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Chapter 461 Combat Magus

This time around, Jin did not get distracted as he was fighting not one Demon Exorcist trainee but three of them. As it seemed that the trainees had not figured out that they were inside a dungeon instance yet, the System had withheld the teleportation of Rong's body for a long while until Claire came down to pick it up.

Lian did not want to get distracted by Rong's body and was relieved after Claire had taken it towards Grandma Yuan. However, the moment Claire returned to the Grandma Yuan's side, the System initialised the body, transferring it to the Recovery Instance.

In the meantime, Jin and Lian clashed with each other furiously. He knew that her attacks could penetrate his blade after experiencing it first hand in the 30 seconds trial. But what if Jin had two weapons out? Jin held Boo in on the reverse so that he was able to manoeuvre the wakizashi more comfortably in hopes of defending the penetrating claw attack.

Clang!

Jin saw a slight spark as his wakizashi deflected a heavy push of strength from Lian's claw attack. While he was elated that his theory worked, it made Lian extremely annoyed by the fact that he was able to defend it so smoothly this time around. But in terms of speed, she believed she had the upper hand and with the aid of her two teammates, should he even think of surviving the next strike?

"Su Zhen! Lein!" Lian shouted for the two's assistance as she took a step back and charged her chi up. Even though she wasn't the one that usually gave the orders out to the group, the other two obliged as they shared the pain of losing a comrade. However, it seemed to be hurting Lian more than the other two.

Su Zhen, the White Snake Demon Cultivator threw out her whip at Jin, but just like last time, he was able to estimate the length of the whip and dodged it by initiating a Panda Roll. Thanks to Pandaromic Eyes 2.0, he knew the estimated distance he needed to move away.

"Damn! You are barely wrong!" Jin thought to himself and the System as he could sense the whip's end turning into a snake mouth attempting to bite him.

"Still User had evaded the whip part." The System argued back as it recommended evoking White Panda Ice magic to prevent the Lein's follow up attack. Jin already had the chi ready as his body immediately enveloped itself with a layer of thin but effectively strong ice of armour.

Unlike the previous time, he had no difficulty getting the chi out due to a lack of time. This current evocation of the White Panda Ice Armour was lightning fast. Zeru had been drilling the process of chi control into him, forcing him to be more nimble and faster.

While he was imaging the shape of the particular magic he wished to cast, Jin needed to roughly gauge how much chi was required as well as the direction of how the chi should be transferred out of his body.

For example, the White Panda Ice Armour. He imagined himself to be in a full suit armour while portraying the chi out from his entire body instead of it coming from his hands. Therefore, the trick quickened the process while the imaging of the armour allowed the chi to materialise itself.

"Intermediate Sword Arts, Thunderclap of the Qilin!" Lein used the same technique only this time Jin blocked the attack flawlessly with no damage to himself.

"Ice Prison Transference!" The moment Jin blocked the electrifying strike, he dropped his wakizashi and pushed himself forward to grab onto Lein's hand, and the ice crept- no. Raced from Jin's body and onto Lein's arm. His sword immediately lost all electrical charge, and Lein was taken aback by this odd skill that his opponent used. The ice swiftly enveloped the entire right arm while the ice armour on Jin's body lessened.

"As long as you have your imagination with you. Anything is possible with your magi- *Cough* chi abilities." Jin remembered Zeru's words during his training, and he had been using it prominently in battle.

To the spectators such as Qiu Yue and Lynn, it was a side of Jin which they did not see, and they were envious that he was able to perform such chi abilities. Even the Penguins climbed on the girl's head or shamelessly squeezed themselves through their chest to watch the match.

"Ahh...Ming, I can practically hear you boasting about your grandson already. For you to combine western magic and eastern cultivations to the highest degree and use Jin as your experiment to perform Maqi. You are one heck of a crazy genius... I am glad I decided to follow you." Kraft grinned as he saw Jin seamlessly used his newfound Maqi abilities on the terrified Qilin Demon Cultivator.

Maqi.

It was a term coined by Ming after he happened to discover a way to convert chi for magic purposes. (Chi can be pronounced as 'Qi' too.) He had taken the concept from modern cultivators like Jia Le, who had fused Eastern Cultivation and Western Magic to use the Breathtaking Bellflower Cultivation style thus allowing her to cast earth magic with chi.

This allowed Jia Le's to create those magic spells out and like Jin, imaging played an important part. However, her cultivation only utilised the concept of chi.

For Jin, his Nineteen Lazy Astral Panda cultivation always emphasised on the being, how Jin had to be one with the spirit and body. To know thyself, he must go within thyself. The whole basis of his cultivation was based on the symbolism of a circumpunct; an ancient sign made of a circle with a point at its centre.

Ancient writings and historical records believed that the circumpunct was the most original aspect of God and that it also represented the consciousness of man. The dot in the middle of the circle represented a person's origin, while the ring symbolised life experiences through one's soul. Hence, the Astral component of the cultivation style.

And which animal had the most obvious symbol of a circumpunct in them? It was none other than the Pandas. With the connection to the Heavens via the System, and Jin being a product of circumstances, the Nineteen Lazy Astral Panda cultivation had been the perfect complement for Ming's grandson.

That was why Ming also named it with the prefix 'Lazy'. For only when one was lazy, they would question and ponder how they could improve their life so they can laze around even more. That was what Jin had been doing every single day despite his busy schedule.

How could he improve the lives of his team and monsters while making their life easier? How could he serve his customers better and more efficient? Jin might not have achieved enlightenment, but he did make an effort towards his own path of altruism. (Even though he was a businessman in nature.)

By attempting to knowing oneself and improving oneself spiritually, mentally and physically, Jin had unlocked the way how to use his cultivation correctly. But in technical terms, the most important aspect for him to utilise Maqi was the spiritual union with the Pandas.

Because of that fateful encounter, it enabled his cultivation to tap into the mana circuits without him knowing and it was the merging of the mana circuits and chi circuits that produced the by products of sludge.

The problem was that as Jin attained a higher grade, it also meant that his mana and chi circuits were merged to the point that they were either strengthening the circuits or even start growing new routes to accommodate and increase his Maqi output.

Thus, he produced even more sludge that contained not only by products from the merging process but Maqi infused in it to allow him to move them at his own will.

So, Jin was not simply a cultivator nor a mage, but a true blue Combat Magus. The perfect (well, almost in Ming's theory) fusion of Eastern cultivation and Western Magic, akin to the Yin and Yang circle.

"Lein, get away!" Lian burst herself like a bullet towards Jin when she saw what was happening to her fellow comrade. Su Zhen also assisted by trying to grab Lein by his waist via whip to pull him back.

"Not fast enough. Ice Prison Crush!" Jin grinned as he tightened his hand's grip the moment he lost contact with Lein. The Ice armour encasing Lein's entire arm tightened to the point that the White Panda Ice cut it off from his body. Lein screamed in agony from the intense pain and blood that was gushing out at a rapid pace.

Su Zhen quickly removed her outer shirt and wrapped it around the wound the moment she got a hold of him. She even cut apart her whip so that the snake that transformed from it could be used as a sort of compression to stop the blood from flowing.

In the meantime, Lian's claws grew larger to the point it would impossible to evade via normal means, but Jin was anything but ordinary. Without a word, an Astral Pandas appeared grabbing on to the wakizashi that had dropped on the floor and transformed it into a huge enough shield to cover Jin. Simultaneously, the dungeon supplier had already gathered enough Black Panda Fire Energy as he slammed it into the ground.

A blast of Black Fire erupted beneath Lian as she tried to force her attack down against the defending Astral Panda. "AHHHHHH!!!!!" Lian screamed as she felt her skin being burnt from the attack. Even the high fire resistance inscription she had obtained from Royal Zodiac Clan was unable to withstand it.

"I am not done yet," Jin ordered the Astral panda to jump up and slam her down while she was still in shock from the eruption attack. The moment the shield hit her, spikes emerged from the front of the shield piercing her through.

Yet Jin did not stop at that. He utilised Green Panda Wind energy to reinforce the impact from above. Lian had barely been able to survive the piercing shield charge, but the Wind Energy reinforced the destructiveness of the fire. There was nothing left but ashes and his Boo in shield form.

Lein saw the entire process and trembled in fear even though Su Zhen was trying her best to calm him down. "Stop moving or else the bleeding will only get worse!!"

"But it is no use! That guy! That guy is worse than a demon!" Lein screamed until Su Zhen slapped him to keep his sanity steady. Su Zhen looked back at the direction of Jin but realised he was already gone only for the next moment to feel the edge on her neck.

"Sorry." Jin uttered after he slashed her neck off, leaving Lein all terrified with random thoughts. "How could a Grade 10 cultivator be killed so quickly by a Grade 8 cultivator? Is he really just a Grade 8 cultivator? Did he hide his true strength in our last encounter?" Lein thoughts were spoken out loud, and Grandma Yuan replied for him.

"Jin is indeed a Grade 8 cultivator." Those words sounded like a lie to Lein as he saw Jin's katana coming at him with Black Panda Fire.

"How is this possible? Where did we go wrong? It was a three against one fight! " Lein could not comprehend that he was going to die. Throughout his life, he had felt like the main protagonist. Sure there had been hardships, but up until this point, Lein always overcame them. People around him even boasted that he might be the rare 'once every century' prodigy of the Extermination unit in the Royal Zodiac Horse Clan.

Nevertheless, right now, his life was controlled by this supposed Demon Exorcist trainee candidate. Lein could not fathom the power gap as his eyes were desperate for an answer even though it was blurry from all the tears that had fallen.

The next moment darkness enveloped him.

"There is one way. Practice more and...erm be humble." Jin slashed Lein's head away in one stroke to end any further suffering.

Chapter 462 Lynn's Ride

"...Was Jin always that powerful? I know we fought with him a few times, but I've hardly seen him do any of that kind of magic skills out in the open with us!" Qiu Yue had her mouth wide open in disbelief when the Sub System stopped the broadcast.

"I honestly never seen him so ruthless and act so skilled at all. But that first match?? Yeah, I kind of expect Jin to perform such a strategy. Buying time, learning his opponent and striking when he believed

it was the right time." Lynn uttered as they were sitting waiting for the results of the amulet from the Sub System.

"However, that last match. I am totally speechless at the speed he was moving and strength he wields."

"Is that why he refused to show his cultivation out in the open? Like that previous time, he had been so reluctant to get out there and remove the Ruby Rat gangsters. I'm sure any other cultivator who has that kind of strength would like to do that in a jiffy and to show off who's boss." Qiu Yue remarked while she took out a bottle of water from her storage ring and after taking a sip, she shared it with Lynn and the penguins.

"Perhaps? Maybe he is keen on keeping his real strength hidden so his rivals such as the Ruby Rat Triad gang members will underestimate him in case they decide to do something more drastic." Lynn deduced as she also took out a few packets of biscuits to feed the penguins.

"Speaking of them, they've hardly bothered us after Tiangong District Police stationed their policemen and increased their regular patrols by two fold." Qiu Yue checked the progress of the construction of the Dungeon Fortress City as a force of habit.

"Hahah! Yes I know. Instead, the policemen and the Ruby Rats had been coming to my restaurant way too often for comfort. The System and Jin don't seem to plan to prohibit them from coming in, as long as they behave themselves. Some even asked if there were any plans to sell the theme park food as a side menu." Lynn shared with Qiu Yue. There were times she wondered if the Triads and Police would ever fight in her restaurant.

"Are you going to do that?" Qiu Yue turned in order to get a piece of biscuit from her too.

"Probably not, it spoils the restaurant feeling...imagine eating Churros in there. It ...I don't really know...kind of feels weird, doesn't it?"

"Not to me, I like those churros. They're awfully crunching, piping hot and sugary sweet! Way better than this biscuit that's for sure. Speaking of that, why did you not bring some of the cooked food with you? Actually, why are we not teleporting back for a rest before coming back here?" Qiu Yue asked as she munched on the biscuit.

"Because...we have our answer ready from the Sub System." Lynn showed the results of the Amulet from her phone to Qiu Yue.

"Sub System has located a probable signal that matches the frequency of energy the amulet emits. However, Sub System is unable to pinpoint the exact location and can only guide Sub System Users to the vicinity of that particular point."

"So, something like a tracking device? It seems like it's still moving." Qiu Yue noted as she looked at the phone screen closely.

"Please hurry, the signal is already weak enough. Anymore waiting and Sub System might not be able to track it down." The Sub System warned the Sub System Users that they were at least hundreds of kilometres away and the signal was almost too weak to be traced down.

"Judging from the distance, even activating our cultivation will be a hassle to travel that far. Shame Jin doesn't really have any minions that are well versed with long distance." Qiu Yue talked to herself out loud.

"Ah! Wyrstrker has a wyvern but...urgh it might be too small for the both of us to ride. Or maybe Mr Oink! But urgh, I remembered how he moved too much for comfort and the seats were... urgh." Qiu Yue said to herself as she checked the last bits of her construction tabs on her phone.

"Lynn, how about asking Jin to get us one of those Jeep that he -Woah!" Qiu Yue was surprised by sudden booming sound that was right beside her, and when she looked up, there was a slick looking motorcycle rumbling its engines in front of her.

Its twin turbo engines were bursting exhaust out of its vents and Lynn threw a helmet at Qiu Yue while she took out her scratch resistant jacket to wear.

"You are riding this?!?" Qiu Yue asked the obvious question as she had difficulty wearing her helmet. Penguin Kido asked her to squat and assisted her with the helmet by hitting it hard on her head while the other penguins had their own mini combat cycles as well.

The motorcycles were all due to Hou Fei. When he was reviewing the armaments with Jin in the terrace house dining table, Lynn happened to hear how they needed vehicles for the upcoming Demon Rat Wars, especially since they had lots of ground to cover.

Because of the successful Goblin War, the System had rewarded Jin with a huge sum of budget for the Demon Rat War and the constant net profit that was flowing in allowed him to review the type of armaments they could use.

That was also the time when Lynn considered getting her own combat cycle and if possible for her penguins too. Hou Fei's eyes lighted up the moment he heard combat cycles and smirked at Jin.

The boss understood that expression and decided to provide Lynn with a budget to purchase them. After all, the ninjas could make use of the bike's high mobility, and Lynn hardly requested things from him.

"I never dreamed of being able to find a fellow motorcyclist enthusiast in this store!" Hou Fei sounded elated as he immediately brought out a magazine and a suitcase along with it from his storage ring. The magazine detailed various famous bikes that were on sale and when Lynn was previewing them, Hou Fei opened his suitcase and showed the modified blueprints of such bikes for the use of combat.

"You are intending to use military gear parts on a civilian motorcycle?" Lynn asked and Hou Fei smile got even wider.

"You did say you want a combat cycle right? If you do not include engines made especially from the military, how fast do you think you could go?" Hou Fei reasoned, and she guessed he was right.

"The System should be able to fix it up for you once I confirm the delivery. Plus, I heard from Jin that you guys have some Lost Tech machine that allowed you to do wonders such as copying a whole item. So I will acquire two of the motorcycles and stuff them with as many items as possible. Don't worry, one of them will be rescaled to your penguin's size."

"Will that affect the output of the engine?" Lynn was worried, and Hou Fei patted her on her shoulder.

"Fear not. When it comes to motorcycles, and military weapons. Nothing is impossible for this old snake." Hou Fei had indeed accomplished the seemingly impossible by delivering the motorcycles in two days time as well as a few crates of military gear to be fitted into the combat cycle.

Niu Lang, their new in house mechanic, along with the robot crawlers began to fix it up for Lynn, and the rescaled version was later placed in the counterfeiter for production.

"You can ride a bike?! Damn it you are too cool! How did you even get one in the first place?" Qiu Yue asked after Kido fixed her helmet.

"Long story short Hou Fei is living up to his name as a weapons dealer! Come on, grab onto me. We have a lot of catching up to do." Lynn signalled Qiu Yue to get behind her and after which she hand signalled the other penguins on the combat cycles. The booming engines from the combat cycles suddenly turned silent, and it was apparently a feature that the Niu Lang added especially when he believed the Ninjas needed stealth riding.

It was a high level anti sound inscription charm which he got from Octofussy and placed them onto the roaring V13 turbo twin engines. When all the engines went silent (Even though they were still shaking violently!), Lynn gave the okay sign to move, and Qiu Yue grabbed on to Lynn's waist tightly.

The combat cycles went from 0 to 110km/hr in 3 seconds, and if the people riding them were not cultivators, they probably would have flown off or broken their arms from the inertia drag alone. Not only that, the combat cycles were versatile enough to traverse on any terrain because of the custom made wheels which Hou Fei obtained as well as the multi-tiered suspensions.

However, there was more to it than just speed, and while Lynn hoped she did not have to use them, she was equally eager to show off to Qiu Yue. (Even though right now, the red panda cultivator seemed like she was hanging onto dear life from the high speed ride. (or grabbing!))

"Original Bellator Kraft, another wave of information was sent in by Malware Foxy. On a side note, the government has finally taken action regarding the scapegoat criminal." The System reported, and Kraft used his newly acquired knowledge to search for the CCTVs that were linked near the criminal's location.

"Black suits, black spectacles and armour civilian vehicles. Seems like they are taking this seriously." Kraft spoke to himself. The black suit agents were not pulling any punches, in fact, they were severely brutal towards the criminal, and a look at their tactics had shown Kraft that they were highly skilled. "Looks like Grade 10 and above."

Kraft had made sure the hacker involved in human trafficking was implicated as planned. Before the agents had arrived, he had left a little present on his private computer. By placing a few headings which Malware Foxy had given him during the first wave of information, they would have sufficient reason to suspect him and have him investigated. Unless they were incompetent, the investigation should then lead to the human trafficking case and thwart the whole syndicate's operations.

"What a nice feeling to do something pleasant for the society." Kraft smiled to himself, making sure he had left no tracks behind and then proceeded to open the new package by Foxy. More incriminating

things about the politicians and their party as well as dirt on various well known individuals whose net worth was well over the billions of Yuan.

However, there was still no information on the Panda Clan list, Banned Emperor or this Ryuli which Jin had mentioned. If not for the fact that Kraft wanted to play safe, he would not have chosen this method. Instead, he would brute force against the database and find the information and then get out. Unfortunately, that would put his master's store reputation at stake and the System highly recommended the alternative.

"Urghh!! So bored and Jin's battle was way too fast! Can't believe I had any expectation for that fox girl. Such a disappointment!" Kraft complained to the System. He weighed his options on what to do to relieve his boredom.

He could go and pester Jin, but that would mean he would have to see old hagged Birdy again. However, Yuan and Jin seemed to be discussing something important, and he guessed he could eavesdrop on them. Else, he could either wait once again for Foxy to send another batch of information or wear his fox mask and openly disturb some of the cultivators in the WunderPanda Theme Park.

"Maybe harass some of those Rats or Tigers." Kraft thought to himself as he twirled his chair around in boredom.

"If Original Bellator Kraft has nothing else to do, System will recommend Kraft to assist Minotaur Maid Sebastia in her scouting mission as ordered by User." System suggested.

"Why? What's wrong with her? I thought she had things under control?" Kraft guessed doing some more practical work would be a good enough distraction for him, so he agreed. "In return, I expect you to notify me as soon as the next batch of information comes in. DO NOT TOUCH ANYTHING WITHOUT ME!" Kraft warned the System as it teleported him to Sebastia.

"Ah?! Bellator Kraft? To what do I owe the honour of you being here?" Sebastia asked without being embarrassed when she had to remove the cosmetic inscription and was currently in the midst of changing her clothes after a quick shower.

"Hmm, nice body." Kraft praised and Sebastia shyly thanked him for his compliment. "The System assessed that you require some help for your future plans."

"Oh? The System noticed it? And here I thought I had to improvise a little. But with you here, it should make things easier." Sebastia said as she tied her hair up away from her curved horns at the side.

"Of course! Who do you think I am?" Kraft smirked evilly as he folded his arms to pose a little. "So, what's the matter? The System did not specify anything to me."

"The Demon Rat Captain of Uote Town is planning to bring me along to the capital which is currently heavily guarded. I might be a decent scout, but I cannot possibly search or map the whole area on my own. I did ask if I could bring a close friend with me, citing the reason that both of 'us' never see the capital before."

"Flame Ripper was ordered by Gold to search for the remaining Elder Demons as well as the hideouts that Silver had marked for him. As for Meomi... I am unsure what she will do when she encounters those high ranking rats."

"That Rat Captain allowed you to do that? I thought Demon Rats are inflexible bunch of people." Kraft chuckled.

"Your friend, my friend'. Urgh" Sebastia had tried to copy the Demon Rat Captain tone as she activated her cosmetic inscription once again. "So yeah, I need someone to map the area and thought the System could provide me with some assistance. I had considered having another Minotaur to accompany me, and at some point, change into my real form to map the area. Of course, this could have run the risk of them noticing my current form disappearing and getting suspicious."

"Sure, why not? I have time to spare, and besides, you've asked the right people." Kraft replied and each and every fox under his disposal appeared all around the room as if they had been already watching her from the beginning of the conversation. (Of course, except for Pei and Rex.) They all simultaneously nodded their heads in unison and it did creep Sebastia a little.

"Oh yea, also great job on improvisation, I totally did not expect you to choose the bloody route of killing the resistance to gain the rats' trust," Kraft noted amused as he looked out of the window of the pathetic small inn room.

"Aren't you going to put on the cosmetic inscription?" Sebastia asked as she heard a knock at the door and went to answer it.

"Why should I?" Kraft's face had already changed shape and featured a scar right beside his cheek. "I am after all THE counter intelligence agent."

Chapter 463 Team Leader

"Where am I?" Lein slowly opened his eyes to see an unfamiliar ceiling. He then felt something soft and furry touching his hand, only to see a panda wearing a nurse uniform readjusting his vitals. Unable to cope with such a strange sight, he got shocked and attempted to move away from it.

"Hahaha! You've got the same reaction as Su Zhen when she woke up." Rong exclaimed as Lein noticed that he was sitting on the opposite side of his bed and found out that his arm was back with him again.

"How did I...? Have we been resurrected? How much time has past? Also, where is this place?" Lein asked as he saw the other three Demon Exorcist trainees being wide awake relaxing on their own beds. He was baffled why it looked like they were in a hospital instead of a Revival Chamber.

"You are currently in our Luxury Recovery Instance, a place designed for recovering after going through a dungeon instance. You have slept for around 5 minutes after having been defeated." The Panda Nurse explained as she asked if he felt any particular pain on his body.

"Luxury Recovery Instance? Dungeon Instance? Weren't we fighting with that Jin in an isolated place?" Lein inquired.

"Apparently that isolated beach was just a dungeon instance," Rong answered as he had already asked the Panda Nurses the same questions. "I never expected a dungeon instance to feel so real."

"Mhmm! I can still remember the cooling sea breeze blowing at my face! There is no way that was a dungeon instance! Our Clan's top dungeon supplier had never managed to reach such realism with his instances at all and he has been hailed as one of the best in the country!" Lian had trouble believing it herself. After she was done with her own medical query, she was browsing her social media account.

"Actually, I heard that Shenzhen had a rising dungeon supplier that everyone was raving about. People were boasting about how real the entire dungeon instances were, and an increasing amount of people were posting it in their Mechat accounts. " Su Zhen was also looking through her social media platforms for more information about the dungeon supplier they were in.

"There were even rumours flying around that going through the dungeon would help one's cultivation. I also remember seeing a picture showing off how amazing the post dungeon experience was and it looked exactly like this room, albeit smaller." Su Zhen said as she browsed her MeChat looking for it.

"What's the name of this particular dungeon supplier store?" Lein queried as he grabbed some water from the side cabinet.

"Dungeon and Pandas. Given the fact that we are being served by Panda Nurses right now, I can only deduce that we are in that very same store." Su Zhen concluded.

"Wait, so does that also mean the portal that appeared in front of us was not Grandma Yuan's doing? I thought she was able to afford a portal scroll for that Jin to choose a location. You mean that portal brought us directly into a dungeon instance?" Rong asked out loud, and only Lian replied that she did not know. The others were busy looking at their phones.

Suddenly, there was a knock at the door, and Claire opened the door for Grandma Yuan to come in. Claire went after her, followed by Jin. Grandma Yuan took her time to look at the ward her trainees were housed in. In the meantime, the demon cultivators came out of their beds and stood in attention.

"How are they?" Jin asked the Panda Nurses, and they reported nothing unusual. He thanked them kindly and they went out of the room.

"Heh, so you treat them like real humans eh?" Grandma Yuan asked Jin upon seeing his attitude towards them.

"They should be respected as such." Jin's answer was short, sweet and to the point.

"Now, I can understand why those who have come to you most often wish to come again. The post dungeon experience is indeed a refreshing way to make them feel like they are appreciated for visiting your dungeon instances." Grandma Yuan pretty much confirmed the theories of her trainees and they could not believe it.

"Jin is a dungeon supplier?! I thought you said that Jin is just a Grade 8 cultivator that wished to be a Demon Exorcist Trainee?" Lein questioned and Claire cleared her throat to signal his imprudence.

"Would it have made any difference if you had known that he was a dungeon supplier? Does telling you that he owns a famous shop cause you to be wary of him? Each of you had ample time to find out more about him, but did anyone of you cared enough to research about him, until your defeat?" Grandma Yuan asked the entire group, and they simultaneously responded with a firm no.

"Good, at least none of you give me any excuses for your failure. As for your mistakes." Grandma Yuan walked towards Lian who was the nearest to her.

"Lian, why did you allow your anger to consume you when you saw that Rong was killed? I've warned you that the fights would only end in death and only the strongest can survive. You should have prepared for such a possibility. Knowing that he could and would be revived afterwards, why did you let it cloud your judgement?" Grandma Yuan shot her questions at Lian that it made her speechless.

"Lein, what was that shocked expression for, when you saw him casting a magic spell on you? Why didn't you react back in any way? Instead, you remain stunned to see that he was able to cast magic. Having a full grasp of the abilities of your enemy is a pipe dream! You have to trust in your own abilities and deal with the circumstances as they present themselves!"

"Su Zhen, you might have been the most composed of them all, but you still erred in your judgement. Knowing that an enemy is right in front of you, you performed first aid for your comrade, who wasn't even critically injured." Grandma Yuan's stare was so stern, Su Zhen could barely look away.

"While your compassion may be commendable, on the battlefield, it most often leads to the result you all just experienced. Still, the biggest mistake wasn't in helping him, but not covering your bases sufficiently. How blatantly confident were you to not put up any defences or traps to protect yourself when you aided your comrades?" Grandma Yuan wanted her to recognise her own flaws.

Su Zhen looked like she wanted to retort but Grandma Yuan's stare immediately shut her down once more.

"You never accounted for the possibility of him having an ability that allows him to get behind your back, did you? I keep reminding you to think about the worst case scenario. You believed you had sufficient distance and Lian was covering the both of you?" Grandma Yuan asked and the White Snake Demon Cultivator slowly nodded her head.

"Good judgement of the scenario... but too bad, Jin was not your average cultivator." Grandma Yuan concluded as she walked back towards Jin and Claire.

"...its cheating." Rong whispered.

"What did you say?" Grandma Yuan turned her head at Rong and dared him to repeat his words.

"It's cheating! This is his dungeon instance! He must have cheated- !" Rong exclaimed but the sudden slap Grandma Yuan sent to his face stopped his words.

"You lost. It's as simple as that. Did you forget your Clan's own lesson about losing graciously? 'To be thankful to have lived through the experience and strive to do better next time'? Just be glad that this was a Dungeon Instance instead of a real death!" Grandma Yuan became very strict, and Rong looked dissatisfied and sore by the match.

"If you want a rematch, I have no qualms about fighting you in any other dungeon supplier store. With your background, it shouldn't be hard to find one, which has a special licence allowing for cultivator matches." Jin offered confidently. Lian excused herself and walked towards Jin while looking him in the eyes.

"Can you swear that you haven't cheated and used only your own powers against us?" Lian asked, and Jin instantly swore to her that such had indeed been the case.

"I hate to admit it, but Grandma Yuan is right. Jin did not cheat when he fought." Lian sighed as she took out a miniature toy charm from her pocket. "You all should know that aside from my Nine Tailed Demon Fox cultivation, I've received the foundation training from my Royal Zodiac Dog Clan." She showed the entire group that the miniature toy charm which featured a husky dog, was looking brightly coloured and vibrant.

"A Legendary Grade Truth inscription charm!" Only Lein was able to discern it compared to the other trainees.

"Yes, my dad gave it to me as an insurance of sorts. He was worried that the enemy might have planned on using some underhanded method to cheat since it was a fight to the death." Lian said as she shook the miniature toy charm.

"I had also activated the truth inscription charm along with my Keen Smell of the Watchful Dog technique to check whether he was lying or if his vitals would increase. Everything was as per normal." Lian said, and Rong quietly suffered the humiliation he brought on himself.

"Sorry, Rong..." Lian whispered to herself quietly. She too would have preferred to believe that he was cheating, but the truth was that Jin was way stronger than them even though he was lower in grade.

"Now, as promised. Your oath to me when you enrolled included that you had to obey each and every deal I had made. All of you lost this particular match against Jin so, from today onwards, he will be your boss. You will work and get paid based on the salary I had drafted a few days back." Grandma Yuan announced, and Claire passed them each a sheet of paper that stated the contract.

"What? Only 10,000 Yuan(1450 USD) a month? That is even lesser than the allowance I receive?!" Lein exclaimed at the absurdity of the contract.

"Yes, only 10,000 Yuan a month. You will work until you repay your debt equivalent to a resurrection fee for your current grade. And don't even think about paying with your allowance or anything outside of your salary! Don't worry. To make it fair, I've taken into account your overall cost and split it evenly." Grandma Yuan seemed to oddly enjoy their shocked faces.

"That's going to take like forever! What the hell?! I'd rather undergo the Heavenly Five Element Tribulations than be stuck with him!" Rong complained only to realise he angered his instructor once again.

"Rong stop being so impatient and listen to the end! I won't hand you over to him without giving you a chance to prove yourself and regain your freedom earlier." Grandma stopped him from interrupting her.

"All of you will have the possibility to reduce the debt you incurred if you can complete the future tasks I'll create for you. For example, passing out as a Demon Exorcist will allow to reduce your debt by 1,000,000 Yuan." Grandma Yuan added, and everyone somehow perked up.

"Heh, talking about being a Demon Exorcist, if Jin is to be accepted, he will have to address us as his seniors." Lein notified the others via private transmission, and Grandma Yuan could visibly see their lips curling at the side.

"Also, before I forget. Jin is now a Demon Exorcist and assigned as team leader of your group." Grandma Yuan said, and their faces turned green and later red with anger.

"What! How can he just directly become a Demon Exorcist without proper training? Has he even fought with a demon before? We've been your disciples since our childhood, why are you showing such favouritism to this dungeon supplier?" Su Zhen who had been keeping it in all this while finally flared out her concerns.

"Oh, I fought many demons, slew them as well as monsters." Jin chimed in as he could not stand this bunch of kids. Not to mention, now Grandma Yuan wanted to place them under his care. "Do I seriously look that carefree to her?" Jin thought to himself and sighed.

"So if you want to prove yourselves, go fight them. Since you guys are Demon Cultivators, I might at least use you for testing the prototype of a dungeon I had been working on. You all should know that a dungeon and the monsters in them is based on the Dungeon Supplier's experience, right?" Jin questioned, though they did not even bother responding.

"Guess, I take that as a yes." Jin looked over, waiting for an answer from her as to whether or he could let them try the dungeon instance.

"By all means. You are the team leader now." Grandma Yuan's arrogant voice became even more haughty. Claire could not help but cover her face while visibly giggling at Grandma Yuan's reply.

"I will join in this dungeon instance too as a precaution to avoid you all getting bullied, okay?. After all, I was your former team leader." Claire volunteered, and the rest reluctantly agreed since Claire had decided to join in. "However, I will not do anything unless I see him intentionally overstepping his bounds."

"We understand. Then what if we manage to beat his dungeon instance?" Rong was still unhappy with the overall situation.

"I will slash the debt by 50,000 Yuan. (~7200USD)" Grandma Yuan said, and they were delighted to have at least something in return.

"However, if you fail. Half salary for the first month." Jin had already begun abusing his authority even though Grandma Yuan knew it was a prompt to push them even further.

"A Panda Nurse will come in, and she will teach you how to install the Pandamonium App. Afterwards, just follow the instructions from the app. I will see you guys later." Jin said as he left the ward alongside Grandma Yuan and Claire.

"So since when I did become a Demon Exorcist?! Also, could you please explain what is happening? I don't even know anything about this Demon Exorcist thing! And why did you push those kids to me? You retiring or what?!" Jin who had been calm and composed became frantic after the Panda Nurse had closed the ward's doors behind them.

"Hahahah! Well, I did promise you a little chat after all. Care to lead the way?" Grandma Yuan laughed, and her demeanour was a bit kinder than usual. There was a load of things she could finally take off her chest.

Chapter 464 Demon Exorcis

As the Demon Exorcist trainees were in good hands with the Panda Nurse, Jin had decided to bring Grandma Yuan and only her to the Dungeon Maker. The System had made an exception for the past Sub System User to enter into to a slightly less restricted area, the place where Jin had previously undergone his cultivation training.

But instead of the usually desolate room, the System had already furnished the interior with a table and two chairs as well as a jug of water for them. In addition, that room had temporal manipulation capabilities, and so it slowed the time enough for a proper conversation before the trial of the trainees would start.

Jin poured a glass of water for the elderly woman in front of him and subsequently took out the items that he believed were related to the Demon Exorcists.

The Panda Emblem and the Colt Pistol which had the Ruby Origin Fire bullets.

"So? What do you wish to know?" Grandma Yuan started their conversation as she cleared her thirst with the cup of a rather satisfying glass of spring water.

"Everything, but let's start with the elephant in the room. What is this whole Demon Exorcist deal? Why did you say that I am already a Demon Exorcist?" Jin asked and Grandma Yuan smirked at him ever so slightly.

"You did fight a demon, right? And won against it too." Grandma Yuan questioned him, instead of answering as she took out a rather old looking book and placed it on the table as well.

"That manual!?" Jin exclaimed, seeing the same exact manual from the time he was fighting against the White Tiger of the West. "How did you know that I killed it, and what is that manual? I've already seen one like it!"

"Because a certain fox reported it to me after he met with that stifling old buffoon. Whether they liked it or not, both of them owed me a huge favour." Grandma Yuan spoke with simple hints, and Jin realised that it was not his grandfather's scheme to make him into a Demon Exorcist but rather Grandma Yuan's.

"This manual is a sort of textbook relic and is mandatory to read for all Demon Exorcist Trainees. Of course, many full fledged Demon Exorcists also use it as a reminder of how to deal with certain Demons." The one in front of Jin was more explicit, more accurate and even had updated text and pictures as compared to the tattered and old manual he had looked through previously.

"So you know that Ming spiritual consciousness is somehow within me?"

"He had planned it this way ever since he contracted his illness. Haven't you wondered why your chi generation started to become so abnormal when it wasn't like this at the start?" Grandma Yuan gave him another hint and it hadn't struck him at all until now.

The System was not the only gift he inherited from Ming, he had devoted himself wholly to improve Jin. "Now, most people would not be able to stay sane, having two spiritual forms occupy one particular body. You, however, have had the System by your side, increasing your capacity and tolerance to housing another entity."

"Then why does the System pretend to feign ignorance?" Jin asked his question loudly.

"Because the guidance has been an overall boon to current User despite the actions previous User Ming had committed. System preferred not to interfere unless it had unwanted implications against User or the System." The System answered.

Grandma Yuan just nodded as she knew that the System would use whoever and whatever to maintain its overall advantage in the field. It did not discriminate like how humans would against each other, but rather valued the abilities and capabilities of others to further its own cause.

After another sip of water, Grandma Yuan continued: "That Panda Emblem had been awarded to Ming for his services as a monster slayer by the Joint Organisation of the Demon Exorcists (JODE). Right now it's purely ornamental, but after I cast this particular spell, it will be your emblem to signify that you have been officially decreed as a Demon Exorcist."

"Even the blossoming flowers will eventually scatter. Who in our world is ever unchanging? In the deep mountains of karma, the demons will be exterminated." Grandma Yuan chanted the scroll right in front of her and the Panda Emblem in front of Jin shone brightly.

"Congratulations, you are now an official Demon Exorcist, if only one of the lowest ranks. In turn, all you need to do is answer JODE's calls whenever it is needed."

"While I know it is a bit too late but ...why did you want me to be a Demon Exorcist? You should know that I can't really move out from the shop as much as I want to." Jin said, and Grandma Yuan shook her head.

"Ming's last request to me had been to take care of you. I am doing it my way. To let you become a Demon Exorcist is my only way of showing my care and concern." Grandma Yuan returned the now expended scroll into her storage ring.

"Suddenly, I feel the heavens had fallen." Jin couldn't help himself but remark with a tinge of sarcasm at his ever increasing responsibilities. Her walking stick immediately swept under the table and cause his chair to fall sideways, taking Jin with it as well.

"You imprudent ingrate. Is this how Ming taught you how to thank others? Perhaps I should have let Ming be the one to wash your butt and clear your shit when you were younger instead so that I could have been to one to teach you." Grandma Yuan openly revealed that she had been his caretaker as well when his parents passed away.

"I did not know that..." Jin was probably too young to remember but he did remember a motherly figure that entered his life somehow or another. He stood up and apologized properly to her, but she shook the issue off with a wave of her hand.

"In any case, as a Demon Exorcist, especially under me, you will have access to details not privy to the public. Such as unique monsters' whereabouts or humans possessed by demons. While it is our responsibility to get rid of those monsters, what happens with them afterwards is generally of no concern to the organisation." Grandma Yuan said, and Jin realised what she was getting at.

"Not only that, because of my status, I am able to establish a branch of the Demon Exorcist Guild under your store provided that you get a license as Demon Exorcist. That way, all of that information will be for you to partake." Grandma Yuan revealed her grand scheme of plans to him.

While in theory, he had to answer the JODE's call to also investigate any possible clues at their behest, Grandma Yuan's exertion of influence would enable Jin to be excused from all those minor tasks. Instead, she would promote him to the administrative side of JODE.

"So you want me to be some sort of a guild manager responsible for managing the Demon Exorcists?" Jin was surprised that Grandma Yuan had been planning this for a long time.

"Yes, currently they all come to me for the quests, and I am already too old for this bullcrap. Besides, with your growing reputation, the Demon Exorcists will also be able to come here and train as well with a price tag slapped on it." Grandma Yuan answered with a wide smile on her face.

"Oh...so those four Demon Exorcist trainees...are like promotional materials for other Demon Exorcists to see my capabilities?" Jin realised why he was appointed to be their team leader.

"Something like that. Plus, I believe they will be growing better and stronger with the kind of monsters you provide for them to spar. Also, being a Demon Exorcist branch has its perks too, but I will let Claire fill you in about that." Grandma Yuan replied.

"That does not mean you can slack all the time. I still need you to occasionally hunt some demons or else the Main Extermination Guild would start to question your worthiness. You don't need me to convince you to them, you have a System to do that for me."

"Why do I feel that you are going to make me do some impossible task," Jin asked bluntly, and she laughed at his honesty.

"Because that will be the fastest way to rise up the ranks in the guild. Besides, Demon Exorcists do not just fight demons. We also get called up to go against monsters, although our priority remains to slaughter the former."

"But I do not have the knowledge or equipment to do so. I did not even know about their existence until Ming let me suffer at the hands of one." Jin questioned while it made Grandma Yuan furrow her eyebrows.

"System, please explain." Grandma Yuan can't be bothered to do a basic 101 for Jin.

"Demon Exorcists are a subgroup of Monster Slayer Class which specialise in removing demons from the world. The demons User had already encountered such as Lord Moloch and Lord Wolte are in the same

category as the demons you would be encountering." The System spoke and told Jin about the existence of the dimensional planes which Yun had explained to Gold. Both on Gods and Demons.

However, Grandma Yuan expanded the fact that all lore that Jin had heard and read about was true. For example, the World Snake in the Norse mythology or even the Gods in the Roman Mythologies. They all once did live on this planet before vanishing or going into hiding.

"So basically...just do what I had been doing? But this 'branch' that you were going to make me create... wouldn't I need to have at least the basic equipment or knowledge I can pass forth." Jin wondered as he was beginning to think about how to facilitate the other Demon Exorcists.

"You and Ming are all the same. Lack of patience! Since you are now a Demon Exorcist, Claire will provide you with the things to get you started. The Main Branch will be sending in a shipment for your System to preview. But rest assured that your current cultivation allows you to fend off demons." Grandma Yuan said as she paused a little.

"Ming sought my help to develop the current cultivation that you're wielding so your chi had already become potent enough to hurt a demon. And judging by your fight just now, you have somehow already mastered Fire, Wind, and Ice so you should not have that much of a problem. Although I expect you learn and master the Lightning and Earth Energy too." Grandma Yuan said to Jin.

"Do not worry, I will ask Zeru for that. I realised how weak I was when fighting against your trainees during the 30 second trial and will not forget that experience anytime soon." Jin said while thinking about the horrors he had to face as a consequence of losing.

"Good. And remember to continue on your cultivation with Ming. You have yet to beat all of the remaining Heavenly Beast Demons." Grandma Yuan reminder him as she stood up.

"Do I have to fight empty handed as last time?" Jin asked as he could not fathom himself fighting against Suzaku on a one to one battle. He would definitely lose for sure.

"Maybe?" Grandma Yuan grinned as she asked the System to teleport her back to the Luxury Recovery Instance.

"So ...Let's have a little chat, System. What are the prospects and possible revenue we can get being a branch of the Demon Exorcist? Should we accept it? You should know them more than me." Jin folded his arms and rest his eyes a little as he lay back on his chair.

"The Joint Organisation of Demon Exorcists had been founded decades after the System's inception. Previously, the System would have disagreed partnering with them. However, considering the new sense of perspective gained from the interaction with current User during the past months, the System believes joining them will prove to have its benefits, especially in the monetary aspect." The System stated its desire to be a part of the Demon Exorcist branch.

"It should be noted that for secrecy's sake, it would be best to create a service instance exclusively for the Demon Exorcists group, for they have sensitive information to be passed around all the time. They might not operate like spies, but maintaining secrecy is still considered a priority." The System added.

"How come? They are just monsters and demons that need to be defeated."

"Ill willed cultivators might use the opportunity to get a head start on them and contract with the demons. Hence resulting in what past Sub System User Yuan had called demon possessed humans."

"Aren't the Demon Exorcist trainees the same? Like Rong, Lian and others?"

"Negative. Their cultivation stems from manuals, although possessing said demons would enable them to have a spiritual union with them, increasing their cultivation and strength by at least two fold." The System stated that the conditions for spiritual union could be easily met if they contracted the demons.

"However, if the demon's powers through spiritual union aren't controlled well, the trainees might end up becoming possessed by the demons instead." System cautioned Jin to take note in the future should he have a hand in handling the trainees.

"Considering their grade, I do wonder why Grandma Yuan still doesn't allow them to be full fledged Demon Exorcists..." Jin stood up and went to the main hall of the dungeon maker while preparing the trial for them.

"Because they have yet to officially defeat a real Demon. Only after a trainee has defeated a demon under the eyes of a Demon Exorcist instructor, will they be considered for promotion."

"Oh, is that why Grandma Yuan had given me this official title? But she did not see me kill that thing in my subconsciousness."

"The System is unable to pry into your subconsciousness and can only deduce it was a hard fought battle considering the amount of sludge User has produced previously. It can only be presumed that she has taken Original Bellator's Kraft message from previous User Ming at face value."

"Wait... if all they need to do is to kill a demon, why don't we provide them with a real demon to kill? You did show me in the updates that there were sightings of the demons in the Farming World, which I was supposed to get the materials from right? Why don't we point them into that direction? Worst case scenario, they will serve as a distraction for the Farm Rats." Jin suggested as he opened up the Dungeon Maker console to find that particular update.

"Affirmative, tracks of Transforming Spider have been accidentally picked up by the Ifrit's Descendant, Flame Ripper on the way back to meet with Werecat Meomi. She has verified and confirmed the existence of the tracks." The System stated and gave the probable location coordinates of the area.

"Then how about ...we field them for the test? Like how we placed the cultivators in the Goblin World?" Jin asked if the System could narrow down the probable regions where the Transforming Spider was.

"A search and kill mission should serve as a more feasible test for the trainees. Does User wish to inform past Sub System User Yuan about it?" The System asked as it could send a transmission to the Panda Nurse to inform Grandma Yuan.

"I will tell her after I throw them into the fray," Jin said with a smile on his face, as he made the necessary preparations for his unwilling subordinates.

Chapter 465 Demon Exorcist Promotion Examination

"Why is that fake exorcist taking so much time?" Rong complained as they were asked to stay in the room by the Nurse Panda even though they cleared the trainees for discharge.

"Maybe he frantically tries to make a new dungeon to overpower us." Lein proposed with some bitterness in him for failing to defeat Jin. Could he have had fared better in a one to one fight? Honestly, he would not have a clue. Unlike Jin, who had some details on his technique, Lein had no idea what to expect against that peculiar dungeon supplier.

"Patience." Grandma Yuan, who was sitting at the side looking out the window said the word with a heavy emphasis in her voice, and they immediately kept quiet. (Surprisingly, Jin had taken the effort to create a rather beautiful, tranquil seascape right outside the window. The cool ocean breeze made Grandma Yuan appreciate the beauty of what the System could do, and she savoured a bit of it.) At that moment, Jin happened to open the ward door and two luggage suits with him.

"Change of plans, your dungeon trial will consist of searching for a demon rather than fighting mere monsters. I had tweaked the settings a little after some discussion with Grandma Yuan." He shifted the luggage at the centre of the ward.

"Find it and kill it without prejudice. I will be one of the observers in case things go haywire since I did say it was an untested version. Also, I heard a great deal about you guys from Grandma Yuan a few minutes ago. So treat it this seriously like a mock trial for your promotion examination." Jin ordered as he opened the two luggage suits in front of them. Inside were laid with various Panda shaped cylinders, containing an assortment of potions. From strength enhancing to health recovery. Jin told them to choose and take three each for the upcoming trial.

"No thank you, we have our own potions which are definitely superior to yours, especially since they were made by the Royal Alchemists in our clan." Lein refused the potions. Jin shook his head and told the trainees they could either take them or leave them alone. Both Rong and Lein had decided against it whereas Lian and Su Zhen took not only theirs but the boys' portion as well. They probably figured Jin had his reasons to gift them those items.

"Alright, I will be doing the briefing. You will be entering near a forested area where multiple caves were seen in the vicinity. Your objective is to find this particular demon called the Transforming Spider." Jin had taken longer than usual because he was preparing the short summary for them via a PowerPoint presentation. That was the excuse he gave, but he was performing other matters behind the scenes to make sure the cultivators can return back to Dungeons and Pandas. (Not to mention to check on the status with Yun on the shop's operation.)

"While its figure is shown here, do note that the name Transforming Spider means that it could transform into anything to hide itself from its predators as well as its prey. However, there is one distinct feature of the Transforming Spider." Jin showed the picture of the transforming Spider and gave explicit details as shown by the System.

"Its gem eyes. They should glitter slightly during the brief intervals after it has transformed, but some reports have also stated it might be hard for novices to find them. So, the other thing you could check is the irregularity of the current environment. Something like Finding Waldo." Jin continued, but in his

heart, he wondered if this current Transforming Spider would turn out similar to Keyrin who had evolved into a more superior species. If that turned out to be the case, it could prove a tough fight for the trainees.

"So the most important thing is to stay together as a team and-" Jin was suddenly interrupted by the proud Ox Demon Cultivator.

"Not to worry! We have Lian and Su Zhen with us. They have superior searching abilities which will be able to hunt it down. That is if your dungeon is really able to simulate such minute differences." Rong belittled Jin's dungeon making skills, but he smirked back at the Ox Demon cultivator.

"Oh trust me, it will feel as if you had entered a whole new world," Jin reassured them (though to them it felt more like he boasted) and concluded the presentation. "There is no particular time limit from my side, but it's best to find it as soon as possible. Else you might stumble upon some... problems." Jin left it vague as he opened the portal right in front of them. Su Zhen went in first followed by the rest and lastly Claire. In the meantime, he closed the portal and revealed his true objective to Grandma Yuan.

"Heh! Sneaky bastard. Fine. I will promote them if they manage to kill that monster. But you sure you do not need to kill it by yourself?" Grandma Yuan was satisfied by the twist since she had been wanting to promote them but hadn't found any monsters that could match their current abilities. "Also are you sure this monster is a menace against four of them combined?"

"More than a menace. I had checked the status of the last seen Transforming Spider and apparently the knights in the area along with their mages (the Scholar of the North in Jin's context) could only push it back to the wild. According to Peppers, the last documented case of one being killed was centuries ago. And as for your previous question...as long as I get to hit it once, it will be mine. So, no worries about that."

"Too convenient. The System makes it too convenient for you." Grandma Yuan shook her head, and he brought her back to the dungeon maker.

"However, there is one more thing I need to tell you. That is not exactly an instance. It's another world entirely." Jin said as he fiddled the controls a bit, so Grandma Yuan was able to see what was happening from the view. He had already deployed a few robot crawlers which Niu Lang had tinkered with to enhance its durability previously.

The System then imbued those robot crawlers with the "Magic Eyes" capabilities to monitor the surroundings since it does not have the satellite capability that it had in the Goblin World.

But Niu Lang did not just increase its durability, he also converted and equipped those robot crawlers with four helicopter propellers and rotor engine that allowed the crawlers to obtain flight capabilities. Meanwhile, the System added the anti sound inscriptions on them and move the robot copters around to view the situation for Grandma Yuan to watch.

"A world made up from the System?" Grandma Yuan was not following him a single bit.

"No, as in... another world from our world. A separate world." Jin tried to make it clear that it was not the System's doing.

"So... you mean they are searching and fighting actual demons?" Grandma Yuan furrowed her eyebrows greatly and seemed both a little disappointed and surprised at the same time. Jin could not differentiate her expression out well enough.

"That is why I had decided to be with them, in case that the Transforming Spider was more dangerous as expected," Jin remembered how Gold mentioned to him about the Thunder Goat Demon, but instead he fought a stronger variant of it.

In the meantime, the demon exorcist trainees were indeed teleported to the forested area which Jin had shown them. It was also getting dark with a slight emergence of a fog in the area when they teleported into the area. Su Zhen then took out two potions from her storage ring and shafted it to the guys.

"Drink it. you will need it to survive." Su Zhen said as she opened hers out and began to drink half of it. Lein then realised that the potion that was given to them was allowed the cultivators to gain a temporary effect of the 'Cat's Eyes'. It grants a low level dark vision for a set duration of time and that was what they need if they were to search for the Transforming Spider in the dark.

"This is from that fake exorcist?" Rong could not believe he had to drink one of his items to survive.

"If you wish to see in the dark. While your praise for us to be able to sniff a spider is heartwarming, this odd looking fog and the weird stench of this forest is preventing me from searching on any clues. As usual, it felt too real for comfort." Lian told Rong as she forced the potion open in front of him and demanded him to drink.

"Where do we even start? I have no idea what to do. There is no information about this Transforming Spider Demon other than the ones Jin had provided." Lian looked around with a bit of anxiety. "We were not taught of such a demon too."

"A lot of demons that our parents encountered were unknown too. We just have to find the basic steps to find the Transforming Spider." Lein said as he started to look around for any possible clues after drinking the Cat's Eyes potion. Any signs of cobweb, large indentations on the ground, dead animal remains and anything that looked out of the norm.

Separately, Claire was observing their movements while searching for the Transforming Spider herself too. She was occupied only until Jin came out of the portal right beside her.

"Grandma Yuan told me to pass you this," Jin said, and Claire knew what that was from a quick glance. They were the very same kind of emblems which Jin had been bestowed with. The only difference was that the emblem pins were synonymous to trainees' clans that they were in.

"She wants to put them up for the examination?" Claire looked Jin and he nodded his head but continued to keep her out of the loop despite the fact that she knew he had a system with him.

Jin instead lied to her that the transforming Spider that he encountered was one of the few most difficult demons he ever encountered. Even he did not know the full set of skills and managed to capture it live with the use of the System. (It will eventually be true if he did capture it alive.) Claire believed him in an instant since she knew how unusual Jin had become with the use of the System.

She remembered the days when she first scouted for Grandma Yuan, and this shop was barely out of its infant stage. Right now, it was bustling with cultivators from all walks of life.

"I understand, I will initiate the examination for them right this instant. In return, you have to be the only observer since I am not allowed to interfere." Claire replied, and Jin acknowledged that he knew his responsibilities as Grandma Yuan had told him the same too.

"But do I have the ability to interfere if they are in trouble? Or will there be marks deducted if I entered the battle?" Jin asked.

"You can interfere if you find that they needed help sorely or the demon happened to be way above their grades. There are indeed consequences to aiding them at their desperate time of need, especially when the demons might have an alternate form which could have caught them off guard. But erm...let's just say the marking scheme is too complicated." Claire said as she shook her head when she kept the emblem pins in her storage ring.

"If you help them with a ranged attack, only some points will be deducted. But if you personally made your presence known by entering into the fray, major points will be deducted. And that is just a start, the marking criteria will get even stricter with every kind of action the observer had performed to aid the examinees." Claire took an electronic tablet out and passed it to Jin to preview for a while.

"So...I guess its best not to interfere as much as possible." Jin saw how ridiculous the marking criteria was. From searching for a monster to killing the monster, and there were even points for environment preservation. (He believed there were some exorcists who more than just killing the demons with their flashy skills which caused the examination committee to create such marking criteria up.) At the same time, Jin realised Claire gone all quiet, and he noticed that she was already marking the students based on their performance till now.

"I shouldn't interrupt her, she looked too focused...System, any sight of that Transforming Spider?" Jin tried to perform his own way of search magic by extending his Maqi out to see if there any interference or disturbance around.

However, the moment Jin spread his Maqi out, it seemed as if the whole forest reacted to it and he quickly retracted it. His face turned into a horrid expression upon receiving the feedback from the surroundings, but Claire looked as if everything was as per normal.

"The System had analysed the vicinity when User released his Maqi. System believed that-"

"That the entire forest is part of the Transforming Spider..." Jin swallowed his saliva and realised he had placed the trainees and Claire in a very precarious situation.

Chapter 466 Transforming Spider - Part 1

After a more in-depth analysis, the System had determined that the entire forest was no doubt the body of the Transforming Spider. Jin could not bear himself to spread the news out to the rest of the group here.

"Should the Demon Exorcist Trainees wandered too long in the forest, it would eventually be eaten by the Spider." The System commented.

"You mean the spider will appear to consume them?"

"No. If the predictive analysis is true, the appearance of the forest will consume them when they are caught off guard." The System stated and warned Jin not to mess around with this particular Transforming Spider.

"So... any damage done to the forest is equivalent to hitting the spider?" Jin asked as he changed his Bam and Boo now into combat gloves. They looked like a gauntlet made out of many small bamboo poles sewn into it. Hence it does not restrict the movement of the user at all. Unlike the usual combat gloves that Meomi or even Xue Ping, the Prancing Puma Cultivator had used, Jin was able to modulate his Maqi even smoother with Boo while Bam had the ability to amplify it creates damage to a certain extent.

"Not necessary. Based on the Magic Eye drones, the System observed that some of the forests consisted of normal trees and bushes. Should User wish to inflict damage, it had to be wide scale."

"Then I guess it's unfair for the cultivators to search for something hiding in plain sight," Jin said as he generated his Maqi and stored them within Bam and Boo for the moment. Claire noticed that Jin was being all anxious when she was documenting specific behaviours of the trainees. So, she decided to stop and calm him down.

"Jin, you do not to be too concern of them, they should be able to take care of themse-" Claire noticed his chi was awfully dense that it nearly got to her.

"Jin? What's wrong?" Claire knew that the dungeon supplier would not do something as stupid as to kill the trainees but she felt something was off about him.

"I am sorry but for the 'search' part. I will be interfering for them. Send them a chi transmission to take cover." Jin said as his hands felt awfully heavy with the accumulation of Maqi.

"Jin, why are you doing this? Doing so will significantly deduct marks from them. And you were the one who proposed this." The dungeon supplier did not say anything else, and Claire sighed as if she found his actions improbable. Was he so insistent of messing the examinees that much?

"No, it's my mistake. I did not regulate the search part properly for this dungeon. I only found it out when I saw the forest. They would not be able to find it without my help." Jin apologised sincerely by giving a bow.

"Guys, your new team leader demands all of you to take cover as quickly as possible. He would be helping you to get the demon out for you to slay." Claire shook her head as she announced it to all of them.

The exorcist trainees were confused as to what was happening and listened to their ex leader's instructions for the moment. Rong activated his cultivation, and a silhouette of a massive, hairy ox demon covered the entire group within its embrace. Meanwhile, the Astral Panda Cultivator raised his hands up and shot a blast full of Black Panda Fire energy towards the sky.

Both the exorcist trainees and Claire saw the immensely powerful chi rising up to the sky. The beam of Black Panda Fire energy seems like it hit a pinnacle in the sky. Moreover, the beam energy scattered, fanned, and spread the Black Panda Fire like a geyser emerging the ground throughout the entire forest.

"Is he copying the western magic, Fire Storm?" Claire raised her defence with a spherical chi barrier as well and witness how the projectiles of fire rained down the entire forest.

"Is he going to burn us alive?! Or just showing off? Course...if it's both!" Before Lian could finish her words, she screeched at the incoming fiery projectile that slammed onto the body of the Ox Demon Silhouette. But like an umbrella shoving the raindrops off the waterproof cloth, the shield silhouette protected the trainees from the onslaught on projectiles.

"Everybody still okay?" Rong said as they could see he was trying his best to defend the entire group from the indiscriminate showers of black fire.

"You will soon understand why," Jin shouted at Claire in reply to her outstanding question. True enough, the forest itself seemed to give a horrifying scream that echoed throughout the entire area. The whole group could not believe it when the ground shook and broke down as what it seems like a big hairy pillar rose from beneath them.

Their eyes were nearly blinded by the sheer size of the pillar only to be triumphed by an insectoid body emerging out from the centre of the forest. "This is no pillar! It's a freaking spider leg!" Lein shouted as he commanded Rong to pull back along with the Ox Demon Silhouette shield. The trainees then finally saw the full picture. With legs taller than a high rise building, a spherical body was the only thing that connected all the pillar looking legs.

It then finally revealed its gem like eyes not from the front or from the back but from the bottom of its spherical body. The legs then produced a fog mixed with some magic which extinguished the Black Panda Fire that was spread all around the forest.

"Unlike previously when I captured it, I believe the spider has gotten smarter and decided to pose a challenge to our trainees by imitating itself as part of the entire forest." Jin tried to keep up with the lie for Claire and told her to make it an exception so as to not penalise the trainees unnecessarily.

"I see, as the circumstances, this 'kill' part could take a lot of effort too. Very well, I will write an excuse report for the 'search' portion." Claire said as she told the students that this was the Transforming Spider Jin was talking about.

"Fuck me. This is way above our level!!!" Rong exclaimed before Su Zhen emphasised to the Ox Demon Cultivator that Jin managed to catch it, so it should be doable for them. (He did not!)

"Damn, does that mean that Grade 8 is really way stronger than all of us combined? I do not believe it! Guys, let's show him that we can bring this down. Size is just a matter of perspective!" Lein said as he ran towards the pillar leg to show an example for the team.

"Ahhh fuck, fuck, fuck!!!" Rong retracted his Ox Demon Silhouette shield and began swinging his hammer as hard as he can. "Intermediate Hammer Arts! Rocket Hammer of Ao Ye!" Rong continuously placed his chi into his stick while swinging it horizontally. He was spinning his hammer round and round until he had sufficient momentum and subsequently used that technique to propel himself towards the upper portion to the pillar leg with his hammer ejecting an intense amount of steam to create airlift.

"Intermediate Hammer Arts Combo! Rocket Hammer Slam!" Rong's injected even more chi into his bull horned Hammer as he now changed the trajectory of where his hammer was facing before it ejected a

ton of steam to create a forceful collision. Not only that, because of his consecutive use of a particular Hammer Arts' technique, it allowed Rong to execute an Arts Combo which had an accumulative effect of the techniques to be even more deadly.

Arts Combo was different from the combination of techniques that cultivators used together as a team, mainly because it was a series of moves that create a grand move finisher. (That was how video games adapted from the cultivations.) The Arts Combo from a set of techniques allowed the cultivator to amplify their chi that was used and thus increasing the damage output.

The only thing was that not many cultivation styles had Arts combo in their repertoire because it is straining for the cultivators that used them too. Unless one is skilled enough to fire off three to five cultivation moves in one go, most cultivators would also stray from Arts Combo and instead learn the techniques as individual attacks.

Rong's attack connected and smashed a part of the pillar leg which made the pillar leg of the Transforming Spider to tremble ever so slightly. However, the hairs on the spider's leg retaliated by extending itself like spikes to hit Rong.

Thankfully, Lein managed to catch up and destroyed the hair spikes with a single Thunderclap technique before grabbing Rong from mid air and pulling him down to earth.

"Appreciate that, Bud," Rong said as he took a breather from the attack as his heart pounded madly when he saw the spikes coming out.

"Be careful, this is not like those small fry demons that Grandma Yuan kept to train us." Lein, who was a Grade 10 cultivator by training diligently and gained his cultivation through several bouts of enlightenment, did not know how to proceed when they saw the hair spikes retracting back into its leg.

"At the very least, the dent is still there. This demon is killable." Rong said while he lifted his hammer again and insert more chi.

"Can you guys stop dashing to every problem that we see?" Su Zhen shouted at them as she and Lian finally caught up with them. "If brute force can solve everything, we would not be in this predicament in the first place.

"What should we do then?" Lein had decided to pass the responsibility in coordinating the team to Su Zhen.

"Remember how Jin told us about its gem eyes? He said hit it to find its true nature." Lian said, but the two male trainees were not getting it.

"Sigh, Su Zhen and I believed that the transforming spider had transformed into this gigantic large ...spider to scare us. Something like a defensive mechanism against other predators. If we hit the eyes, we might be on to something." Lian explained to the group.

"However, this is just a conjecture. The transforming spider might be this big in the first place. We do not know and do not have enough information to get by in order to make a proper judgement." Su Zhen remarked as the pillar leg still stood tall and steady, not making a single move at the trainees at all.

"I see, but how do we get up there? It is literally more than what my Rocket Hammer can offer." Rong said as he held his Bull horned hammer tightly.

"I can aid with that, but it might do some damage to you since it is not a refined technique." Lein offered a solution by utilising one of his Lightning Dash movement skill to complement the Rocket Hammer technique. "After which, Su Zhen can use her substitution technique to replace me and Rong with her and Lian. Our little fox would then use Su Zhen as a platform to jump and attack the gem eyes."

"Why me? Su Zhen could have done it all by herself." Lian said as she was slightly scared of heights.

"Because you have the highest probability to attack the gem eyes if it decides to protect itself. You saw how your True Strike did wonders against Jin." Lein tried to encourage her.

"Yeah, then in the second match, he totally could not block that," Lian said with a tinge of regret in her for not putting her best against Jin.

"Highly likely a fluke," Rong interjected to make Lian not think about the past. "You guys remember how much she owned Lein in a one to one fight. If not for his imperfect lightning dash attack in that last round before we fought with Jin, Lian could have won that fight." Lian stopped him before he said more and told him to focus on the issue.

"I agree with the plan, shall we execute it?" Su Zhen said, and the rest acknowledged it, all going to the centre of the spider before the Transforming Spider did anything out of the ordinary.

However, the nearer they traversed towards the bottom of the spherical body, the fog somehow became thicker, and the stench was worse. It was to the point that the trainees felt they were being slowed down, pushed down by the fog.

"Why can't I move?" Lein tried his best to walk further in, but his body was not listening to him. He tried to look back but found it extremely difficult to do so. The rest of the other trainees felt the same way as well, and they soon found out their whole body was stuck within the thick fogs. Lian, on the other hand, tried to expend her chi to get her Three Tails out. (Every two grades of cultivation allowed her to get one to simulate a tail out.)

But instead of being able to move, Lian felt even more restricted and to the point of suffocation. But that also allowed them to reveal the true nature of the fog because of the chi being consumed within the area.

It was essentially a massive collection of cobwebs that had transformed into a fog. "What the hell is this....!" Lian tried to speak, but she could feel the gossamers tightening its grasp on her.

Su Zhen, the White Demon Snake Cultivator used her chi to release the snake that was in inhibiting in her whip so that it could chew or at least assist Lian to break out from the 'living' cobwebs. But, similar to Lian, the moment Su Zhen used her chi, the living cobwebs aimed for her as well and the snake whip was also immobilised by it too.

"Now I understand what was with the odd stench...and why this spider did not bother moving despite our *breathes* attempt to attack its legs," Lein said, and it looked like a desperate situation for the trainees as a whole.

"Can I assist them now?" Jin crouched upon a branch and saw the entire group being devoured by the fog of living cobwebs.

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"What plans do you have in store for that boy," Grandma asked the System as she saw how Jin went into the fray and burned the magical fog away. He interfered with the impromptu examination with the permission of Claire and protected the rest of the trainees with his Green Panda Wind while his Black Panda Fire burnt the living fog of cobwebs.

"Nothing in particular. System is just maintaining what User had been doing. If past Sub System Yuan wished to enter back into the System, the System would not hesitate to grant back both enhanced mortality and powers to Yuan." The Almighty System offered Grandma Yuan seeing how she had contributed back to the System by offering Jin to be Shenzhen's branch of the Joint Organisation of Demon Exorcists (JODE).

"I am not doing this for you, but for that little fellow." Grandma Yuan retorted when she saw from the Magic Eye camera that the trainees proceeded with the plan they had come up with.

"As for how the System sees it, your contribution to User would be tremendous if you return back to the System. You can further your cause in helping User, especially in terms of the JODE branch which you had been suggesting." System added while it appended more information about the exorcist trainees when they performed their tricks and stunts.

Rong had propelled himself up along with the help of Lein's Lightning Dash movement skill. With the snake whip in Lein's possession, both Su Zhen and Lian had switched places with the boys when they reached the maximum height their ability could bring them with the substitution technique.

"Hmph, don't bluff. You have been aware of the JODE when I used my Sub System back then. There's no difference between then and now. You can help Jin up with the knowledge you acquired previously before you disappeared from action." Grandma Yuan tried to ignore the System when she continued to observe how Su Zhen pushed Lian even further up with the help of a Whip Arts, Raising Snake Strike. The art's technique allowed Su Zhen to create a visible chi snake silhouette that Lian could hold onto while it extended itself up to the top.

Lian proceeded to use the snake silhouette as a platform to bounce off and reach for the gem eyes that was below the spherical body of the Transforming Spider. She infused herself with chi again to keep the form of the Three Tail Fox Demon and extended her claws towards it.

The Transforming Spider quickly tried to cover its eyes by releasing a wide oval shaped carapace within its body to keep the gem eyes safe from any damage. However, the spider did not know that Lian's attack was able to penetrate the first layer of defence and damaged one of the few eyes on it. The gem eye along with some gooey liquid dropped through the pierced carapace and Lian managed to catch it in time.

In retaliation, a horrifying tune was emitted out of the spherical body and the carapace that was protecting the eyes immediately ejected out, slamming straight at Lian's face. That sudden attack rendered her to be stunned momentarily. "Oho, looks like this is not an easy fight at all." Grandma Yuan saw that when the carapace hit Lian, the three other cultivators who landed safely on land had scrambled to save her.

Another raising snake strike from Su Zhen was used to assist Lein along with his burst of Lightning Dash allowed him to grab the slightly stunned Lian in time before she dropped to the ground like a dead fly.

"Question. There is a particular matter that the System had been unable to address and deduced that past Sub System User Yuan might have more information considering your relationship with the Royal Zodiac Clans. System would like to ask if Yuan knows of this person, called Ryuli." The System suddenly spoke out of place, and Grandma Yuan's sudden fazed reaction made the System believe she knew something about it.

"...How did you know about that?" Grandma Yuan's eyes turned deadly, and her chi was burning brightly in the middle of the Dungeon Maker.

"Jin said he dreamt of this person in the Isolation Ward. System attempted to make some inquiries, and it had no luck as of yet." System answered, and Grandma Yuan's wrath did not simmer with the explanation.

"Jin...knows about Ryuli?" Grandma Yuan thought to herself before she gripped her walking stick tight. "I assumed you attempted to hack the national database to find its information."

"Affirmative. Should past Sub System User refuse to give any clues, the System would still obtain it sooner or later." The System said as it magically issued a file for Yuan to peruse. She sat down and saw that the System had managed to have obtained partial access to the things that should be hidden.

"Heh. I told them already, it's useless to place it there. Pen and paper would still be a better form of security. They would not believe me." Grandma Yuan said with a distressed look on her. Suddenly there was a high pitch screech that made her look at the cameras to see that the form of the Transforming Spider had disintegrated. In replacement, a humanoid emerged out of from the spherical body. It looked like the theory of her trainees were right.

"So it is really not a monster but a demon....still what kind of demon is that...?" Grandma Yuan stopped reading the compiled file that the System gave her and saw a humanoid with spider legs behind its back and its face was filled with gem eyes.

There seemed to be a slight disfigurement on her face, and it could probably be Lian's attack that caused it as it appeared, she was missing one gem eye out of the six that she had.

"Is past Sub System User willing to share information to notify the System?" The System interrupted Yuan's viewing, and she groaned at the System's discovery.

"I will not say anything until the time is right. Deduce as you will," Grandma Yuan replied, but the Dungeon Maker abruptly turned all pitch dark and later blaring with red lights.

"If you wish to treat me as an intruder, then kill me. Know that this will not further your cause in doing so or provide you anything in return. It was never my aim to help you, but only Jin." Grandma Yuan

stated clearly that she only saw the System as a tool and nothing else. The red lights went blaring for a very long moment before the Dungeon Maker returned back to normal.

"Then, all the more past Sub System User Yuan is not allowed to die." The System changed its tone as it placed the very same envelope which made Jin a User in front of Yuan.

"By accepting this, you can read my mind, correct?" Yuan refused the envelope, but the System had another trick on its sleeves. It presented Grandma Yuan a ring to right in front of her, and it was encased within a box of thick glass.

"Wear the ring. It would teleport you to the System should anything goes wary. The only compromise System can offer before allowing you to leave the Dungeon Maker. Past Sub System User Yuan may also use this to teleport herself willingly to the Dungeon Maker." The System stated as it released the lock on the glass box.

"I am guessing if I wore this, there would be no way to take it out ever again...unless I die." Grandma Yuan said as she sighed when she saw the ring that was in front of her. "Bloody prick...keeping this here in the System's possession even after such a long time." Grandma Yuan commented as she took the familiar looking ring up to examine before she wore it on her ring finger.

There was a slight twitch of her finger when it happened, and she could feel a great deal of chi was kept within the ring. She rubbed and adjusted it a little before returning to the screens of the camera to see how they were doing. Since then, the System did not speak much and allowed Grandma Yuan to continue watching the proceedings of the Demon Exorcist Promotion Examination.

"Return my eye!" The Spider Humanoid did speak while rubbing its legs at its back together, producing a high pitch creaking sound which made the trainees faltered backwards a little.

"This is way too pretty to not keep." Lian showcased the eye right in front of the Spider Humanoid and kept it inside her storage ring, causing the Spider Humanoid to go even more insane.

"Now this is a size I can fight!" Rong charged senselessly forward again despite repeated warnings not to do so by Lein. The Spider Humanoid did not hesitate either as it raised its hand up and transformed to the very thing that it was facing.

"Huh!? That spider can transform into us?!" Lian said with shock as the two Rongs clashing with each other.

"I will not be outwitted and outmatched by a fake!" Rong gathered his chi and whacked his bull horned hammer at the side of the Spider Humanoid and similarly, the Transforming Spider did the same, but to the other trainee's surprise, Rong was knockback by the Transforming Spider's attack.

"Why you!" Lian stepped forth to clash with the fake Rong when she saw Rong smashed to a couple of trees away from the battle. She knew if its a fake Rong, all the more it would easy for her to defeat it. However, that was also when the Transforming Spider turned into Lian and copied the same thing she was doing, and to her surprise, its agility rivalled up against her.

"No use, we should not let it fight one on one!" Lein charged his sword with chi but Su Zhen stopped him.

"How do you know we are fighting the fake Lian?" Su Zhen said as the speed of battle caught up and there were after images of their attacks and them evading the attacks. "Unlike Rong, we might accidentally injure the real Lian if we intervene in their battle."

"Urghh...Lian! Use your three tails! I bet that stupid spider does not have it!" Lein suggested, but it seemed like his advice went into deaf ears.

"She needs time to activate the three tails, and at the rate with the fight that they are going with, it is impossible for her to do that. Plus, she used it previously to snatch that gem eye away from the spider's body, it would be harder to do so." Su Zhen said before she began to murmur a few words out.

"I see, if we cannot help her directly, we can do so indirectly." Lein understood what Su Zhen was doing as he too started to gather his chi and prepared a long range technique.

"Lian! Remember that battle against the Black Elephant? We will be doing that!" Lein shouted to the fighters, and he caught a glimpse of Lian's eyes, acknowledging what they were saying before the fight became a blur again.

"What are they doing? Black Elephant?" Jin asked as he returned to Claire's sight to observe the fight.

"There was this partially mutated elephant...possessed by a low level demon. The trainees used that elephant as part of their training. I believe they are trying to recreate what they had used for that Black Elephant kill," Claire replied while continuing to mark their performance.

"Woah, that means they kill demons before? Then what is with this examination for?" Jin asked while moving a few trees back to have a better view.

"No, that demon was placed by us. A few of us in JODE can summon and contract demons without too much of a consequence. Hence, it was a type of training rather than a proper kill." Claire said as she noticed they were going to put their plan in motion.

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"I still do not think that they will be able to defeat it." Jin felt like going in and settle it once and for all.

"The System had updated its analysis of the Transforming Spider. It seems that it can match the power and speed of any monster it encountered in that particular form. Should User try to fight against it, it might pose as a dangerous foe for User." The System responded.

"Because it can copy me? But it could not copy the Astral Pandas right?" Jin asked System as he can see Lian was pulling back slowly to their 'trap'.

"It might not be able to copy the Astral Pandas, but System had noticed that it consistently looked at Qilin Cultivator Lein and noted a few sparks coming out from the Transforming Spider as if to imitate it

while fighting with Nine Tail Fox Demon Cultivator Lian." The System reported that it could still possibly imitate the strength of the Astral Pandas even if it could not copy the Panda silhouettes.

"So...unless I kill it in one shot," Jin said and System cautioned that there might be a defensive mechanism in place to prevent itself from being assassinated such as the carapace it produced when Lian tried to attack it.

"Do note that User had used Black Panda Fire and Green Panda Wind in front of the Transforming Spider before. Should User wish to attack it, it's best to surprise it with White Panda Ice instead." The System gave its analysis to Jin.

"What a troublesome foe." Jin folded his arms and continued to see what the demon exorcist trainees could do.

"The trouble would be worth it for your Living Armour upgrade. Gold did not make the wrong choice in choosing the Transforming Spider. And it seems like this particular Transforming Spider is a variant. The same as Thunder Ram Demon Keyrin." The System replied, and Jin wondered if Gold already knew that all the Elder Demons he chose were variants.

"Just wondering, if people worship Moloch or even Elder Demon Keyrin, will they have the chance to increase their powers like how Lord Wolte did?" Jin asked as he saw Lian finally broke off from the fight and Rong, caught up with their plans, stood against it once again.

"Affirmative, all demons have such potential when they were worshipped or had eaten/killed enough to transform into a variant." The System stated as it too was interested in this particular trap the cultivators were doing and commanded its magic eye to follow carefully.

"Rong now!" Su Zhen said as she placed her hands on the ground.

"Intermediate Hammer Arts! Rocket Hammer of Ao Ye!" Rong fired up his batter bull horned hammer towards the fake Lian which now turned into fake Rong when facing the Ox Demon Cultivator.

"Intermediate White Demon Snake Technique! Hundred Snake Ambush!" Su Zhen shouted as her hands pressed deeper into the ground, causing chi snakes silhouettes to appear from the ground beneath the Transforming Spider. They all came out to strike the fake Rong when he was distracted with the real one in front of him.

"Epic Qilin Technique! Qilin's Thunder Implosion!" Lein shouted as he cast his chi skill onto Su Zhen's snakes as a combination attack while a bolt of lightning struck the Transforming Spider. The fake Rong endured Lein's bolt of lightning, but that was not the main attack as the snake silhouettes that were affected by the lightning bolt started to implode.

The chi snake silhouettes turned into a ball of energy before collapsing itself and explode the energy from within. It caused considerable damage to the Transforming Spider before it was slammed by Rong's rocket hammer technique. Without further ado, Rong continued with his Rocket Hammer Combo.

"Intermediate Hammer Arts Combo! Rocket Hammer Slam!" The Transforming Spider being hit by in the gut by the hammer next suffered an explosive impact on its head by Rong. "And lastly! Intermediate Hammer Arts Combo Finisher! Rocket Hammer Earthquake!" Rong threw in all the chi that he had, and the Hammer bounced back from the Rocket Hammer Slam to give Rong the finisher attack.

However, the rest was not convinced that finisher move would kill the Transforming Spider, so both Su Zhen and Lein entered the fight too. "Intermediate White Demon Snake Technique! Hundred Snake Bind!" Su Zhen threw her snake whip towards the Transforming Spider to restrict its movement while Lein jumped high up to release his follow up technique the moment Rong completed his attack.

The bull horned hammer dived towards the Transforming Spider and everyone could hear a rumbling noise when it hit the fake Rong, causing it to lose an arm. (It could have evaded if not for the Hundred Snake Bind.)

"Rong, move! Epic Sword Arts! Burst Horn Strike of the Qilin!" Lein shouted as a silhouette of a Qilin encompassed the whole of Lein and his sword portrayed like the horn of the Qilin. He dived in straight after the Transforming Spider lost its arm and blasted the entire area with electricity.

"Gem Eye! GIVE ME BACK!!!!" The Transforming Spider held onto Lein's sword not with its other arm but with its spider legs attached at the back of it. That was also when Lein saw that it did not change to a fake Lein nor stayed with fake Rong.

Instead, it went with the face of Jin.

With its free hand, it conjured a towering inferno of fire towards the Lein and the rest of the team. However, the only difference was that it did not shot black flames, but just the regular looking orange fire although the System measured its magical strength to be a near equivalent to the output which Jin had used to save the kids.

"Ah ah ah, that seems like trouble," Jin said to himself as he saw the Transforming Spider now imitated himself to face the kids.

"Hahah! Looks like the kids can finally get their revenge...that is if they can still stand up. I have to say, this spider demon is stupidly strong. How did you even manage to kill it and use it as your dungeon experience? It's way too powerful for current users." Claire commented.

"That is why I did mention this was a prototype dungeon that I had been messing with. I needed some ...erm tester input before I could put it out for the other cultivators to try. Or else it might be too difficult for them to handle." Jin tried to put a strong front, but he was also in a dilemma on how to defeat it.

"The eyes are the key right?" Jin asked the System.

"Highly likely, according to Peppers and Gold's text. System is unsure if the method of killing could be applicable to a variant like this." The System gave his disclaimer in case it does not work.

"Claire, do you still want them to continue the fight? Or should I step in and interfere?" Jin asked and Claire shook her head.

"Give them one last chance. They might not have a plan, but they at least would like to put in one last ditch effort." Claire knew how much the trainees could handle. Despite Su Zhen and Lein were Grade 10, they were not a true battle hardened Grade 10, which was why they had so much difficulty with fighting. Their pace was all over the place, and it didn't help that they did not have much battle experience.

"The folly of being in a Royal Clan. I dare say those cultivation grades in most of them despite their foundation training they had is just a façade. The modern workings of the world did weaken the

cultivation world....but not for this guy." Claire said to herself as she saw Jin, who was a Grade 8, but it felt like he had seen more battles than herself.

"Hahaha, guess who is back to haunt us..." Rong said as he managed to activate his Ox Demon Silhouette Body Shield and tried to cover the rest of the trainees as much as he could from the inferno blast. However, because of that, his entire back was burnt to the point he was unable to move. The other demon exorcist trainees received some burns, but it was not to the point they were rendered immobile.

"I leave the rest to you three," Rong said as he laid heavily on the floor gasping for air.

"Please, I cannot move too..." Lian replied, but contrary to her words, she was trying her best to stand up.

"Hahaha. Now I understand why so many in the extermination branch of JODE wanted to go into administrative after a few rounds in the wild." Lein panted as he raised his sword towards the fake Jin.

"Must be wussies." Su Zhen summoned a chi snake silhouette to tighten a broken splinter on her left arm. It was hurting her, but at the very least, she could still move, unlike Rong who sacrificed himself the most.

"You owe me a drink for doing your work, you lazy ox," Lein said as he charged towards the fake Jin with no plan in mind. However, before he can move, something was holding back, and it was no other than Jin. (the real one)

"What do you think you are doing?!" Jin shouted at him as held onto his collar and pushed him back to the other injured ones. "Arggh, I know I should not interfere, but at the rate, you four are going, you wouldn't be making any progress and instead be spider food again."

"If you know that you should not interfere, why are you still here!" Lein pushed Jin away, but oddly the Transforming Spider was not attacking at all despite the internal conflict its intruders are making. In fact, it was observing the person that it had transformed to and was interested in getting more information from him.

"User, it appears the Transforming Spider is observing you very carefully. Please act with caution." The System said after obtaining sufficient data from the previous fights against the other demon exorcists.

"Don't worry. I know." Jin replied to the System while he folded his arms and stared at Lein. "Because I am your team leader even though both you and I hate it," Jin said out with brutal honesty.

"That is why I am going to give you orders, and you follow to the letter. Or else, do not even think of killing that thing." Jin showed the rest of them the Panda Emblem that Grandma Yuan had imbued and the trainees realised they could not disobey a direct superior without facing appropriate consequences in the future.

"The enemy is currently observing me and will not do anything rash. So now's the time to drink up your chi potion, the one I asked you guys to bring out." Jin said he continued to stay with his arms folded.

The trainees reluctantly drank the potion which Lian and Su Zhen distributed, and they could visibly see that Rong's burnt wounds heal quite a fair bit too. "I did not expect the potion to take effect so quickly!

This is way faster than the potions our Royal alchemists made!" Rong said as he could move a little as compared to a while ago.

"Never discount your team members in a tough pinch. And most importantly, do not be a hero! We need slayers and to work as a team, not heroes! The last I heard was that I joined the Demon Exorcists, not the Hero's Clan!" Jin said as he assisted Rong to slowly stand up while waiting for the rest of the chi potion to take effect.

"Tell me, what do you all know about this monster so far after fighting it? Su Zhen, you go first." Jin asked while keeping tabs on the monster.

"It can transform into any of us and copy our skills to a certain degree. Like you what you have done, to use your black panda fire but it could only produce normal fire." Su Zhen spewed what she knew.

"Anybody else wants to add on?" Jin looked around and saw Lian raised her hand.

"It wants the gem eye back," Lian said and Jin asked for the gem eye from Lian.

"User, please hold. Analysing the Transforming Spider's Eye." The System said while Jin decided to drag a bit more time for the System to see if there is any weakness to it.

"What other skills do you all have in your repertoire? It is likely to counter any skill you guys have unless you show it something new."

"Not many left for me," Lein said with embarrassment since he purposely took the few most offensive skills in the Qilin Cultivation manual and practised them to perfection (or so he thought.) Rong said the same except for Su Zhen and Lian who had yet to show their offensive skills at all.

"I see, if that is the case, you two will be the offensive, the boys will be distracting it. Lian it is up to you to kill it." Jin said as he purposely reversed their roles in combat and told them to go into position.

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"Jin What are you doing?! You know by interfering and giving orders, you are jeopardising the impromptu mission that you supposedly wanted them to take," Claire said in a voice transmission to Jin while the rest were preparing their formation.

"I know, I will hold responsibility later. Right now the Transforming Spider Demon matters more." Jin replied briefly while he told Su Zhen, The White Demon Snake Cultivator to release the Hundred Snake Binds again to test the reaction of the Transforming Spider.

"Won't it go into flames?" Su Zhen said as she performed the command of her interim leader. The chi snake silhouettes bound the Transforming Spider again, but it was not moving nor did it release the same wave of fire attack at them.

"So, it is really a patient and intelligent demon." Jin thought to himself as the Transforming Spider assumed that by being bound, it would be attacked by Jin's flame as a follow up move. However, Jin was not doing that at all. Instead, he asked Rong to attack with his Rocket Hammer technique again.

"Here goes nothing!" Rong charged forth but realised his body was not as heavy as usual. Instead, there seemed something to be enchanting his body. He felt faster and lighter as the winds were with him rather than against him. The others at the back saw that there was a Green looking Panda silhouette right behind Rong, powering him.

The Transforming Spider scoffed as it brought up its hand to block the attack. It already knew the strength and impact of the hammer so it would be easy to deflect. However, when the hammer attack connected, the Spider's hand was splintered right in front of it into many directions. Causing blood to smear all over his hammer and himself.

Because, instead of a blunt blow, the Green Panda Silhouette had enhanced the hammer blow into something similar to a pickaxe, thus the change of impact. The Transforming Spider released a screech as if it was not expecting that particular attack from Rong and it transformed back to Rong with a huge hammer by its side.

However, what was interesting was that the hand that Rong had split was still bleeding and not fully recovering. That was when the others finally believed they were able to defeat it. "I only changed the tactics a little. How could it have such a big impact?" Jin queried, but he felt the pieces did not fit properly.

"That is because of Jin's chi. Now he had awakened to the true cultivation, His Maqi was more than enough to cause damage against the demons." Grandma Yuan said as she could hear his conversation via the Magic Eye cameras. "...Plus he killed demons before. His body had sufficient capability to kill the demons."

"The other demon exorcist trainees had yet killed a proper demon, their chi was not fine tuned to fight the demons. Thus, they had to fight harder than usual to make the demon bleed and be baptised by their blood."

"Baptised by blood? User had not done anything of such sort." The System retorted, and Grandma Yuan laughed.

"It's a figure of speech and in some way literal. Demons had a natural resistance against all sort of attacks, and thus the trainees had to use more chi than usual to pierce their resistance and physical armour. This was to produce a more solid kind of chi. For some reason, that's the only logical method to make the trainees effective against demons. To hit harder." Grandma Yuan explained.

"However, that is only one way of doing things and not to mention traditional too. The other way was more unorthodox and seemingly effective despite the process. Let the exorcist trainees be exposed to the demon's blood. The blood might not have a visible effect, but to the cultivator's chi circulation, it was a different issue. Because the demons had a tendency to thirst for the spiritual body. When the exorcists had come in contact with the demon blood, their chi circulation will react in a way which will defend the cultivator's spiritual self from being affected by the blood."

"A bit of it is fine, the chi can produce something like an antibody against it. How it works is similar to a vaccine. Thus, their chi would be effective against the demons. What Jin was doing incidentally was just quickening the process for them." Grandma Yuan remarked. "The lads have had some form of demonised chi within their blood, but this Transforming Spider was way beyond their capabilities or their bodies. That boy cheated me saying it would be a decent challenge for the kids."

"On the other hand, if a person was literally immersed by Demon's blood, you will see that they might go insane as if they were possessed by them. Sadly, It's the same if someone was draped in God's blood. That is why we subjugate both despite our names being Demon Exorcists. Gods are equally a troublesome sort for their spreading their overwhelming love and their twisted ideals of peace." Grandma Yuan went down the memory lane, remembering a case where she had to convince the parents that it was a demon that was possessing their child instead of a selfish god.

"Rong! Holy water!" Lian shouted towards her training partner as she threw a potion of holy water right at him. Rong took it like a man as he allowed the potion bottle to smash straight at this head. (Actually, he was too tired to even catch the potion properly) The demon blood on him dissipated from the use of Holy Water and Rong felt refreshed as always.

"Why do you need to splash holy water...? A possible incoming flame attack?" Jin did not know what was happening until the System filled Jin on what Grandma Yuan said right after he sent a command to Lein to attack with Rong.

"Oh, really? Then the times I am stained with the blood of fighting those demons from the dungeon world?" Jin could remember how bad it was against Moloch's army and fortress.

"Like what past Sub System User Yuan had said previously, your cultivation was made to prevent those and at the same time allowed you to fight them." The System replied while Jin did the same thing for Lein and supported him with a Green Wind Astral Panda.

Lian and Su Zhen, on the other hand, were surprised by Jin's use of chi skills. It was the first time they saw an Eastern cultivator supporting someone similar to a Western Enchanter. (Most cultivation styles were selfish in nature, rather than selfless.) It was apparent that Rong could smash the Transforming Spider's hand into splinter was because of Jin, and they finally saw his powers at work.

"Even the four of us could not have made much of a dent against the Transforming Spider but just one enhanced hit with Jin's chi, we can finally make a dent. He really had beaten a demon before." Su Zhen said in a voice transmission to Lian.

"Can't he be manipulating the dungeon so that he could be absurdly strong as the Transforming Spider?" Lian had her doubts but Su Zhen shooked her head.

"You do know my father is a talkative but extremely knowledgeable dungeon supplier for the Royal Clans. If not for my mother's insistence for making me a Demon Exorcist... I would have followed him." Su Zhen said as she prepared the chi skill which Jin had instructed after hearing her skill repertoire.

"Your point?" Lian was preparing her chi while Jin had temporarily enchanted her with the Black Fire Astral Panda and Lian was steadily trying to adjust herself to attack the Transforming Spider in one shot.

"I know exactly how a dungeon supplier works. My dad had taught me how dungeons work. It is not as easy as you think. Jin's power is the real deal, there is no way to fake it. If possible, I would want my father to meet him and exchange pointers. I believe he would be thrilled to do so and be envious if he knew that I went to the rumoured Dungeons and Pandas for a fight." Su Zhen replied in the voice transmission as they heard Jin giving orders at them to get ready.

In the meantime, Rong noticed his dexterity enchantment disappeared, and that was when he knew that he had to withdraw and gave Lein the priority to distract the Transforming Snake.

"Yes Rong! Come back, drink another chi recovery potion. Your stamina is faltering and your burnt wounds might act up again." Jin beckoned to him as he used the Tact Tweak and the System to keep track of their supposed health bars. The way he commands people from the Tact Tweak suddenly gave him a sudden bout of inspiration in the midst of battle.

"I think I thought of another nice mini game for the shop... Ah, I should keep it for the new year when the kids are having their holidays. I could make a bit of their pocket money that way." Jin thought to himself as he told the System to remind him to keep that idea on hold.

"Ah! You traitor! I thought we agreed to hate that fake exorcist!" Lian said out loud towards Su Zhen as she boosted herself up into the sky with the aid of an additional Green Astral Panda by Jin. However, the White Demon Snake cultivator was concentrating on her timing the moment Lian shot up.

The plan to eliminate the Transforming Spider was now in motion.

"Su Zhen! Now!" Jin said as he promptly placed the Green Wind Astral Panda he used on Rong and transferred onto Su Zhen. From a distance, she hit the whip on the floor, and a great chi snake silhouette emerged from the ground, breaking it a hole underneath it. It then slithered towards the Transforming Spider which Lein delivered one last thunderclap before retreating as well.

The Spider saw the great chi snake silhouette from afar and was already preparing to counter it by transforming back into spider form. It was something similar to the first form the exorcist trainees had fought but of a smaller scale version and highly more agile.

The snake's mouth was wide open, only to be stopped by the legs of the spider as it tried to spit venom into the snake's mouth. However, it did not realise that it was just a chi form energised by Su Zhen and with the help of the Green Wind Astral Panda infusion.

"Lian! Kick away!" Jin said as he secretly prepared a lance of White Panda Ice in case their attacks would not work. Lian did what was told, and her three tails form appeared once again. Just that this time around, flames were enveloping her tails and legs. The Green Wind Astral Panda infused with Lian's leg made her feel like the embodiment of the spirit of a flame god had possessed her as the flames continued to spiral around her leg like a cyclone.

"All of nothing!" Lian flew down, and that was when Jin also ordered Lein to give an impromptu thunderbolt discharge at the Spider. The Transforming Spider who had its eyes affixed at the snake got electrocuted and paralysed momentarily for Lian to execute the finishing attack. Her kick managed to hit the spherical body of the Transforming Spider and everything around her burst into dark black flames.

"Don't get back yet! Continue to attack and make sure it's dead! Do not let it have a chance to copy your attack!" Jin ordered loudly via chi transmission.

"SO LOUD! You do not have to tell me what to do!!" Lian recovered her stance and continued her assault in the flames. "Claw Arts! Vertical Rebounding Slash of the Fox!" Lian said as she placed utilised as much chi as she could garner.

"From above!" In the heat of the moment, Rong shouted and did a Rocket Hammer Slam before grabbing Lian and pulled her out of the flames.

"We are not even sure if it's dead!" Lian shouted as if to tell Rong to put her back.

"I rather you survive than ensuring that thing is dead! Remember what Jin said! Do not discount anyone!" Rong followed Jin's order to rescue her as soon as he can while making sure Lian did the maximum amount of damage before leaving.

"System, found where the eyes were located from the analysis?" Jin asked and the System gave the coordinates via his new Pandaromic Eyes. "Thanks!" Jin held onto the ice lance until it was bustling with chi. He believed the damage from the trainees, which were enhanced by his Maqi, was sufficient for the last act of this battle, but he wanted to be sure.

The moment he knew that everyone was out of the way and the Black Panda Fire was still burning the Transforming Spider, Jin overcharged his White Panda Ice lance and threw it upwards before it angled based on the coordinates he received from the System.

"Transforming Spider, It's a pleasure to meet you. I hope we can get along together in the future."

Chapter 470 The Impromptu Ambush

"So Lord Wolte is our new patron?" Zieg, the commander of the Dark Templars, said as he and the fellow dark templars knelt down in front of Baphomet.

"Yes, I Baphomet had sworn my allegiances towards our new liege," Baphomet said as he introduced the anthropomorphic tank to the rest of the Dark Templars.

"For a slug to turn into a deadly construct of death!! Now I understand why Sir Baphomet wanted to pledge its allegiance towards Lord Wolte!" Zieg commented, and every other Dark Templars echoed the same sentiments.

"You all humble me with your praises. I, however, believe that words should be matched with actions. I see that some of you are having doubts in your eyes despite your leader's decision now to worship me." Lord Wolte said as he eyed at a few of the dark templars behind Zieg.

"Who is it!" Zieg turned its back at his followers. "Who dares to question my position ?!" His followers immediately lowered their heads and said no in unison.

"Calm down Zieg. Calm down. Portraying authority at the right times is essential for a leader, but if you misused such power, it would only create doubts among your people. They have the right to suspect how this construct which I named myself as the Metal Slug Tank would have the same if not stronger ability than Baphomet. So, let's put it to the test!" Lord Wolte explained to Zieg.

"How do you propose we do so?" Baphomet, who was standing beside Wolte questioned him.

"Easy, let's go crush some rats." Lord Wolte said with delight.

"Where? We are not familiar with the territory at all." Zieg replied with a lingering regret not to scout in advance before they meet up with the supposed Silver Mage.

"Then we take Uote Town back from the hands of the Demon Rats." Silver who was lurking around hoping to speak more to Zieg, had spoken out. "The last I heard, Sebastia had taken the Demon Rat military leaders of the Uote Town to the capital. Their guards would not stand an unexpected assault against our attacks.

"You mean attack now? now?" Zieg questioned the validity of the plan, but Lord Wolte stepped up, hearing its an excellent opportunity for him to shine.

"Why not? Let's get going. Don't worry, if you die. just wake up and repeat again." Lord Wolte said, and Baphomet laughed at the absurdity of the situation.

"Bro! That is so typical of you. So fearless of death even at such an old age. Very well! I Baphomet will personally join you in battle as well!" Baphomet stretched his wings and roared excitedly.

"As expected of our new Patreon! Dark Templars, what say you?!" Zieg roused up the battle spirit within them by slamming his sword to his shield. The Dark Templars who were apprehensive at first became emboldened when they heard that they could battle against the Demon Rats.

"Very well, I will tell my cousin about it! I will be right back immediately!" Silver said as Metal Slug Tank began to learn the type of tactics and formations from the Dark Templars while waiting for Silver's reply. After all, they were not the ones capable of transporting or teleporting back to the Farming world.

"YOU WHAT?" Gold's eyes were wide open when he heard Silver's proposal.

"You did say your Master wanted you to assist the rebellion. We are just using the Dark Templars as our diversion to see the reaction of their defences. No blame will be placed at Sebastia since it could be seen as the Dark Templars are having their revenge by attacking back against the Demon Rats." Silver tried to explain his rationale to his cousin.

"Even if we were able to occupy the town, there will be attempts to overtake it again by the Demon Rats from other towns! How foolish can you get!" Gold replied and Silver shook his finger.

"That is where you might be wrong. We can use this as an experiment to see how the demon rats retaliate, and it would be a good data for future resistance fights." Silver state his reasons with Gold once again.

"So you want to use the townsfolk as collateral damage? Did you think of them? Then how are we any better than those Demon Rats if we destroy their homes?!" Gold said as he slammed the table.

"I believe...the Dark Templars will be careful..."

"Urgh! And you already riled them up for battle. If we say no to them, they will distrust us in the future." Gold said as he scratched his head, having to deal with a troublesome dilemma.

"You did say your master can command them to be obedient..." Silver whispered.

"Does not mean that he will use it that way! Like I say, if we do that, how are we any better than...URGH!" Gold knew the advantages of an ambush attack right now since Sebastia had reported to him they were already on the way to the capital. Plus the morning dawn had yet to arrive, causing any guard patrol to be at the most vulnerable period.

"Let me...consult Yun first." Gold finally calmed down and sent a System Channel transmission to Yun. Upon listening to the plight they were in, the first thing Yun did was portal into their werejackal mansion and slapped Silver on the face.

"Always notify your commanding leader before doing any actions of your own. Or you risk being court martial." Yun said, and Silver was clearly upset from that sudden slap.

"That is why I came to him and told him the plan!" Silver said, and Yun folded her arms and stared at him.

"It is because you do not have the capability to teleport. That is why you came to Gold. I am not dumb. If you were able to do so, you would not be here asking him for his help. Besides, if everyone acts like you, there will be no discipline within the organisation." Yun said, and Silver kept quiet while obviously angry for being blamed.

"Yun, Mdm. Please forgive him. Despite his actions, his intentions were for the town. Silver had been trying hard to survive all these while and was thinking for the liberation of the townsfolk. He is just not mature enough to know the consequences that he had incurred." Gold tried to protect his cousin from Yun's fury.

"Indeed. He does not." Yun sighed once before she looked at Silver in the eye once more.

"Thus, I am authorising this operation. Any civilian death will be on your head. You might not be able to die, which makes our punishment more than enough as a warning for your future actions." Yun said as she called out Que Er to appear in front of them. "But I will not let you die so badly. Que Er, provide them with sufficient Magpies. How they use these birds for communication is their own business."

"Understood, Yun." Que Er who was now in the comfort of modern clothes, made Silver realised that such a beauty could exist in this world. Yun nodded at Gold, giving him permission to oversee the impromptu mission before returning to run the shop for Jin.

"Erm, don't bother. She is at least a few thousand years older than you." Gold saw how Silver was enthralled by Que Er's mature beauty and discourage him, so he would not have the idea of even trying. Yet, the little teenage boy continued to stare at her, causing Gold's words to fall into deaf ears.

"Gold, that is your cousin?" Que Er said as she instantly knew what kind of expression the little teenage boy was looking at her with.

"Please go easy on him...he is still too naïve despite his wits." Gold replied as he hit Silver on his head and told him to bring the Dark Templars outside his mansion. Silver understood and relayed the message to the Dark Templars.

"Hahah, I kind of figured." Lord Wolte said as he already knew the kind of master he was serving. "But I did not expect them to make such a big ruckus about it. Guess its also good. Allow you to grow too."

"I don't think people grow by having their heads cut off." Silver was disgruntled, and yet Zieg also understood where Gold was coming from.

"Do not worry, we are at the side of the people. After all, we seek justice for them. We will not let them be harmed during our fight." Zieg patted Silver as they walked towards the mansion.

"Well, your justice is a bit skewed, so don't mind me doubting you." Silver thought to himself as Zieg continued to ramble.

"I had been suggesting some ways to let the people know that we are not here to harm them...but it seems that you have a better solution behind you." Lord Wolte eyed at Que Er, the Magpie Queen and bowed with his tank form a little out of respect for her.

"At the very least, you know your manners, unlike this boy." Que Er spoke with an arrogant tone in order to dissuade Silver from ever liking her. Yet, she did not know that Silver was starting to like her more when she revealed her enchanting voice.

"Wolte! You better not destroy any buildings or no food from my kitchen at all!" Gold shouted at him as they approached the front gates of the Werejackal's mansion.

"Damage them a little?" Lord Wolte asked for some compromise, and Gold reluctantly agreed, knowing that the Metal Slug Tank wanted to rampage a little.

"We only have that much budget from Yun to repair the area plus if any civilians got injured, she would deduct 1000 dungeon dollars from our budget." Gold said as he eyed at Silver again.

"I know! I know!" Silver gave a partial frown at the side of his face while Gold began to obtain the permission from the System to create the portal for them to enter.

"I will be teleporting you guys to the Uote Town's Guard Quarters. Sebastia had sent me the coordinates to that area before she left for the capital. And yes, you can destroy that building there. But I wish you do not, as you can use that to hold your grounds." Gold explained his mission objectives to the rest.

"Ahhhh I see! Clever rascal. Holding their guard quarters and the other patrols will come to reinforce it. Hold onto the building, and we can possibly reduce the civilian casualty to none as well. Good idea." Lord Wolte said and the Dark Templars also wholeheartedly agreed to the plan.

"Silver, before you go, wear this mask. It is to prevent you from being identified." Gold said, and Silver understood why.

It was to remain dead.

Else if the word had spread that the Silver Mage was still alive, there might be consequences for Sebastia. (Although he was tempted to get even at her someday.)

"If not, what are you guys waiting for? Let's get going! Lord Wolte, remember we are doing this all for you! You better prove yourself to be the worthy patron for those Dark Templars!" Gold cast a wide enough portal the Metal Slug Tank to enter.

"What are you talking about? I will succeed." The newly evolved Lord Wolte was more confident than ever.