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After a few minutes, Kenshin and Evelyn wake up at the same time. They looked at each other and then turned to Alex. But, since Alex hasn't wake up. They decided to wait for him on the platform.

Ten minutes...

Twenty minutes...

The third Elder starts to frown. Is Sect Master choose the wrong person? Is this Alex has a weak spirit? He misunderstood Alex unknowingly. How can he know that Alex is actually enjoying his time in the illusion?

The same applies to Lena. Seeing Alex didn't wake up after twenty minutes, her pride goes through the roof. She is proud after defeating Alex with a large margin. She harrumphed, she is foolish to think that this person is a competitor for her.

Kenshin believed in him, there is no way Alex would be defeated by something like this, even Evelyn looked at him with worry but still believed that he would break the illusion.

Finally, after half an hour, Alex slowly opened his eyes. He let out a smile. The smile isn't big but can present his feeling. It is his gentle and sincere smile, but others who are currently looking at him can see not only a joy but also a sadness in that smile.

'He smiled?' This is their thoughts upon seeing him smiling after breaking the illusion. The Third Elder was confused, why he smiled? He thought at first he smiled because he breaks out of the illusion, but it wasn't the case. There is another meaning in his smile, but he didn't know what it is.

On the other hand, When Lena saw Alex smiled, she was wondering why he smiled. She was convinced that he must be smiled because he managed to break off the illusion, but when she observed Alex's smile, it wasn't that. At this moment, she didn't know why, but she can feel Alex's genuine smile. It complements Alex's handsome face and makes it more attractive, she unknowingly blushed.

As for Kenshin and Evelyn, they didn't have any thoughts like that. They were just relieved that Alex finally opened his eyes.

Alex slowly got up and walked toward the platform. Lena snorted, she threw away the previous feeling. This man is hateful, she convinced herself with that.

"Hmph!"

Of course, Alex ignored her. He talks with Kenshin and Evelyn to pass the time since the test isn't over. He also observes the wannabe disciples. There is someone who is dancing like he is crazy, or someone running like chasing something. They were completely lost in the illusion and immediately got caught by the disciple who help the third Elder in the test. They brought them outside, and of course, they are failed.

After another hour, Elder Dolf finally stopped the test.

"It's time." Elder Dolf announced. Some people are still sitting and trying to break off the illusion. But since the time is up, they have also failed the test.

Out of the remaining six hundred, there are barely over two hundred. This test cut more than a third of the group. And there is still the third test. Alex and the rest were brought to another field near the platform. There is a big stage in the area and a big monument in the center of it. When they are gulping down about the third test and thinking how many more will fail in this test, the third Elder dropped a bomb for them.

"This is the third test. For the third test, you will try to comprehend the sword art in the Monument. It is the main sword art of Heavenly Sword Sect Founder. It is the High-Grade Earth Tier sword art. I will say this to the rest of you that managed to reach the third test. Congratulations! You've officially become Heavenly Sword Sect disciple."

The new disciples obviously cheer. Such a big opportunity, they would be glad to fight for such a generous sect.

There were a few reasons why the Heavenly Sword Sect let the new disciples to learn from their founder Sword Art. First, it wasn't a High-Grade Earth Tier, its actual rank is Heaven Tier Skill. But because of the passing time, it regresses because no one can fully comprehend the essence of the sword art. Doing this, they hope that someone in the future would be able to learn the foundation of this Sword Art. It is also opened for the disciple to learn, but there is a separate system for that.

The second reason is also to test their talent and comprehension ability. And the third is the same exact reason why those disciples are cheering. The third Elder finally said.

"The Sword Art name is Seven Stars Cut, The Monument will also help you a boost in your understanding of the sword art, and the time limit is three days. I hope you all the best. Although it sounds a bit unfair to other disciples who not use a sword. We will let you choose your weapon art too" Elder Dolf took out many Martial Art books from his space ring. Axes, Sword, Spear, bow, etc. There are many varieties of those weapons.

"There are many weapon art books here. They are ranging on Low Profound Tier Skill to High Earth Tier Skill. Since you didn't have any boost in your comprehension, we let you choose a lower weapon arts since you might fail to comprehend anything in three days, especially the one who learns from the Monument.

If you choose to learn from the Monument, you can't select other sword art, in case you are failing in this test. Of course, if you didn't dare to attempt to learn from the Monument, you are free to choose the sword art among these manuals. For those who wish to try on learning the sword art from the monument step forward."

Out of two hundreds of people, around half of them using a sword. But when they heard the caution, half of them didn't dare to attempt. That means, only fifty disciples will learn the sword art. Of course, among the fifty people, there are Alex, Kenshin, Evelyn, and Lena. "Good. The test will start now. Those who wish to learn from the Monument gather around the Monument and try to channel your spiritual energy to the Monument, you will learn from that. And the rest of you follow me to choose your own art."

Suddenly, Evelyn came to Alex. "Big Brother Alex."

Alex looks at her, confused.

"I want to bet with you. If I can beat you in here, can...can you call me by my name?" She asked. After all, four of them including her sister are the only one passed the cave in the first test. She thought Alex and Kenshin are different. Kenshin didn't mind about this, but Alex still didn't call her by her name for an unknown reason.

Alex looks at her earnest expression can't help but smile. "Sure, if you can beat me"

"Un! I will work hard" She happily nodded and walked away.

'This girl' Alex shook his head helplessly.

Alex and the rest sit down and close their eyes as they channel their Spiritual Energy toward the Monument. The moment they did that, there is a manual inside of their own consciousness. No, to be exact, it is their consciousness that entered the Monument. Many of them didn't really understand the manual, this is also the reason why fifty of them choose to give up and search for their own Sword Art. After all, it is pretty hard to learn a high tier Martial Art.

Seven Star Cut is an offensive martial art that focuses on creating seven cuts simultaneously by focusing all your energy into that attack. The biggest strength of Seven Star Cut is the way you are utilizing the pressure points of yourself to add the weight in your sword, thus increasing the force of your sword.

Alex continues reading the manual. And with his Sword Mastery, he didn't have any challenge to learn it. Since his consciousness is inside the Monument, Alex started practicing sword art. By a day, Alex can use up to the fourth cut.

"Ha!"

Alex made a sword wave according to the manual. Though it looks like a single Sword Wave. In fact, it is made up of four sword waves. 'Creating seven cuts simultaneously'. It was written in the manual, and it becomes the direction for him. He tried to make five cuts simultaneously, but he always failed. It seems that his cultivation isn't high enough. Then he decided to comprehend the rest for the time being so when he reached the cultivation requirement.

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On the outside, the third Elder observing all the new disciples, whether they are near the Monument or the other group that practicing their own weapon art. From the look of it, there are several talented disciples in the other group. He can know it since they are openly practicing.

Upon the second day, the sect master suddenly visited him.

"Third Elder, how are the new disciples?"

"Sect Master" The third Elder greeted him, before he started to explain as he points his finger toward the group. "There are several talented disciples in there."

"Hmm, Indeed. There are several talented disciples. Is there anyone you fancy, Third Elder?"

"I'm sorry, Sect Master. I won't have another disciple in this life" He said in a sad tone.

"Haiz" The sect master can only shake his head as he looks the third Elder. The third Elder had one disciple, he trained him and spoiled him a lot, but that disciple has betrayed him to the point he almost killed him. Out of rage, the third Elder killed him, and now he refused to accept another disciple.

"Though it is a shame for a man at your caliber, not going to accept a disciple. I'm not going to force you."

"Thank you for your understanding, Sect Master" Third Elder only shook his head. He changed back the topic. "As for the ones around the Monument, as usual. We need to wait until they are finished on the third day to see the result."

"Indeed, on the third day. Inner disciples also will come"

"Yes, well, we can only..." He stopped because there is a shocking scene in front of him. Even the sect master had his jaw dropped to the ground upon seeing this sight. It was to be expected when they suddenly saw something that never happened.

"The...the stone...monument...glowing" Sect Master was too shocked upon this point. Nothing like this has happened in the past. The sect master and Elder Dolf immediately thought one thing. 'Is there someone who finally understands the essence of the founder's Sword Art?'

The sect master locked his eyes into someone, the only one that might be able to make this bizarre thing according to the seventh Elder's words. "Call...call Seventh Elder here, now!"

Not long after, the Seventh Elder flew to here hurriedly. Upon seeing the Monument lit up, he bewildered until the Sect Master wakes him up. "Seventh Elder, is this what you mean?"

He understood the Sect Master's words, he looked at Alex and then turned back to Sect Master. "I don't really know. But, let me told you the whole story about that kid. First, in the tournament, he managed to copy a few sword arts by just watching and experiencing them. Second, I heard that he managed to master Himura's Family...A small family inside the town I'm in charge, their Low Profound Tier Skill, and he even managed to bring the skill to an unprecedented level and make that skill become Mid Profound Tier Skill. And he didn't even look at the manual, and he just copied from the brat over there." He pointed his finger toward Kenshin.

"What? Is that true, Seventh Elder?" The one who shocked the most is the third Elder since he didn't know anything about Alex. The Sect Master already knows that he is extraordinary but still shocked by the fact but didn't exaggerate it like the third Elder.

"Yes. And from what I heard, he did it in a span of two to three days." Elder Conn dropped another bomb.

Now, even the Sect Master was tongue-tied. He was too shocked. It was to be expected, Mastering Low Profound Tier Skill in a mere two or three days is already made him a super genius. But he even made it become Mid Profound Tier Skill. On top of that, he didn't learn it from the manual. Instead, he copied it from others.

"Elder Conn, aren't you exaggerating him a bit?" Third Elder, with great difficulty, said that.

"No, in fact, I feel that I still underestimate him" Conn shook his head.

"Screw you, Seventh Elder. Are you going to make this old man's heart burst out!" Sect Master scolded him for no apparent reason.

"Congratulations, Sect Master, for getting an unparalleled genius as your disciple." The Third Elder congratulate him, he didn't know it was only his misunderstanding.

"No, he is not my disciple" Sect Master shakes his head.

"What do you mean?" The Third Elder was clueless.

"His identity is a bit special. He won't have a Master because of his identity. I can't say much about his identity, but Seventh Elder decided to make his disciple to sedu...ahem, I mean to have him under her tutelage" Sect Master corrected his words.