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Chapter 51 Bam and Boo

Jin woke up early in the morning from his Nineteen Lazy Astral Pandas cultivating stance and felt extremely refreshed. The chi moving in his body was purer and he felt that he had shedded some waste through his skin. The bad thing was that he had to clean up the room because of the waste that was expelled from his body.

He took some time to clear the area and began to think what he could do to remove the waste without having to clean his room up. He thought about cultivating in his bathroom but that will be awfully weird for a place of cultivation. "Unless I renovate the house and have an open concept bathroom so that I can immediately wash my body the moment I wake up."

"You mean a jacuzzi tub. A large jacuzzi tub." Yun spoke in his head.

"Ehh yea. Probably that." He went to take a quick shower and ate two onigiris he brought back from his store. "Can I take a look at the rewards for yesterday's mission?"

"I placed it on the dining table, did you not see it when you took the onigiri from the fridge?" Yun materialised and came out from her room. She was wearing something more simple, a casual navy blue shirt and black shorts as compared to the usual white formal shirt and skirt.

"New clothes?" Jin sat on the dining table and chewed on his minced pork onigiri as Yun walked down to the 1st floor of the terrace house.

"Might as well make use of the Panda Armoury while at it." Yun went to the dining table and placed her hand on the rectangular black leather suitcase.

"Is it the same as usual, they need my phone?" Jin passed the phone to Yun and she opened it for him as he was busy eating the last bit of his minced pork onigiri.

The suitcase interior was filled with a red velour interior and inside it, Jin assumed they were a pair of bamboo sticks. "This is your secondary objective mission reward for getting 100% commission. You are smart to think outside the box and the System rewards you for your effort."

"But they are just two bamboo sticks. Do I make bamboo juice out of it and get a super duper upgrade?" Jin was being annoying as he thought he was being cheated by the System.

"Nonsense. These bamboo sticks are your weapons." Yun lifted up a longer green stick and showed Jin. "This longer stick is called Bam, while the shorter stick is named Boo."

"A ha ha ha ha. I could not have thought of any other name more original than Bam and Boo." Jin placed his hand on his forehead and tilted it backwards. "I cannot believe the System has such terrible naming system."

"Hey, these weapons are one of a kind, quite a unique yet versatile set of weapons you will ever have. I really believe the System did not cheat you. Listen to my explanations and you will understand." Yun gave a pouting face to Jin for not believing her.

"Well show me how you use it or how useful it is." Jin gave Yun a chance.

Yun placed Bam and Boo in the suitcase and brought it to their backyard where there was a clearing for combat training, which Ming and Jin used frequently. She placed the suitcase down on the ground and opened it again. Firstly, she took Bam out and immediately, the bamboo stick turned into a scabbard without Jin batting his eyes. The scabbard was plain and simple except for a simple panda face insignia on the scabbard and handle.

"Both Bam and Boo can change into a variety of weapons. Bam's basic form is a katana while Boo's a wakizashi. However, mastering Bam will be difficult because you can actually manipulate Bam with chi to adjust Bam's sword length to your liking during the battle."

"So what is the furthest reach can Bam go to? And how fast can I adjust the blade?" Jin asked.

"As fast as you blink and at your current grade? Three meters long." Yun drew the katana out of the scabbard and the blade blinked in silver as the morning sun shone on it. Jin marvelled at the shiny blade which he found out had a tinge of neon green in the temper line of the katana as part of the design.

Yun then put some chi in and the katana instantly changed its reach to three meters with it pointing to Jin. "The sword's material is mainly nickel and chromium with some vanadium. You be glad to know there are amorphous metal mixed in it as well to make the katana even lighter." Yun told Jin about it since he should have a basic knowledge of metals from his university days.

"Wow, you have bulk metallic glasses in it too? That is amazing and thank goodness there is no titanium since it is too blunt for fighting despite its hardiness." Jin thanked the System for being knowledgeable.

"Andddd the scabbard interior is made of titanium." Yun grinned.

"The handle has an anti-slip coating and the materials used to make it easy for you to infuse chi into the sword."

"Do all these materials applied to Boo too?" Jin asked and Yun nodded.

"But Boo is not able to extend its reach. It is, after all, a secondary weapon." Yun informed Jin.

"Now the fun part. If you put Bam and Boo together, you will get a bamboo bo. With chi

manipulation, you can also change the bamboo stick into a longbow or shortbow if you wield it so. Use your chi to create energy arrows for firing."

"Wow, that's really a lot of functions." Jin was bewildered by both the simplicity and complexity of Bam and Boo.

"You can also use it as nunchucks, dual batons and for getting 100% commission, the System allows you to change it into a portable Bamboo Cannon. However, the cannon requires a large amount of Chi to fire and if you are Grade 5 and below, you are only able to shoot it twice safely." Yun demonstrated again and the two bamboo pieces immediately became a large bamboo bore with a handle for her to hold.

"This is insane. Thank you, Yun, for giving me such weapons." Jin was like a child getting a new toy. He swung Bam around in the backyard to get a feel of the weapon. Yun squatted for a while as she watched Jin trying the weapon.

"Unfortunately, you really need to train in order to master the weapons. Hence, the System reward for completing the main objective would aid you in your training... Just that it is kind of complicated." Yun spoke and gave a troubled face.

"Complicated?" Jin stopped for a while and looked at Yun.

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Chapter 52 Disciple of Zeru

"A new bellator had been awarded to you." Yun snapped her fingers and Jin's phone started to vibrate again.

He sheathed Bam and placed it on the floor along with Boo. He opened the bellator app and immediately noticed the greyed out box had a silhouette. The new bellator had long blonde hair tied into a ponytail. However, the facial features and expression were of a male. He wore a dull red yukata with a black hakama pants, coupled with a grey obi. His face even had a Z-shaped scar on his right cheek which looked very familiar to Jin.

Then it dawned upon him.

"IS THIS SAMURAI Z? The legendary Sword Saint in the history books and classical movies? He is my bellator??" Jin's heart and eyes nearly popped out when he saw his favourite historical figure and old time movie character as a bellator. He initially found those old videos of Samurai Z in the cupboard of his mom's old room when Ming was still around. He would quietly sneak into her room to feast on her collection of old movies.

The bellator's pseudonym was Zeru but Jin knew his real name since he was a historical figure in China, Zhe Rou. He was Japanese Caucasian mixed born in China but no one ever called him by that name ever since a movie tribute of him, Samurai Z, broke the box office records that were worth billions of yuan.

History dictated that he was trained and mastered at least 50 different complete sets of sword arts from different styles. He found the flaws of almost every style that he eventually managed to create a style of his own that was supposedly flawless. Unfortunately, no one has ever seen his original style or either lived to tell the tale. Some historians argued it was just hearsay since there was no actual evidence to it.

The movie recounted his experience of the thousand men showdown he had in Nanjing, China where he had defended his master, a famous but likeable politician, Tou Ma. They were ambushed by rebels during the Chinese communist revolution and Zeru fought off every one of them while using a bokuto, a wooden sword as his sword was under repair.

He and his master survived the encounter and lived to tell the tale. Because of that, Tou Ma became extremely influential in the game of politics and crashed his opponents while remaining politically relevant and popular to his countrymen.

Eventually, Zeru found out the sword maintenance was also part of the rebels' plan to disarm the guards of the politician for the attack. He decided to find the culprits, only to find his mythical Grade 16 sword smashed to dust through the use of a forbidden cauldron technique.

As the tribute movie made headline news in the papers, people from every continent wished to be his disciple, in hopes to gain fame or glory. However, Zeru did not care about royalties or fame but he did not refuse a retirement sum from his master in order to live in seclusion and anonymously from the press. There was no news of him afterwards of whether he had passed on.

"So this is my new master?" A low voice was heard from the house and they saw Zeru strolled in, taking in the sights of the modern era. Ironically, he still held on the bokuto that crushed the ambush of Nanjing.

"I would not dare!" Jin immediately kneeled down in front of the sword saint.

"Hahahaha! I guess, at this age, to have someone know a thing or two about me. I am really humbled and honoured." Zeru smiled genuinely.

"However, whether you dare or not is not of a choice of yours. You are his master according to the System." As Yun was talking to Jin and he found out Yun also had her head down, kneeling in front of him. It was obvious that deep down Yun admired him too.

"That is true, Yun." Zeru eventually kowtowed once towards Jin before he stood back up.

"Unfortunately, I can not have a master weaker than me. It is embarrassing to say the least."

"Which is why I will make an exception for you and only you when many others more capable than you had died trying to be it." Zeru sat on a stone stool in the backyard facing the duo.

"Be my disciple." Those three words carried such weight that if it was measurable, it could even be heavier than the world itself.

Jin's eyes went wide as he looked up towards Zeru and realised he was not joking. He could not believe what he heard. The most famous sword saint in the 20th century who took down thousands of highly ranked cultivators all by himself while protecting his master was actually telling Jin to be his disciple.

"Ahh, be warned though. Your training will be extremely tough. I will introduce you to appropriate companions that will teach you how to use each and every function of Bam and Boo properly. Well, not every function but you get my drift." His words subsequently had a jovial tone to it but he gave Jin a stare which was so deadly that Jin could feel a grim reaper had already taken his entire soul away from him and left his body alone.

"He is serious business." Jin thought to himself as he swallowed his saliva, unable to respond for a moment. As compared to Grandma Yuan's empty threats, Zeru's were more dangerous.

"Oh and you are unable to back out after you become my disciple. That will be equally embarrassing too." Zeru closed his eyes and smiled widely.

"Yes, I understand! Shi Fu Zeru, I am humbled to be your disciple!" Jin respectfully kowtowed three times in front of him. After which, he continued to kneel until his Shi Fu decided to respond.

Zeru stood up and picked Boo up that was right beside Jin. He unsheathed it and at the middle of Z's scar, he drew a line between it, creating a Z on his face. It started bleeding but Zeru was not bothered by it. With the blood on Boo, Zeru lifted Jin's right shirt sleeve and in a blink of an eye, he carved an X on his right shoulder.

It was extremely painful as Jin felt his shoulder burning from the carving but surprisingly, no blood was spilt. "My blood has entered your bloodstream and you are officially my direct disciple." Zeru swung Boo a little and later sheathed it back into the scabbard.

He signalled Jin to receive Boo which Jin did so with two hands and stood up before Zeru disappeared into thin air.

"Now I understand why Yun said it's complicated. My master is my subject but I am a disciple of my subject." Jin held on tightly to Boo as he knew the difficult part to become the number one dungeon supplier had yet to begin.

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Chapter 53 Shanghai Tower

Even though Zeru disappeared into thin air, he still gave a notification via the bellator app. "Training starts in 3 days." Jin realised that Zeru knew that the bulk of the revenue came during the weekends since Jin opened his store from morning to night for the weekends.

"I believe the System did not wish for me to lose that much money even though I needed training." Jin grinned a little.

Meanwhile, Yun asked Jin to clear a bulk of his missions and personal tasks such as the revamp of the coupon booklet before he starts his training on Monday. Or else, he might not have sufficient time in the next few weeks to do so.

"Actually, Yun I might need some help with the lucky draw." Both Jin and Yun locked the gates of their house before they left.

"Hmmph on what?" Yun magically took out a black sports running cap and wore it.

"I had some ideas for the lucky draw but I might need to tap on the resources of the System." Jin took out his phone to study the list of owners that participated in the coupon booklet from an email Si Fang sent.

"Well, if you do that, the System will probably create a mission objective. Are you willing to risk it?" Yun strolled beside Jin while he continued to look at his phone.

"It's fine, the System is fixed. You are ermm somewhat alive. I believe it will be a reasonable mission objective." Jin spoke with confidence.

"Ohohoho, do not be too confident. You have yet to fall from the grace of the System." Yun giggled a little.

"How bad can it be?" Jin thought quietly but he had momentarily forgotten that Yun could listen to his thoughts if she wants to.

"How about a mission on finding a girlfriend?" Yun teased Jin and he nearly tripped as he walked.

"Okay, okay, I am sorry. I must remember to know my limits." His last relationship attempt was unfortunately unforgettable and he had yet to move on from it.

Both reached the store within 10 minutes and upon opening the side door, they found a thick envelope in their door's letter box.

"No threat detected, you can safely open that," Yun said casually as she took her cap out and let her hair down for a while before she bunned it up again.

"You mean the System scanned my letters?" Jin tore open the envelope seal and found the prototype coupon booklet as well as the thumb drive to edit the booklet if needed. A business card of the shopping district's graphic design studio and print stores were attached in the envelope as well.

"I have to, we cannot let our host just die from a letter bomb or from an anthrax attack without squeezing him dry right?" Yun walked into the bar counter island to wash her hands.

"Sometimes, I wonder what is the goal of the System." Jin approached the cabinet that held the triple cheese pizza to get a slice out.

"For you right now? To be the number one dungeon supplier in the world." Yun went to make a cup of black ivory coffee for herself.

"Right now? You mean you have other plans for me after achieving that goal?" Jin took a large bite of the pizza and gave a look of bliss.

"Trade secret!" Yun giggled as she tries to cool her coffee down a little.

"Tsk copycat." Jin opened his bellator app and summoned both Peppers and Milk out for the zombie mission. Yet again, Milk was in her golden silky gown lazing around the couch with her curvy body looking as majestic as ever. Peppers was in her panda print pyjamas sleeping next to the couch while she hugged a large pillow with her drooling saliva.

Milk opened one of her eyes and saw Jin and Yun looking at them. "Five more...EEEEYAAAAA!" Yun immediately pulled Milk and Peppers' legs up to the second floor. Peppers was still in deep sleep like a log even though her body and head kept hitting the stairs multiple times. Although the heart was willing, the flesh was not and Milk was seen helplessly struggling against Yun. "Ma-ow ooo-ster"! Helpppuuu..."

As Jin had the scene locked in his mind, he could not help but think about his third bellator but he suddenly dismissed that thought the moment he felt a dark vibe emanating from his phone.

Yun shouted at Jin to give her 10 minutes, five minutes longer than usual because of the new addition to the sleeping couch club.

Hence, Jin looked up at the news for a while and one of it caught his attention. The birth of a new baby panda by Jie Jie and Lee Lee in the Shenzhen Provincial Zoo. The pictures were well taken and the baby panda was overly cute.

"I guess I should take a day off to take a look at the pandas in the zoo. That will also be a good training material as well. Seeing how the pandas move might give me an insight for my cultivation." Jin decided to make an excuse to close the shop for a day.

Suddenly, a notification appeared when he was browsing the news.

Mission: Travel to Shenzhen Provincial Zoo and take a selfie picture with the baby panda.

Reward: All coupon booklet related expenses fully paid by the System.

"Yun! Did you just gave me a mission?" Jin shouted from the first floor.

"As if I am not busy enough?!" Yun shouted back like a mom handling two babies who did not wish to listen to her.

"Oh, so this mission is by the will of the System...? I thought it allowed Yun to be the spokesperson. Guess there might be exceptions every once in a while." Jin thought it was a little fishy but completing system missions were essential to his growth as a dungeon supplier.

"It probably had a reason to do so." Jin shrugged his shoulders as he tried to reason it to himself and waited for the two bellators to get ready for the Zombie World.

"Are you three finally ready?" Yun's well bunned hair turned into a mess after the fixing the two bellators to work and she panted a little. All three nodded with much 'enthusiasm' and Yun teleported them to the Zombie World and she continued drinking her black ivory coffee.

"Coffee is still the best remedy for mornings." Yun finally had some peace to herself for a while.

Upon safely arriving at the Zombie World, Jin found himself at a place he had seen on the internet. Just that, it was not the same as he remembered it.

"Shanghai Tower...?"

He peeked through the window of a desolate building that Yun had teleported them to and he saw the Shanghai tower in ruins. "Why would there be a building similar to Shanghai tower here in this world...or is it truly the Shanghai tower?" Jin asked Yun in his thoughts.

"All the worlds that you had visited, even the food that you sold and ate are from various parallel worlds that would have happened if there was a change in the original timeline of Earth," Yun said solemnly.

"Is the Earth that I am in, the original timeline?" Yun shook her head at Jin's question.

"Do not fret, the original timeline does not necessarily mean it is a better world to live in. Some things were meant to be kept as a secret. You happened to be privileged to learn one of the many secrets of the world. Now, forget about that and focus on your mission."

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Chapter 54 Provoking Peppers

Jin knew the main mission objective was to get 200 different looking zombies but he did not know how strong those zombies would be. What if they were cultivator grade zombies?

Even if they were not sane or conscious, defeating a zombie with a similar grade cultivator would prove to be a challenge. Therefore, he decided to bring out Peppers, the Fiery Demonic Queen Sage...or whatever she was called because she seems to change her title on a regular basis.

"Assuming they do not have cultivation abilities, I still could not think of a way of defeating 200 zombies with Panda Yawning. I will definitely be exhausted at the end of 10 chi beams. It will also be difficult even with the help of Peppers."

Jin decided to have a better understanding of the current situation and went to the top of the abandoned building they were in. Milk and Peppers followed behind Jin and they encountered no sign of zombies as they reached the top of the building.

"I chose the safest area for you to be teleported to. Aren't I kind?" Yun continued to sip her coffee while surfing the net on the Panda Port PC.

She was right.

Upon looking out from the roof of the abandoned building, there were zombies hidden in every corner of the streets even though the sun was out. Some were strolling mindlessly while others kept bumping into each other.

"Guess they are more towards the western cultured zombies...?" Jin tried to crack his brain.

"Are there even different races of zombies?" Peppers asked as she looked at the chaos around them.

"Zombies from our Chinese folklore do not even venture out during the day. I am not entirely sure about Western myths but I guess they are already quite different to begin with. Besides this is an entirely different world from what we know of. Wait, are you not the one responsible for the Monster Dictionary App? Why are you asking me this question?" Jin's brows furrowed as he responded to Peppers.

"Hmmph, I am just testing you." Peppers folded her arm and continued to ignore Jin. Or she tried to.

"That does not mean those zombies are not related to us. Every myth and tale has a speck of truth in it." Milk yawned a little.

"Yun, does Peppers and Milk killing zombies affect my secondary mission objective?" Jin suddenly thought about it.

"Yes, they do if you count them," Yun replied.

"Count them?" Jin needed more clarification.

"Well yeah, I could ask the System not to count their kills so your secondary mission objective will still be valid," Yun replied back again while she finally read on the baby panda news on the internet.

"I feel that it's too hard to complete the mission objective," Jin complained a little.

"Yes Mr Obvious, That is why it is called the secondary objective and not the main." Yun's eyes rolled up at Jin's ridiculous questions. "Of course the rewards will be good. Remember Bam and Boo? If you did not complete the secondary objectives, you will still obtain Bam and Boo."

"Just that, you will not have the other functions unlocked, for example, the Bamboo Cannon or Bamboo Bo." Yun clicked on more news with regards to the baby panda. "So cute." She thought to herself.

Jin disregarded Yun's sarcasm and he continued to survey the area for the next 30 minutes. The zombies' movements were too random but he noticed that they reacted a lot to sound when a zombie accidentally made it. "Yeap, definitely western zombies in a Chinese city. Such irony."

"Are you going to do something soon? I am bored." Peppers placed her hand on the railings and stared blankly at the local scenery.

"Say, do you have any spells that can be used to copy a certain technique. Hmmm...something like copying a fireball spell into a one time use fireball scroll?"

"Ehhh let me check my bag." Peppers opened her bag and she stared at it for a long time.

Subsequently, she took out a thick tome with an empty green cover and blank pages.

"I have a spell copying tome which you can use and there are 250 pages in it. Just place the spell incantations into the first page of the tome and it will copy the same spell to the other 249 pages. Quite handy is it not?" Peppers started to grin evilly.

"Actually, I was thinking of imprinting the chi beam from Panda Yawning into the spell. I have no idea how to change it into an incantation." Jin gave an awkward laughter towards Pepper and Peppers' face changed dramatically to an irritated look.

"If not for the fact that exploding you would cause you to fail your mission and the absolute loyalty I have graciously given to you even though you do not deserve it, I would have done it straight away." Peppers groaned in a low voice.

"Eh? I thought Yun said she will give you a jar of gummies if you listened to Jin?" Milk retorted.

"You!!" Peppers face suddenly turned red and took out another scroll and shoved it to Jin before she turned her back at him.

"Shoot your chi beam into this scroll. It will turn it into an incantation." Peppers did not face Jin while she talked. Milk could see her pouting at the side and could not resist but giggled.

"Milk, are you able to create an anti-acoustic dome barrier around us?" Milk was able to fulfil Jin's request, making Jin feel that Milk was one of the best supporters he could ever have.

She cast it on the floor right beside Jin and a dome-like barrier was created and expanded to accommodate the trio. Suddenly Jin had an even more brilliant idea. "Hey, Peppers, how about you cast the biggest explosion you could ever muster into this scroll?"

"Why should I do that?" Peppers started to scoff at him.

"Because I am your master." Jin became a little pretentious.

"My only master is one who is able to harness the power of explosions, not a panda user!" Peppers suddenly realised what Jin could possibly be doing.

"Are you afraid your explosion cannot beat my awesome chi beam?" Milk could not stand Jin's bad acting or lying. She could not tell the difference but she knew she needed to step back a little before things started to get heated, literally.

"What? We saw your chi beam in the fight against Lai Fu! It was like as weak as a slime." Peppers remembered that Jin needed her help against the Grade 4 cultivator, Lai Fu.

"That was not even my full power." Jin grew proud while trying to make Peppers think he was hiding something. However, both the bellators knew that this was a poorly done ruse against Peppers.

"Ohhh, you think you can trick me by provoking me to attack you so you can capture the explosion spell. Well too bad, no. I will not waste mana doing such stupid things." Peppers tried to call it off before it gets even more unbearable.

"Hah, your mana pool is that little?" Jin accidentally triggered Pepper's anger for pointing out her weakness.

"No!" Peppers finally fell for Jin's trick and she chanted, "Death heed my call! Teach this callous master of mine what is the meaning of a beautiful explosion!" A large magical circle appeared right in front of the staff Peppers was holding.

"Explosion That Exceeds That Stupid Chi Beam!" Peppers shouted so loudly that both Milk and Jin could barely hold their laughter in themselves from that nonsensical spell name. A small tiny fireball appeared from the tip of the staff and it went straight towards Jin. He quickly opened up the scroll that was able to translate an attack into a magical incantation.

Little did he know, the fireball exploded right before it was in the range of the scroll's translation ability. Jin quickly moves forward and the scroll started to absorb part of the explosion. Jin was unfortunately within the area of the explosion and he withstood it as much as he could. Although he could feel his skin was burning away, he did not let this opportunity to pass by that easily as he shot out the strongest Panda Yawning out onto the back of the scroll that he was holding.

By some miracle, the scroll managed to absorb the explosive power of Peppers and the chi beam from Jin. If not for Milk's anti-acoustic barrier, the zombies all around them would have noticed them.

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Chapter 55 Operation Fireworks

"Ahhh what is this heavenly feeling?" Jin woke up to see two towering silhouettes covering his face from the sun while he felt that his head was being supported by a large soft cushion.

"Ah you are awake, that's good." Milk continued to caress his hair and Jin suddenly felt even more tired than before.

"Why am I on your thigh? Even though it feels very comfortable." Jin wanted to sleep on it longer.

"You were badly burnt but I managed to fix you up. Yun came to this world momentarily to scold Peppers for nearly killing you. Although I have to say, it was partially your fault too." Milk curled a strand of Jin's hair.

Meanwhile, Peppers was still in a prostrated position after she was reprimanded by Yun to not move until Jin wakes up. "I am sorry for the trouble I caused." Peppers said it reluctantly mainly due to her innate pride of being a superior mage.

Jin thanked Milk and stood up to walk towards Peppers. He picked up the oversized wizard hat that was right beside her and assisted Peppers to stand up. She staggered a little and awkwardly used Jin's body as a pillar of support since she was not used to kneeling for long periods of time and she had numbness in her legs. This made her feel as if she had pins and needles in her legs.

Jin placed her hat on her head and adjusted it a little. "You do not have to, I am the one who should say sorry. I should have asked you to cast an explosion spell instead of-"

"HAH! You owe me that jar of gummies!" Peppers' expression immediately changed when she looked at Milk winning a small bet.

"I did tell you he would apologise to you. He is not as bad as you think he is." Milk's laughter was a little haughty.

"I.. hmmph!" Peppers kept quiet for once.

"Alright, I think we wasted enough time here, let us prepare our battle plan." Jin could not be bothered with these two bellators when he was trying to be sincere in his apology. He immediately asked Peppers the method for placing the page of incantation which he had painstakingly obtained into the green tome of replicated spells.

Surprisingly, Peppers was not one bit annoying. She taught Jin and gave clear instructions on it. "Thank you Peppers. That was really helpful." Jin smiled at Peppers and she nodded her head nonchalantly.

"Perhaps, she wasn't given much care and concern previously." Jin thought for a while and decided to take a note about it.

Jin followed Peppers' instructions and successfully inserted the page of magic incantations into the tome and the tome glowed warmly with magic. "Let's move quietly into the Shanghai Tower," Jin told them where they were headed to.

He thought of something and took his phone out. As he turned on Mooogle Maps, it actually showed him the area where he was standing. Hence, he tried typing in the Shanghai Tower into the app and explicit directions were given on how to go to Shanghai Tower.

Jin also looked at the time on his phone and it appeared to be synchronised to the time of this world as well.

"Looks like we might have a good night show to watch if everything goes well." Jin beckoned both to come with him and they followed closely and tried to avoid any zombies.

"Are you really trying to get the secondary mission objective? I still think it's too hard for you." Milk suddenly expressed her concerns when she used her large book to kill a zombie at the head.

Jin made her cast her anti-acoustic dome barrier on a piece of pebble, making it a portable barrier wherever they go. This allowed them to move as quietly as possible and allowed Peppers to cast her smaller scale explosive spells without worry. Peppers for once complimented Jin on his ideas.

"Heh, I actually learnt it on a tabletop game when I played with my friends." Jin thought and realised he had not seen those high school friends of his for a long time.

He was not very sociable during university for a reason or two but during high school, he and his friends were quite a bunch of troublemakers. Perhaps he should give them a call when he had the time....or perhaps not. They might be able to deduce that Jin had a system in him.

Slowly but surely, they managed to reach Shanghai Tower by dusk without too much difficulty. The Mooogle map directions were easy to understand but Jin decided to play it safe and took the smaller streets. It took a long time but they encountered fewer zombies.

"Yun, by any chance are you able to get me the schematics for Shanghai Tower?" As they were hiding within a bush, Jin asked Yun for some help through his thoughts.

"What? Why would you...ohhhhhh. I get it now. Wow, did you actually learn this from Peppers?" Meanwhile, Peppers had an innocent look on her face as Jin stared at her.

"No no, but I think she will love it once I tell her about the plan. And perhaps...just perhaps she might have a better perception of me." Peppers had a 'What are you looking at me for' kind of look on her face.

"Alright, if it can improve the relationship between you and her, I guess it is worth a shot. Check your email shortly." Yun said in his head and his phone vibrated.

He never understood why people said the phone was the best buddy you would ever have until today. Without the help of the System's created phone, he might have encountered lots of trouble in this Zombie World. He downloaded the attachment via some mysterious Wifi which he believed was the System itself or else he could not explain where the Wifi came from and viewed the PDF file he was offered by Yun.

The blueprint was elaborate from an engineering point of view and was not some simple fire emergency layout map. To his surprise, Yun even circled parts of the structural vulnerability of various floors. Since there were 128 floors and 250 pages of explosion spells, Jin could not help but snicker.

"Maybe I should keep a few pages of the tome for future use." Jin thought of using only two pages of explosion spell per floor but in reality, that would not destroy the whole building.

From the blueprint, the building had a sort of fail-safes in the design despite the structural vulnerabilities that Yun had pointed out so it would not be destroyed that easily.

"I guess I will just place a page at each structural vulnerability on every floor and place the other where I think where the zombies will congregate the most. That sure is a lot of work but it will be spectacular."

Jin finally told the plan to Peppers and Milk and to Jin expectations, Peppers face lit up like a full moon and pumped up, all ready to go.

"I called it Operation Fireworks." Jin grinned widely.

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Chapter 56 Feasibility

"Shall we get to work then?" Milk felt excited at Jin's reckless plan to kill two hundred different looking zombies while using only the Panda Yawning technique. This plan should allow Jin to achieve both the main and secondary objectives.

By mixing Panda Yawning chi beam with the powerful explosion from Peppers in the page of incantations, Jin had increased the power of the Panda Yawning by multiple folds. Not only that, but he had also replicated that page of incantations to 250 pages worth of spells.

The mission did not state that the Panda Yawning could not be modified. Thinking out of the box was essential for an engineering student to score well in their projects in the university and Jin was glad he was able to put it into use by exploiting the loopholes of the mission objectives.

"I will take the highest floor and work from the top to the bottom....eh how do I send the details to you girls?" Jin split the tome into two and gave the first half to Milk and Peppers.

"Oh do not worry, Yun is coordinating the details with us. She is afraid we will screw up." Milk explicitly looked at Peppers.

"I will not! This will be one of the masterpieces that I shall carve on this world!" Peppers replied proudly.

"No, I will definitely guide the two of you." Yun's voice was transmitted to the trio.

"Then let's get started, we do not have much time to waste," Jin said while preparing to take the stairs.

"Eh how about trying the elevator?" Both bellators said in unison.

"Shouldn't there be no power in the elevators?" Jin looked at them assuming that his common sense should be right since the Shanghai Tower was in ruins and the whole place had been festered with zombies.

"Never hurts to try." Milk pressed the button and they were right after all. The elevator was working.

"Okay...." Jin remembered that Shanghai tower had one of the fastest elevators in the world. He just hoped it would work normally because he indeed felt too lazy to take the stairs and thankfully it did. He had slight nausea due to the change in air pressure but it was not so bad as he could handle being brought up from the first floor to the observation deck.

"Top observation deck." A female announcer voice was heard when he reached the top accessible floor. "So, there is still some power in the building after all." He then remembered that Shanghai tower was boasted as one of the newer skyscrapers that have eco-sustainability. He would not be surprised if the Tower had solar panels to power up the building's secondary generators.

There were indeed zombies all around so he decided to use Bam and Boo together and it became a Bo before he splits them apart to be a pair of dual baton. "There were no criteria that hurting them with other weapons will cause the secondary mission objective to be invalid right?"

"Yes, you can do that, but note that if you happened to kill one by accident, the secondary mission objective will be moot," Yun warned Jin, knowing that he was dying to get the secondary mission objective completed.

She assumed he was too enticed by the secondary rewards he had earnt from the previous mission. Or perhaps he regretted not being able to complete the secondary objective during the Zither Mistress mission where he was supposed to use the Lazy Panda Swipe technique to kill his enemies.

Jin figured out the location of the structural vulnerability of the top observation deck and tried to be as quiet as possible and regretted that he did not learn Panda Tumbling, a type of movement technique that allows the user to move swiftly and quiet like wheels rolling on the road.

He learnt Panda Yawning in order to complete a mission and it was one of the few missions available in the mission app.

Mission: Master the technique of Panda Yawning by creating the beam in less than a second. Beam created should have sufficient power to reach a distance of 100 meters.

Reward: Quality of life improvements in the store.

There was also a mission on Panda Tumbling but it was only available after he accepted the Panda Yawning mission. At the moment, he was able to shoot his beam in less than a second but he still did not have sufficient chi power to create a beam that could reach a distance of 100 meters.

He figured this zombie mission was meant to train his Panda Yawning technique but he did not expect that he had gone a different route to defeat the zombies.

Regardless, he was able to find the location of the structural vulnerability of the observation deck. At that point, the sun was already setting and the moon along with the stars shone brightly under the lightless city.

"Guess I better hurry." He quietly placed one of the pages of the magic tome near the centre of the observation deck and slipped away to the lower floor via the emergency stairway.

On the next floor, he noticed that there was moonlight shining through the windows of the other floor but it was not strong enough to light up the area for him to see.

Hence, with the aid of his own technique, the Playful Panda, the combination of teachings from the Playful Platypus style and the Nineteen Lazy Astral Pandas Technique, he was able to navigate through the darkness without making too much disturbance by avoiding them.

Unfortunately, the cover of darkness did not make things any easier. Some of the zombies were still able to discover him but a few knocks of the dual batons caused them to bump into each other and the noise that they made distracted them from Jin.

"Wow, this will be difficult if I have to go through each and every floor." Jin started to think that his plan was not as feasible he thought it will be. It was possible to do, just too strenuous and it would be daytime before everything was done. Jin did not want daytime to come since he wanted Peppers to see some fireworks. Maybe, he himself wished to see some too.

"Unless..." Jin took out his phone to turn on the bellator app. "Milk, by any chance, do you have a flight spell or spells that can make you as light as possible?"

"Ehhh I guess so, why?" Milk telepathically answered him and her message appeared in the app. She paused a while before replying again.

"Are you thinking of jumping out of the building? (-.-)" An emoji appeared in Milk's reply to Jin but Jin did not reply at all. Milk assumed that Jin had bumped into some trouble so that was why he might want to change the plans a little.

"There's quite a number of zombies loitering around the building. I do not think I can pass through them easily." Jin's reply confirmed Milk's suspicion.

"Ehhh sort of. It is a Feather Light spell, which will reduce your weight to ½. Even if you fall from the top of the building, your cultivation strength should be able to withstand the impact and damage." Milk offered her choice of spell for him.

"So what about the spell pages that you asked us to place? We covered about 10 floors already." Milk replied to her.

"Just leave them be, did you kill any zombies along the way?"

"Not much, just a few."

"Alright leave the area and return back to the abandoned building. Also, you mind asking Peppers for a page of incantations and place that Feather Light spell at the elevator on the 10th floor? I will take it from there."

"Already did the transferring of the spell before you asked. We will place it behind the flower pot which is right beside the elevator."

"See you and may the goddess protect you." Milk sent a praying nun emoji at the end of the text and the chat ended.

"Oh shucks, I forgot to ask. How do I activate the spell for the Explosive Panda Yawning?" Jin scratched his head.

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Chapter 57 Plan B

He wanted to take out his phone once more to ask either Milk or Peppers for help but a zombie found him hiding behind a pillar. Jin quickly joined the two batons together to reform the bamboo Bo and sweep the zombie's legs, causing it to fall.

He then manipulated chi into the Bo and it turned into a short bow. Jing gave a point-blank shot using a small amount of his chi and he shot the zombie's arms and legs, pinning it down to the ground. All the zombie could do was to struggle fruitlessly.

After which, Jin ran to the emergency stairways and closed the door as quickly but gently as he could in order not to attract additional attention to him.

"That was close." Jin panted a little from the manoeuvre. He could have easily killed the zombie but not killing was harder than he thought.

"I shall save you the trouble of asking Peppers." Yun suddenly spoke in Jin's thoughts. "Upon knowing the plan, she secretly inserted a trigger incantation into the tome too. As long as it comes into contact with fire or when a zombie touches it, the page will release its magic."

"Wow, Peppers is really smart. I really do see her in a new light." Jin praised Peppers but little did he know, she nearly sneezed.

Nearly.

Milk was able to notice the irritation in Peppers' face and quickly tried to cover her mouth. The anti-acoustic barrier had long worn off when they were leaving the 10th floor and Milk did not have time to create another one. Upon this incident, she quickly took a small piece of rubble and immediately cast the anti-acoustic dome barrier once more.

Peppers was also relieved that Milk was able to stop her in time else it might potentially ruin the plan that Jin had painstakingly prepared. Yet, she was also extremely excited to see her magic in action and hoped that her master would not disappoint her.

Jin got to the 10th floor and managed to find the incantation page of Feather Light spell behind the flower pot and noticed there was an additional small cloth bag at the side. He assumed that it belonged to Peppers and Milk since it was placed right beside the incantation page of Feather Light. He opened the cloth bag and saw a folded piece of paper and two rings.

Master!

The ring in blue is a one-time use spell enhancer ring and the white ring is used to trigger the Feather Light spell since you have no idea how to read magic incantations. Show me the best fireworks you can produce!

Else I will never. NEVER. Ever. Forgive. You.

Peppers <3

PS: Return those rings to me, I can still reuse them!

"Hahaha, she is so cute when she is nice." Jin smiled a little and decided to proceed with Plan B but in actuality, Plan B was made up on the spot.

He took the elevator again to the 80th floor and purposely chose an office with a stronger metal door instead of those flimsy glass doors most modern offices have. In that office, there were a few zombies lying around playing dead so Jin decided to clear them to initiate Plan B. He slashed the zombies' legs with Bam to render their mobility.

After which, he took wires from computers, extension plugs and cables to tie the zombies up and gave a Panda Yawning Chi Beam each on their heads. All were obliterated within a second and what was left were their lifeless bodies.

"8/200 different looking zombies killed. Panda Yawning used. Secondary Objective remains valid." A notification popped up instead of Yun saying it in his head. Perhaps, she could not be bothered with all these little numbers or she thought Jin was just trying too hard.

Jin later smashed one of the windows facing the Jin Mao Tower, which was situated right beside the Shanghai Tower. He then quickly grabbed as many pieces of furniture as he could find in the office and blocked the entrance and exits he saw on the blueprint.

There was some noise from all the moving of the furniture and this attracted the attention of the zombies on the 80th floor. However, the metal door was able to withstand the zombies' constant banging.

After all the furniture moving was done, he walked nearer to the smashed window and portrayed his cultivation, the Nineteen Lazy Astral Pandas and three lazy panda silhouettes yawned simultaneously. With all the chi he could gather, he shouted as loud as he could.

"I WILL BE NUMBER ONE!!!!"

His shout pierced through the silent night and every zombie in the vicinity woke up from their aimless routine. Jin could see that his shout had a tremendous effect on the undead population so much so that the zombies themselves started to make lots of noise, attracting even more zombies.

"Now we shall await the congregation of the zombie conference." Jin took a chair with rollers and sat beside the smashed window. He could see Milk and Peppers from afar, standing at the top of the abandoned building they once stood. They seemed to be able to handle the zombie threat quite well as the route leading to the abandoned building was filled with smoke and ashes.

"I guess Peppers had fun blasting them to pieces but I thought she said her Mana was low."

"Oh, her Mana was once low when she just started as a mage. Since then she tried various ways to improve magic spells in order to reduce Mana usage while she increases the efficiency of her attacks as well." Yun's voice suddenly appeared in his head.

"Ever since the System contracted her to be a bellator, all she requested was an infinite pool of Mana and she did not care who her master was. Unfortunately, nobody ever contracted her till you."

"Wait, I thought the System came from grandpa...so?" Jin questioned as he looked at the zombies moving hastily in the streets towards Shanghai Tower.

"There were other people before Ming who were selected to use the System too, but whether they were successful in their life remains confidential," Yun replied.

At this point, the knocking at the doors was more violent and one of the doors managed to break loose. However, there was still stacked furniture remaining that prevented them from coming through.

"I shall wait a while more before I start Operations Fireworks." Jin thought to himself.

Suddenly a phone notification came on. It was a picture message sent by Milk. Jin opened it and was flabbergasted. "These zombies can climb??!" In disbelief, Jin quickly took a peek out of the smashed window and saw thousands and thousands of zombies 'climbing' up the Shanghai Tower.

They were actually zombies stacked on one another, hoping to reach Jin through the masses of numbers. Yet they were rather fast and not the slow walking zombie that Jin had all along been encountering.

"Why are they so active now?" Jin was still in a bit of shock.

"Because they are attracted to chi energy. For the whole time, you used little to no chi energy on your way here aside from the attack you did when the explosion happened which caused you to faint. However, the chi emitted from you was also absorbed by the page of incantations."

"Oh my, what mess did I put myself in?" Jin's legs shivered a little.

While all these were happening, Peppers created a floating box large enough for Milk and herself.

She even took out some snacks from her bag of seemingly endless space and shared it with Milk.

"This will be a great show to watch!" Peppers beamed as she munched on a few pieces of sea salt and black pepper potato chips.

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Chapter 58 Explosion is an Ar

The zombies were stacking up fast on the ground floor of the Shanghai Tower, and one could assume that the remaining floors were packed and flooded with just zombies. Meanwhile, the furniture that was used to block the entrances of the 80th floor was being pushed away by the horde of zombies wanting to come in. There was little time for Jin to hesitate any further.

Jin initially wanted to keep a few pages of the Explosive Panda Yawning spell but it seemed that he would need all the firepower he could garner. "Goodbye cruel world!" Jin wore the two rings that were bestowed to him by Peppers and he used his cultivation powers to jump out of the window as high as he could.

The tome that was filled with the pages of Explosive Panda Yawning was left on the chair beside the smashed window. As he jumped out of the window, he activated both the Feather Light spell ring and the Chi Enhancer ring at the same time.

For a second, it seemed that the change in air pressure from his sudden 'loss of weight' gave him an airlift and he unleashed his cultivation once more. This time, the three rolling lazy panda silhouettes yawned simultaneously and with all of his chi overflowing from the effects of the Chi Enhancer ring as well. Jin gathered as much as he could handle and unleashed the largest and biggest Panda Yawning chi beam he had ever done.

His Panda Yawning chi beam had always been a fusion of white Yang and black Yin energy but with effects of the Chi Enhancer, the white energy glowed brighter which was blinding even to Jin and the black energy darkened to a colour darker than black.

Unknown to him, the phone in his pocket gave him a mission app notification stating that the mission on Mastering Panda Yawning was completed. Meanwhile, he was so busy yawning the chi beam, he did not realise that the beam pushed him backwards in midair.

Where was the beam aimed at? Mainly the chair with the tome on it. Not to mention the beam killed tens of brainless zombies that followed Jin blindly out of the window which made some of them fall off the building. However, the moment Jin's chi energy beam touched the tome, there was light.

A burst of light so brilliantly bright, it felt like it was the birth of a new star.

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The rapid release of energy caused a shockwave that caused Jin, who was ½ of his original weight to be knocked back even further, making him crash into the neighbouring Jin Mao Tower. He rolled across the floor to break his momentum but inadvertently crashed into various cubicles and office furniture. He finally landed on a sofa which cushioned him from further impact.

"WOOOHOOO!!" Peppers and Milk were already wearing sunglasses during the massive explosion of the Shanghai Tower. The impact of the explosion reached the abandoned building but Peppers' flying box was able to maintain its stability despite the knockback from the impact. Milk even prepared the highest level of Holy Shield to protect them from the blast while they enjoyed watching the fireworks.

"I must say, this explosion could be a new contender to your Guinnessie Record of Explosions." Milk watched hundreds of zombies being sent out of the tower by the aftershocks of the explosion.

"Hmm, I shall give him an overall score of 8/10 for the explosion." Peppers licked her fingers after finishing the second pack of chips that she shared with Milk.

"8/10? I would give an 8.9/10 for the aftereffects of flying zombies." Milk continued to spectate as the top floors of Shanghai tower gave way and fell onto the zombies on the ground. She signaled Peppers to bring the flying box higher for a better view of the situation.

"Do you always have to be this irritating. Can't you just give a whole number?" Peppers opened a bag of gummies and chewed on a black and white panda looking gummy. The black part of the panda tasted like kokacola-flavour and she nibbled on it a little longer to savour the taste.

"What? Giving a decimal point gives my review a perception of being sophisticated." Milk commented as she watched what's left of the burning building. Shanghai's Tower's 80th floor and above was obliterated by Jin and at the top of Shanghai Tower, the fire was burning brightly like a beacon of hope.

Hope that Peppers would be able to see such beautiful explosion once more.

"But why 8/10?" Milk was curious at Peppers assessment.

"Because the explosion was not colourful enough. It only consisted of black and white. My explosions contained various colours. I can make green, blue, orange, yellow and red explosions." Peppers took another gummy and it was T-rex shaped.

"What, you lowered your evaluation score because of colours?" Milk could see the debris that fell from Shanghai tower killed quite a number of the zombies as Jin's shouting did the trick to attract them to the tower.

"Why not? Explosion is an art. Colours do matter!" Peppers closed her eyes tightly when she accidentally ate a sour snake shaped gummy.

"Well, art takes into account other things as well! Not just colours!" Milk went ahead to steal a few gummies from Peppers but Peppers noticed it and pouted angrily at Milk.

"That's why for a first timer, giving him an eight is considered high in my books. In addition, he could have spread the pages of the tome and that would have potentially expanded the radius of the explosion, inflicting more damage-"

Suddenly, they saw more explosions and it came from the first ten floors. Both of them stopped their chatter and continued to watch with anticipation. They believed one of the zombies accidentally touched the page of Explosive Panda Yawning. With Yun previously directing them to the structural vulnerability of the first ten floors excluding the basements, they now hoped for the best part to happen.

The second wave of explosions awoke Jin's senses and he found himself being surrounded by zombies. Thankfully, the zombies were not looking at him but at the window on the outside of Jin Mao Tower. He then noticed his phone was on the floor with two notifications, stating that the zombie main and secondary mission objective had been completed.

"I guess with most of my chi expelled out after that attack, the zombies did not view me as a threat." Jin was weak from his lack of chi but his Dantian was still generating a small amount of chi every minute because of his innate cultivation potential. Hence, he managed to sneak out of the zombies' sight.

He crawled slowly to the side of the office where he had crashed into and move slowly to a corner where he could view what had happened to the Shanghai Tower.

To the trio's delight, the Shanghai Tower finally collapsed as it was not able to hold the weight of the entire building once the first ten floors was destroyed.

"Mission Complete with style," Yun said in a cool voice and teleported them back to the shop.

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Chapter 59 Quality of Life Improvements

Jin and the other two bellators returned safely to the store and found out an hour or so had passed since the time they went to the Zombie World. "Time dilation is a mechanic even I myself cannot explain. So do not look at me with such a curious face Jin." Yun commented as she prepared three plates of curry rice right in front of them.

All three hurriedly got to the bar counter and started to eat. "Thanks for preparing the food Yun, come to think of it, I sure am famished!" Jin immediately dug in by taking the piece of pork cutlet dipped with curry into his mouth. Yun asked for what would they like for drinks and each had their own preference for beverages. Milk wanted Bamboo Juice, Peppers asked for a Panda Soda while Jin just preferred spring water.

During their brunch, it was evident that Peppers indeed became closer to Jin after the zombie mission and Yun was proud that she even initiated the conversations. "I guess Jin unknowingly killed two birds with a stone for that mission." Yun smiled at her own thoughts.

"What? My explosion is only 8/10?! After all the troublesome work that I had done? Impossible! I said it's at least a 9/10" Jin exclaimed loudly.

"Well, if you were not so obsessed with the secondary mission objective, you would not have gone through all those troubles!" Peppers stuck her tongue out and stole a piece of pork cutlet from Jin's plate. Jin showed his slight anger which Peppers giggled at but deep inside him, he was glad Peppers got more lively so he let the matter slide.

"Master~~! Did I do good too?" Milk tried to get the attention of Jin but he totally ignored her advances.

"Here, a piece of pork cutlet for you too." Jin took one of the bigger slices and placed it in Milk's plate.

"Master! What if I grow fat from this cutlet?" Milk pouted while Peppers was jealous Milk got a bigger slice.

"You can give that to me if you do not want it at all" Peppers tried to cross over Jin's seat to blatantly steal the pork cutlet.

"Ah! No, this is a gift from Master!" Milk quickly threw that piece of pork cutlet into her mouth before Peppers was able to reach it. Yun chuckled at the scene and wanted to talk to Jin with regards to his rewards but someone interrupted.

"Jin, you did well to persevere, despite some discouragements from your fellow bellators and the system. That is what I would like to expect when the training starts." Zeru came and sat beside Milk. "Lady Yun, I would like one of this pork cutlet too."

Yun gladly served the pork cutlet to him and both Milk and Peppers told him the details when he was not around in Zombie World.

"Hahaha! It's a pity I could not have gone with you two. I definitely believe it was a spectacular sight to see Jin's first attempt at creating such a large firework." They talked for a while longer before Milk and Peppers returned to the Bellator app.

However, Zeru remained and out of the blue, he kneels down in front of Jin. "Shifu? What are you doing? Please get up."

"No, Master Jin. I like to clarify a few things with you or else there might be a long-lasting misunderstanding between us. I am firstly your Bellator and secondly your teacher. Use me as you would have with both Milk and Peppers or else I am a failure as a Bellator." Zeru clarified his stance with Jin.

Jin was stunned for a moment and Zeru continued to talk. "While if this sounds contradictory and you could not bear to treat me as an equal Bellator then how about this? I am only your Shifu when we are in my training instance. Other than that, please do treat as one of your bellators. How does that sound?"

"Sure, thanks Zeru for the clarification, you may stand up now." Jin immediately got what he meant. Zeru did not want to have the special treatment of a Shifu just because he was going to train his master. Yet, He would still like to serve his master to his fullest.

"Thank you, Master Jin." Zeru bowed and took his leave and returned to the Bellator app.

"Now, it is my turn for your attention." Yun was handed Jin his handphone which he had initially placed on the table.

"Congratulations for completing two of the system's missions. I will be providing you with the rewards from the 'Master the Panda Yawning Technique' mission." Yun smiled and snapped her fingers. The store shook a little and things magically appeared all around the shop.

While it was not immediately noticeable, the shop actually expanded by a few square feet. There was now more space between the bar counter and the various stations. Speaking of stations, all six stations

were now equipped with the 55 inch True 16K UHD TV and the 49 inch TVs were wall mounted at the top of the 55 inch TV.

"What's with the additional set of TV? Panoramic view of the dungeon instance?" Jin asked.

"If that's the case, the system would have placed it side by side instead of a top-bottom layout. The TV at the top would be used to show the names of the participants entering the dungeon as well as some vital statistics." Yun replied.

"During the dungeon run, it will also capture and playback certain epic moments during the cultivator's fight. It would be for those who accidentally missed it and for the entire store to see as well. Since people usually crowd the area and other customers usually struggled to see what's the commotion."

"Oh like those sports games where someone scored a goal?" Jin felt that it was a good idea.

"Yeah, exactly like that. This will create a more extensive and perhaps expansive experience for the customers to bond with each other." Yun subsequently asked Jin to take a look at his Pandamonium app.

"Your Pandamonium app had been updated to the latest version. The system had updated the user interface with a cleaner design and now you can officially put announcements to inform your customers."

"In addition, cultivators who installed Pandamonium are able to watch the live stream of any of the six stations in full HD if they pay a monthly subscription fee of 40 Yuan as one of the in-app purchases in Pandamonium." Yun showed where the new Panda icon was and it was represented by a Panda biting on a film reel.

"Huh? Are you allowing this? I thought you had the pay per video deal." Jin questioned Yun.

"Hmm, you did complain it was not very feasible to do this sort of model, saying it was outdated which the system eventually bowed down to the consumption trend of modern society." Yun shrugged her shoulders a little.

"Can they download the stream if they like the stream?" Jin asked once more.

"Definitely for 5 Yuan." Yun raised up her hand, showing a five to Jin.

"Here you go again. How is that following the consumption trend of modern society?" Jin shook his head.

"Then what would you suggest?" Yun placed her hands on her hips, feeling a little irritated too.

"Hmm..." Jin thought for a while as he tapped his fingers on the table.

"How about making it free for those who subscribed and participated a dungeon recently? For example, if a customer participated in two dungeons, they will have two free downloads? Will that encourage the customers? I am sure the system can do that up, else I'm fairly versed in programming codes and see what I can do to make that happen." Jin offered his expertise from the university.

"Hahaha, the system is way superior to what you are capable of. Besides, what you suggest is feasible but complicated. I will just throw in four free downloads per week." This time round, Yun shook her finger at Jin.

"You can do that and you can add a new subscription model of 60 Yuan for the live stream and an additional 10 downloads per week?" Jin thought about it for a while and felt that it was feasible.

"I will discuss with the system and get back to you. That sounds fairly decent." Yun agreed to Jin's suggestion.

"Well, I guess that is true too. Is that all for the improvement of quality for the store?"

"Not quite, remember the existence of the third floor?" Yun asked Jin and she can see Jin nearly forgot about it,

"Oh? Oh yes, nobody really used the playback functions room." Jin was a little disappointed that no one really used that function when he was the one who requested for it.

"Yes, you are right. Literally, no one ever used it. Come with me." Jin followed Yun as she walked up the stairs to the second floor and everything looked almost the same, except for more leg space.

When he reached the third floor, he was surprised it was not just an improvement of quality for the store.

It was a revamp.

Chapter 60 Revamped Third Floor

"What happened to this place??" Jin was surprised by the whole revamp of the third floor. There used to be several rooms for playback purposes but right now, all the walls were hacked down and the place turned into a gallery room.

The floors were installed with black polished granite flooring which was slightly reflective but blurred enough to not offend the decency of the ladies that patronised the shops. A mix of brown and green bamboos lined the four walls of the third floor with grey pebbles and stones that covered the soil. The contrast of the bamboo and the granite floor gave the gallery room a sense of Zen.

There were no obvious windows on the third floor but Jin noticed a fairly narrow separation between the roof of the shophouse and the four walls. In that separation, the System installed an angled glass panel which allowed sufficient sunlight to shine upon the bamboo plants and brightened the gallery a little with some natural light.

The ventilation system of the store kept the place cooling enough as it was regulated by the System. In fact, the whole store was regularly kept between 16-20 degrees Celsius depending on the weather.

There was also a mixture of dim and bright lighting installed too. It apparently had a day and night settings which gave the room a distinct kind of homely yet sophisticatedly professional feel in addition to the Zen atmosphere Jin was experiencing.

Jin was genuinely impressed by the layout of the gallery. "This is amazing, it is really beautiful and tranquil."

So what did the gallery contain? Similar to what Jin had seen in the basement, there were a number of pedestals similar to the what he had seen in basement 1. However, compared to the pedestals in the basement 1, the pedestals here were all empty except for one right at the corner where the stairs were located.

Aside from the pedestals, there were two additional bronze statues that were shaped to a fat cute penguin with big comical eyes. Both of them were placed at each side of the stairs.

Each of the penguins was signified with a gender locked item. The left penguin had a long curly handlebar moustache and a top hat while the penguin on the right had a big ribbon at the top of its head

"They are...?" Jin asked.

"Bathroom instance, just larger in size." Yun thought it was obvious enough.

"What? How would I know they were bathrooms?!" Jin did not understand the system's logic even though it tried to be artistic and complicated at the same time. Perhaps Yun already knew it was a bathroom instance so she had no problem identifying it.

"But don't the toilet signs usually showed a male with a top hat and female with either a dress or long hair?" Yun was a little confused, she really thought it was a decent idea to have the penguin statues.

"Well, who in the right mind will place the toilets right beside the stairway? The gallery is the main attraction and I believed the customers who notice it probably thinks that they are part of the interior decor. Then what happened to the showers and toilets on the second floor?" Jin could not believe Yun and he guessed she had her dull moments too.

"It is still there, for you know customers that do not have the Pandamonium app." Yun suddenly felt a little embarrassed after being pointed out by Jin.

"Also, why would you put so much emphasis on a toilet?" Jin was a little curious for a toilet instance.

"Come, let us have the Boss to deduce why would the system do that?" Yun tried to subtly gain back some authority over Jin. A sore loser she was and she knew that was a bad trait of hers but sometimes she could not help it. Although she did try her best to tone it down whenever possible.

"After the dungeon runs, they can take a shower or have a good dip in a tub?" Jin answered as he stares at the bronze penguin statues

"That does not really answer the question since the toilets on the second floor can do that as well but it is nevertheless one of the functions," Yun replied.

"It takes time so a bathroom instance in a dimensional space will reduce the time needed due to the time dilation and for comfort with privacy I supposed?" Jin tried to guess and Yun nodded her head.

"You can take a look at the instance if you want and you will understand it." Yun was a little excited.

"Wait, before anything, I still think the placement of the penguins needs to be changed." Jin interrupted her.

"To where?" Yun got a little irritated when Jin changed the subject. She placed her palm out signalling 'where exactly'.

"Right beside the actual toilets." Jin replied by pointing downwards.

"Fine, I do think it's a little weird after what you said." Yun gave in to the reason for now.

"Alright, let me try to -URGH why is this so heavy?!" Jin even used his Grade 3 cultivation strength and he was unable to lift the statue up.

"Because there is an anti lifting inscription in it in order to prevent theft. Gravity bounded unless the system permits movement." Yun giggled and snapped her fingers. In an instant, the penguin statue was light enough for Jin to carry it with one hand and he brought it down to the second floor.

When he reached the second floor, he notice a few different changes as well. "For just a mission objective completion, there are quite a lot of changes to the store."

"Mmhmm, the rewards given to you were not based solely on the Panda Yawning mission."

"And which?"

"The hidden mission objective of that Zombie Mission. By simultaneously killing more than 50 zombies. Since you did a magnificent job killing more than 50 zombies at a go, the system decided to provide you with a reward appropriate for your effort. A multiplier effect on the mission reward for completing the Panda Yawning mission." Yun arrived at the second floor with the second penguin statue.

"But this is a lot of changes!" Jin did not want to nitpick but the changes were overly generous even for the system.

"What the system decides to give you is a secret even to me. I am just its front." Yun smiled as she placed the penguin where Jin directed. She snapped her fingers once more and the two penguins who initially did not have any pedestals to them were given one albeit a shorter and smaller one.

"So, what do you want go through first? The bathroom instance? or the instance on the third floor?" Yun asked as she looked at her watch to see how much time they had before they need to open the store for business.

Jin walked away from the penguin statue and stared at a new oversized vending machine that was embedded in the wall.

"This."