Full-Moon 101

Chapter 101 King Mark

"Wh...What?"

Syn's blade hand that is coated with dark element got stuck on Rex's neck, no matter how hard he tries he can't manage to slice Rex's neck.

It feels like he's slashing a rock using a wooden sword, it can't slice through!

Syn's blade hand got stopped by dark reddish smoke, he didn't even manage to touch Rex's skin before the red smoke stopped him.

The night moonlight suddenly shot towards Rex, the usual white moonlight turns into a red moonlight that shone every inch of Rex's body.

The moonlight nourishes Rex's body with immense energy, it is going into every inch of Rex's body.

At this exact moment, Rex felt the power he never felt before.

He felt that if he has this power he can take on anything in the world, and he will be unstoppable!

Rex's eyes burst with dark reddish smoke, it brings an eminent feeling of fear.

Red markings started to appear all over Rex's body, it is dark red in color and it is all connected to the red moon mark that emerges on his forehead.

Even Syn widened his eyes in shock, his body started to tremble.

He saw the dark reddish smoke bursting from Rex's eyes, it is swirling around Rex's body.

Syn immediately jumped away in fear, "King...King Mark?!"

Looking at Syn who in Rex's eyes is emitting an immense fear aura, he was confused himself.

Rex is confused as to why Syn looking at him with fear until he notices the markings all over his body, he was quite shocked by the Invincible item effect.

Taking advantage of the situation, Rex said, "You see now? In my eyes you're nothing, now leave before I change my mind"

Without even answering, Syn turns into a shadow and left the place.

He didn't even waste another second fearing Rex would change his mind, he left the place immediately.

Rex stands still for a moment fearing that Syn hasn't left yet,

After sensing that Syn is gone, the markings all over Rex's body and the dark reddish smoke disappeared.

He then felt weak as his injury pain hits him again, 'Damn, Invincible item is great but the weakened state for using it is a problem'

<The user is weakened due to using Invincible item, reduce your stats by 30% for two days>

'30% for two days?! That's too much', Rex thought, he needs all of his power for tomorrow but who would've thought that this happened.

Rex drop to the ground weakly, his leg injury is brutal.

Blood is still flowing out of his slashed legs, his regenerative ability works its magic but it's still far from closing the wound.

He needs at least a couple of hours to at least stop the bleeding.

Rex leans on a concrete pot, 'System, what is that red mark that appears during the Invincible process? What's a King Mark?', he asks.

<Invincible item activates the user's current maximum potential to block an attack>

<King Mark is a mark that appears on an extremely powerful Werewolf that already masters their associated Full Moon, the Werewolf race called these types of Werewolves as King>

Reading this, Rex becomes even more curious.

'So in my current state, I can potentially become these so-called Kings', Rex thought, the power that courses through his body before felt really good.

In that state, he is even confident to say that he can defeat the strongest Awakened, bold words but he probably can.

He then asks, 'System, tell me more about this King Mark'

<There are twelve types of Kings Mark associating with each Full-Moon. Normally a Werewolf can get these marks if they manage to master their associated Full-Moon, they then will become Kings and is highly respected by the Werewolves and also other Supernatural>

Rex was in thought, he notices that King Mark before is bloody red which means he is associated with the Blood Moon.

<The user's first transformation is during the Blood Moon, Werewolf called it their birth moon>

'No wonder my Werewolf aura is dark red, turns out it differs according to a Werewolf birth moon just like the two Werewolves in Zrolis City', Rex thought.

Just as he wanted to ask some more, he can already hear many footsteps approaching.

He can also already smell Adhara and Rosie scent amongst them.

Not long after, Adhara and Rosie run towards him hurriedly.

They are followed by dozens of students that heard the fight, there is also a lecturer amongst them wearing a white coat.

"REX?! What happened?!", Rosie shouted in panic.

Rex is leaning on the concrete pot weakly, there is a pool of blood beside him because of his nasty injuries.

Adhara also approaches Rex and saw the injuries on Rex's body, her hands started to tremble.

"Let's talk about this in our room, there are too many people here", Rex whispers to Adhara, the crowd of students already circles him with curiosity.

Some of them saw the fight Rex had in the training ground and they're shocked to see Rex's state.

He's unbeatable inside the training ground, for him to reduce to such a state means that the one he fought is someone they can't even touch.

The lecturer wearing white coats approaches them, "What happened here? Who dares attack inside the Faraday University ground"

Rex smiles weakly, he wanted to answer but got cut off by Adhara.

"Sir, let's bring Rex to our room first", Adhara said, she's concerned about the nasty injuries on Rex's legs.

The lecturer nodded his head, "Shouldn't we bring him to the infirmary?"

Adhara glance at Rex and saw him shakes his head, she then replied, "No need, we're from the Ochyra University and we came prepared there's no need to worry"

Hearing this, the lecturer nodded his head in understanding.

Unknown to Rex, there's a passerby who saw his fight against Syn from start to finish.

A couple of minutes later, Rex arrives in his room while leaning on Rosie and Adhara.

They both helped carry him because Rex can't walk properly, the injuries on his legs are too brutal and without the adrenaline, he can't possibly walk normally.

Rex lies on the bed as he said, "Rosie, can I ask you to buy me a healing elixir?"

Rosie nodded her head repeatedly before she bolted out of the room, she didn't even think twice about it.

Adhara knew that Rex wanted to talk to her alone, that's why he told Rosie that.

"What happened?", she asks.

Rex fixed his position and said, "A Supernatural just attacked me while I'm bathing under the moonlight, it was a Shapeshifter"

Hearing Rex's words, Adhara was utterly shocked to her core.

Out of all that could happen to Rex, she didn't expect that a Supernatural attacked him, "Shapeshifter? In the heart of Ratmawati City? How did this happen?"

"I know it's hard to believe but it in fact happened, I almost died fighting him", Rex said truthfully, without the Invincible item he got from the Berserk Sudden Quest he will probably die from that encounter.

Adhara widened her eyes with mixed emotions, "But why did they target you? They're definitely targeting you to ambush you alone"

"There's something I need to tell you", Rex said.

Adhara glance at Rex in question,

Rex thought that he didn't need to inform this soon to Adhara but the condition forced him to, the Shapeshifter attack is the first and it will certainly not be the last.

"During the day I turn you, the Werewolf sense my aura. I thought that we're safe in the heart of Ratmawati City but this night prove it wrong, that's why I need to tell you this", Rex explains.

Adhara's body trembles as soon as she heard it.

Rex notices this but he didn't blame her, knowing that the Werewolf that is the top dog of Supernatural knows of their existence is pretty scary.

He then says gently, "Are you scared?"

Adhara clenches her trembling hands, "Yes, but I'm all with you. Just don't keep any secrets and tell me how I can help you"

Rex didn't expect Adhara to so willingly follow him. it caught him off guard.

A smile crept on Rex's face, "Okay, I won't keep secrets"

"So what is your plan?", Adhara asks, she is determined to help Rex.

Rex pause for a while before he said, "We two alone can't fend them off, we need more members"

The sanity decrease from the system forced him to increase his pack members, he still hesitating in doing so but the condition forced him to.

"Member?", Adhara frowns but then she continues, "Do you have any requirement in mind?"

Rex thought a moment before he said, "I don't care of their power, I just need them to have a truthful character and also loyal"

He doesn't care about the candidate's power, he can help them gain power with the help of the system.

But then Rex suddenly remembers, "I almost forgot, I will turn you into a full Werewolf now. Make sure to get ready, I want you to be my right hand"

Adhara got nervous because of the enormous burden Rex gave, but then Rex continues with flashing eyes, "No, I need you to be my right hand"

Hearing this, Adhara blushes but she returns to normal rather quickly.

Then Rex suddenly remembers, "I will tell the others that I got attacked by the White Ninja from before again, make sure to keep the Supernatural thing a secret"

Adhara was confused, she doesn't understand why Rex would do that.

"Why? Isn't it a big deal so we have to tell the others?", she asks.

Rex shakes his head, "That's exactly why we need to keep it a secret, if the others know that a Supernatural got into Ratmawati City it will blow up all over Ratmawati City. If that happens, then they will tighten their security and scans the whole City and it will blow our cover"

Adhara nodded her head, it will be catastrophic if that happens.

Even imagining that Ratmawati City knows that they're a Werewolf makes her spine went cold, they will certainly get dissected and studied.

Rex glance at Adhara's arm and saw something poking out of her long sleeves, he was curious about it but Adhara pulled her sleeves to cover it.

Just as Rex wanted to ask, Rosie suddenly came back.

Rosie got back with a couple of rank four healing elixirs followed by Hera and Tony.

The Ochyra University representatives heard of these accidents and they're all getting concerned, it is only natural because their leader Rex might not participate in the tournament tomorrow.

If that happens, then they will definitely get humiliated by Faraday University.

"Why is this happening now, right before the tournament", Hera said helplessly, she's stressing out after looking at Rex's wounds.

Tony also frowning on the corner, from the looks of Rex's injury it will be hard to heal him to 100% by tomorrow.

He then asks, "What happened? Don't tell me this is Faraday University doings?"

Rex shakes his head and said, "No, I got attacked by the White Assassins that ambushed us yesterday"

Tony frowns, he glances at Hera, "I told you before that we got attacked by White Assassins"

After explaining to Tony, he then left the room after asking if Rex will be able to attend the tournament tomorrow.

Rex tells Tony that he will certainly still participate in the tournament.

After Tony left, Rosie applied the healing elixir to his injuries all over his body.

The injuries healed at a fast rate but it is unlikely to be healed by tomorrow.

Rex felt tired and wanted to rest, these two days are like hell for Rex.

Before the burnt injuries he got from Ronald healed, the Shapeshifter added more nasty injuries to him and also tear open some of them that are already healed.

Feeling the comfy bed, Rex instantly fell asleep.

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During the middle of the night, Rex woke up suddenly after he heard a rustling.

The attack from the Shapeshifter makes his body more alert at all times, it is exhausting but it is necessary.

Cling!

Adhara is up again this night, she's doing something.

Rex didn't open his eyes and pretend to sleep, he doesn't want to get caught for some reason.

Not long, the sound of the door opened and closed was heard.

Adhara left the room again which makes Rex even more curious, 'She's up again? Where is she going?'

Chapter 102 Stalking Adhara

Adhara left the room without even knowing Rex notice she went out.

Rex is very curious about what he saw on Adhara's arm, 'Is that a scar? I never notice she has that so that must be new', he thought.

He didn't sure what it was but now he realized that it is a scar.

Adhara didn't want Rex to see it based on how she covered it up, this makes Rex confused.

'I hope Edward found something', He thought before he went back to sleep, he got a rough day so he wanted to sleep some more.

Meanwhile, Adhara walks on the corridor alone.

She's heading towards the entrance of the university, she looks impatient for some reason.

The university is already empty with only a few people around, It is currently in the middle of the night so it is natural to be empty.

Adhara looks left and right as she headed outside, the attack she got before makes her alert.

Unknown to her, the figure that attacked her before is still following her.

He keeps a good distance with Adhara to not get caught, 'Rex said that she has quite sharp senses, this distance will do', he thought.

Adhara went out of the university and called a taxi.

Seeing this, Edward frowns, 'Where is she going in the middle of the night? All of the stores are closed', he thought.

He then takes out a gun and fired it at the taxi, it didn't make any loud sound.

Tap!

A black bullet hit the car before it flickers with red light, Adhara heard the light tap sound but she didn't think much of it.

After successfully pinning the taxi, Edward went to his car and follow it.

The black bullet turns out to be a tracker bullet, it is a convenient bullet that he bought for times like this.

He opened the map on his phone and saw the red flickering light is moving, it is the taxi that Adhara rode.

In the car, Edward was confused about where Adhara is going.

'She seems to head to the edge of Sector 2E, is she going out of the sector?', he thought.

But not long after, the flickering red light on his phone stopped.

It stopped at the area near the border of sector 2E, there's not much there except for a couple of border guards.

Sector 2E is a special place, so not everyone can just get in and out of the sector.

Edward arrives at the scene, he looks around and saw Adhara paying for the taxi.

He looks to the place behind Adhara and becomes even more confused, 'Yichi Grove? What is she doing here?'

Adhara stopped at the Yichi Grove named after the strongest mutated beast in it, the Venomous Snake Yichi. Although it is called Grove it is not a small jungle, it is quite a vast place that is filled with mutated beasts.

Yichi Grove is the same as Emham forest, it is also used by Awakened in Sector 3E to train.

These kinds of places are not uncommon throughout Ratmawati City, in fact, each sector has its own training place for the Awakened living there.

Adhara went inside the Grove after verifying the guards that she is indeed an Awakened.

The Yichi Grove is a public area and can only be entered by any Awakened, normal people are not allowed because it is dangerous for them.

Seeing Adhara went in, Edward follows her from the back.

Inside Yichi Grove is filled with huge trees with the width of houses, it is abnormally big that makes humans look tiny.

Rows of trees stand neatly as far as the eyes can see, it can be hard to decipher where you're going because of how identical each tree looks.

Upon entering Yichi Grove, Edward can instantly sense many beasts eyeing him from the shadow.

These mutated beasts didn't scare him because they're still in the outer area, if he went deeper and enter the mid area then he will have to be alert.

Early rank four mutated beasts and above is not something he can fight, especially the Venomous Snake Yichi. It is a peak rank five mutated beasts, if he encounters it then he will surely die.

Edward looks around and saw Adhara disappeared on the corner, he immediately follows her fearing that he will lose her from his sight.

He's stalking Adhara from the back.

Adhara swatted low-rank mutated beasts with her dagger easily, she seems to be going deeper.

She finally stopped until she met a waterfall on the edge of the outer area, it is the place where rank three to rank four mutated beasts lurk around.

'Did she came here to train? Why did she have to hide it from the others?', Edward thought.

The loud crashing sound from the waterfall filled the place with the creaking of insects matching the waterfall's melody, it creates an enjoyable sound that makes one relax.

Adhara is looking left and right trying to find something, if she comes here to train then she definitely searching for mutated beasts.

Not long after, Adhara encounters a Hard Skin Rhino.

Hard Skin Rhino is a peak rank three mutated beasts, it has rock-solid skin that is hard to penetrate using normal weapons. Its downside lies in its movement, it is very slow so evading it will be easy especially for Adhara.

She studied the mutated beasts for a moment, she takes out a pair of daggers from her side.

Without waiting for the Hard Skin Rhino, she instantly leaped and started a fight with it.

The dagger dances around the night adding a deep red flash here and there, her fire magic imbued the dagger as she dodges and strikes the Hard Skin Rhino.

Edward is watching from the side, he's mesmerized by the scene.

'Adhara seems to come here to train, she seems to be learning to use a dagger', Edward thought.

As a dagger user himself, he can see the flaw in Adhara's movement.

His expertise in using daggers came from the military, he honed his dagger skills for years until he becomes confident enough to call himself a dagger expert.

Edward watches as Adhara slowly wears out the rhino, her fast movement overwhelmed the rhino.

While watching this, he frowns, 'But still, she could've just done this during the day. Why would she keep it a secret from Rex?'

After fighting the rhino for twenty minutes,

The rhino finally exhausted itself, it can't keep up with Adhara's movement before she rain stabs all over its body.

The daggers imbued with fire mana finally manage to pierce the rhino's hard skin, it stumbles a few times before it died because of blood loss.

Adhara looks exhausted, her heavy breaths are the sign for it.

She fell to the ground weakly, the fight is won but she felt exhausted because of all the dodging and striking using mana.

Looking at this, Edward wanted to leave but suddenly.

On the corner of his eyes, Edward saw Adhara approach the rhino's carcass.

She sliced a huge chunk of the rhino's meat before she leaped to a tree beside her, this weird behavior makes Edward stops in his track.

He then leaped to another tree silently to get a look at her.

Edward is a master of sneaking so his movement is silent, he will be very surprised if Adhara manages to notice him.

On his line of sight, Adhara is holding the meat while glancing left and right.

After checking if there's anyone around her, she brought the meat close to her before she started eating the raw meat.

Bite!

Edward stumbles on the tree trunk, even in his wildest guess he didn't expect Adhara to eat it.

Looking at Adhara eating the raw meat makes him remember the first time he ate raw meat during his last mission with Rex, even thinking about it makes him sick.

Adhara kept eating the meat without any hesitation, in a moment the meat on her hands is already gone.

Looking at this, Edward backs up slowly but then his foot got tripped as he fell to the ground, "Shit!"

Adhara heard the rustling sound, she is alerted as she glances in the sound direction but she didn't find anyone there.

She saw a silhouette fell to the ground for a minute before it disappeared.

"Weird, I thought I heard someone's voice, or is it just a mutated beast?", she said before she resumes her eating.

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The next day,

Rex is the first one to get up, he didn't get much sleep last night because of his curiosity.

He looks to the side and saw Adhara sleeping on the other bed with Hera wearing long sleeves, she looks peaceful in her sleep.

The sun is barely out, it is still less than 5 o'clock.

Rex approach Adhara slowly, he then silently looks at her arms and saw a scar there that just got healed.

'This is a scratch scar and it is definitely new, where was she yesterday?', Rex thought.

Adhara is a half-Werewolf,

Although she barely has a Werewolf bloodline, she also has a regenerative ability that can perfectly heal any scars in a matter of days.

So by having a scar means that the scar is relatively new.

Rex glance at Adhara and thought, 'You said no more secrets but you still have one, silly girl', he caresses Adhara's hair gently.

After looking at Adhara, Rex wanted to wash up.

But before he washes up, he always looks at his phone to open the news lest there is something important.

Right after he clicks on his phone, he saw many messages from Edward.

22:17

"Yo Rex, I prank Adhara earlier"

"I tested her out of fun and you won't believe what I saw, her arms are filled with scars!"

"She must've been training like crazy!"

"I know you ask me to follow her but she seriously needs to up her hand-to-hand combat skills, I mean she's in your team right?"

03:21

"Rex! That girl is crazy!"

"I follow her to Yichi Grove, and I was confused"

"Like, why would she hide her training from you but then something unexpected happened"

"I stalk her from behind and saw her training her dagger skill, she fought against a Hard Skin Rhino but then something unbelievable happened"

"I can't say it here, I'll tell you when we meet"

Reading this, Rex becomes annoyed, 'Seriously? You need to make me even more curious this early?', he thought.

Just as he wanted to wash up, a notification from the system appeared.

<Faraday University Tournament>

The Faraday University Tournament will start, Win the Faraday University Tournament during the user's weakened period.

Quest Reward: 8,000 Gold, 500,000 Exp, Black Devil Gloves

Seeing this, Rex nodded his head.

He remembers that the gloves Adhara gave shatters during his fight against Ronald, the Black Devil Gloves piqued his interest.

'I don't have any weapons, fighting a Manticore using battle gloves is rather stupid. Let's just use sword later', Rex thought.

Rex went to the bathroom to wash up first, a big day has arrived.

This day will be the day where Rosie's future depends, he becomes rather nervous due to the 30% weakening from using Invincible.

30% is not a small number he can just brush off.

He washes his face before he looks at the mirror, 'After this day, my debt to Rosie is basically done. I will focus on strengthening myself and my pack', he thought.

There are many threats that appeared day after day around him, there's no time to play around.

After finishing Kevin, Rex swears to himself to focus on becoming more powerful.

The conflict he had with the Platchi Family is still unfinished, the Supernatural that attacked him yesterday, and also the decrease in sanity stat each day.

These are all needed to be handled, it will be bad if he didn't end it as soon as possible.

Even Adhara is training crazily leaving those scars, 'I turn Adhara into a Werewolf so I have to be responsible for it, she got dragged into this mess so at least I will have to be a pillar for my own pack members'

<-5% sanity stat, please check the user's stats tab for more information>

The system notice appeared again, it decreased Rex's sanity stat again.

Looking at this, Rex becomes even more determined, 'So it will decrease each day, this will be troublesome'

Chapter 103 The Demon Kingdom

Supernatural territory, the Demon Kingdom.

The Demon Kingdom territory is not bordering with the human's territory, they're deep inside the Supernatural territory.

There are seven Supernatural Kingdom territories that border with the human territory, the Vampire Kingdom, Werewolf Kingdom, Undead Tomb, Shapeshifter Temple, Fairy Forest, Dargonman Cave, and the Siren Kingdom.

Although their territory borders with the humans, they are wide apart.

For example, the Werewolf and the Dragonman.

They are tens of thousands of kilometers apart from each other, this makes them basically never meet except during the decennial GodKing Summit.

The Demon Kingdom territory neighbors with the Vampire, and the Undead.

Although they are neighboring each other, they are still hundreds of kilometers apart.

The Demon Kingdom is deep inside the Supernatural territory, their territory is a brazen land with no sign of life or water.

Just a barren land as far as the eyes can see.

Their Kingdom is located underground with only one way in and one way out.

The entrance into the Demon Kingdom is a huge demon mouth that is made of stone, there are two demon guards on the entrance.

They are big-humanoid demons with fiery bodies, they are bright red and have hulking bodies. Their bodies are dripped with lava that also filled their insides, huge spiky maces are in their hands.

If Rex were here, he would instantly flee after feeling the disparity between their powers.

While the demon guards are guarding the entrance, they saw a carriage approaching them from afar.

They walk forward with their fiery maces, they're unsure of what the carriage is.

Upon closer inspection, the carriage has a bloody crest on it with two big mutated beasts that look like grey crawling bats pulling it.

The beasts are galloping roughly, their feet are a blur because of how fast they're going.

The sound of the mutated beast's heavy steps was heard the closer it gets, the carriage stopped in front of the two demon guards.

A man wearing a butler outfit gets down from the carriage and opens the door politely before a pale man came out of it.

The pale man emits a horrifying bloody aura, he's clad in black gear, black robe covers his side necks as it flutters with the wind, there is a red skeleton-shaped vial strap on his body, with a black sword on his side that is the source of the pale man's bloody aura.

Without even asking, the demon guards know who the pale man is.

"King Solomon, why have you come here?", one of the demon guards asks.

Solomon glances at the two demon guards with his blazing red eyes, there are black dots that are swirling inside them.

Without even answering, his eyes flash with red energy.

The demon guards felt a huge pressure pressing on them as they fall to their knees heavily, the red energy hovers around them violently.

BAM!

The ground cracked, the demon guards can't move their bodies.

For Solomon to make two terrifying demon guards that literally guard the Demon Kingdom entrance fall to their knees speak of his power.

"Who are you two to be higher than me", he said disdainfully.

The two of the demon guards are way taller than Solomon and he seems to not like them looking down on him.

Before the demon guards can say anything, "Bring me to King Saruth"

Hearing this, the demon guards nodded their heads before the pressure from Solomon disappear.

They then guide Solomon and the other vampire inside of the Demon Kingdom.

Upon entering the Demon Kingdom, Solomon was greeted with bright red lava that lit the place in red.

There are many lesser demons crawling inside of it,

After they notice the demon guards guiding two vampires, they started to make way for them.

They are usually not this organized to even make way for people, but the aura from Solomon makes them felt frightened as they instinctively make way.

A big castle lies in the center of the place, it is big with a demonic pig symbol on top of it.

Looking at this, Solomon frowns.

"Why do I feel like this place has changed?", Solomon asks, this is not his first time going to the Demon Kingdom and he felt that it has changed.

One of the demon guards answered, "It is King Saruth command, he changed the Kingdom layout"

Hearing this, Solomon chuckles, "Let me guess, he was bored?"

The demon guards can only lower their heads, they didn't deny what Solomon said which means it is true.

While they're approaching the castle, Solomon got curious, "What did he change?"

"The Demon Castle starting from now will be a survival of the strongest, as you know we demons get stronger the more we get demonic energy. The Demon Kingdom is now divided into 8 floors, the higher the floor, the closer they are to the Demonic Eye", the demon guard explains.

Solomon nodded his head and said, "So these 8 floors can be taken by each Archdemon?"

The demon guards nodded their head, "There are seven Archdemons including King Saruth in the Demon Kingdom, and they all have their own people. An Archdemon can fight each other to occupy a higher floor"

Hearing this, Solomon glance at the symbol on top of the castle, 'The first floor is occupied by the Archdemon Beeltopheles'

Solomon knows instantly when he saw the symbol, he knows all of these archdemons because he already met with each one of them.

They skip past the castle and went behind it where there was a crimson portal.

There is an even stronger demon guarding the crimson portal, there are two black scaled womanly demons with big crescent horns and a long tail behind them.

Solomon approach them and said, "Bring me to King Saruth", he said calmly.

The womanly demons glance at Solomon, they made weird aggressive sounds before they let Solomon in.

Solomon does this six times as he went portal after portal.

He saw each of the floors with his own naked eyes and was mesmerized by it, the demons here are prospering because they're not near the human borders.

Unlike the Vampire Kingdom, they must always be alert because of the human skirmishes.

Every time they meet humans skirmishes, they almost always suffer casualties because of the encounter.

Solomon and the butler vampire were quite shocked when they're on the sixth floor, the demons here are at least peak rank five and above.

What makes them shocked was because how many of them.

They're numbering in the hundreds, making them an unstoppable force but all of them seem to be hibernating.

The sixth floor was occupied by Archdemon Lucius, he was strolling around when he saw Solomon.

"King Solomon, what are you doing here little vampire?", he said pridefully.

Lucius is a ten-foot Archdemon with razor-sharp teeth, his frame is huge especially adding the huge demonic wings on his back. His muscular body looks unnatural with a huge saber on his hand.

His muscular hind legs make the ground crack each time he steps, his demonic energy is rampaging around him freely pressuring his surrounding.

Even the Vampire beside Solomon hardly stands his ground.

Solomon smirk, "Isn't it Lucius, I'm impressed you manage to beat the other Archdemons with that tiny demon brain of yours", he said mockingly.

Hearing this, Lucius approach and stopped in front of Solomon.

ROAR!!

He roared menacingly right in front of Solomon's face, saliva came out of Lucius's mouth but got blocked by a red barrier around Solomon's body.

Solomon is not fazed by Lucius' roar, he even chuckled a bit because of it.

"Don't forget that you're in our territory", Lucius said brutally.

Solomon only smiles mockingly, he doesn't mind Lucius' behavior because he has the power to back it up.

Lucius' demonic aura is attacking Solomon openly, he looks like he wanted to fight with Solomon.

Looking at this, Solomon can only raise his hand signaling to stop, "I don't have the time to play with you, I'm here to see King Saruth"

Hearing this, Lucius take back his aura and scoffed.

"King Saruth already knows of your presence", he said while he makes way for Solomon.

Right before Solomon wanted to go inside the portal, he then realizes, "Wait, I thought there are only seven Archdemons, Why are there eight floors?"

Lucius glance at him, "Just go to the crimson portal, ignore the dark blue portal"

Solomon got curious but he shrugs it off, he came here for a reason so he will just try to find out about it later.

He saw the dark blue portal just beside the crimson portal, it roughly emits the same amount of energy with the crimson portal leading to the eighth floor where Saruth is.

Just as Solomon wanted to get in the crimson portal, a terrifying creature suddenly emerges from the dark blue portal.

The creature's body is black charcoal with blue sharp eyes, its elbows are sharp with a blue glowing rune on its chest. Its horn is spiky and thick, there is a black spear on the demon's hand that is blazing with blue fire on its tip.

Solomon jumped away instinctively, 'What? What happened?'

The Vampire beside him was also shocked, he didn't expect Solomon to jump away suddenly.

'What is this? My body felt danger? You're telling me this demon can potentially be on my level?', Solomon thought in shock.

As a Vampire, his danger sense is heightened to its max.

His body can tell which creature can potentially hurt him, it is his natural instincts as a Vampire.

Even when he met Lucius before he didn't felt threatened, even though he is the strongest Archdemon second only to Saruth.

'This demon is at least as strong as King Saruth', Solomon thought.

The black demon was also surprised to see Solomon, "Vampire? I'm sorry to have startled you", he said politely.

Hearing this, Solomon gets back to his cool, "I never know you before, who are you?"

Lucius also came flying from Solomon's back, he was also shocked to see the black demon out of the dark blue portal.

"I was told that you're strong and I wanted to fight with you, but not anymore", he said wryly.

The black demon's presence instills fear in his entire being, he can't believe that there is another demon who is as strong as King Saruth.

The black demon's aura is pure black, its blue eyes make Lucius lower his gaze.

Looking at this, Solomon was confused, "You don't know this demon Lucius? How come you didn't know him?"

Lucius was also confused about how to explain it.

Before he can even answer, the black demon intervenes, "King Saruth is waiting"

Solomon and Lucius glance at the black demon in a union, they both felt overwhelmed by the black demon's appearance.

It is quite an unexpected surprise for Solomon, he didn't expect to find this black demon here.

King Saruth himself has a high chance of beating Solomon.

Vampire's power relies on blood and demons don't have any, they're the natural counter for Vampire because of this.

'Where did that prideful demon found this black demon? Did he did something behind the other Supernatural backs?', Solomon thought with a frown.

While he's thinking, Lucius said, "This Vampire here is Solomon, the King of Vampire"

Hearing this, Azzen nodded his head and gave a slight bow to Solomon.

Solomon was shocked, he didn't expect Azzen to be this humble judging from his power.

"I'll be meeting King Saruth then, don't disturb us", Solomon said, he felt weird for someone like the black demon to be respectful in front of him.

Seeing the black demon's slight bow, Lucius becomes more awkward.

The black who is definitely way stronger than him is kneeling in front of Solomon, while he on the other hand roared in Solomon's face.

"Then I'll be going now", he said before he walks past Solomon and Lucius.

Solomon nodded his head and went inside it, 'Seems like Saruth need some explaining to do'

Chapter 104 Elder Tilrith

Solomon enters the crimson portal, he felt his body got transported.

Upon entering the eighth floor where King Saruth lives, he immediately felt the catastrophic demonic energy in the surrounding.

The Demonic Energy is so thick that one can see it with their naked eyes.

In front of Solomon sits King Saruth in his throne,

King Saruth is leaning his head on his hands lazily, his massive and muscular body is more humanoid than the other Archdemon, his sclera is pure black while his retina is red, and there're two black curved horns sticking out of his head.

There is a demon woman on his lap, her red lips can seduce any man, her humanoid naked curvy body, and her black ink hair makes her almost identical to humans.

The differences between them are her are two goat-like horns on her head and a black long-tail poking out of her back.

Her skin is ashy grey, she didn't look like a regular demon.

The throne is vast with rows of stairs to get to the throne, there is only one way towards King Saruth with a sea of lavas on both sides.

Above the throne lies a black reddish ball that is the source of the Demonic Energy, it opens slowly revealing an eye in it.

The eye looks at Solomon intently, it follows Solomon's move while he walks closer.

Beside Saruth is a big red bastard sword that is levitating, it was emitting a fiery aura that scorched the entire place making it even hotter.

The Vampire's beside Solomon felt his skin heating, his body can't handle the heat.

The surface of his skin creates bubbles because of the scorching hot place, his mana is not strong enough to block the heat on the eighth floor.

"Don't get closer, you'll die", Solomon said to the vampire.

The Vampire nodded his head with a pained expression, he is already at his limit.

Solomon walks closer and said, "I see you copy my castle road"

"Hah, please, my throne is way better than your puny throne", he said pridefully.

Saruth gets up from his seat while he descends on the stairs towards the throne, he spread his hands to the side and said, "Welcome to my Kingdom that even calling it hell is an understatement"

Solomon chuckles, "You didn't change at all"

"What brought you here?", Saruth asks, Solomon visit is not something he expects.

Before Solomon answers, he looks at the demon that is still sitting on Saruth's throne handle playfully.

Saruth notice this and said, "Alonya, leave us"

Hearing this, Alonya chuckles sweetly before she approaches them slowly.

Her steps make a clacking sound as she descends from the stairs, her hips swayed left and right while she glances at Solomon.

Solomon averts his gaze, he felt troubled upon seeing Alonya.

Alonya arrives beside Saruth before she creeps closer to Solomon, she poked Solomon's chest with her long sharp fingernail seductively, "We meet again King Solomon"

"Stop it Alonya, we have important matters to discuss", Solomon said while holding himself back.

Solomon knows exactly who Alonya is, she is the Archdemon of Lust also known as the Queen of Demon.

She's the most sadistic and evil demon of them all, many Archdemons stay away from her because of her chaotic behavior that only follows Saruth command.

Alonya poked Solomon's chest slowly and run it down as she whispers in his ears, "Why are you so careful around me? Are you afraid there will be a second time?"

Hearing this, Solomon gulped hardly.

He remembers the last time they met and he still wants to forget about it, since then he always activates his mental barrier.

Although Vampires are undead, they still have human-like traits just like Werewolves.

"Enough!", Saruth said commandingly.

Alonya smirk seductively at Solomon before she waves and walk past him.

Her sweet chuckles reverberated to the surrounding until she left the place, her chuckles make Solomon's skin crawl.

After Alonya left the place, Saruth said, "So, what is this important matter you want to discuss with me"

Solomon tidied himself, "I want to ask your ancestor a question"

Hearing this, Saruth widened his eyes and glance at Solomon disbelievingly, "What?! Even I don't dare to do that and you're asking me to wake one of my ancestors up?!"

Saruth himself didn't have the guts to wake the ancestors if there's no emergency, so hearing Solomon said what he said so casually angers him.

"Before you get mad, I want to ask Elder Tilrity to repay her debt to my ancestor", Solomon said.

He expected Saruth's reaction,

If someone asks him to wake one of his ancestors randomly then he will be angry too, so Saruth reaction is natural.

Saruth glances at Solomon, "Even if you have the permission of your ancestors who have a history with my ancestor, it is hard to temporarily awaken Elder Tilrith"

"We didn't find the resources to do that, the world is not ready yet", he continues.

Solomon smirks, he then waves his hand before the vampire who is lying flat on the ground because of the pressure takes out a stone from his pocket.

He struggled a bit before an ashy green stone lit up the place.

Looking at this, Saruth was shocked to his core before a smirk crept on his face, "You damn vampire, you keep this stone for yourself knowing that we needed it the most?"

"Well here I am giving it to you", Solomon said casually.

Saruth walks to the vampire with heavy steps, his steps make the ground tremble.

He then takes the stone before he brings it up as he inspected it, "This will do"

"I hope your reason is good enough to not anger Elder Tilrith, I'll trust you this time", he said before he started walking to the back of his throne.

He then signals Solomon to follow him, there is a secret way behind Saruth's huge throne that can't be seen from the front.

Saruth gripped a skull embedded on the ground before he twists it,

The skulls around his throne are uncountable, they're scattered, and many like ants.

The ground cracked revealing a secret passage before they went deeper underground, there are rows of stairs leading down and it didn't have any light.

While walking, Solomon said, "You sure it's okay to bring me here? this looks like a place where a Vampire like me shouldn't know"

Saruth chuckles lightly, "Are you afraid that I will kill you here?"

"Please, you know I won't die that easily", Solomon said.

The stairs kept going deeper, it feels like they walk for twenty minutes but the stairs kept coming endlessly.

Breaking the silence, Saruth said, "All Supernatural are allies now, you don't need to worry about a thing because all I want to do is to exterminate humans for what they did to demons"

Solomon nodded his head in understanding, he too is filled with hatred for humans.

After another ten minutes of walking down the stairs, they finally reach the end of it but it is pitch black.

Light can't penetrate here leaving the place in darkness.

Saruth flicks his finger before a big fire appeared from his hands, it split into hundreds of little fireballs and scatters around illuminating the place.

What greets Solomon greatly shocks him.

There is a huge eight wings demon statue in front of him,

Just from a glance, Solomon can feel his eyes burning when he saw the eight wings demon statue.

He averted his gaze and realizes that there are hundreds of statues around them.

The statues vary in size from his size to a hulking size that makes him look tiny, they have different kinds of symbols on them that give out a terrifying glaze upon seeing them.

'This place is literally a tomb of very powerful demons! many of them are on par with Elder Nolacula!', Solomon thought.

He can tell that each statue here is all alive, they are hibernating just like his ancestors.

Saruth walks deeper into the place,

The road in this place is wide that can fit hundreds of people in one go, Solomon follows Saruth who seems like looking for something.

He then stopped in front of a statue, there is a purplish eye symbol on the statue's chest.

"We're here, this is Elder Tilrith", he said calmly, he takes out the Abaddon Stone and puts it closer to the purplish eye symbol.

The Abaddon Stone reacted to the symbol, its energy got sucked by the symbol.

Saruth let go of the stone as it hovers in the air, "Remember, ask your questions and leave this place. Think if as a gracious act of kindness from me, for giving the stone"

Solomon nodded his head, he can tell Saruth is being cheeky.

Not long after, the ashy green luster from the Abaddon Stone got sucked by the purplish symbol before it died down.

Clang!

The stone fall after its energy disappears.

Crack!

Elder Tilrith statue cracked as purple energy cracked it open.

The crack first happened at her wings, it reveals gorgeous purplish wings that emit an immense Demonic Energy that is almost as dense as the Demonic Eye above Saruth's throne.

Saruth can even feel he becomes more powerful just by standing beside Elder Tilrith.

The scales of her wings glow with a purple luster as it breaks her rocky body,

CRACK!!

The wings cracked open Elder Tilrith's rocky body revealing a woman with violet hair, her beauty surpassed Alonya from before as her breath leaves a purple mist.

Saruth kneels in front of her followed by Solomon.

Although Elder Tilrith is not his ancestor, he still must show the courtesy of being a guest lest he angered Elder Tilrith.

"Emmhh....", Elder Tilrith moaned as she stretches her body.

Saruth and Solomon didn't dare to glance at her, even thinking about glancing at her didn't cross their minds.

Her violet hair matches her violet eyes that are looking at both Saruth and Solomon.

She then said with her smooth voice, "Saruth... how did you awaken me?"

"Elder Tilrith, it's a long story but Solomon from the vampire here wanted to ask you something", Saruth said truthfully.

Hearing this, Elder Saruth's eyes glow violently as Demonic Energy surges within her that make Solomon suffocated, "You awaken me because of that? How did you manage to break the seal?"

Saruth panicked under Elder Tilrith's energy, "Trust me Elder, after you answer Solomon's question then I will explain the situation to you"

"Elder Tilrith my deepest apologies for disturbing you, I'm here as the representatives of Elder Nolacula. He says that if you answer my question truthfully, you and he will be even", Solomon follows Saruth hurriedly, he doesn't idle around and angers Elder Tilrith.

The pressure vanishes instantly, "Nolacula? Emmhh, fine tell me your question"

After getting her permission, Solomon then asks while still bowing his head, "Elder Nolacula said you knew about the Forbidden Ritual that can turn humans into our kind"

Saruth on the side was shocked, 'There's such a ritual?'

Hearing this, Elder Tilrith laughs sweetly, "Nolacula, you sure know how to make use of my debt"

"But it is called forbidden for a reason, they will obliterate us if they know we're using this ritual", she continues with a hint of fear in her voice.

Solomon frowns, "They? Who are you talking about?"

Elder Tilrith glance at Solomon with her violet eyes, even Solomon can sense fear from her, "Of course, it's the Executor"

Hearing this, Solomon was shocked.

Saruth was also shocked before he intervenes, "Elder, they're gone now. It's a new age, the age of Supernatural!"

'This is the first time Elder Tilrith awaken so she doesn't know about the human regression', Solomon thought.

"What? That's impossible, I don't want to risk getting killed by them", Elder Tilrith said, she still doesn't understand the situation and believe Saruth's words.

Saruth was at a loss, "Excuse me Elder, I will be back"

He turns into a blur and vanishes from the place, it doesn't take long for him to come back down with something in his hand.

Splat!

Saruth put human corpses in front of Elder Tilrith, "Look, I killed a bunch of them"

Looking at this, Elder Tilrith stumbles back in fear, "Have you gone mad?! It's over! They will annihilate us because of you!"

"No Elder, I already killed them for years and I'm still alive. The Supernatural allied with each other, we're at war with them, and we already take half of the world", Saruth said trying to convince Elder Tilrith.

Elder Tilrith walks back slowly, she looks at the corpse and frowns, "It's true that these humans are so small and so weak"

After checking the corpses, Elder Tilrith suddenly got delighted.

"I never thought this day will come!!", She laughs maniacally until tears came out, knowing humans have regressed makes her brimming with joy.

She's tearing the human's corpses one by one with her hand, she let out all the pent-up anger at them.

Solomon from the side said meekly, "Elder, about my question"

Elder Tilrith glance at Solomon, one can tell that her mood is way better than before, "Now it has come to this, I will tell you"

"The Ritual for my demon race is this", Elder Tilrith points her finger at the ground.

Her fingers glow with purple demonic energy as it draws a circle filled with symbols, it is glowing with purple demonic energy.

It creates some kind of formation with a circle on its center, Elder Tilrith then waves her hands again.

Writings made of purple demonic energy appeared in thin air,

Looking at this, Solomon was mesmerized, "This..."

Chapter 105 Bloody Mirror

"LADIES AND GENTLEMAN!!"

"ITS THE DAY WE HAVE ALL BEEN WAITING FOR!! THE TOURNAMENT, THE FIGHT, THE RUMBLE... OF THE NEW TYRANT AGAINST THE LOCAL TYRANT!! OCHYRA UNIVERSITY!! AND FARADAY UNIVERSITY!!"

"WOOOO!!"

The crowd burst with excitement as the announcer called out both universities, it is really hype and crowded with thousands of people gather around the Ring of Tenacity.

It is more hectic compared to the opening, people stack against each other on the first floor.

The day where Rosie's fate will be determined has come, and the miss of the hour is currently fidgeting her hands in the backroom.

Rosie felt immense pressure from the tournament, her expression is pale as cold sweat run down her forehead.'

For her, this tournament is not just a tournament. It is her life.

Adhara came from the side, she comforts Rosie, "It's okay you don't have to be so nervous, it's just a tournament. You just need to do your best, I'm sure you'll be fine"

Rosie nodded her head, 'If it's just a tournament, then I won't be this nervous'

She then glances at Rex who is looking through the weapon provided, he notices Rosie staring at him.

He glances back and smiles reassuringly,

Seeing this, Rosie averted her gaze, 'It's Rex, there's no way he will lose instantly against Kevin'

Meanwhile, Rex is also nervous because of the burden.

'Calm down, you'll be alright even with the 30% stats reduction. No worries', Rex thought, he's trying to calm himself down.

Although he looks calm on the outside, he ran through each sword to ease down his nerve.

He tries each of the swords but he doesn't feel comfortable with all of them, 'These swords are not compatible with me'

Rex takes a random sword, he approaches Hera and said, "Ms. Hera, I will go look if they have any other weapons"

"What's wrong with these ones? There're 10 swords and you're telling me there's none to your liking?", she said.

Rex shrugs his shoulders, "Nope, let me just look the other I won't be long", he holds the random sword while leaving the backroom.

"It will start in thirty minutes! So please come back before then", Hera shouted.

'Well, Faraday University sent assassins to test me. I don't trust the weapons they provided', he thought.

While thinking this, Rex is unsure of his nervousness.

He's unsure whether he's skeptical or because he needs fresh air. Or perhaps both.

Rex went out of the backroom, he walks past the robots guarding the backroom.

'Where can I find weapons? the System? but I don't want to use my gold for a one-time use thing', Rex though, he mainly use battle gloves so buying a sword with the little gold left makes him uncertain.

He went to the hallway aimlessly, he's uncertain as to what will he do.

The backroom entrance is in the basement, they're not using the regular entrance because of how packed the first floor is.

It is specially made for contestants to prepare,

Faraday University's backroom entrance is on the other side, so Rex won't meet Kevin here.

Rex paces around the hallway aimlessly, he then decided to went to the bathroom to wash his face.

Arriving at the bathroom, he roughly tossed the sword and turns on the sink,

He then washes his face,

Splash!

'What's wrong with me, why am I feeling so uneasy for some reason', Rex thought.

Although Rex felt nervous about the upcoming match, he shouldn't be this nervous.

He felt his breaths are heavier than usual, the air around him felt suffocating as he loosens the button on his collar.

While he washes his face, he suddenly realizes.

'Wait, the SCO is an anti Awakened organization. I use Black Lightning in front of the whole world yesterday, they certainly will know about it', Rex thought.

He didn't pay any attention because of the moment hype but now he realizes what he did.

Rex leans his hand on the wall, 'Is that why I unconsciously get nervous? Because I'm scared that the SCO will find out? No...'

He scoops the water from the sink and splashes it on his face,

But then, he felt something wrong.

Rex opened his eyes, he jolted back when he saw the water he splash to his face turns into blood.

"What's happening?! What?", he steps back unconsciously.

The blood on his hand is so thick, the smell of blood infiltrates his sense.

He looks at his hand and he can see it is filled with blood, the sink is also spewing blood and it started to spill on the floor.

Rex was shocked, he didn't know how did this had all happen.

He then looks at the mirror and what he saw greatly shocked him to his core,

In the mirror, he saw a horrifying creature that is bathed with blood.

Her body is covered with blood from head to toe, she's standing on a weird symbol with chains on four of her limbs. They seem to be doing a ritual, all of them are chanting weird chants as the creature struggled to break free.

The creature's eyes are blazing red with weird black patterns in them, it was horrifying.

While Rex gazes into this creature's eyes, the creature suddenly stopped struggling.

Rex held his breath unconsciously, his eyes started to widen when he saw the creature's head slowly turn in his direction.

She stares at Rex's eyes directly, a smile crept on her face revealing four sharp fangs.

The creature then stretches out her hand and points at Rex, her red blazing eyes started to shed tears of blood.

Rex's heart thumps faster, the creature seems to points directly at his soul.

A creepy smile appeared on the creature's face, she then whispers lightly, "I...will find you",

"AAHH!!"

Rex shouted as his surroundings turn back to normal, he's gasping for air.

'What was that?

Just as Rex wondered, a system notification appeared in front of him.

<Sudden Quest>

<Eternal Curse>

The user has triggered a curse creating a connection between the user and the cursed creature, it is a very powerful curse that will bound with the user eternally until the user dies. Find a way to break the curse!

Quest Reward will be calculated based on the user's performance.

Quest Failure: The user will die

Rex looks at this with a huge shock, he still didn't know what happened and where the quest came from.

He touches his chest with heavy breaths, 'What the hell was that?'

'System what was that? What happened to me?', Rex asks, he can only rely on the system during these times.

<The user has triggered a curse>

Reading this, Rex asks again, 'I know that, but how did I trigger it?'

The system didn't answer even after he waits for a while, the system's silence makes Rex felt troubled.

After the incident, Rex takes his sword and left the place. He didn't even turn off the sink.

The words from the creature he saw are still reverberating in his mind, he can't shake it off.

Rex grabbed the door handle and opens it but was startled, there's a person standing in front of the door.

The person was also startled but quickly change her expression to normal,

Looking at her, Rex was confused, "I think you're on the wrong toilet, the girl toilet is over there", he said.

He walks past the woman, his mind is filled with many things right now.

"You must be Rex Silverstar", a soothing voice crept to Rex's ears, the woman called out to him.

Hearing this, Rex frowns, 'Now that I remember, this place can only be entered by Ochyra University representatives'

Rex turns his body and said, "Who are you?"

The woman looks graceful, her slender legs, her upright posture, and even the way she walks gave a noble vibe to it.

There is a sword on her waist, it looks gorgeous from a glance.

'That's definitely a high-ranking sword, she's definitely from some well-known family', Rex thought.

Her high heels click every time she steps, "I thought you will recognize me, I'm sad"

Although she said she's sad, Rex can tell she's just pretending.

Rex got even more confused, he never has a hard time remembering people's faces so if he didn't recognize someone then he's sure he never met them.

"I'm sorry, we never met before", Rex shrugs her remarks.

The woman chuckles lightly, her slow stead steps were light and graceful, "Well considering you made fun of my brother using me, I thought that you recognize me"

'Brother?', Rex thought, he then realizes who this woman is.

"So, you're Kevin's older sister", Rex said, he realizes that this woman in front of him is Kevin's sister.

Well now that he realizes it, the similarity becomes evident in his eyes.

Her red hair matches exactly with Kevin's, her silky smooth skin added with her fine delicate face gives her a graceful look.

The woman smiles gently, she then said, "I never met someone as daring as you, I'm impressed"

Rex chuckles, "Well it seems Ms. Luc, you haven't met a man yet"

"I clearly haven't indeed", she replied with a smile.

The woman's aura makes Rex felt uneasy, he wanted to taunt her and go but somehow her aura makes him unable to come out with the words he wants.

He then said, "Why are you here Ms. Luc"

"I'm just here to say hi, and to thank you for making me laugh", she said gracefully.

She then glances at Rex's sword, "That's not a sword for a top student", she said while looking at the basic sword Rex held.

Rex got embarrassed, "I don't normally use a sword, I only use it for the Manticore"

"Ah Manticore, yes, quite a beast I must say", she mumbles, her hands then travel to the sword hilt before she suddenly takes the sword out.

BLITZ!

Rex jumped back, her movements startled him.

The woman waves the sword in front of her, it is blitzing with electricity even when the woman just held it in front of her.

She then smiles, "Silver Copious Sword, made by a rank seven Heaven Lightning Elementalist"

Rex looks at the sword and was instantly mesmerized,

The sword waves majestically under the woman's hand, its roar of sharpness can even be heard as it cut through the wind.

The cross-guard spread with two dragon heads, there is a blue jewel on its center.

Looking at Rex who is mesmerized by the sword, the woman smiles before she tossed the sword to Rex.

Tap!

Rex caught the sword, he was confused but the sword distracted him.

The blitzing cry of lightning reverberated in his ears, he can feel the heaviness of the sword and it feels perfect.

He touches the sword, the electricity didn't attack him. In contrast, it became subtle.

Rex ran through his fingers on the detailed lines on the sword's fuller, he was mesmerized by the sword as he gave it a few swings.

BLITZ!

It dances through the air beautifully, one word came to his mind. Impeccable!

"You like the sword?"

The woman's voice snapped Rex back to reality, "It's impeccable, I never saw a sword this beautiful"

Although Rex doesn't consider himself as a sword expert, with years of training in the Special Reconnaissance, he has his share of swords.

And out of all of them, this sword is the best he ever wield.

The woman walks closer to Rex,

She reaches out her hands and fixes Rex's collar gently, "I'll let you borrow the sword", she said.

After fixing Rex's collar, her hands slowly went down to Rex's pocket before she continues, "Just don't forget to give it back to me"

She taps Rex's pocket a couple of times before she turns her body.

The woman walks along the corridor gracefully, she stopped at the end of the hallway before she glances at Rex.

"Nice to meet you, Sir Rex Silverstar. And, Good Luck!", she said before she disappears around the corner.

Rex was stunned, he looks at the sword in his hand and thought, 'How did she know I will use a sword'

'More importantly, I forgot to ask her name', he then remembers the scene before.

Rex checks his pocket and found a note there,

He opened the note, "157-555... Call me if you want to meet, Evelyn Luc"

Reading this, Rex looked back to where Evelyn disappear and mumbles, "Evelyn huh..."

Chapter 106 First Round

In the Ochyra University representatives backroom,

Tony was briefing the others, they're all gathering in a circle as they pray for the tournament success.

This is the first event that the first-year students of Ochyra University, this tournament is the first time for Ochyra University to make a name for themselves.

For Tony and Hera, this tournament is the best moment to establish Ochyra University's reputation.

"Remember, stay calm and focus on your channeling in this first round. It's all about the focus, channel the amount of mana you can perfectly control to create an elemental weapon that you're most comfortable with. Like this", Tony said.

His hands glow with a grey hue, the mana is not excessive but enough.

Slowly but surely, a metallic sword filled with mana materializes in front of him.

The greyish mana gather in front of Tony and started to create a sword slowly, it turns into a long sword that reaches almost three meters.

After the sword was completed, Tony grabbed it and lay it on his shoulder.

He looks at the students and said, "Just like that, no need to rush. At least you need to make one, I hope nobody fails to do this"

"You'll be scored by how fast you can materialize it, how durable it is, and how strong it is so if you can't make it fast just focus on the other two"

The students nodded their heads with determination, Ochyra University's name is on their shoulders.

Hera then added from the side, "I will be watching for you all, so do your best!", she said with a smile.

After getting ready themselves, they can hear the announcer was about to call them.

Tony glance lastly at the students and reminded, "Our leader Rex just Awakened, so it will be hard for him to do the first round so you guys need to make up for his lacking"

Just as he said this, Tony then frowns, "Wait, where's Rex?"

Hearing this, Hera also realizes Rex is missing, "He left to search for a sword, I already told him to be back in thirty minutes"

"He's here", Adahra said calmly.

After Adhara said that, Rex got into the backroom with hurried steps.

The other was looking at Adhara weirdly, they're confused as to how she knows Rex is near but they shrug it off.

All attention falls to Rex and the sword on his waist.

Although the sword Rex borrowed from Evelyn is still inside the scabbard, the others instantly notice that the sword is not a regular sword.

The sword is roaring with electricity, if not for the scabbard then maybe it will run rampant.

"What are you guys looking at? Am I late?", Rex asks innocently, his words snapped everybody back to reality.

Hera then asks, "Where did you get the sword from?"

Rex smiles mysteriously, "Someone let me borrows it"

Hearing this, the others were confused.

Rosie and Adhara were also confused, 'Who would lend Rex such an extraordinary sword?'

"PLEASE WELCOME, OCHYRA UNIVERSITY!!"

The announcer shouted excitedly making the crowd goes wild, many of them wanted to see Rex who taunted Kevin publicly.

The gate opened revealing the cheers of thousands of people, the bright light shone to the Ochyra University representatives as Tony signals them to go in.

Rex walks first as he's the leader, he waves to the crowd.

Hera especially said to him to be friendly to the crowd,

Rex needs to at least make the front of a likable character for the Ochyra University, he doesn't want to but Hera requests this to him. She even begged him.

In the end, Rex agrees to it because Ochyra University is also his university.

On the other of the arena, Rex saw the Faraday University representatives already lined up.

Faraday University and Ochyra University representatives are split by a translucent barrier, which divides the arena into two.

The barrier is there to prevent them from fighting.

The first round is to compare their mana control, it will deduce how well of an Awakened these students are.

"Faraday University, the host of the tournament is on my left. The challenger is on my right, Ochyra University"

"The first round of this tournament will be mana control, each side will send one student for each turn to show off their mana control and it will be picked randomly"

After the announcer said that, Rex looks to the Faraday University representatives.

He then scans each one of them, 'There's five fire Elementalist, one wind Elementalist, one earth Elementalist, and one water Elementalist. For a university that shines in their fire element, it is as expected'

Rex looks at them and saw they all have confident looks, it is really different from his team's look.

Especially Rosie's expression, her expression is very pale that one can tell that she's dead nervous.

She once in a while glance at the second floor trying to find her parents.

It is as expected because Faraday University has years of history while Ochyra University just opened, the embedded pride and confidence are way in favor of the Faraday University.

Rex then looks at Kevin and scans him,

<Kevin Luc>

Race: Human

Power: Rank Four Awakened(Early) - Hell Fire Elementalist

Mental: 43 (+20)

Strength: 42 (+56)

Agility: 61 (+10)

Endurance: 36 (+26)

Intelligence: 82

Kevin's stats are stacked with high ranking gear, coming from a big family and also as the star of Faraday University his equipment didn't come in a shock.

Looking at this, Rex immediately opens his stat tab.

He wanted to check how his weakened stats compared to him, 'It will certainly somehow even with him now, my power is in the mid-rank four realms before'

<Rex Silverstar-Weakened>

Pack: Silverstar (1/2)

Level: 21 (715,500/1,000,000)

Race: High Werewolf

Full-Moon: 21 Days - Yule Moon

Berserk: 50%

Sanity: 65%

Mental: 42 (+32)

Strength: 66 (+68)

Agility: 34 (+2)

Endurance: 27 (+25)

Intelligence: 52

Attributable Stats: 0

<Average Human Adults have 5-7 points for each stat except for Intelligence>

Looking at his stats, it decreased drastically because of the 30% decrease.

His stats look even with Kevin who is only an early rank four, his force can increase about 10% of his physical stats and that can't make up for the huge 30% loss.

'Kevin's agility is so high! I never would've thought about this', Rex thought, he knows that fast opponents are his nemesis.

Just like when he fought Miru before, he got slashed multiple times by her.

Although he manage to defeat her that day, it was only due to luck making Miru caught off guard.

If Miru was to fight him with care, then it will be hard to defeat her.

Rex's eyes then fall to his strength stat, he saw a big increase in the added section.

He was shocked when he saw his strength stats.

He looks at the sword given by Evelyn before with shock, 'The best equipment I have is the necklace adding +30 to my mental stat but this sword adds me raw +50 strength!'

The sword is definitely a great sword that only a few can have, it was a miracle for someone like him can hold such a sword.

While he's admiring the sword, he suddenly realizes something.

Rex looks at Kevin who is smiling smugly at him, there's a blazing red fiery sword on his sides.

The lining and the materials it made look similar to the sword given by Evelyn, in fact, the only difference is the embedded element.

It emits a threatening fire aura that can even match the sword given by Evelyn, the swords are definitely in the same rank.

Rex smiles, 'So that's why she borrowed this to me'

"We will start the first round of the tournament, the jury for judging your final elemental weapon is on your right. Please number 3 of Faraday University and number 6 of Ochyra University step up"

Ivy who is the one wearing the number 6 pin was stunned, she then snapped out of her daze and walks calmly.

Although her walk looks okay, Rex can saw a slight tremble on her legs.

The number three of Faraday University is a guy with long blonde hair, there's a blue circle mark on his forehead that stands out.

He walks a couple of steps confidently before stopping,

Ivy and the number 3 stare at each other for a while, they're both Water Elementalist and the competitive aura between them sparks.

"The scoring will be based on your speed of materializing an elemental weapon, the durability, and the power of it"

There are three juries on the side, one of them is the lecturer from Faraday University, the other is Tony, and the last one is a man from a neutral party.

"BEGIN!"

After the signal from the announcer, number three starts first.

He stretches out his hands as water mana got sucked into between his hands, it was at a shocking speed that in just seconds it started to take shape.

Ivy gritted her teeth, the momentary pause makes number three got the lead.

She started to gather the water mana, although it is a little slow compared to number three it is not that bad.

The crowd sent cheers for both of them, seeing the future of Awakened makes them excited and also felt secure.

The stronger the Awakened students, the more excited they get.

In a flash, number three finished his elemental sword in the shape of a blue sparkling trident that is emitting intense water mana.

The water inside it is twirling like a vortex, it emits strong water mana.

Ivy also follows through, she made a water spear stretching for about four meters.

After seeing they're done, the juries raise their first score for the first components.

From the look of it, it is obvious for number 3 to win the speed of making it. The difference between them is about five seconds.

Although it looks slight, in battle this can determine life and death.

Three of the juries raise the Faraday University crest as their first component, they all agree the first score goes to Faraday University.

After that, the announcer continues, "Three of the juries vote Faraday University for the speed, now participant please ready your weapons"

Hearing this, number three and Ivy focus on their own weapons.

They both don't know about how they will get tested when suddenly,

ZONG!!

A vibrating mana wave suddenly appears out of nowhere aiming at their weapons, it disturbs their mana channeling making their weapons vibrate.

The wave of vibration becomes stronger for each passing second,

Ivy frowns heavily as her elemental weapon started to vibrate heavily, the wave of vibration makes her dazed.

It didn't only attack the elemental weapon but also herself.

Rosie bits her lips after feeling the wave of vibration, even when she's not maintaining an elemental weapon she can feel her vision becomes blurry.

Rex notices this, he then shakes his head, 'The tension is overwhelming her'

Number three also struggled to keep his elemental weapon in check but suddenly, the vibration stops.

Ivy and number three finally manage to steady their elemental weapons, just when they almost gave up the wave of vibration stops.

They both look at the juries and saw the three of them holding the Faraday University crest.

Tony looks unwilling but he needs to keep it fair,

Ivy was confused as to why she lost so one-sidedly, even Tony voted for number three.

She glances at her water spear and saw it still trembling uncontrollably, even when the wave of vibration stopped it's still trembling.

Her shocked expression was evident on her face, "Why can't I stop the trembling?"

"As you all can see, the vibration contains disruptive properties that will still linger even after the vibration disappear"

"The weaker elemental weapon will vibrate more, it can even be destroyed"

Hearing this, Ivy held her head down in shame.

She's the first to come first to compete and she lost two points overwhelmingly, she can't even make one of the juries support her.

Number three smiles mockingly, he pridefully waves to the crowd.

"FARADAY!!"

"FARADAY!!"

The crowd cheered for the host of the tournament, number 3 overwhelming victory excites them greatly.

Kevin from the sides was smiling mockingly,

The person beside him approach him and said, "This will push his pride down, he will surely falter in this tournament if this keeps up"

"Even if he's in full shape, he will not beat me", Kevin said with a grin.

In his line of vision, Rex was looking at Ivy with a complicated expression.

Kevin thought Rex is starting to get nervous because of the overwhelming first victory of Faraday University but in reality, he doesn't.

Rex is currently thinking about how can he win against Kevin later, he doesn't care about the other rounds.

All that matters is for him is to finish the promise he made to Rosie.

He's in a hurry because of all that is happening to him, 'It's going to be hard to defeat him on a broad day'

Chapter 107 Cheating

Ivy lost instantly after losing two scores, she doesn't even get to the third part.

The crowd cheered for Faraday University, the difference in skill between Ivy and number three is obvious.

From the five seconds difference to the trembling elemental weapon.

Ivy was outclassed no matter the view, the usual smile on her face fades instantly.

It greatly affected the morale of Ochyra University, the other Ochyra University representatives started to get nervous themselves.

Hera bit her lips in worry, she then cheered from the side, "Stay focus, it's still the first one. Have faith in yourself"

She tried to at least keep the others from getting overwhelmed, it will be disastrous if it was to happen.

'If we want to win, the next round should be our overwhelming victory but how', Rex thought.

He then tried to ask the system about the elemental weapon,

<To make a strong Elemental Weapon, the user needs to match the behavior of the user's current element. For example, Earth Elementalist is best to create a shield compared to a weapon>

Reading this, Rex closes his eyes and tries to feel the Black Lightning.

The lightning mana is blitzing around his body, they're moving firmly and fast in the surrounding.

He then absorbs it and converts it into black lightning.

Instantly, the lightning mana that got converted into black lightning becomes chaotic.

Its behavior changed from a firm and fast into this fast and chaotic nature of lightning, they can't seem to stay in place.

'If the Black Lightning likes to move chaotically, then...', Rex opened his eyes.

His eyes are blitzing with black lightning, he smirked after he figured out what form he will take to create an Elemental Weapon.

The announcer called out the next pair,

It was number seven from Ochyra University and number eight from Faraday University.

Number seven got destroyed just the same by Faraday University making them win two consecutive rounds.

It was over in a flash, the speed was separated by more than eight seconds while the durability didn't even last for half a minute before number seven's elemental weapon got destroyed.

Number seven was blown away because of the explosion.

The medic team went in and checks number seven's wound, some of the wind mana from the explosion injured him.

After another loss for Ochyra University, the morale was on an all-time low.

Rosie was affected the most, she's turning paler and paler as time goes by.

Although Rex is the one who will determine her fate, her parents are watching and she didn't want to look bad.

Adhara notices this, just as she wanted to comfort Rosie who is really nervous for some reason her name suddenly got called.

"Number two from Ochyra University, and number five from Faraday University please step up"

The announcer called out Adhara and number five from Faraday University.

After dominating the selection tournament before, she manages to reach second place just under Rex giving her the number two spot.

Adhara calmly looks to her front, she looks serious while she walks forward.

A woman from the Faraday University representatives also walks forward, she has the classic arrogant look like the others.

The only thing that stands out from her is her big and muscular body, her body puts normal men to shame.

They both are a Fire Elementalist, it piqued Rex's attention.

"BEGIN!"

The announcer signals as they both instantly conjure their own elemental weapons, the both of them are a close match in terms of speed.

The crowd held their breath, they can feel the tension-filled air.

In under eight seconds, they both finished their elemental weapon.

Adhara creates a big battle-ax that makes the ground cracked because of its weight, while number five on the other hand creates a human-sized bow.

The juries held two Ochyra University's crest and one Faraday University crest.

Seeing this, the crowd roared in excitement.

Adhara helps move some of the crowd to their side, her performance is not in any way inferior to Faraday University's performance.

The other Ochyra University's representatives gasp in surprise, they didn't believe Adhara score 1.

The speed of making an Elemental Weapon is the hardest, so winning in that part is quite impressive for Adhara shocking many peoples.

"NICE!!", Tony clenched his hand in joy.

The neutral jury beside him chuckles while Faraday University's lecturer scoffed, "It's looking tight, I'm starting to think this is worth watching"

Tony laughs happily, "Of course, our students work hard for this"

Adhara also smiles after winning the first part, she looks at her hands in relief.

Number five from the sides got angry, she glances at Adhara and shouted, "Don't get cocky Ochyra brat, I'll obliterate you in the next one"

Hearing this, Adhara didn't reply or even glance back.

She just thought of it as a dog barking, she didn't give the slightest attention.

This act makes number five grind her teeth in anger, she's offended by Adhara's lack of respect for her.

They both then ready themselves for the second part,

The crowd quietened down, they even held their breath fearing they might disturb their focus.

ZONG!!

The same wave of vibration came from all sides attacking Adahra and number five, it creates somekind of distortion in the air around it making it shaky.

Upon getting hit by it, Adhara was shocked.

"Argh!", she grunted, the wave of vibration was heavier than what she expected.

The wave of vibration makes her fire battle-ax tremble, she can feel that the vibration this time got stronger.

Rex from the side frowns, he studied the vibration.

He can somewhat feel that the vibration is stronger than before, it almost got doubled from the one before.

'These people are cheating', Rex thought.

The wave of vibration on Ochyra University's side got stronger while Faraday University didn't.

Rex looks at his surrounding but was confused,

He can clearly feel the changes in the wave of vibration but the others seem to not feel the changes.

Even Hera who is inside the arena with them didn't notice these changes.

Rex tries to feel the wave of vibration and notices that it is not made by mana, it seems to be created by a device or some sort.

'They did something, if you're playing dirty then I won't hold back either', Rex thought.

He inspects the barrier separating the arena and notices that it is made by mana, which means someone created this.

'System, can you tell me what element that barrier made of'

<It is made of Mirror Water element, it is a Mid-Great Element>

Rex remembers that his black lightning can disturb someone's mana channeling, 'System, my black lightning is a Peak Great Element which means I can disturb that barrier right?'

<Yes>

Reading this, Rex smirked evilly.

Adhara is still lingering on with her fire battle-ax,

Her fire battle-ax started to tremble violently while number five is not even fazed by the wave of vibration.

Not long after, the wave stopped.

Adhara looks up to her trembling fire battle-ax before she glances at the juries,

The juries held three Faraday University crests after seeing number five's elemental weapon didn't even tremble, it was evident for them that Adhara's is weaker.

Adhara is angry, she can feel the changes but nobody said a thing.

Even Ochyra University's lecturers didn't say a thing, 'Didn't they felt that too? It's obvious the wave is stronger than before'

She then glances at Rex and saw him with a meaningful look.

Adhara gritted her teeth to try and calm down before the announcer settled the second part winner.

"The last part will be testing each elemental weapon's power, please hit the target in front of you", the announcer said.

The sand in front of Adhara got sucked under before a big dummy appeared.

It was almost the same as the dummy Rex used before but a little bit different, the one's now is way bigger and it is black in color.

After the dummy appeared, "Please number five, you can go first"

Hearing this, number five draws out her fire bows preparing to fire at the dummy in front of her.

She draws the fire strings as fire mana gathers on the bow creating an arrow made by mana.

SWOOSH!!

Number five let go of the strings as the fire arrow launches towards the dummy.

It burns everything on its path with fire,

Fire dances around the arrow turning it into a vortex of fire bolting towards the training dummy.

BOOM!

The arrow exploded upon hitting the dummy right on its body.

The crowd was jolted because of the sudden loud explosion, it makes them give more respect to these Awakened.

"577, Peak Rank Three", a mechanical sound was heard.

Hearing this, the crowd cheered for her.

Number five nodded her head confidently, it seems for a peak rank three that kind of score was impressive.

After number five finished, it was Adhara's turn.

She looks at the training dummy in front of her as she clenched the battle-ax.

Adhara's eyes glister with fire mana as the agility rune on her neck glows with a green hue, her uniform covered her neck but one can see a slightly green hue coming from her neck.

She then dashes forward with the battle-ax in hand.

The fiery battle-ax was dragged by her, scorching the sand in black.

Her movement was fast for a peak rank three,

The crowd can only see her shadow before she suddenly jumped with her battle-ax.

She then slashes down the battle-ax with all her might aiming at the dummy's body, the fiery battle-ax dazzled the crowd.

BOOM!!

An even bigger explosion was created, shockwaves breezes the arena as sands flew around.

Rex nodded his head, he knows that attack was a strong one.

Even the crowd can tell that Adhara's attack was definitely stronger as a mechanical sound echoes to the surrounding, "603, Peak Rank Three"

The crowd was silent, the mechanical voice still comes as a shock.

"The...the third bout winner!! Ochyra University!!", the announcer shouted after snapping out of his daze.

Hearing this, the crowd immediately roared with excitement.

"NICE! THERE'S A NEW UNIVERSITY IN TOWN!"

"WOOHOO!"

"HER BATTLE-AX IS SO COOL!"

"I WANT TO BE JUST LIKE HER!"

The crowd sent praises towards Adhara, it was a direct morale boost for Ochyra University.

Even Tony and Adhara jumped in joy, they at least manage to get one.

Adhara heaved a heavy breath, she was also shocked herself.

She can't hold herself back as her head turns towards Rex's direction, there he saw Rex claps his hands in acknowledgment.

'She even manages to win despite the cheating, it seems making her one of my pack was not a mistake', Rex thought.

He was quite impressed by her performance,

Not only was she stronger, but she can also even win despite the cheating done by Faraday University.

The lecturers from Faraday University scoffed, their expression looks sour.

Even some of the higher-up in the third floor was shocked, to be beaten by a new university that didn't even have one year of history was a disgrace for them.

Number five walks back to her line with head down, she was ashamed.

Kevin approaches her, his hands suddenly burn with fire as he gripped number five's neck, "You pathetic, how dare you disgrace our university by losing"

The fire started to burn number five's neck, she was struggling fearfully.

"Kevin *Akh* I didn't mean *Akh* to do that", number five said strugglingly, the fire on Kevin's hand completely suppressed her fire.

Hearing this, Kevin slammed her to the ground before kicking her away, "Don't ever try to represent Faraday University again, you're not worthy enough", he said coldly.

Anger can be clearly seen on Kevin's face, he looks at Rex disdainfully.

The situation started to look better for him but suddenly this happened, boosting Ochyra University's morale.

'What a bunch of fools'

Chapter 108 Elemental Weapon

The tournament continues,

With the victory brought by Adhara, the other Ochyra University representatives become slightly better.

One can instantly notice their changes, now they can hold their head up a little.

Adhara walks back to her line, many of the other taps on her shoulder in acknowledgment

They started to open up on Adhara because of her deeds even though she is one of Rex's friends.

"Good job Adhara! That was super!", Hera said cheerfully.

Adhara nodded her head, "Thank you Ms.Hera, I tried my best and thankfully I won"

After that, the tournament continues.

The next pairings after Adhara got obliterated again by Faraday University, one of Ochyra University lost miserably.

It was Gregg who lost miserably to number six from Faraday University, he can't even maintain his focus.

His Elemental Weapon exploded in about one minute, this greatly shocked the others because Gregg is the number 1 of Ochyra University before Rex and Adhara took over.

The situation got worst after that, the other lost hope again.

It is clear that Faraday University has better students than Ochyra, their top ranker can easily beat Ochyra University's top ranker.

Out of four-bout, only one victory goes to Ochyra University because of Adhara.

"The next pairings, please step forward. Number four from Faraday, and number eight from Ochyra", the announcer called out.

Hearing this, Brock steps forward confidently.

Brock is at the bottom of Ochyra University representatives, he is in eighth place. Many call him lucky to get a spot for the tournament.

He didn't forget to wave at Rex before he confidently steps forward.

Rex can only wave back awkwardly, Brock is always brimming with positiveness making Rex uncomfortable.

Number four also walks forward, it is the guy Rex saw who came from a low family.

'Someone like him is the rank four of Faraday University? He must've been training hard to get that place', Rex thought.

For an Awakened without having any background, it is hard to become strong.

Many of these students with high backgrounds used Elemental Stones to train, which amplifies their mana absorption rate multiple times.

To be the number four with such low background takes dedication and hard work.

Number four is a muscular guy, his dark blue eyes focus on Brock. His gaze is sharp, it was akin to a tempered blade in front of your throat.

One can tell that he's a man of focus, the crowd didn't faze his concentration from studying Brock.

After the both of them readies themselves, "BEGIN!"

Brock and number four started to create their own Elemental Weapon but something is strange.

Number four finished his Elemental Weapon in just 5 seconds, it was the fastest one from all the previous bout.

Brock finished at 12 seconds, he was pretty satisfied.

But when he saw number four's score, he was quite stunned.

The difference between them is an astonishing 7 seconds, number four was more than double his speed.

It was a huge defeat and Brock knows it.

The crowd was expecting Brock to be stunned or down because of it, but in contrast, he just shrugs it off and said, "Nice one brother! I can see you trained hard"

Hearing this, a smile appeared on number four's face.

Brock's Elemental Weapon takes the shape of a mace with spikes on its round end, while number four makes a square-shaped shield.

'He definitely knows what he's doing', Rex thought.

The system said earlier that Earth Elementalist is more compatible to make shields rather than weapons because of their nature, and number four did just that.

After that, the next part was about to begin.

ZONG!!

The wave of vibration enters the arena, it makes the air shaky.

Number four and Brock close their eyes in focus, both of their Elemental Weapons didn't tremble upon hitting the wave.

This scene makes the crowd shocked,

After all the pairings before, the wave manages to make their Elemental Weapons tremble instantly.

But this time, the wave didn't even budge both Elemental Weapons.

From the sides, Rex can sense that the wave of vibration becomes normal again, 'They turn it off, why do they turn it on during Adhara specifically?'

Adhara came to Rex's side and whispers, "Do you sense it too?"

Rex nodded his head, 'It seems only me and Adhara can sense it, the other didn't seem to sense it. Did they use somekind of treasure? Why can it only be sensed by us?'

ZONG!!

The wave of vibration keeps going, it is already two minutes.

The wave will get stronger as time went by, and only these two can hold out this long.

Brock's Elemental Weapon started to tremble, it seems number four got the upper hand but suddenly.

Number four's Elemental Weapon also started to tremble just the same.

It was a close fight, it is unclear who got the upper hand.

Approaching three minutes mark, both Brock and number four started to frown heavily as the wave becomes even stronger.

Both Elemental Weapons are trembling crazily but both of them held on.

After the time hit four minutes,

Rattle!

Brock's earth mace crumble, it turns back to normal rocks as he fell to the ground with heavy breaths.

Number four also follows not long after,

His earth shield also crumbles before he too fell with heavy breaths, both of their stamina shocked the crowd.

"Winner! Number four from Faraday University!!", the announcer said after the juries gave out their scores.

Brock got eliminated after losing two consecutive rounds.

He then sighs before he walks back to Ochyra University's line but then, a voice crept to his ear, "That was a good match, I too know that you trained hard"

Brock stopped on his track, he turns his body, "Thanks!", he said while giving a thumbs up at number four.

Seeing this, the crowd burst into cheers.

The act of sportsmanship from these two greatly touched them, they both show respect as an Awakened.

Rex also gives encouragement to Brock,

Although he lost, the stamina he shows makes him deserving of praise.

If Brock was to paired up with others, he would definitely win in the mana control.

Just after he taps Brock's shoulder, the announcer said, "Next up! Number two from Faraday University and Number one from Ochyra University please step forward"

Hearing this, Rex straightens his back and steps forward.

The person he will be fighting is surprisingly Edward.

'Edward is the second in Faraday University? Honestly, I'm not surprised', Rex thought, he expected Edward to be the top ranker with his Early Rank Four power.

It will be shocking if he wasn't the top ranker.

"Both Heroes of Dwight City has gathered here! This pairing will surely be the most exciting out of all of them!!", the announcer shouted excitedly.

The crowd becomes crazy, this is the moment they've all been waiting for.

Every single one of them knows who Edward and Rex are, many of them are normal people so many of their husbands and sons survived because of both of them.

Many of them started to tear up, Rex and Edward are real heroes for normal people.

From the opening where he taunted Kevin, all of the people who watch or even attend this tournament are waiting to see Rex's skills.

They wanted to know whether he got the skill to back it up.

"Whew! What a crowd, you sure become pretty famous", Edward said jokingly, he looks at the crowd of people cheering for Rex.

Rex smiles cheekily, "What? You jealous?"

Hearing this, Edward laughs lightly, "Oh please, don't you lose now. It's going to make me feel bad to bully a new Awakened"

Rosie's parents stand up from their seats, they wanted to witness Rex's power that makes him confidently said he can beat Kevin.

Rex and Edwar ready themselves, they both are smiling cheekily.

"BEGIN!!"

BLITZ!!

SWOOSH!!

Rex instantly gathers the surrounding lightning mana as well as the mana inside of him, he raises up both of his hands as a ball of lightning started to form on top of him.

It was gaining mass at a rapid rate while spitting lightning strikes around it.

Edward also didn't want to lose, his fire mana started to create two weapons on both of his hands.

It was splashing fire to the surroundings aggressively, it started to take the form of two fiery daggers that raises the arena's temperature.

Both Rex and Edward almost finish at the same time, it was hard for the jury to make the decision.

They both created their Elemental Weapons in exactly 6 seconds.

Tony and the Faraday University lecturers voted for their respective universities, it was only the neutral jury left to give his score.

After brief thinking, the neutral jury said, "I'll say it's a tie!"

Hearing this, the crowd roared in excitement.

They didn't seem to get tired as they laid their eyes on the arena intently.

The decision makes many of them doubted the neutral jury but it is hard to discern which is faster, Rex and Edward finished at the same time.

"Senior, I almost beat your years of experience", Rex said jokingly.

His remarks make Edward annoyed as he rebuts, "I'm going easy on you, I don't want to make you look bad"

Just as the next round about to start, "Can you even called that an Elemental Weapon?"

Number three from the side said loudly, he steps forward and glances at the juries, "That little bulb can't even be called an Elemental Weapon, just look at it blitzing chaotically"

Rex glance at number three coldly while Edward sighs.

He decided to make a ball of lightning on top of him, it was suited for his chaotic element.

Hearing number three's remarks, the jury from Faraday University follows, "That's right! It didn't even come close to weapon-shaped, it's only a ball of lightning"

The crowd went silent, they know that dispute will eventually happen.

"Of course it is, there are no rules stating the shape of the Elemental Weapon!", Tony said.

As the lecturer of Ochyra University, he can't sit still while one of his students got bullied by the opposing team.

"Now that number three said it, it can't even be called an Elemental Weapon!"

"Yeah!"

Faraday University's crowd started to help, they started to criticize Rex's Elemental Weapon.

The Ochyra University's side started to get worried, they fear that Rex's reputation as the new start of Ochyra University will crumble.

Making a name for themselves will be ruined if that were to happen.

Rex expression darkened, he then said to the system, 'System, explain an Elemental Weapon for me'

After asking the system, Rex said loudly, "Dear Juries, What is an Elemental Weapon?"

Hearing this, the neutral jury glance at Rex and said, "It is a weapon made of a certain element that can help an Awakened in battle, whether it is for attacking or defending"

"Exactly, Elemental Weapon is a weapon created using a certain element with its respective element's nature in mind. An Elemental Weapon must be useful for an Awakened whether it is for defending or attacking", Rex added.

Rex glances at number three with a smirk, he continues, "No matter the shape of it, as long as this lightning ball can help an Awakened in battle then it can be classified as an Elemental Weapon right?"

Seeing this, number three clenched his fists in anger.

"Then what did that lightning ball do? Tickling others?", number three mocked.

The Faraday University's representatives follow with a laugh, they're also starting to mock Rex except for Kevin.

Without even answering, Rex said, "So dear juries, is there any problem?"

Hearing this, the neutral jury raises his hand and said, "Continue with the tournament, the lightning ball can be classified as an Elemental Weapon"

Kevin's crowd immediately went silent.

The neutral jury doesn't have the most powerful authority amongst the jury but the other two will definitely side with their respective side, which gave him the most power automatically.

People that supported number three's remarks are embarrassed, especially the jury from Faraday University.

He looks at Rex with hatred, he didn't even try to hide it from Rex.

Rex notices this before he looks at the jury disdainfully, he's not even the slightest bit scared of him.

The Faraday University jury is a peak rank five.

Compared to the Shapeshifter that attacks him before, the Faraday University jury didn't scare him one bit.

Rex then glances at number three who walks back to his line unwillingly, he then sent a mocking smile towards him.

This act makes number three even angrier, his neck veins started to bulge.

Before he can even say something else, a hand suddenly gripped number three's mouth roughly from the back.

Number three was shocked, he glances at his back and saw Kevin glaring at him.

"You moron, don't talk if you don't know a thing. You make me look bad", He said coldly, the usual cool and confident Kevin was nowhere to be seen.

Number three's expression drain from all color.

Kevin's eyes are blazing with dark red fire, it sent a shiver down his spine, "I'm...I'm sorry!"

Hearing this, Kevin tossed him away like a fly.

He then glances at Rex who is getting ready for the next part.

Looking at Rex with a triumphant smile, Kevin unconsciously gritted his teeth in anger.

This scene caught by someone on the third floor, she chuckles lightly, 'What an amusing guy, I never saw Kevin that angry before'

"Evelyn? What are you laughing at?", a middle-aged woman said from the side.

Beside her is a middle-aged man who has the same blazing red hair just like Kevin, "That brat, he makes Kevin look bad!"

Hearing this, Evelyn chuckles, "Don't worry dad, he'll be okay"

Chapter 109 Silent Distortion Bomb

The tournament continues, the jury's decision silenced Faraday University's representatives.

'They will surely cheat again, they will make it harder for me to win', Rex thought.

He concluded that Faraday University aims at him and those close to him, there's no other explanation besides that.

Considering Rex taunted and mocked their first ranker, it makes sense for them to do this.

'I don't think I can last long, but I can't just let them have this one', Rex thought.

In the first part, Rex and Edward are tied.

If Rex loses the second part, he can only tie things if he wins the third part.

Although Rex's element is of a higher rank than Edward's, the difference between their Awakened strength was miles away.

Rex just got into rank three while Edward already reached early rank four.

In rank four, an Awakened already started to make runes that can amplify their spell power by multiple times.

This is a huge advantage of rank four from rank three.

ZONG!

The wave of vibration came,

Rex readies himself but he was shocked by the power of the wave, he can feel his head throbbing in pain because of the wave.

What he concluded is true, Faraday University cheats again.

He gritted his teeth as he tries to focus on his elemental weapon, he can feel that this wave is even stronger than the wave power they used on Adhara.

'They really want me to lose', Rex thought.

A minute passed,

This minute feels like an eternity for Rex, the wave becomes unbelievably stronger.

"Look at Rex, he's struggling! It's only been a minute"

"What the hell, I thought he will at least reach the third-minute mark"

"All talk with no skills"

The crowd that supported Faraday University started to criticize him, they started to open their mouths again.

Approaching the two-minute mark, Rex's lightning ball started to throb uncontrollably.

It was trembling left and right as black lightning started to zapped around, from the looks of it, he will not survive the next few seconds.

Edward from the side was confused,

He knows that the wave of vibration is hard but not this hard, seeing Rex's trying desperately to hold on greatly shocks him.

'Is he that bad? Or?', He thought in confusion.

Before he can even finish thinking, the lightning ball on top of Rex was trembling crazily.

Seeing this, Kevin unconsciously smirks.

He really wanted to at least see Rex's embarrassed expression, this might just be the time where Rex will stumble.

BLITZ!!

Rex's elemental weapon exploded with black electricity, it zapped around the arena chaotically.

Sand splashed around the arena covering the other's vision, every time the black lightning zapped it scorched the sand in black.

Some of the black lightning zapped the barrier splitting the arena in two, which makes the barrier flickering slightly.

Hera creates a barrier to shield the other representatives from the explosion.

The jury stopped the match as the medical team strides inside, they thought that Rex will surely be injured because of it.

Seeing this, the jury from Faraday University smiles evilly.

"REX!!", Rosie shouted in worry, she's afraid that Rex will be injured.

She is worried If Rex got injured, he will lose to Kevin miserably. The agreement with her parents will be called off.

Adhara on the other hand is not worried, she can feel Rex is okay.

The sand fades off revealing a shadow in the center of it, the crowd gasps in surprise when they saw Rex standing there unharmed.

Even the jury from Faraday University was shocked.

Rex just brushes off the sand that got into his uniform nonchalantly, he's brushing it off as if the black lightning explosion from before was nothing.

Looking at this, the medical team froze before they went back.

It was clear from Rex's demeanor that he is not harmed, in fact, he's not injured at all except for a few dents on his clothes.

'I didn't train for this, it's a good thing to be able to hold it for that long', Rex thought.

He's not worried about the first round of the tournament,

Even if he wins against Edward, the Ochyra University has already lost four times.

So winning the first round is already out of their reach.

Rex brushed off his uniform before the juries stated Edward's win, it was obvious because Edward didn't have a hard time tanking the wave.

But he's skeptical about the wave, he just didn't believe Rex is that bad.

The next part will be power testing.

Edward is up first, he dashes towards the dummy with two fiery daggers in hand.

His movement is fast, it makes Edward looks like a fiery shadow, "Fire Titan Art! Blazing Slash!"

SLASH!

Edward slashes the dummy leaving two burnt slash marks on it, it created an X mark on the dummy's head.

Rex didn't pay attention to Edward, he's looking at the sand.

His eyes darted to the sand on Faraday University's side, he seems to be searching for something before a smirk appear on his face, 'Nice, it went through'

"810, Early Rank Four"

A mechanical sound was heard as it states Edward's power.

The crowd cheered for Edward, his score is the highest out of all previous pairings.

But some of them were not surprised, Edward is second only to Kevin so his high power was expected.

After Edward heard his score, he glances at Rex to only find him not paying attention to him.

He felt hurt because of Rex's action.

Rex notices this before he smiles awkwardly, he saw Edward's pained expression.

It is Rex's turn now, he knows that Ochyra University will definitely lose this round but he didn't want to look bad.

He musters all the surrounding mana and feeds them to the lightning ball.

The black lightning ball above Rex becomes bigger by the second, it becomes even more chaotic as it blitzing with electric current.

It was a sight to behold, the lightning ball was the size of a human.

His hand then cracked with black lightning, he points his fingers towards the lightning ball before he shouted, "Lightning Salvo!!"

BLITZ!!

A lightning strike came out of his fingers as it attacked the lightning ball.

The lightning strike hit the lightning ball making it cracked with lightning, it lit up crazily with immense lightning mana.

It lit the place black, it looks like a blitzing black hole.

After that, Rex points his fingers to the dummy in front of it before the lightning ball sent a thick black lightning strike towards it.

KABOOM!

The lightning sound makes the crowd jumped in shock,

Some of them can't help but close their ears, the sound from the lightning strike was akin to a gun firing beside their ears.

In a flash, it zapped the lightning before a mechanical voice rings out.

"650, Peak Rank Three"

Hearing this, the crowd was speechless,

"All that is only 650?"

p "I thought it will be higher than that"

It was logical for them to criticize Rex because he is the strongest in Ochyra University, they expected more but Rex's score greatly disappoint them.

Muji, Rosie's father frown, "He can't even beat the second rank, how can he beat Kevin"

Hearing Muji's remark, Cinta also frowns, 'Where did he get that confidence from? Is this really his maximum power?'

For someone who doesn't know Rex, it is indeed a low score.

But for Ochyra University's representatives especially Adhara, Rosie, and Hera, this score makes them utterly shocked.

They know that Rex becomes an Awakened recently.

He's not even a month old in being an Awakened, but his score was an astonishing 650!

Rex's score matches everyone who already becomes an Awakened for years, he even beat Adhara in terms of score.

"How? His growth is too fast!", Hera said while covering his mouth.

Adhara and Rosie were also speechless, they're beside Rex all the time but Rex becomes way stronger than them without them even noticing.

'Can I even match him? Will, he even need me?', Adhara thought.

She looks down at her scarred arms before he looked back at Rex, she has a complicated expression on her face.

Edward won the match, it was evident that Rex is still far away from him in terms of Awakened power.

Rex walks back calmly, his loss didn't even phase him.

From the third floor, Evelyn studied Rex's movement, 'That's weird, I'm sure he's stronger than that. I can feel his overwhelming power from our meeting before'

Kevin on the side was silent, he studied Rex from afar.

Although Edward won against Rex, Kevin is still not convinced of how powerful Rex is.

'I've done research on him and I know that he's not an Awakened before, which means that he just Awakened recently, Kevin thought.

He's thinking when suddenly, he realizes, 'If he Awakened recently, how did he get to peak rank three so fast?!'

Kevin was shocked to his core, even he himself didn't have that kind of talent.

Kevin was up next and he instantly wins both parts with 4 seconds in making his Elemental Weapon, and two minutes holding it before his opponent's elemental weapon exploded.

His Elemental Weapon is a fiery sword that emits a threatening aura, it increases the temperature in the arena to a terrifying degree.

Rosie was the only one left, she's already helpless in the situation.

She's paired with number 7 that is also a Wind Elementalist just like her.

The match begins and both of them started to create their own Elemental Weapon, the air started to rush towards both of them.

Rosie created a sharp katana with wind mana twirling inside it, she manages to do it in 9 seconds.

But she lost because number 7 manage to create hers in 7 seconds.

Rosie's parents were silent, they can see Rosie's nervousness as she held her head down.

'She's really nervous about this tournament huh', Rex thought.

Rex didn't blame her because if he's put in Rosie's shoes, then he will feel incredible pressure from this tournament.

He then glances at number 7 before he smirks, 'But don't worry, I'll help you'

The second part started as the wave of vibration attacked both Rosie and number 7.

They both can handle the wave in 10 seconds, but then Rosie's Elemental Weapon started to tremble.

'It started again', Rex thought.

The Faraday University is definitely aiming for those around Rex, the wave of vibration becomes unbalanced again.

Seeing this, Rex smirks evilly before he mumbles, 'Activate'

Puff!

A slight puffing sound was heard from amidst the sand under number 7's feet.

After that puffing sound, number 7 felt her mind suddenly got hit by a truck.

She suddenly can't maintain her Elemental Weapon anymore,"What's happening? I can't control it!", she shouted in panic.

The Elemental Weapon is throbbing like crazy before suddenly,

BOOM!

It exploded slashing number 7's body,

She was blown back because of the wind explosion, slash injuries can be seen all over her body that started to bleed.

The Faraday University's jury stands up in shock, he didn't expect this to happen.

It was so unexpected, number 7 looks fine but then she suddenly loses focus resulting in her Elemental Weapon exploded.

'Did they mess up? How did she lose focus like that', he thought in confusion, but then he saw Rex staring at him.

Rex stares at the Faraday University jury with a smirk,

This act makes him froze in his spot, 'Did that kid do something?!'

Rex indeed did something.

Adhara who is beside Rex looks at him suspiciously, "Did you do that? I can sense something exploded from under number 7's feet"

Hearing this, Rex smiles mysteriously.

Adhara instantly knows that Rex did something, 'But how?'

When Rex's Elemental Weapon exploded, he purposely aims at the barrier that splits the arena in two.

The system said that he can create a disturbance in the barrier.

It makes the barrier flicker because of Rex's black lightning, and at that moment is when Rex flicks an item he bought from the system.

The explosion covers the whole arena making it the perfect time to do it.

'Silent Distortion Bomb, although we will not win this round at least Rosie will calm down', Rex thought.

From the looks of it, Rosie was shocked in the arena.

Number 7 after having her Elemental Weapon exploded cannot continue the match, making Rosie the winner of the round.

Rosie went back to the line with a dumbfounded expression, she was still confused.

She doesn't know that Rex helped him nor does Rex wants to tell her.

'Playing dirty? I'll show you how to play dirty', Rex turns his head away with a smirk.

Chapter 110 Killing The Manticore

"Winner of the first round! With 6 wins to 2! FARADAY UNIVERSITY!!"

The crowd cheered excitedly, Faraday University is the favorite so their victory makes more than half of the crowd crazy.

The day is already noon, the crowd is still energized.

It's not an everyday thing where a tournament of Awakened was held.

The announcer then points to the gates beside each of the representatives, the gates are made of steel that is imbued with protection runes and enhancement.

"For the next round! Our contestants will fight creatures that bring terror to humanity!"

While the announcer was hyping the crowd for the second round, Rex glance at the gates.

He can feel an ominous power behind it, "Are we going straight to round two?", he asks Hera.

"Yes, I can't be inside the Arena. Remember the plan, and good luck!", she said before she left the Arena under the other's gaze.

After she left, the announcer shouted, "The first one to kill their Supernatural win, OPEN THE GATES!!"

RATTLE!

The sound of chains follow by the gates opening reverberated through the Ring of Tenacity, it makes the crowd quietened down as everyone felt the bone-chilling aura from the gates.

Both universities will fight their Supernatural at the same time.

Ochyra University will fight a peak rank four Manticore, while Faraday University will be fighting a peak rank four Mummy.

"Get in position! Earth Elementalist stand on vanguard!", Rex command.

Hearing this, Brock and another guy went to the front with two big shields in their hands.

The sand breeze kisses their feet as they wait for the Manticore they were supposed to fight, it makes everyone's throat go dry.

From inside the gates, two red dots suddenly appeared.

It glared at each of Ochyra University's representatives aggressively, everyone except for Rex and Adhara steps back unconsciously.

Thud!

Thud!

The Manticore walks out slowly revealing its entire body.

The light shone down on the Manticore's body revealing a huge creature with razor-sharp fangs. Its body and head are that of a lion, its tail is a snake that coils behind him with bat wings on its back.

ROAR!!!

It roared menacingly vibrating the air around it.

From that roar alone, many normal people in the crowd started to tremble in fear.

Manticore is a Supernatural that is responsible for the destruction in five major cities across all countries during the Emergence of Supernatural.

Their kill count reaches millions of people, it is a living terror.

Rex's eyes glister, he checks the Manticore's stats.

<Kai>

Race: Infant Manticore - Lion

Power: Rank Four(Peak) - Fire

Mental: 75

Strength: 97

Agility: 80

Endurance: 121

Intelligence: 0

Seeing this, Rex nodded his head.

The Manticore's stats are somewhat in his expectation, he knows that Manticore is a durable Supernatural.

But then, his eyes caught something, 'Lion? Don't tell me'

Rex glance at the Manticore's tail as his eyes glister,

<Rai>

Race: Infant Manticore - Snake

Mental: 50

Strength: 71

Agility: 95

Endurance: 47

Intelligence: 0

The Manticore is a mix between beasts, Rex knows this.

But what he didn't expect is that each of these beasts has its own consciousness, which makes them able to react independently.

It's like fighting two Supernatural at the same time.

'Shit, then the plan will not work', Rex thought.

He then shouted, "The Lion and the Snake each have their own consciousness, we can't use diversion to aim for its tail!"

Hearing this, the others were shocked.

But before they can even snap out of their daze,

ROAR!!

The Manticore opened its fiery huge mouth, it started to flap its wings away before suddenly,

SWOOSH!

It spat out fire breath that engulfs the entire arena, it lit up the sky as if a sun coming towards them.

"Basic Spell! Wall of Earth!"

"Basic Spell! Bubble!"

Both Earth Elementalist created an earth wall that enveloped the others before a bubble cover the earth wall adding an extra layer of protection.

The fire evaporates the bubble as it hits the earth wall.

The heat coming from the fire turns the water bubble into steam.

Its fire breath is so hot that makes the others sweat inside the earth wall, it was so powerful that the earth wall almost instantly crumbles.

Looking at this, Rex gritted his teeth.

He activates his force to envelope his body,

<The user's stats have been increased by 10%>

After seeing the notifications, Rex slammed his body to the earth wall side creating a hole in it.

"Cover me!", Rex shouted before he jumped towards the Manticore.

His legs bulge with muscle as he propels himself upwards, it makes all of the crowd gasp in shock seeing Rex jumped so high without even using any mana.

Seeing this, the Manticore flapped its wings away before it sent a fire breath towards Rex.

"Sakhmet Tattoo!", a red woman figure that looks astral appeared on Rex's side, it caresses Rex's head before it turns into a red tattoo on his wrist.

Evelyn looks at Rex in shock, 'What is that? Is he going to tank a Manticore's fire breath like that'

SWOOSH!

The fire breath hits Rex directly, it engulfs Rex's body in flame.

The crowd gasps in shock, they can't even imagine themselves being hit by that fire breath. They will instantly get vaporized if they got hit by it.

But then, something shocking happened.

Rex's arms are burn but he still has the momentum towards the Manticore, it was a shocking scene.

"What?! The fire breath didn't manage to push him back?", Bennie shouted amongst the crowd. Beside him is Trevor who is also opening his mouth in shock.

The principal of Faraday University on the third floor also saw this, his eyes widened for a second before they went back to normal. He rubs his chins in thought while looking at Rex fighting the Manticore.

The others didn't sit idle, all of them attacked the Manticore with each of their respective spells hitting the Manticore from all sides.

ROAR!!

Some of them hit the Manticore but it did little to nothing.

Rex arrived in front of the Manticore before his eyes flashes, "Force Beam!!"

SLASH!

Rex uses his new sword to use his Force Beam skill, a white energy slash with black lightning current enveloping it shot towards the Manticore.

In the nick of the moment,

BOOM!

The snake tail of the Manticore suddenly shot out colliding with the Force Beam, it was so fast that it happened in a blink of an eye.

It immediately destroyed the Force Beam upon colliding.

Seeing this, Rex was shocked as he falls down.

He looks back at the Manticore who is still flying, 'The snake has Lightning Resistance but it seems it cannot completely nullify it', Rex thought.

The snake's skin got charred, it looks like it got hurt by the Force Beam.

"Keep bombarding it with spells, we need to cut off its wings", Rex shouted, the Manticore kept on flying.

Earth Elementalist on their team becomes ineffective because of this.

Meanwhile on the other side,

Faraday University was overwhelmed by the Mummy they fought.

The terrain of the Arena is made of sand, it gives the Mummy a huge terrain advantage against them.

Every time they attack the Mummy, it turns into sand.

The Mummy's movement is fast that almost none of Faraday University's attacks landed on it.

It hovers around like a ghost sending swarm of rank three insects to attack, it was chaos that even Kevin himself was struggling.

Although Mummy is very weak against Fire, they forget to take into account the terrain.

Faraday University has five Fire Elementalist, which seems to be a perfect match for them but they underestimated the Mummy's agile movement and high intelligence.

Because of its high intelligence, the Mummy knows its own weakness clearly making it a harder Supernatural to fight.

The Manticore, on the other hand, has only an animalistic intelligence.

Its head was filled to kill the opponents in front of it, it doesn't aware of its own weakness especially because it's still only an infant.

"Wind Enhancement!", Rosie chanted as wind hovers on Rex's legs.

Rex can feel his body becomes lighter, "When I attack it, aim for the snake!", Rex said before he bolted towards the Manticore.

He knows that he can't dodge the snake if it decided to attack him, it was too fast for him to react even with his unbelievable reflex.

The crowd notices his increased speed which makes it hard for normal people to see.

Black electricity ran rampant around Rex's body, it also got enhanced by the sword he wields making it almost double in power.

Rex jumped towards the Manticore fiercely.

This time, the Manticore flapped its wings away trying to avoid Rex because of the exchange before.

Seeing this, Rex smirks, "Flash!"

BLITZ!

Rex's speed becomes even faster as he jumped towards the Manticore again, it caught the Manticore off guard.

It was shocked by the sudden change in direction.

The Lion opens its mouth intending to burn Rex with its fire breath,

Rex puts his arms in front of him again to block but then suddenly, his hands started to be enveloped by rocks.

"Basic Spell! Rock Armor!", Brock chanted.

Seeing this, Rex's smile fiercely.

The Manticore reacts fast, it knows that its fire breath does little to nothing before and will be ineffective with the rock armor on.

The snake's eyes turn blue, it seems it wanted to block Rex's attacks again but suddenly.

BOOM!

It got hit by fire scimitars from behind,

Adhara's spell burns the snake's back, it makes it hiss in pain as it glare at Adhara.

Because both the Lion and the Snake got distracted by Rex's threatening attack, Adhara manage to land a hit on the Snake's back.

SLASH!

Then a wind slash followed by other spells attacked the snake, it wails left and right trying to dodge the spells.

This makes the snake got distracted, "Force Beam!"

SLASH!!

ROARR!!!

Rex manages to bypass the Lion with his Flash skill before he cuts off the Manticore's wings cleanly, the sword borrowed from Evelyn helped him cut the Manticore's wings despite its high endurance.

Blood started to burst from it painting the ground in red as it falls down from the sky.

BOOM!

The ground trembled as a web-like crack appeared because of the Manticore.

The crowd went crazy when they saw the Manticore fall down brutally, Ochyra University's team was on the verge of killing it.

"Trap it now!!"

The Earth and Water Elementalist chanted as they trapped the Manticore.

Water tentacles gripped each of the Manticore's limbs before rocks entangled its body pinning it down in place.

ROAR!!

The Manticore wails around trying to break free, it sent a fire breath to the surrounding chaotically.

Adhara and another Fire Elementalist create a fire barrier to block the attack, but it's still too strong for them.

"ARGHH!"

Some of the Ochyra University team got charred because of the fire, the water tentacles, and the rocks entangling the Manticore got weakened.

Seeing this, Adhara chanted, "Fire Schimitars!"

SWOOSH!

Twenty plus Fire Schimitars stabbed all of the Manticore's limbs, it pinned down the snake but it didn't manage to pierce the lion's skin.

Then suddenly, the Manticore's body burns in flame.

Rex saw the orb on its tail moves from its tail towards the Manticore's mouth, 'What is it going to do?'

ROAR!!

The Manticore's mouth turned fiery red as it raises the arena's temperature into scorching hot, Rex can feel the immense energy the Manticore emits that is way stronger than before.

It emits a fire around its body making everyone felt their skins boil upon nearing it, it looks like it will explode!

"No you don't!!", Rex dashes towards the Manticore.

The Manticore's red eyes glance at Rex before suddenly, "Alpha Intimidation!"

<The Manticore's stats has been decreased by 30%>

After Rex successfully uses Alpha Intimidation, Rex dashes towards the Manticore with a black lightning current blitzing on his sword.

He can feel his body scorched in flame, if it's not for his fire resistance he probably will melt.

SLASH!

Rex slashes his swords destroying the orb in its mouth.

Roar!

Right after the orb got destroyed, the Manticore stumbles backward as it roared weakly. The orb is essential for it, destroying the orb makes the Manticore weakened.

"NOW!!"

All the others that are still able to fight chanted fiercely, their auras blaze with their respective elements.

STAB!!

Earth Spike, Fire Schimitars, Wind Slash, and many other spells stab throughout the Manticore, its weakened state makes it easy to pierce its skin.

"This is it!", Rex uses flash to approach the Manticore.

Kevin on the side was shocked, he heard the sound of cheering and the weak roar of the Manticore.

He looks at his side before he gritted his teeth, "Burn these insects! I'm going to finish this!", he shouted in anger.

Faraday University's team nodded their heads.

Kevin recklessly jumped skip the insects as his teammates burn the insects approaching him, he was aiming for the Mummy.

Seeing this, the Mummy points its rotten fingers towards Kevin.

The terrain suddenly got engulfed by sand storm making Kevin stopped on his track, many insects swarm him from the surrounding.

'I can't lose! Do I have to use it?!', he thought desperately, his legs got sucked by the sand.

Kevin waves his fiery sword creating a fire vortex every time he slashes his sword, it charred every insect approaching him but the insects seem endless.

His eyes bulged in anger, 'I don't have enough time even if I use it, Damn it!'

Just as the insects got closer to him, it suddenly stopped alongside the sand storm.

Rex waves the bloodied sword in his hand, the Manticore's blood painted the sand around him.

The black lightning flashes around as he waves his swords, he then flicks the sword before putting it back in the scabbard.

Click!

"WINNER! OCHYRA UNIVERSITY!!"

Hearing the announcer, the crowd burst in cheers and excitement.

The Manticore's head got slashed off by Rex, its big bloodied head roll on the ground.

Rosie's parents from the second floor also jumped from their seats, they were happy and shocked seeing Rex showing off his powers.

Ochyra University wins the second round even though their opponent is a Manticore.

Hera jumped in joy, she still can't believe that Ochyra University manages to win against the notorious Blazing Lion of Faraday University, Kevin Luc.

"Evelyn, is that your sword?", Evelyn's mother beside her asks.

Hearing this, her father also asks with a shocked expression, "Why did you give him that? Kevin lost because of that"

"Mom, Dad, It's good for Kevin to experience a loss. He's too prideful these days", Evelyn said.

Although she looks innocent, a smirk appeared on her face when she turns her head away from her parents, 'Rex Silverstar, What an amusing guy'