right hand lightly, and a golden disk appeared in front of him.

“Oh, natal dharma treasure!”

One cultivator standing on the edge of the field yelled.

Only natal dharma treasures could be summoned from the body at will.

Hao Ren’s 160 sword energies struck the disk and were turned into broken white light.

When the surrounding cultivators were disappointed by Hao Ren’s sword energies, another 160 sword energies suddenly appeared around Xu Ke!

As long as the nature essences were not scattered, the sword energies existed!

Hao Ren’s sword energies could retake shape immediately after breaking!

Having reached mid-tier Gen-level, he had an excellent mastery of the sword energies. Any cultivator who didn’t know about Hao Ren’s power would be killed by one strike!

All 160 sword energies were pointing at Xu Ke in a circle parallel to the ground.

“He’s surrounded!” The cultivators around the field exclaimed excitedly. Now that they were following Hao Ren, they naturally hoped that Hao Ren would be as powerful as possible.

Hao Ren’s two simple attacks showed them that they were no match for him.

However, they didn't know that Hao Ren was just testing Xu Ke and hadn't unleashed his full force yet!

The sword energies rotated around Xu Ke rapidly and turned into an invisible disk to naked eyes, slashing toward Xu Ke's chest.

"Senior, I need to go back and study soon. Come on and show me your real strength instead of testing me." Xu Ke's right hand lightly pointed at the sky, and the golden disk immediately grew larger. It enveloped Xu Ke and blocked Hao Ren's sword energies.

One-line Snake Array Formation!

The sword energies that bounced off the golden shield suddenly formed a line before shooting toward Xu Ke like 160 strong arrows one after another.

The surrounding young cultivators were astonished, knowing that the sword energies would pierce a big hole in their bodies if they were targeted.

Bang! Bang! Bang!

Xu Ke retreated three steps, but his golden shield blocked Hao Ren's sword energies!

However, his nature essence around his body was fluctuating, making it hard for Hao Ren to see his real realm. It must be one of the effects of this shield-shaped dharma treasure!

The One-line Snake Array Formation created by the 160 sword energies would have pierced a Core Formation Realm cultivator, but Xu Ke had blocked it!

"Senior, if you can win, I'll give you my dharma treasure. However, if you lose, I want a copy of Light Splitting Sword Shadow Scroll!" Xu Ke laughed while his shield-shaped dharma treasure released golden lights.

Chapter 568: Supreme... Spiritual Treasure?!

Dang... Sounding like a gong, the golden shield forced away the sword energies that were released by Hao Ren.

The white sword energies scattering in the air lit up the sports field as if it were daytime. If not for the array formation, the ordinary students in the dorm buildings would be alerted.

Hao Ren tightened his fists, and the 160 sword energies turned from white to red.

Not as dazzling as the white sword energies, the red ones looked shifty in the darkness. Red represented the fire elements, and these sword energies could suppress metal elements according to laws of nature.

The young cultivators were so astounded that they became speechless when they saw the sword energies turning red instantly.

Hua... Another 160 sword energies flew up into the high sky before twirling back down. They were green wood-elemental sword energies!

Two Dragons Array Formation! Wood creates fire, and fire suppresses metal!

Two long sword arrays empowered each other while they struck toward Xu Ke!

“Awesome!” Pleased instead of startled, Xu Ke tossed out the golden shield.

Swoosh! Swoosh! Swoosh! Swoosh!

The golden round shield turned to four, then to eight, sixteen... Instantly, it turned into 64 shields which formed a wall!

It looked radiating and flashy!

“This dharma treasure is awesome...” Standing on the edge of the field, Lu Qi couldn’t help exclaiming.

Due to the scarcity of dharma treasure masters among the dragon cultivators, the battles between dragon cultivators rarely involved dharma treasures.

However, Xu Ke’s dharma treasure was obviously powerful, more versatile than the chessboard dharma treasure Lu Qi Had borrowed from the senior elder of Wude Forrest during the general exams of the Dragon God Shrine.

The other cultivators were even more dazed. Most of them didn’t have a good dharma treasure, so they were envious when they saw the shield-shaped dharma treasure that could do such a thing.

Pu! Pu... Hao Ren’s sword energies shot onto the shield like hot water against ice blocks, but they were turned into white steam before vanishing completely as muffled noises sounded.

“My master gave me this dharma treasure. Senior, if you like it, I’ll give it to you as a gift,” Xu Ke called out to Hao Ren.

Hao Ren knew that his 320 sword energies had all been absorbed by the golden shield which was obviously not an ordinary metal-elemental dharma treasure.

The 320 sword energies were not a small amount of nature essence, and Hao Ren would have panicked if it had been before. However, Hao Ren was testing the strength of Xu Ke’s dharma treasure, and he only lost one round instead of being defeated.

Hua! Hua! The 640 sword energies suddenly rose beside Hao Ren!

The young cultivators around the field were dumbfounded with disbelief. It was hard enough for one person to control 320 sword energies, but now Hao Ren had summoned 640 sword energies!

With a casual wave of his right hand, the 640 colorful sword energies flew across the sky.

Several sword energies passed the edge of the field, and the chilling aura brought cold sweat to some young cultivators when the sword energies swooshed past them.

These sword energies were not only energies but swords with chilling presence!

“Senior, this is awesome!” Xu Ke looked at the sword energies in pleasant surprise and praised again.

He looked delighted as if he were appreciating an awesome technique, seeming oblivious to the fact that sword energies surrounded him.

With a light snort, Hao Ren accelerated his sword energies which shot toward Xu Ke randomly.

It looked as if a big group of wasps was dashing toward Xu Ke.

“Senior, you sure are merciless!” Xu Ke yelled, and the 64 metal shields suddenly split into countless small round shields.

Each shield was as small as a palm, but they were swift and quick. They automatically blocked Hao Ren’s sword energies in a wave of golden light.

The young cultivators standing on the edge of the field were dazzled.

They had watched battles between other dragon cultivators, but no one had fought like this! While they watched the practice battle between Hao Ren and Xu Ke, they knew they had been a frog sitting in a well! (A Chinese idiom of saying that a person has a limited perspective and can’t see much around him or her)

Lu Qi who was concentrated on the battle suddenly saw a white figure floating to his side.

He turned and saw the newcomer before greeting immediately, “Ms. Su!”

Su Han nodded slightly, keeping her eyes on the field.

Hao Ren’s cultivation strength was greater than it was in the Dragon God Shrine’s general exams, but Xu Ke held an ultimate dharma treasure—supreme spiritual treasure.

The so-called supreme spiritual treasures were dharma treasures with spiritual properties and had minds of their own; they could fight without the control of their owners.

Su Han’s White Jade Sword now possessed some spiritual properties after being refined with the addition valuable materials and a trace of Thunder Roc’s soul, but it was still no match for a supreme spiritual treasure.

Although the number of supreme spiritual treasures left on First Heaven was not clear, it was definitely not a big number. These supreme spiritual treasures were personal treasures of ancient grand cultivators, and they were used in the same way as the present natal dharma treasures.

Different from the present cultivators, the grand cultivators in the past didn’t put the dharma treasures into their bodies. Instead, they nurtured their dharma treasures by releasing their nature essence. After more than thousands of years of nurturing by the powerful ancient cultivators, these dharma treasures now possessed abundant spiritual properties.

Ding! Ding... The 640 sword energies that Hao Ren released with his full force all shot onto the small golden shields.

Even though the sword energies were unpredictable and shifty, the golden shields seemed to know the directions of Hao Ren’s sword energies and could block them unerringly.

“This supreme spiritual treasure is indeed a treasure with great spiritual properties,” Su Han whispered while she watched the battle on the field.

In fact, the ancient treasures in the Nine Dragon Palace were all supreme spiritual treasures and thus were very powerful. However, they had lost their spiritual properties long ago after being locked in the Nine Dragon Palace for thousands of years without proper nurturing.

Otherwise, Zhao Hongyu's River-Mountain Qian-Kun Painting could even capture mountains and oceans inside instead of being only a flight dharma treasure.

"How can Hao Ren, a Gen-level cultivator, defeat such a supreme spiritual treasure?" Su Han thought and frowned slightly, looking like a beautiful fairy as the golden light shined on her.

Lu Qi glanced at Su Han by his side, still surprised that she would come here in person. It seemed that the relationship between Su Han and Hao Ren was quite unusual.

"Attack!"

Hao Ren gestured, and the 640 sword energies formed three One-line Snake Array Formation and attacked Xu Ke from three directions.

Entangling with each other, the sword energies shot toward Xu Ke like three drilling spears. The surrounding young cultivators almost lost their balance when the nature essence in the area stirred up like gales.

Golden light suddenly flashed around Xu Ke, and the golden shield rose five meters above the ground with Xu Ke on it.

Bang!

Three long spears exploded and created a big crater with a diameter of about thirty meters while the violent nature essence fluctuations almost cracked the array formation.

The young cultivators standing on the edge stumbled back three to four steps, and the low-levelled cultivators were pushed to the ground by the heat wave.

"Senior, you damaged the field," Xu Ke said as he stood on the golden shield

Hao Ren gritted his teeth while the sword energies scattered outward with crackling sounds.

He only planned to test Xu Ke's strength, but Xu Ke easily defended himself with one dharma treasure. It surprised Hao Ren and angered him a little.

Three Talents Heaven Earth Array Formation!

The sword energies which had created a big crater in the field wove into themselves under Xu Ke's feet.

"Senior, you don't want to take the bet with me because you are afraid of losing, right?" Sparing no glance at the sword energies under his feet, Xu Ke said to Hao Ren.

Hao Ren knew his opponent was trying to provoke him. After all, this golden shield was way more powerful than Zeng Yitao's spear.

"Hao Ren, that's a supreme spiritual treasure. You can't defeat it," Su Han warned from the sideline of the field.

Hao Ren turned his head slightly and found Su Han standing on the edge of the field.

Supreme spiritual treasure!

The young cultivators all looked stunned since supreme spiritual treasures were the most sacred dharma treasures, and each of them had been refined for thousands of years and was passed down by ancient grand cultivators!

“Hehe, Ms. Su, you’ve come as well.” Xu Ke turned to greet Su Han with a smile on his face.

Seeing Su Han ignored him, Xu Ke turned back to Hao Ren and said, “Right, my dharma treasure is a supreme spiritual treasure. I’ll show you its power, Senior!”

The round golden shield beneath Xu Ke’s feet suddenly split into hundreds of golden shields, spreading in the air above the sports field.

Hao Ren activated the Three Talents Heaven Earth Array Formation almost simultaneously.

The sword array could unleash the force of the sword energies to the fullest. When the sword array was suddenly activated, an abundance of nature essence was immediately launched.

“Release!” Xu Ke yelled while hovering in the sky

Instantly, the small golden shields surrounding Xu Ke shot out in all directions. Then, they almost devoured Hao Ren’s 640 sword energies in an instant.

Then, the golden shields that were as big as coins shot toward Hao Ren one after another!

Hao Ren who had been attacking a moment ago was now sieged by Xu Ke’s hundreds of golden shields!

“Up...”

Hao Ren released a hundun sword energy to form a shield.

Crackling... The golden shields landed on Hao Ren’s hundun sword energy like fierce hail, and they paused a little before piercing the sword energy!

“Still no match...” Su Han shook her head slightly while watching Hao Ren and Xu Ke closely. If Xu Ke tried to launch a killing attack, she would shoot out the White Jade Sword regardless of the so-called rules!

Hao Ren experienced the power of the supreme spiritual treasure for the first time, and his chest hurt from the attack.

“Senior, I’ll use all my power,” Xu Ke said while the dense coin-shaped golden shields suddenly rose in the air.

“It will still count as a win if I beat you with a dharma treasure, right?” Hao Ren asked him.

“Of course!” Xu Ke answered.

“Ok. I’ll make the bet with you. Are you sure you still want to accept it?” Hao Ren said lightly while touching the bleeding wound on his shoulder.

“Ok! If you win, you’ll get my dharma treasure; if I win, I’ll get your technique!” Xu Ke nodded enthusiastically.

Under everyone’s astonished gaze, Hao Ren grinned and slowly took out Lady Zhen’s purple gold hairpin.

Chapter 569: Collecting Treasure!

The purple gold hairpin in Hao Ren’s hand was as big as a finger, and it had a layer of purple light around it even though it looked golden.

Despite their low realms, the surrounding cultivators had excellent eyesight.

They were confused when they saw Hao Ren holding a hairpin, which was a female decoration.

“Hehe, you’re funny, Senior.” Xu Ke looked at Hao Ren with a smile. “Is this girly decoration your dharma treasure?”

He had never seen the purple gold hairpin before and found it funny that Hao Ren took out a female accessory at this moment.

Equipped with his supreme spiritual treasure that still had its spiritual properties, he didn’t think that any other dharma treasure could defeat it.

“Hehe...” Hao Ren laughed with him.

The supreme spiritual treasures were indeed powerful, but the dharma treasures of the eternal demon kings weren’t weak either!

Hao Ren tossed out the purple gold hairpin, and it flew up into the air instead of falling.

Hua!

An intense aura spread out from the purple gold hairpin!

The night suddenly turned very dark, and the sky changed from deep black to deep purple!

The demonic energy released by the purple gold hairpin instantly engulfed the sky, completely disregarding the array formation!

The purple gold hairpin had been soaked in Lady Zhen’s aura for ages, and it picked up a bit of her aura.

This aura alone was enough to frightened level 10 demon beasts!

Even Su Han’s expression changed at the surging presence of the purple gold hairpin.

Unable to withstand the chilling from the unfathomable abyss, the surrounding young cultivators shivered and grabbed onto each other’s arms while activating their cultivation strength to resist it.

Standing on the golden shield, Xu Ke knew something was wrong. He immediately activated the shield-shaped supreme spiritual treasure.

“Break!” Hao Ren said the word lightly.

He believed that the purple gold hairpin Lady Zhen gave him was not only a flight dharma treasure. After he saw Su Han’s White Jade Sword which obtained spiritual properties after Xie Yujia refined it, he knew Lady Zhen’s purple gold hairpin was not an ordinary object.

Since it was able to turn a large stretch of land on Fifth Heaven into aggressive purple, he knew the purple gold hairpin had spiritual properties!

Different from demon beasts’ intelligence, the dharma treasures’ spiritual properties were almost like innate muscle memory. When they were launched, they would continue their owners’ styles and act accordingly.

Xu Ke’s supreme spiritual treasure could defend him without being ordered, which was an instinct of this shield-shaped dharma treasure that had its spiritual property.

Launching counterattacks against other cultivators was another innate ability of this dharma treasure!

Xu Ke only had to supply it with some guidance and nature essence, and it would be able to unleash its power.

Now, Hao Ren was also releasing the innate ability of Lady Zhen’s purple gold hairpin!

“Go!” Xu Ke instructed with a grim expression.

All the coin-shaped golden shields returned to the round golden shield in front of Xu Ke’s chest.

With dazzling golden light, the round shield flew toward the purple gold hairpin!

This supreme spiritual treasure had never met its match in this world yet!

The purple gold hairpin that was tossed out by Hao Ren flashed and shot toward the golden shield swiftly with a series of afterimages in its track.

“What’s happening?”

“The sky is changing colors...”

The students who were sitting on the balconies of the dorm buildings became uneasy. The starry sky now turned to a deep purple, and the stars and the Moon looked as if they had been swallowed since they were nowhere to be seen.

Dang!

The purple gold hairpin and the golden shield collided with each other, and the round shield with shiny golden light instantly dimmed.

“Impossible!” Xu Ke widened his eyes in surprise.

“Break,” Hao Ren said the word lightly again.

The purple gold hairpin lit up, and its golden surface shone a dazzling light!

The previously aggressive golden shield suddenly turned to flee!

Gaining the upper hand, the purple gold hairpin chased it closely.

Having never seen such a scene before, Xu Ke immediately yelled, "Split!"

The dim golden shield instantly split into over 400 pieces.

"Lock!" Hao Ren chanted a dharma spell.

The purple gold hairpin landed on the ground steadily, and the soil turned purple!

All the small golden shields in the area instantly lost their nature essence, falling to the grass of the field like dropped pans in a kitchen.

"How could it be like this!?" Xu Ke was astonished! "What monster dharma treasure is this? How can Hao Ren conquer my supreme spiritual treasure!?"

"Withdraw!" Hao Ren opened his palm.

The purple gold hairpin flew up from the ground and returned to Hao Ren's hand.

As a gift from Lady Zhen to Hao Ren, the purple gold hairpin took him as its temporary master. Right now, Hao Ren was not powerful enough to make it submit to him, which meant that Hao Ren was only a user instead of an owner.

Without the purple gold hairpin's suppression, the golden shields on the ground shook slightly, ready to fly up.

When all the small golden shields merged into one and were about to fly into the sky, Hao Ren suddenly launched a hundun sword energy that he had prepared.

"Back!" Xu Ke jumped up suddenly to reach for the golden shield.

Bang! Hao Ren attacked Xu Ke with the second hundun sword energy that he had prepared.

The first hundun sword energy rushed the weakened golden shield into Hao Ren's necklace while the second hundun sword energy shot onto Xu Ke's chest, knocking him ten meters away!

Swoosh! Swoosh! The two sword energies returned to Hao Ren's palms.

It looked so easy to tame a supreme spiritual treasure!

The surrounding young cultivators were stupefied.

"Hao Ren had just taken a supreme spiritual treasure from Xu Ke like this?" they thought.

Su Han was surprised at the great power of the purple gold hairpin and Hao Ren's smooth movements. It looked like Hao Ren collected a piece of clothes instead of a dharma treasure!

"Hehe, you are awesome, Senior!" Xu Ke regained his balance and said with a smile.

His tone was neither angry nor ashamed; he only sounded amazed.

Seeing the corners of Xu Ke's lips twitch, Hao Ren knew that he was acting calm.

However, a bet was a bet, and he wasn't going to return the supreme spiritual treasure to Xu Ke!

Imprisoned inside Hao Ren's necklace, the supreme spiritual treasure rushed around, breaking several pill bottles in the storage space.

The supreme spiritual treasures didn't like to be restrained. The ancient treasures in the Nine Dragon Palace would have escaped if not for the suppression of the array formations that world.

"Do you want to fight again?" Hao Ren asked Xu Ke.

"No. You are awesome, and I am no match for you, Senior," Xu Ke said.

After a moment of consideration, he continued, "Tomorrow, I'll pay the 500-yuan membership fee to the Calligraphy Club. I've been busy after entering the school, and I hope you will forgive me for my negligence."

"No problem. I will come and find you when I need you," Hao Ren answered him in the same tone.

After taking away the golden shield, Hao Ren saw that Xu Ke was indeed at mid-tier Dui-level. However, Xu Ke declined to fight another battle since he didn't want to reveal his strength.

This man was able to really be patient and hold back his impulse. Hao Ren thought that Xu Ke was 100 times more powerful than people like Zeng Yitao.

"Senior, since you like making bets, I'll bring a better item next time and win back this dharma treasure." With a sincere smile, Xu Ke brushed off the dust from his clothes before walking out of the sports field.

The sky around them returned to normal, and the Moon and the stars reappeared from the receding purple mist.

"It is good that you didn't fight with him since taming a supreme spiritual treasure takes a lot of nature essence," Su Han said lightly when she saw Hao Ren walking over.

"If you like it, you can have it. After all, it's hard for me to suppress it with my current realm," Hao Ren said.

Standing by Su Han, Lu Qi was dumbfounded at Hao Ren's generosity of gifting the supreme spiritual treasure to Su Han...

He suddenly realized that the relationship between Hao Ren and Su Han was unusual...

"I'm still taming my natal dharma treasure, and I don't want yours. Besides, I think Xu Ke will try to take it back, and you can't dump the trouble on me." Su Han rolled her eyes at Hao Ren and said.

Hao Ren chuckled since Su Han had seen through his scheme. She was indeed more cunning than him.

Lu Qi was astonished again since Su Han's tone was cold when she talked to others but was much livelier when she walked to Hao Ren

"Brother Hao, I'll fill up the field, but I can't return it to its original state," Lu Qi said.

"It's ok. Thank you!" Hao Ren looked at him gratefully.

He only wanted to test Xu Ke's strength today and hadn't expected that the battle would damage half of the sports field in the process.

However, he was caught off guard when he saw Xu Ke had brought a supreme spiritual treasure!

Severely damaged, this shield-shaped supreme spiritual treasure couldn't break out of the complicated array formations around the necklace made by Zhen Congming, but he had to solve this problem quickly.

He tossed the purple gold hairpin into the necklace, and the golden shield that was flying around crazily immediately quieted down, afraid of the purple gold hairpin which had given it a big blow.

Dozens of cultivators stayed behind to help Lu Qi clean up the field, and Hao Ren returned to his dorm room.

Since the purple gold hairpin severely injured this supreme spiritual treasure, it was the perfect time to tame it.

Supreme spiritual treasure would choose their own masters, so cultivators with low cultivation strength couldn't tame them!

However, they would have a small chance while these supreme spiritual treasures were weak!

Hao Ren felt like Xu Ke left this supreme spiritual treasure with him because the latter was confident that Hao Ren couldn't tame it.

To give Xu Ke a significant blow, it was not enough to take away his supreme spiritual treasure temporarily. Instead, Hao Ren must make the supreme spiritual treasure his!

The seemingly open and straightforward Xu Ke was not a submissive sheep! He was baring his fangs by announcing his intention of taking away Hao Ren's techniques by force. His mild tone showed his contempt for Hao Ren's strength and confidence in his background!

Hao Ren wanted to see how Xu Ke would react if he could use this golden shield!

Chapter 570: Only the Strong and Intelligent Deserved Valuable Treasures

It was dark, and all the dorms had quieted down.

Hao Ren had practiced the Light Splitting Sword Shadow Technique ten times. Then, he sensed that Zhao Jiayi and the other guys were already asleep, so he lightly jumped off his upper berth and landed on the floor. Then, he went over to open the balcony door.

After he got outside, he flew toward Fifth Heaven.

The boat that was transformed from the purple gold hairpin was incredibly fast.

At this moment, the purple gold hairpin did not have the fierce aura it showcased on the sports field when fighting with that golden shield. It was now only a flight dharma treasure that operated off nature essence.

It was also dead quiet inside Ethereal Summit on Fifth Heaven.

Once Hao Ren entered the valley, he dashed into his cave abode.

Right now, the golden shield was hurrying around in Hao Ren's necklace.

Hao Ren threw the purple gold hairpin into the cave, and it started to glow from the ground, covering Hao Ren's cave abode with a bright provocative purple light.

This was a terrorizing small array formation.

Hao Ren had got everything prepared before he took the golden shield out from his necklace. Once the golden shield got its freedom back, it immediately flew toward the direction of the entrance.

The small purple gold hairpin stood at the entrance, not budging an inch. When this golden shield flew over, it realized something was not right, so it immediately turned back.

Hao Ren's cave abode was simple, and it only had one entrance. Therefore, when this golden shield flew back, it was planning to break through Hao Ren's cave from another side and flew out of the mountains.

There was no way that Hao Ren would let it do as it wished, so he let out a metal-elemental sword energy.

Ding... The sword energy hit the surface of the golden shield and was immediately bounced off. This was a supreme spiritual treasure after all. Even if it were scared and injured by the purple gold hairpin, it was not something Hao Ren could defeat with one sword energy.

When Hao Ren shot out more than a dozen sword energies, the small array formation that Zhen Congming set up in the cave above was initiated.

Zhen Congming had set up this small array formation for Hao Ren so that the latter could train using the lightning cultivation. Now that Hao Ren had initiated the array formation, the gems that were stuck on the cave's ceiling started to light up one by one.

Clouds started to accumulate, and a small heavenly lightning bolt shot out.

When the golden shield was about to break through the mountains, a heavenly lightning bolt shot from the clouds and hit it.

Bang!

The lightning started to fade away, but the golden shield was unscratched.

"It is truly worthy of being called a supreme spiritual treasure!" Hao Ren watched quietly in shock.

Heavenly lightning was also known as innate Tiangang; it could damage any of the five elements. However, this supreme spiritual treasure was obviously above the five elements; it was not even scared of the heavenly lightning.

If it weren't for the purple gold hairpin, this golden shield would have probably gotten out!

Hao Ren shot out more sword energies, increasing the intensity of the array formations in the cave abode.

Crack! Crack! Crack!

Three heavenly lightning bolts that were as thick as a thumb were shot down from the clouds.

Inside the cave, there were currently two targets, Hao Ren and the golden shield. The heavenly lightning would choose the strongest to target first.

Bang! The golden shield split into three smaller shields to withstand the power of the three heavenly lightning bolts.

Hao Ren had heard about supreme spiritual treasures from the Lu sisters. To become a supreme spiritual treasure, one condition was to serve a great cultivator for many years and accumulate energy for an extended period of time. That would strengthen the dharma treasure and even allow it to have some spiritual properties. However, the most important condition was that it had to follow a cultivator through a Heavenly Tribulation.

Only those that had spiritual properties and successfully went through a Heavenly Tribulation without being melted down by the heavenly lightning bolts could become the king of treasures, supreme spiritual treasures.

There were stories about powerful dharma treasures that had spiritual properties. When some of them were passed down to weaker cultivators from their stronger former masters, they broke free from the weaker cultivators' commands, triggered Heavenly Tribulations, and became supreme spiritual treasures themselves before flying to Eighth or Ninth Heaven!

"Still not obeying..." Hao Ren shot out more sword energies.

Pa, pa, pa, pa... Tens of thin heavenly lightning bolts were shot onto the golden shield.

There were a few heavenly lightning bolts that shot toward Hao Ren as well, but he absorbed them.

The golden shield buzzed, and it was struck down by half a meter.

It was a supreme spiritual treasure that had been through a Heavenly Tribulation, and this level of heavenly lightning bolts was incapable of giving it a destructive blow. However, heavenly lightning bolts were still powerful after all. It was still impossible for the golden shield to be totally unharmed when multiple heavenly lightning bolts struck it continuously.

Buzz... The golden shield flew fast toward Hao Ren.

Hao Ren used both hands to initiate a technique and released the 320 sword energies.

The small array formation in the cave above was used to its limit, and tens of heavenly lightning bolts were shot out simultaneously. If Xie Yujia were completely in control of her elixir furnace, then Hao Ren mastered this array formation in his cave abode.

If Hao Ren were the only thing in the cave abode, then all the lightning bolts would target him. However, the supreme spiritual treasure was stronger than him, so it acted as a shield for Hao Ren against the heavenly lightning.

All the peak Qian-level cultivators wanted powerful dharma treasures for the same reason; the powerful dharma treasures could take on some of the heavenly lightning bolts during the Heavenly Tribulation.

Zhao Kuo was overly confident and wanted to pass the Heavenly Tribulation by himself without a treasure; that was why he failed.

The golden shield wanted to attack Hao Ren but stopped halfway because it was suddenly hit with tens of heavenly lightning bolts; it almost fell to the ground and got dirty.

Buzz!

The golden shield let out a loud buzz, stopping the tens of thumb-sized heavenly lightning bolts.

Hao Ren waved both hands and was about to let out more heavenly lightning bolts. However, he hesitated for half a second and suddenly stopped.

“OK. OK. Even if I use an array formation to tame you, you won’t be convinced. Since you aren’t willing to follow me, I won’t force you.” Hao Ren pulled back his sword energies and then opened his necklace. “Come into my space and have a good rest. I won’t try to tame you now.”

Buzz! Buzz!

The golden shield was floating in Hao Ren’s cave abode, and it let out a proud golden light. It was unwilling to obey Hao Ren but was also aware of the purple gold hairpin, so it was scared to charge out.

Hao Ren took this opportunity to observe this supreme spiritual treasure carefully. He discovered that other than the shining golden light, there was nothing special about this golden shield. It didn’t even have any designs on it; it was almost a golden plate.

Circles of golden light spun around the edge of the golden shield, and the shield surface looked brand-new and unharmed even though tens of heavenly lightning bolts struck it.

Hao Ren felt that the golden shield would never obey him even if he hit it with many more heavenly lightning bolts.

Hao Ren thought it was too brutal if he harmed its spiritual property and was a waste of something great. That was why he waved his hand and said, “I won’t hurt you, but I won’t let you rampage around either.”

Buzz... The golden shield let out an even stronger golden light that was a few inches wider. It wasn’t like Little White and couldn’t understand Hao Ren’s words. Instead, it could only sense whether Hao Ren had good or bad intentions.

Supreme spiritual treasures would choose their owners; it was the instinct of the treasures.

The treasures wanted to get strong cultivators who had matching elemental attributes to be their owners; that was how they could get even more powerful.

Hao Ren reached out his left hand and watched it quietly.

Only those who were strong and intelligent deserved such valuable treasures!

The purple gold hairpin quietly stood in front of the cave entrance as if it were a door guardian. The golden shield had lost to the purple gold hairpin but not to Hao Ren.

However, the purple gold hairpin didn’t want to join Hao Ren’s mission of taming the treasure.

Bang... Bang... The golden shield let out a series of loud noises and spun slowly as if it were hesitating.

The supreme spiritual treasures could also choose a friend but not a master! They could follow cultivators but not be tamed by them!

However, during these thousands of years, the weakest cultivator that this golden shield had followed was a top-tier Nascent Soul Realm cultivator!