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"I don't really know much too, so I will only tell you what I know. It was around four thousand or five thousand years ago. Back then, I heard there is a world that wanted to rule this universe. Of course, many gods took it as an offense. But that world also fought back against the gods. And that happened. The war between that world and the gods. In that war, many gods died in battle. But eventually, the gods were victorious which led the ruling kingdom in that world declined and eventually destroyed. After that victory, because of that dangerous ambition, the gods destroyed all things related to this universe and that battle. So they can't have any ambition or any power to come back from that. After that, the gods decided to exile that world into the 'trash bin' or you can say, it was a place where the world exiled and let them extinct naturally. That's why there are no other beings you can find there. Even if you managed to find them, they are either the new exiled one or a new being birth in there, which means their civilization restarted from zero.

In that place, there might be some worlds that might be able to sustain living beings, but there is no living being in that place. A place to let the worlds destroyed by themselves, a place where living beings extinct naturally. It was called 'trash bin' but the nicer word would be 'Worlds Graveyard'. That's all I know"

Alex was too shocked. Is that really Earth? He said 'Kingdom' right? Four thousand or five thousand years ago? Around two thousand or three thousand B.C. 'Hmm... I'm not good with world history like that. But, I think a 'Kingdom' around that time... I only know two, Mesopotamian and Ancient Egyptian Kingdom. Maybe there are some more, I don't know...Well, I finally here. So there is no point in going back to that place again, after all, there are no attachments left in that place.'

He pushed that thought in mind. He considered it as one of world history and that's all. He had no intention to go back.

Looking at Alex's expression, Maxwell also knew. Alex seems to not have any attachment to that world. He won't blabber or take revenge for that world. So he relieved. Since it was like that, He better to change the topic

"Alright, Let's leave it at that. Let's go back to our discussion. Oh, wait, how exactly you can speak the common language if you are from there?"

"Common Language? I used my usual language all this time (?)"

"..." Maxwell looked at Alex astonished. "What a useful technique you have there. Let me test it"

Maxwell wrote something on the ground. It was written like this, '????'

"Is this your language?"

Alex shook his head, he looked at the character. He didn't recognize which character is those. But he knew, no, he actually understands that word. It means 'Maxwell'

"Master, is that your name?"

"As expected. What a convenient ability" Maxwell's expression turned to serious. "Let me warned you first. Since you can understand the language then there is no problem. But never laugh at someone's name. There is someone whose name written like this, 'Юл'. What do you think about this name?"

"Gay?" Alex confused, it was a very weird name.

"That's right. It was gay. Then, what is 'gay' mean? You know that right. But in his world, that name means brave and gallant. So this is the caution. No matter what kind of weird name you met later on. Never laugh at them."

Alex nodded. If someone who got a weird name like that was very powerful and he laughed at him/her, the consequences might be serious.

"Alright, since you got it. The second is, you are already at Peak Qi Gathering Stage. I will help you advance to Qi Manipulation Stage."

"Thank you Master"

Maxwell nodded. "This is the second matter. What do you think about the next stage after Qi Manipulation Stage?"

Alex confused, He knew there is a stage after Qi Manipulation Stage. But for what it is, He still didn't know that"

"It was the Martial Master Stage. Actually, the beforehand stage whether it was Body Tempering Stage, Qi Gathering Stage, or even Qi Manipulation Stage. It was only a foundation stage. For example, each stage was like teaching you the basic of the basic. For example, it was like when you are Qi Gathering Stage, for the Early Phase, you learned how to punch. for Middle Phase, you learned how to kick. For Peak Phase, you learned how to use them effectively. That's why it was hard to fight someone whose rank was higher than you.

That's why, after you reached the Martial Master Stage, it was the first step where the true cultivation started. There are six other stages above Martial Master Stage. They are Martial Grandmaster Stage, Martial Lord Stage, Martial King Stage, Martial Monarch Stage, Martial Emperor Stage, and Martial Saint Stage. Along with the Martial Master Stage. This is the true seven stages of cultivation. Each Stage consists of ten stars. You can fill it later after you reached that stage. There is a difference between each star. But unlike the foundation stage, it was possible to defeat a higher star practitioner if you have a good technique/skill"

"The true Seven Stages of Cultivation..." Alex was astonished. "Then, Master, what rank are you?"

"Ara, would you feel disappointed if I only a low rank?"

"No no, that's not what I mean, I only curious. It's alright if Master didn't want to answer"

"Haha...I'm just joking with you. I am above them, after a saint, your body will transform from a mortal body and become a god. You can consider me as a god but as for my specific rank. I won't say it to you for now. It is for your own good."

Alex was surprised. His 'Master' was a proclaimed 'God (?)'. Whether it is true or not, He will know it later.

"Alright. Let's change the topic. What do you think about the requirement for ascending?"

Alex contemplated a bit. "Martial Master Stage?"

"You are half correct"

"..." Alex was confused. What is the requirement? "Rank 10?"

"Wrong"

"Ugh, Master please don't tease me"

"Alright alright, It was the dungeon"

"Dungeon?" Alex was shocked, suddenly the dungeon comes into his mind. What kind of secret the dungeon hold. Why his master suddenly mentioned it?

"Yes. Do you feel any difference between the dungeon and the world?"

Alex was in thought. But suddenly something came into his mind. "The Monster?"

"That's right. Then, what is their difference?"

"Monster core"

"You are right. I will tell you the secret with that dungeon. Actually, the dungeons in this world was some kind of a test for us. Why do the monsters in the dungeon different than the monsters on the surface? The answer is simple, the monsters in the dungeon didn't originate from this world."

"What?" This Master of him give him many surprised.

"Yes, the monster was originally from the upper world. It was transported from the upper world to this world."

Alex surely astonished by this fact. But there is something bothering him, "But, Master said, that 'outsider' can't enter this world? Then how can they transported to this world?"

"Haha... At first, I was also confused about that. The reason is because of that god, He was known as the Dungeon God. In the record, He was one of the highest rank gods."

"Was?"

"Yes. He died in that 'battle"

"I see"

"From the record, He was one of the highest rank gods. But his personality was weird. He made those dungeons to satisfy his desire. I don't know what kind of desire it is but just know he was weird. We derailed a bit. Let's go back to the topic. If you managed to reach the hundred level of the dungeon. You will see an array. It was the one who transported all those monsters from the upper world to the dungeon. It was set up so the monsters can't leave this dungeon. After we kill them, the monster would drop the monster core but no other parts right?"

Alex nodded to that question.

"According to my research, the other parts were for nourishment. So the array would continuously work. That means, the monsters that were killed, would always be replaced with another monster."

"I see"

"From what Master said. Then, there are two requirements to ascend to the upper world. First, we need to reach the 100th floor and go to that array. The second is that we need at least reached the Martial Master Stage to activate the array"

"Yes. That's right. Those two were the requirements to ascend"

"Then there are nine dungeons in this world. Why is there a difference between them?"

Alex thought a bit, "According to Master. If the monsters were transported from the upper world. Assuming that they originate from the same world. That means the place where they were kidnapped in is the difference"

This time, Maxwell was the one who got astonished. With that little information, Alex can conclude all that right "Haha, you are right. Then, which one will you choose if you are going to the upper world?"

"Hmm..." Alex thought for a moment. "I don't know. How about Master?"

"I don't have any recommendation. It's up to you"

"I see, then I will choose the one closest to me. Since all of them led to the same world."

"Yes. Well, all of them were a lower level place after all, so it's all the same" Maxwell nodded. "Alright. Next is..."

"Wuu" Sherry who was in silence suddenly let out a sound.

"Ah, I'm sorry Sherry"

"Oh right. I felt you two have signed a contract. What kind of contract is it?"

"Contract? What is that?"

"Eh? You don't know about it even though you already set it up?"

Alex shook his head confusedly.

"Then, let me check" As he said that, Suddenly there is a kind of magic circle, but it seems not a magic circle appeared. When it appeared, Alex felt his back starting to get hot. Sherry also felt the same. Not long after, a fox tattoo in Alex back resurfaced. And the Fox head emblem also resurfaced from Sherry. Maxwell was astonished by what he saw just now "What? Life and Death Contract"

"Life and Death Contract?"

"Life and Death Contract. As its name implies, your life and her life were shared together. But, it was only applied to her. That means, if you died, then she will die too. But if she died, you won't die. Only the beast that can set this up. After all, this contract means that the beast laid all its life to its owner. That means, she gave her life to your hand"

"What? Sherry, how can you do that"

"Wuu Wuu (That's fine, that means I can be together with Master forever)"

"Sherry..." Alex was moved with Sherry. From back when she carried him from that forest to Acacia Kingdom or like this one. "But, since when?"

"Wuu Wuu, Wuu Wuu Wuu (I think when Master wives got hurt, That time Master got out of control. I just wanted to calm Master. Master won't throw me out, right?" She looked at Alex with a star on her eyes.

"Of course I won't. I will kill whoever dares to hurt you"

"Wuu"

"Haha... Alright, we reached the place."

"Where is this Master" In front of them, there is a giant gate.

"This is my treasury" Maxwell said as he opened the gate.

When the gate opened. Alex saw everything inside. Many high-rank raw materials inside and treasures inside. Maxwell waved his hand. Suddenly, a herb and a book flew.

Alex grabbed them. He heard Maxwell saying, "This book is the one thing I really wanted you to learn"

Alex looked at the book. 'Fire Phoenix Art' was written on it. "Master, what is this?"

"This is a fire art. Well, though the Pure Fire or Absolute Flame might be great. They will also come with danger. Though many factions wanted to have you if they know you have a Pure Element. There are also some who think of you as a pest. This Fire Phoenix Art will camouflage your Fire Element. After you got the Fire Phoenix Seed according to this Art. No one can realize that your Fire is a Pure Fire. Though you can't get any elemental advantage. Our fire's power alone can minimize that effect."