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Chapter 211: Comprehend

Mysterious black light was released bit by bit from that black piece of paper. Vaguely, he could see some cryptic and ancient light patterns as they slowly spread on the paper, bit by bit.

Mu Chen looked at this scene with a little excitement. So many years had passed since he obtained this black piece of paper and it's the first time he had seen such activity from it.

Ohmmmn! Ohmmn!

Black light constantly gathered on top of that black piece of paper. Shortly after, that black light looked as though it had turned into a starry sky. Countless stars were floating on it. A snow white enormous tiger stepped onto the starry sky as it roared towards the sky. That roar shook the starry sky and an endless killing aura omnipresently engulfed everything. For a brief moment, the Spiritual Energy in Mu Chen's body had actually been intimidated to the point that it had stopped circulating and his entire body froze.

He was overwhelmed with shock as he gazed at that white tiger that stood on the starry sky. Raging waves were rummaging in his heart. This white tiger before him was definitely not any ordinary tiger, as it possessed that grandeur of a supreme divine beast!

Although it wasn't material, that grandeur was sufficient to shake the heavens and earth!

The Four Gods Constellation Scripture that he was training in was lacking this kind of grandeur that was possessed by the original four mythical beasts!

In the aurasea, Nine Netherbird was also flapping its wings, its gaze was fixed on the white tiger that was standing on the starry sky above the black page of paper. Its eyes were filled with restraining fear and grief. As spiritual beasts, it could naturally sense the genuine might that was released from this white tiger. Even ordinary Divine Beasts were incomparable to its prestige.

White Tiger, one of the four mythical beasts was indeed, a well-deserved reputation!

Mu Chen also inhaled a mouthful of air and gradually restored his calm. This White Tiger before him was just an illusion. However, this illusion was different, as it possessed the genuine killing aura that only the genuine White Tiger possesses.

Mu Chen looked at the White Tiger that was stepping on the starry sky, then slowly closed his eyes, quietly comprehending the killing aura that was emitted from the White Tiger.

He had to integrate this grandeur into his seal, so that he'd be able to unleash the genuine might of the Four Gods Constellation Scripture.

However, it's evident that trying to complete this step wasn't easy. Even if Mu Chen was able to comprehend the killing aura brought from this White Tiger before them, there still wasn't any major results.

On the contrary, Mu Chen wasn't disappointed. Since he had found the way to truly train the Four Gods Constellation Scripture, he only needed a little time and he should be able to truly succeed in training it.

Thinking about it here, Mu Chen restrained all urgency and calmed his state of mind, before exiting from his aurasea. With his exit, the luster from that mysterious black piece of paper had also rapidly dispersed and was restored to its former state. Only the Nine Netherbird was still looking at it in alert.

On the lake, Mu Chen opened his eyes and the sky was already brightly lit. He stretched his body and returned to his small house.

Over the next few days, Mu Chen had been submerged in comprehension. The moment he had time, he would enter his aurasea and look at the roaring White Tiger figure that stood on the starry sky. That blowing, inexhaustible killing aura was like a cold stream that could even freeze the blood of others.

While Mu Chen was being carried away in his comprehension, over the next few days, although the "Divine Seal of the White Tiger" executed by Mu Chen hadn't unleashed its full might, it was much more powerful, compared to his first execution of it.

According to this speed, perhaps it wouldn't be much longer and Mu Chen would be able to truly unleash the might of the "Divine Seal of the White Tiger".

Towards that day, he's filled with expectation.

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At the top of the house, Mu Chen quietly sat down, but he wasn't cultivating. Instead, he was lazily basked in the sunlight. He had always been comprehending that killing aura of the White Tiger these days, causing his state of mind to be a little influenced by it. The Spiritual Energy within his body was also fluctuating in a peculiar way. But fortunately, he had refined a Spiritual Lotus Seed and therefore, he could pacify that peculiar fluctuation. However, he also knows that this should have been caused by being immersed in that comprehension. Therefore, he's relaxing a little today, not daring to be completely wrapped up in the comprehension anymore.

Beside him, sat Luo Li. Her originally bundled lustrous long hair had also been untied and was drooping down, dazzling to the eyes, like the milky way. Her slender and tender body had outlined her developed and slightly plumped curves because of her sitting posture. Looking at her, she seemed exceptionally graceful. At this moment, she was holding a scroll and was earnestly going through it. That seemed to be a scroll of Spiritual Art.

Mu Chen held his face up as he leaned his face to the side, looking at the earnest Luo Li. He couldn't stop grinning. This scene was indeed beautiful and was calming to the heart. And his state of mind, which was affected by the White Tiger's killing aura earlier, had also gradually calmed down.

Woooosh!

However, that tranquility wasn't long lasting. Suddenly, sounds of sonic booms came and a figure urgently came over, landing on the top of the small house. It was Ye Qingling.

"What's wrong?"

Mu Chen raised his head and looked at Ye Qingling. At this moment, the latter's face was filled with anxiety.

"Something happened. Today, we brought a group of people to cultivate in a Rank 6 Spirit Convergence Array, we ran into a bunch of unfamiliar seniors. They were exceptionally rude and unreasonable, and forcefully chased the members of the Goddess Luo Association out of the Convergence Array. Zhou Ling wasn't willing to comply, and was wounded by them. They even gave Sun'er a slap!" Ye Qingling said with an anxious tone.

"What?!"

Mu Chen's eyes instantly turned cold. Who was it that went so far? Slapping even a small girl like Sun'er?

"Who was it? Our Goddess Luo Association shouldn't have offended anyone. Could it be the Azure Red Community, which Mo Lun is from?" Luo Li had also rolled up the scroll and said with her brows slightly knitted together.

"It wasn't those of the Azure Red Community." Ye Qingling shook her head and bitterly smiled, "They're more troublesome compared to the Azure Red Community. It's the Great Desolate Association."

"Great Desolate Association?" Mu Chen was slightly baffled.

"Is it that Great Desolate Association which Xu Huang of Heavenly Ranking's Rank 5?" Luo Li asked as she had some understanding towards these matters.

"Yeah."

"Xu Huang?" Hearing this name, Mu Chen was slightly dazed. Thereafter, his eyes had thoroughly turned cold. "Among those bunch of people, was there a girl named Xu Qingqing?"

"Sun'er was slapped by that wretch!"

Ye Qingling immediately nodded her head as her eyes were filled with rage. If it wasn't for Zhou Ling asking her to come back and look for Mu Chen and Luo Li, she would have probably fought with Xu Qingqing.

"So it really was her!"

Mu Chen's eyes had also turned thoroughly cold. This Xu Qingqing was indeed too much. Was she treating him as someone that was easy to mess with?!

His eyes were shady as he stood up, "Sorry about it. The origin of this matter was me. That Xu Qingqing is probably wanting to give me trouble. I've implicated everyone."

Ye Qingling blanked. Although she didn't know how Mu Chen had a grudge with that Xu Qingqing, she still shook her head, "This can't be blamed on you, it's that Xu Qingqing that's gone too far."

"Bring me with you." Mu Chen looked towards Ye Qingling. The chill in his deep voice was unable to be concealed. Anyone can see that Mu Chen are genuinely angry.

In that Rank 6 Spirit Convergence Array, Xu Qingqing had constantly looking to make trouble for him, but Mu Chen was too lazy to bother with her. Therefore, he wasn't bothered about it. However, he never thought that she would actually dare to take action against those of the Goddess Luo Association. Furthermore, she even dared to slap such a cute little girl like Sun'er!

"That Xu Qingqing brought quite a bit of people with her. Among them, there were four that had reached Heavenly Fusion Stage Late Phase. Within the Northern Heavens Spiritual Academy, they still have some fame." Said Ye Qingling.

"I'm coming along as well."

Seeing Mu Chen's gloomy expression and with her understanding towards him, she naturally knew that Mu Chen had gotten truly angry and immediately stood up. Although Mu Chen's current strength had undergone a huge increase, the other party had greater numbers. She's afraid that Mu Chen would suffer a loss.

Mu Chen nodded his head and Ye Qingling had immediately flew away, leading them from the front.

The three of them quickly exited the freshman area and swiftly headed towards a corner in the vast Northern Heavens Spiritual Academy. Approximately ten minutes later, their speed finally slowed down. On the vast stone platform, the Spiritual Aura was distorted. It was a Rank 5 Spirit Convergence Array.

Wooooosh!

The three of them rushed into the Rank 5 Spirit Convergence Array. Not long after they had entered, they saw two batches of people confronting each other on a vast stone platform before them. One of the forces was evidently, more powerful and suppressed the other party.

Around the platform, there was quite an amount of people observing. They could also tell that those on the left side should be freshmen and as for those on the right, they were people of the Great Desolate Association that possessed enormous fame in the Northern Heavens Spiritual Academy. Both sides weren't of the same level to begin with.

This kind of action was undoubtedly bullying, but no one dared to speak of it. The Great Desolate Association wasn't an ordinary force in the Northern Heavens Spiritual Academy, as their leader was the Rank 5 of the Heavenly Ranking, Xu Huang. Xu Huang was extremely powerful, so there wasn't that many people that would dare to provoke him in the entire academy.

Standing at the front of the group, Xu Qingqing's face carried a trace of a cold smile as she looked at the slightly frightened freshmen.

Over at Goddess Luo Association's side, Zhou Ling's face had some bruises. Previously when they fought, he couldn't go a few rounds with them and was defeated by a Heavenly Fusion Stage Late Phase fellow.

By the side of Zhou Ling, those members of the Goddess Luo Association were also clenching their fists as they stared at Xu Qingqing. Their eyes were filled with fiery rage.

"Big Brother Mu is here!"

Suddenly, someone pleasantly spoke up. Zhou Ling and the rest immediately raised their heads. Indeed, they saw three figures rapidly closing in and landed before them. It was Mu Chen, Luo Li, as well as Ye Qingling, the three of them.

“Mu Chen!” Zhou Ling was also in great joy.

Mu Chen nodded towards Zhou Ling, then looked at the latter’s side. By his side, stood a twin-tailed little girl with pitch-black eyes that’s currently looking at him with watery eyes. There was also a red palm mark on her snow white cheeks.

“Big Brother Mu Chen.”

When Sun’er saw Mu Chen, her hands rubbed her cheeks as she sniffed, trying her best not to let her tears fall. Her grievant appearance made others that looked at her to feel sorry for her.

Mu Chen’s expression had also gradually turned ice-cold.

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Chapter 212: Two Slaps

When Mu Chen appeared on that stone platform, quite a few people in the surrounding area had shock smearing across their eyes. Among the freshmen, Mu Chen and Luo Li had the most fame.

Mu Chen rose to fame because of that huge battle during the Freshman Competition, whereas Luo Li had rose up to the Heavenly Ranking previously, which was known to many students in the Northern Heavens Spiritual Academy.

Looking at it right now, both of them seemed to be gathered and were also standing on the side against the Great Desolate Association.

However, although Mu Chen and Luo Li’s fame were rising, the Great Desolate Association wasn’t any simple force. In the entire Northern Heavens Spiritual Academy, those that could surpass them can be counted on one’s fingers. Mu Chen, however, was still a fledgling and it’d be difficult for him to contend against them.

“Hoo, you’ve finally appeared.”

Seeing Mu Chen, a smear of a cold smile instantly appeared on Xu Qingqing’s face, “Did you really treat my words back then in the Rank 6 Spirit Convergence Array as a joke? You’ve offended me, Xu Qingqing, and still want to have a good time in the Northern Heavens Spiritual Academy?”

“Are you the one that hit her?”

Mu Chen didn’t have much of an expression on his face as he pointed towards Sun’er. His voice was calm, like water without much ripples of emotion.

Xu Qingqing cast a glance at Sun’er, who had red palm marks on her little face. The little girl’s appearance with watery eyes did indeed attract the pamper of others, however, she cast the corner of her mouth to the side. At such a young age, she already knows how to feign the pitiful victim to attract men.

"I was the one that hit her, who lets her to be so untactful to have the cheek to contradict me. It's already light that she only got a slap." Xu Qingqing coldly laughed.

"If I encounter people like you in the Spiritual Road..."

Mu Chen stared at Xu Qingqing, his handsome face had a smear of smile. However, in that smile, it was filled with chill and a smear of killing intent.

"...I would have killed you."

When Mu Chen's last sentence came out coldly, his gaze turned ice cold.

Xu Qingqing felt the deep killing aura within Mu Chen's words, her face had also changed. But shortly after, she flew into a rage out of humiliation and screamed, "Who the hell are you? Before me, you still dare to act that?!"

Mu Chen's gaze remained cold as his body slightly leaned forward. However, just when he was about to charge out, the black-dressed girl by his side took a step before him. Her figure was extremely fast and seemed like lightning. Even Mu Chen was only able to catch her fuzzy afterimage.

Luo Li's figure instantly appeared before Xu Qingqing. At this moment, her delicate face had a faint chill that was spreading out.

"Who are you?" Seeing Luo Li before her, Xu Qingqing's brows were raised. She looked at her delicate appearance that even a woman would be envious of. A trace of jealousy rose in her heart.

Luo Li's glass-like eyes faintly stared at her, but she didn't speak a word. Her jade-like hand was raised and suddenly moved with her palm open.

PAAAAA!

Luo Li's hand was like lightning. She didn't have the slightest mercy and heavily slapped Xu Qingqing's face. That crisp sound resounded from the stone platform.

Xu Qingqing's face turned over from that slap on her face. She opened her mouth and her eyes widened, appearing to be a little blank, as she didn't have the time to respond.

She was actually slapped?

After that crisp slapping sound had resounded from the stone platform, all those who were whispering from before looked as though they had been chopped off. Everyone's expressions were a little solidified as they blankly stared at this scene.

Those members of the Great Desolate Association behind Xu Qingqing were also dazed. They're very clear of how crafty and unruly Xu Qingqing was, borrowing the fame of her brother, Xu Huang. Although there were people within the Northern Heavens Spiritual Academy that hated her, those people could only restrain their loathe and welcome her with smiling face. And today, Xu Qingqing was actually slapped in front of so many people?

They were in a daze, staring at the black-dressed girl before Xu Qingqing. Her delicate appearance had made them slightly absent-minded.

“You...!”

Xu Qingqing’s rosy lips slightly trembled as she slowly turned her face around and looked at Luo Li before her and mutter with a hard to believe voice, “You dared to hit me? You dared to hit me?!”

“That slap earlier, was for Sun’er.” Luo Li looked at her with an indifferent expression. Thereafter, her expression turned cold and her jade-like hand was raised, her palm open again.

PAAA!

The crisp sound resounded again and caused everyone’s hearts to twitch.

“This slap was for you scolding him earlier on. In the future, when you scold him once, I’ll slap you once.” Luo Li retracted her jade-like hands and faintly declared.

The burning pain from her cheeks had thoroughly woken Xu Qingqing up. However, insanity rushed out from her eyes. Her face was a little distorted as she looked at Luo Li. With a grasp of her jade-like hand, a longsword appeared with a flash. After pouring Spiritual Aura into it, she was making a mad attempt to pierce Luo Li’s throat, “I’ll kill you!”

A black-coloured longsword slide into Luo Li’s hand as she abruptly grabbed onto the sword hilt. Images of a sword appeared as the sword stealthily slashed out a profound trajectory and heavily landed on Xu Qingqing’s wrist.

Claaang!

A bruise instantly appeared on Xu Qingqing’s wrist as her longsword fell.

Xu Qingqing issued a shriek as she grabbed her wrist. Her eyes turned red and her originally somewhat pretty face became a little distorted and unsightly. She screamed in insanity, “Kill her! Quick, kill her for me!”

At the current moment, Xu Qingqing had nearly gone insane. Over the years, she had been used to being unreasonable and tyrannical in the Northern Heavens Spiritual Academy. Since when has she ever suffered such humiliation before? Those two slaps nearly gave her a kind of fainting feeling.

She knows that if this matter were to spread out, it would definitely be a laughing joke in the Northern Heavens Spiritual Academy. How would she have any face left?!

The large amount of seniors behind Xu Qingqing had also recovered from their shock. After all, this Xu Qingqing was the sister of Xu Huang and today, she was slapped before their eyes. If they didn’t do anything, they wouldn’t be able to explain themselves.

“Junior, aren’t you a little too heavy with your hand?”

A youth with an ordinary appearance, but with some chill in his expression took a step out as he barked. He extended his hand out as his forceful Spiritual Energy swept out and made a grab towards Luo Li like eagle claws.

“If I’m you, I wouldn’t want to touch her!”

However, just when his hand had extended out, a voice with ice in his tone resounded. A figure flashed forth from behind Luo Li and a fist flew out. Surges of Spiritual Energy mercilessly shot towards that youth with rising black flames.

“Hmph!”

Seeing it, that youth’s face had also changed. Forming the shape of claws with his hand, Spiritual Energy within his body surged. On his fingertips, Spiritual Energy looked like they had been crystallized as it carried sharpness and heavily collided with that fist of black flames.

Bang!

The two of them collided as violent Spiritual Energy ripples swept out. The face of that youth had changed at that moment as he felt a surge of blazing sensation coming from his fingertips. Those peculiar black flames were actually igniting his Spiritual Energy as it attempted to intrude into his body.

Those black flames seemed to have great harm towards Spiritual Energy.

The gaze of that youth flashed and he urgently retracted his fist as his figure backed off dozens of steps.

Woooosh!

Seeing that youth moving backwards, a low uproar had instantly spread out in the surrounding. They all knew that youth, his name was Chen Xiu. He can be considered one of the higher ranked members in the Great Desolate Association. Right now, his strength had reached Heavenly Fusion Stage Late Phase and it's said that he possessed the qualification to fight for the top 100 in the Heavenly Ranking. They never expected that he would be knocked back by Mu Chen in a single exchange.

“Chen Xiu, you trash. You can’t even take care of a freshman?! All of you, go! Capture them! I want to kill that little tramp!” Seeing the situation, Xu Qingqing’s body was trembling from the anger. Her sharp voice was flustered and exasperated. The her right now had lost a little of her rational.

Chen Xiu and the rest, seeing that Xu Qingqing was making an unreasonable scene, were making faces that weren’t that nice either. They were from the Great Desolate Association, but they weren’t slaves of Xu Qingqing. If it wasn’t for Xu Huang, they probably wouldn’t even pay any attention to Xu Qingqing.

Mu Chen stood before Luo Li as he looked at Xu Qingqing, who had her face distorted from anger, as well as Chen Xiu and his group with a cold expression.

Luo Li’s jade-like hand was lightly grasping the black longsword. Her glass-like eyes did not show too many ripples. Her gracefulness and calmness was exactly opposite of the unreasonable Xu Qingqing. This caused everyone to have their lips twitch in their hearts. Compared to this Luo Li, Xu Qingqing was lacking quite a bit.

Xu Qingqing made a bursting unreasonable scene, but seeing that no one paid attention to her in the surrounding area, she was trembling from the anger. She pointed towards Chen Xiu’s group and bit her teeth, “Fine, since you guys don’t want to take action, I’ll do it myself. If I’m killed, I’ll see how you guys explain yourselves before my big brother!”

Chen Xiu’s group had the corners of their mouths twitching. *Within the Northern Heavens Spiritual Academy, killing is forbidden. Only crazed women like you would shout about killing someone.*

Xu Qingqing however, did not care about what they were thinking. Grabbing onto her longsword, she was about to charge out as if her life depended on it.

“Qingqing!”

Just when she was about to rush out, a low bark resounded. It was like booming thunder as it resounded on the stone platform. Hearing that voice, joy immediately filled Xu Qingqing’s face.

“Big brother!” Xu Qingqing hastily raised her head. She saw a figure flashing not far away and in a several breaths, he appeared above this area. Thereafter, he flashed down and landed beside Xu Qingqing.

When Zhou Ling and the rest had heard Xu Qingqing shouting “Big Brother”, their hearts abruptly sank. In this Northern Heavens Spiritual Academy, there’s only one person that could be called this name by Xu Qingqing.

Their lines of sight shifted to Xu Qingqing’s side with a little fear. Over there, a luster dispersed and revealed a thin figure. He was donned in grey clothes. His face wasn’t handsome at all and his eye socket was slightly caved in. That pair of eyes had a kind of hawk-like sharpness. When his eyes swept, it caused fear to arise in the heart of others.

This person was Rank 5 of the Northern Heavens Spiritual Academy’s Heavenly Rank, Xu Huang?

Such a person had actually appeared!

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Chapter 213: Two Powerful Figures

When that grey-robed youth appeared on the stone platform, the atmosphere instantly became stagnant. The surrounding observing students also swallowed a mouthful of saliva. They must have never expected that this matter would actually attract such a ferocious person like Xu Huang.

This kind of figure was extremely rarely seen in the Northern Heavens Spiritual Academy.

Mu Chen’s line of sight also shifted to that grey-robed youth in an instant. The latter’s eyes were caved in and had a sharp and uncomfortable chill.

He stared at that grey-robed youth as his body became slightly tense. He could sense a dangerous aura coming from that person and this person before him, aside from Li Xuanton, was the most powerful person that he had seen in the Northern Heavens Spiritual Academy so far.

“Boss!”

When Chen Xiu and the rest saw the appearance of that grey-robed youth, they all hastily shouted.

“Big Brother!”

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Xu Qingqing immediately pounced forth and grabbed onto Xu Huang’s arm and cried, “You have to seek justice for me, that little tramp did that to me in the eyes of so many. My face has been thrown away!”

Xu Huang took a glance at Xu Qingqing's reddened cheeks that were slapped and his brows were slightly knitted together. Naturally, he's well aware of his little sister's character. But no matter what, she's still his biological sister and no matter what she'd done wrong, he still had to carry the troubles that she had landed herself in as her elder brother. This was what was told to him by his father, when he left for the Northern Heavens Spiritual Academy.

"Explain." Xu Huang's said as he looked at Mu Chen's group with his brows frowned.

Mu Chen's brows were also frowned and said, without much ripples in his words. "There's nothing to explain. Ask those people under you. They'll naturally tell you what had happened. Furthermore, if your mouth is still not clean, then it won't stop at just two slaps."

As his words ended, he was already looking at Xu Qingqing. His tone was forbidding and his black pupils were filled with ice-cold murderous intent.

Hearing what was said, Xu Qingqing wanted to scream in anger. However, after seeing Mu Chen's devouring gaze, her heart suddenly froze and could not speak the words that had reached her mouth.

Everyone couldn't help slacking their lips inwardly. Such great courage of Mu Chen to actually dare to threaten Xu Qingqing before Xu Huang.

Xu Huang's caved-in eyes stared at Mu Chen. Along them, flowed with chilling rays of light which also made others understand that he wasn't someone that could be easily messed with.

"The amount of people within this Northern Heavens Spiritual Academy that could speak such words before me doesn't exceed the fingers of one hand. Do you think that you're also among the ranks? Freshman?" Xu Huang's voice was a little deep as it carried a heart trembling power.

"Even if you're Li Xuanton, I'd still dare to say it." Mu Chen said as he smiled indifferently.

"Really?"

Xu Huang coldly smiled. Evidently, he had treated Mu Chen's words to be ignorant jokes. He pointed at Xu Qingqing and continued, "She's my little sister. Even if she was arrogant, considered everyone else beneath her and making trouble without reason, she's still my little sister. I can discipline her, but not you."

"Like sister, like brother." Mu Chen understood why Xu Qingqing's character was like this, it was all caused by Xu Huang's spoiling. Serves her right for being taught a lesson today.

"Hand over the one that hit her. Seeing that you guys are freshmen, I won't have much haggle with you guys." Xu Huang stared at Mu Chen and waved his hand. He's after all, an influential figure of the Northern Heavens Spiritual Academy. If he were to have too much haggle with freshmen, he would be bringing his status down and would also attract the gossip of others. Saying that he's bullying the weak.

Luo Li's eyes were ice-cold as she grab hold onto the black longsword and stepped forth. However, she was stopped by Mu Chen's hand.

"It looks like Senior Brother Xu Huang is going to seek justice for her without finding out the rights and wrongs?" Mu Chen faintly smiled. He originally thought that Xu Huang was someone that could be

reasoned with a little, but he never expect that he would still be so imperious and overbearing. No wonder he had such a sister.

“What do you think?” Xu Huang looked at Mu Chen as his caved eyes were slightly covered with a shadow. His sharp gaze made others not daring enough to looking into them.

Mu Chen smiled as he shook his head. “It’s impossible for me to hand her over. No matter what Senior Brother Xu Huang wants to do, we’ll accept all of it. Except that I still have to offer an advice. Your little sister’s character needs some discipline. It’s still good within the Northern Heavens Spiritual Academy, but if she were to go out... haha, I’m afraid that she’d suffer.”

Seeing that Mu Chen still dared to lecture her at this moment, Xu Qingqing was instantly angered to the point that she was gnashing her teeth.

“Accept them?” Xu Huang’s brows was slightly frowned. His sharp gaze was vaguely like a chilling sword edge as he stared at Mu Chen, “Are you certain that you’re capable to accept them?”

Boom!

Just when the last of Xu Huang’s words landed, his eyes had thoroughly turned cold as a surge of shocking Spiritual Energy rolled out from his body, like storm. The people in the surrounding area were jolted back in a sorry state.

A powerful Spiritual Energy shrouded over with intense pressure, making it difficult for all of the present students to breathe. Their faces had undergone a huge change. *Is this the strength of Heavenly Ranking’s Rank 5? He’s actually strong to such an extent?!*

Mu Chen’s expression had also turned grave. That surge of Spiritual Energy’s pressure before him caused even his breathing to become stagnant. He immediately circulated the Great Pagoda Art. As if there were sounds of ancient bells resounding within his body and endured this oppression.

Beside Mu Chen, Luo Li’s beautiful glance slightly concentrated. Her hand that was grabbing hold onto the black longsword slightly exerted force. Facing the pressure of Spiritual Energy from Xu Huang, she had not taken a step back.

“Heavenly Transform Stage!”

Mu Chen’s expression became grave as he stared at Xu Huang, whose expression was sharp as a blade. This kind of oppression was absolutely not something that a Heavenly Fusion Stage could possess. Evidently, Xu Huang has reached Heavenly Transform Stage!

“Hand her over and I won’t haggle with you guys over this matter. Today’s matter will then end here.” Xu Huang faintly said as he pointed to Luo Li.

Mu Chen smiled. Heavenly Transform Stage was indeed powerful, but that doesn’t mean that he would be afraid. If Xu Huang has really gone too far, he wouldn’t mind borrowing the power of Nine Netherbird to crush him.

Although this would reveal the matter that he didn’t ingest the Soul Essence of the Nine Netherbird, but had formed Bloodline Bond with it. But wanting him to hand Luo Li over was obviously impossible.

“Stubborn.”

Xu Huang’s expression had finally turned ice cold and he had also lost patience to chat with Mu Chen any longer. He took a step forth and was about to take action.

“Boom!”

Suddenly, just when Xu Huang was about to take action, a surge of powerful pressure of Spiritual Energy rolled over omnipresently from far away. A ray of light also flew over.

“Xu Huang, if you want to touch her, I’m afraid that I won’t agree to it.”

A faint voice came from the distance and approached. When everyone had directed their gazes over, a figure appeared above the stone platform and slowly landed down beside Mu Chen and Luo Li.

“Li Xuantong?!”

When everyone saw that handsome youth, they instantly issued alarming sounds. Shortly after, their eyes were burning with fiery light. Who could have imagined that in such a short amount of time, two of the top 5 rankings in the Heavenly Ranking made their appearance? Furthermore, one of them was the current rank 2, Li Xuantong!

When the number 1 of the Heavenly Ranking, Shen Cangsheng wasn’t here, who else can be compared to Li Xuantong?

“Li Xuantong?” Seeing the appearance of Li Xuantong, Xu Huang was also stunned. He had obviously not expected that this guy would appear here. Standing beside him, Xu Qingqing’s face was also changing. Originally, she thought that they were just frail and weak freshmen. She never expected them to have some connections with Li Xuantong!

Mu Chen was also a little surprised by the appearance of Li Xuantong. This guy would actually help them? This was indeed strange. However, a majority of it should be for Luo Li. Otherwise, he definitely wouldn’t be willing to show himself.

“Li Xuantong, this matter should have nothing to do with you?” Xu Huang said with his brows creased. Towards Li Xuantong, he obviously had some restraining fear for him. If he fought with Li Xuantong today, this matter would be troublesome.

“I won’t bother as long as you don’t implicate her.” Li Xuantong faintly smiled as he continued, “However, the fault in today’s matter was indeed not with them. I feel that there isn’t a need to enlarge this matter.”

Xu Qingqing was gnashing her teeth. Li Xuantong’s words had obviously said that she was in the wrong. However, when facing people like Li Xuantong, she knows that she wouldn’t dare to offend him no matter how arrogant she was. She could only swallow this grievance.

Xu Huang’s brows were creased together. After looking face-to-face with Li Xuantong for a brief moment, he turned to Mu Chen and spoke, “I’ll give him face this time. But freshman, there won’t always be a time where someone will help you. Next time, I will definitely not give you this chance.”

“Then, I’ll be looking forward to it, Senior Brother Xu Huang.” Mu Chen smiled as he cupped his hands. Within his smile, there wasn’t the slightest fear.

Xu Huang’s expression was cold as he deeply looked at Mu Chen. He didn’t say anything else as he waved his hand, turned around and headed towards the exit of the Spirit Convergence Array. Seeing him, Xu Qingqing could only stomp her feet in anger and followed up. She knew that it’d be impossible for her to get back her face today.

As Xu Huang and his group left, the surrounding students had also been dispersed bit by bit. They all felt pity as there wasn’t an intense battle. However, being able to see two influential figures of the Heavenly Ranking’s top five had already made their trip worthwhile.

“Thanks.”

Mu Chen looked towards Li Xuanton and thanked him. Although he wasn’t afraid of Xu Huang, it’s naturally good if he could conceal some secrets.

“If it wasn’t for Luo Li, I wouldn’t be bothered with this.” Li Xuanton faintly said. His tone did not give any face which caused Luo Li to have her brows creased. She pulled Mu Chen’s hand and was about to leave.

“Mu Chen.”

Li Xuanton’s gaze fell onto the hands of those two. “The time that I’ve given you will soon end, what’s your answer?”

Mu Chen’s steps stopped as he held onto Luo Li’s delicate little hand and faintly smiled. Tightly grabbing and showing it towards Li Xuanton. The meaning was self-evident and left with Luo Li. A calm and firm voice resounded.

“Senior Brother Li Xuanton, you reveal your sword, I accept your move.”

Li Xuanton looked at the two of them as their figures moved further away and breathed a mouthful of air out. Raising his head to the azure sky, sharpness slowly turned more and more condensed in his eyes.

What an unresigned kid. Since that’s the case, then let me see if you have the qualification to make the choice.

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Chapter 214: Requesting a Battle

The matter with Li Xuanton and Xu Huang appearing in the Grade 5 Spirit Convergence Array, along with the confrontation, soon spread out in the Northern Heavens Spiritual Academy. The two of them were influential figures and their fame was much more powerful compared to Mu Chen’s. All information concerning them had attracted countless attention.

The top ten of the Northern Heavens Spiritual Academy’s Heavenly Ranking were all formidable figures. Regarding this point, everyone was well aware of it. Or to put it this way, those that were ranked in the top ten would rarely take any action, as they are well aware that the other party was not to be trifled with. Therefore, they were considered to be barely harmonious between each other, as long as there weren’t any other special reasons.

Li Xuantong and Xu Huang, one of them was Heavenly Ranking's Rank 2, while the other being Rank 5. All of them possessed strength of Heavenly Transform Stage and with such strength, not mentioning the Northern Heavens Spiritual Academy, even in the entire Northern Heavens Continent, they could still be considered as experts. In some Sects or Forces, they could be considered middle to high rank existences.

If the two of them were to fight, it would definitely shake the entire Northern Heavens Spiritual Academy. However, what made others feel pity was that there wasn't any fight between them. Seeing that Li Xuantong had appeared, Xu Huang brought his men and left. Although he said that he was giving Li Xuantong face, he obviously had some fears as well. Even if they were to be tangled over it, it also wouldn't help in the least. Therefore, he might as well leave free and easy.

Therefore, this confrontation had ended with nothing definite, which made everyone more disappointed. However, their disappointment only lasted for a day, before they were shocked by the storm-like news that spread out in the Northern Heavens Spiritual Academy.

Li Xuantong issued a Battle Notice.

This piece of news had spread throughout the entire Northern Heavens Spiritual Academy in just a few hours. Every student that received this news was shocked for a moment, before they touched their ears, doubting if they were hearing it right.

Heavenly Ranking's Rank 2, Li Xuantong was issuing a Battle Notice against a freshman?

What's with this situation?

Who is Li Xuantong? Who is Mu Chen? One being high up, the influential figure of Heavenly Rank's Rank 2. One being a freshman that had just entered the Northern Heavens Spiritual Academy several months ago. Although the latter had resounding fame, how could he be compared to people like Li Xuantong?

Such odd confrontation had actually appeared? Furthermore, it was Li Xuantong who issued the notice?

The entire Northern Heavens Spiritual Academy was bursting with shocking commotion. This could be considered the most unusual thing that has happened in the Northern Heavens Spiritual Academy this year. It's rarely that Li Xuantong would take action, and no one had expected that this time around, he would actually challenge a freshman as his opponent. Is he trying to have joy brought to him by crushing others?

However, no matter how they guessed, this matter had already been spread out. This caused some ripples for the freshman called Mu Chen. No one knew how that guy offended Li Xuantong to the point that the latter would actually issue such a notice.

This battle would probably be a dull farce. There wasn't any suspense in this battle.

However, to be able to witness the super influential Heavenly Ranking's Rank 2 taking action again, it's still pretty good. Hopefully, the current number one freshman wouldn't be beaten to the point that he would be dispirited.

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Somewhere in the Northern Heavens Spiritual Academy, in a huge hall. Xu Huang's brows were knitted together as he heard the report from the guy below and said softly in doubt, "Li Xuantong actually issued a notice to Mu Chen? Didn't he just help them?"

Beside Xu Huang, Xu Qingqing had a face of rejoicing in other people's misfortune. When she heard this news, her eyes couldn't help expressing laughter as she clenched her teeth. "Big Brother, it's evident that Li Xuantong is interested in Luo Li and the one that Luo Li likes is Mu Chen. Yesterday when Li Xuantong came, it was because of Luo Li. There isn't any relationship between him and Mu Chen."

Xu Huang lightly nodded, realising that this made sense. That Luo Li was exceptionally outstanding. Whether it was her appearance or demeanor, they stood at the peak of the Northern Heavens Spiritual Academy. The only one that could be compared to her at this point would probably only be Su Xuan. However, one being sweet-tempered like water and one being quiet and distant. Their demeanors were entirely different.

"This Mu Chen would probably have his face thrown out, this time around." Xu Huang said lightly. This battle didn't have much suspense. If Li Xuantong wished, he could suppress Mu Chen into a dog-like sorry situation. This Mu Chen was evidently, a prideful person. After suffering such a setback, his cultivation in the future would always be in that shadow.

"He deserves it!" Xu Qingqing said viciously. She was impatient as she wanted to see that battle two days later. She wanted to see if that guy would still have that indifferent expression that enraged her when he was being stepped beneath someone's feet.

Xu Huang held onto the teacup and lightly took a sip. He smiled indifferently.

"Go take a look two days later. Although the outcome would be dull."

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"This Li Xuantong is too much, to the point of even issuing such a notice!"

Northern Heavens Spiritual Academy, on another isle in the middle of a lake. Su Ling'er looked at the red-coloured Battle Notice that was spread out. Her shapely brows instantly creased and said, as she felt injustice for Mu Chen.

At the lakeside in front of Su Ling'er, there was a slender beautiful woman with fine, black hair draped down like a black waterfall. At this moment, she was at the lakeside washing a round jade bead that was also emitting a faint luster. The surface of the jade bead was filled with profound line patterns and vaguely, there was also a type of obscure Spiritual Energy ripples coming from it.

Hearing Su Ling'er's voice from the back, she slightly tilted her head and revealed a gentle and beautiful face as she asked in doubt, "What's wrong?"

"Big Sister, this Li Xuantong is too much. He actually issued a Battle Notice to Mu Chen!" Su Ling'er said as she was fuming with anger. What's Li Xuantong's strength and what's Mu Chen's strength? This Battle Notice is simply meant to bully others.

"Oh? How did this happen?"

Hearing what was said, Su Xuan's eyes were smeared with astonishment. Li Xuanton was a prideful person. Therefore, it's rare for him to commit stuff like bullying the weak. But why did he do this?

"It's rumored that Li Xuanton is fond of Luo Li and Luo Li likes Mu Chen... Thereafter, Li Xuanton did this out of jealousy." Su Ling'er said as he cast the corner of her mouth to the side.

Su Xuan glanced at Su Ling'er oddly and felt her tone of speaking was somewhat wrong. However, she still shook her head and said, "I still understand Li Xuanton's character. Even if he's jealous of a rival in a love affair, he also wouldn't do this. There must be another reason for him to do this."

"No matter what reason it is, issuing this kind of Battle Notice is still bullying." said Su Ling'er.

"Li Xuanton has long stepped into the Heavenly Transform Stage and Mu Chen is at the Heavenly Fusion Stage Initial Phase. How can he win against Li Xuanton?"

Su Xuan couldn't bear not smiling. Her smile was gentle and charming, "Sometime ago, weren't you shouting about finding Mu Chen's trouble? Why did you suddenly help him to speak up, instead?"

Su Ling'er's charming face blushed as she mumbled, "Mu Chen this person, is still not bad. Previously, I didn't understand him. This time, we wouldn't be able to be friends if we didn't fight. We could barely be considered as friends and, therefore, I would naturally think a little more for him. Furthermore, he's on the weaker side. If I don't help him, am I going to help Li Xuanton instead?"

Su Xuan stored the ancient jade bead and said, "Since the Battle Notice has already been issued, this matter is fixed. There's no use in fighting it, no matter what's being said, unless Mu Chen doesn't take up the battle. If he doesn't take up the battle, others would also find it proper and to be expected as a matter of course."

"Impossible." Xu Ling'er immediately shook her head and continued, "Although that guy appears gentle from his looks, he's actually very conceited. The Battle Notice has already been sent out. Even if he knows that he will lose, he'd still probably fight."

"Then, there's no way." Su Xuan shook her head and continued again. "Right now, we can only wait for two days later and look at the situation again."

Su Ling'er also sighed. Right now, that's the only thing that they could do. They hope that Mu Chen would be able to resist this blow. Even if he lost to Li Xuanton, it's not anything embarrassing.

At the same time, at other places in the academy, those that could be considered as influential figures in the academy were also startled by this Battle Notice. Thereafter, they were surprised. It's been a while since Li Xuanton fought and this time, he's actually challenging a freshman?

That's interesting. Two days later, they can go and have a look to treat it as some fun.

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"That's too much. Li Xuanton is simply bullying! Big Brother Mu, don't be bothered about him. We'll not accept this Battle Notice!"

The freshmen area was also boiling. In that plaza, Zhou Ling and the rest had their faces filled with rage. In their hands, there's a red-coloured Battle Notice.

“Right, Big Brother Mu, even if we don’t accept this Battle Notice, no one will say that we’re weak!” someone echoed.

Among everyone, Mu Chen was also looking at the Battle Notice in his hands. Through his expression, he didn’t find it unexpected. Evidently, he had already expected that the actions that Li Xuanton spoke of should be acted upon, personally by himself.

Beside Mu Chen, Luo Li’s delicate charming face slightly had an ice-cold expression. Shortly after, she turned around and was about to look for Li Xuanton, but her jade-like arm was grabbed by Mu Chen.

“Don’t get involved in this matter, let me handle it.” Mu Chen looked at Luo Li. Although his voice was light, it had unquestionable earnest and firmness.

Luo Li nibbled on her lips. Li Xuanton wasn’t Yang Hong and, in this battle, there wasn’t any fairness that can be said. However, when she looked at Mu Chen’s eyes and saw the seriousness, Luo Li understood that it’s impossible to change Mu Chen’s answer and had to endure this matter.

“After this matter, I’ll go look for him.” Luo Li said. She respected Mu Chen, but at the same time, she had her own forbidden lamella[1. There’s a chinese saying that if one touches the forbidden lamella of a dragon, you’ll invite its wrath.]. Li Xuanton interfered with her matter again and again, this had also touched her bottom line. Although she understood that perhaps, he didn’t have any bad intentions.

Mu Chen helplessly smiled, but said nothing. He turned his head towards Zhou Ling, who was showing nervousness on his face. He knows that the countless people in the entire Northern Heavens Spiritual Academy were probably looking towards them, waiting for his reply.

Mu Chen wedged that blood-red Battle Notice between his fingers. Black flame rose between and the Battle Notice was thoroughly ignited. At the same time, his light voice slowly resounded as the black flames grew.

“Zhou Ling, spread the news. Regarding this Battle Notice, I’ll accept it.”

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Chapter 215: Spirit Battle Stage

The matter with Li Xuanton’s Battle Notice spread throughout the entire Northern Heavens Spiritual Academy. Just when everyone was waiting for Mu Chen’s reply, the news finally came out from the freshmen area.

And this news caused them to be shocked again.

Mu Chen had actually accepted the battle!

Hearing this reply, countless students were secretly smacking their tongues inwardly in the Northern Heavens Spiritual Academy. What great courage from Mu Chen, to daringly accept the battle. They didn’t know if he’s courageous or reckless.

Towards Mu Chen’s reply, there were some that sneered and mocked, whereas there were some that shook their heads and sighed. There were also people being a little curious. To be able to become the number one among the freshmen, Mu Chen shouldn’t be a fool. Since he dared to accept the battle,

then he should have some methods up his sleeves. Except, they didn't know if those methods would be able to compete against Li Xuantong.

But, no matter what, this matter had undoubtedly become Northern Heavens Spiritual Academy's sensational major event. Countless students that were originally in the Spirit Convergence Array and Lightning Territory dropped their cultivation and came out upon hearing this matter, preparing to witness the most attractive sparing battle in this half year in the Northern Heavens Spiritual Academy.

When everyone raised their heads in hope, two days quickly passed. In these two days, Mu Chen had been in the small building, cultivating. Even those of the Goddess Luo Association rarely saw him. Clearly, he ought to be making preparation for the upcoming battle that startled countless students in Northern Heavens Spiritual Academy.

Although Zhou Ling and the rest were worried, they didn't go and bother Mu Chen. Since he had already accepted the battle, there's no longer any chance to back out. This battle was already unavoidable.

That being the case, they can only allow Mu Chen to make more preparations.

All of them really didn't wish for Mu Chen to beat Li Xuantong, as this matter was too absurd. Li Xuantong wasn't Yang Hong, as he had cultivated in the Northern Heavens Spiritual Academy for many years. He had long broken through into Heavenly Transformation Stage and Heavenly Fusion Stage students like them, weren't on the same level as him. It's true that Mu Chen had many methods up his sleeves, but the gap between the two wasn't so easily complemented.

And now, everything would be left to the battle that startled the entire Northern Heavens Spiritual Academy and made everyone focus their attention.

In the small building at the center of the freshman area, Mu Chen quietly sat at the top of the building. He raised his head and looked at the endless starry sky with a calm expression. He didn't feel nervous about the approaching battle.

"You still haven't gone to rest?"

A delicate fragrance rushed from his back as Luo Li's soft voice resounded. Mu Chen turned his head over. At this moment, the young girl with her ink-black clothes and long hair that was draped down appeared, with some steam coming from her hair, as she had just finished bathing.. Her exquisite features caused even the moonlight to be inferior.

Mu Chen smiled as he nodded.

Luo Li lightly moved her lotus steps as she got close to Mu Chen and slightly hesitated. She said, "I seem to have brought some trouble for you."

In the course of two days, Mu Chen had been cultivating and his words have decreased by a lot. Luo Li could obviously sense that Li Xuantong had given great pressure to Mu Chen.

Mu Chen frowned as a gentle light of anger flashed across his eyes. He reached out for her soft and delicate waist and pulled her into his embrace. He raised his hand and heavily smacked her perky butt that was wrap under the black clothes and snorted, "If you say such words again, you'll receive more smacking."

Luo Li's exquisite face instantly flushed red as she gave Mu Chen a shy, yet angry stare.

"In this world, since when is it easy to eat a swan? Not to mention that the one in my embrace is the princess of all swans."

Mu Chen smiled and placed his forehead onto hers. His voice was serious, "Luo Li, I like you. Therefore, I can crush all of the troubles that was caused by you. I did not decline Li Xuanton's request for battle, because I know that this is only the first battle. In the future, perhaps more of these will appear. However, I have to tell you that I will crush whatever hinders us from getting together."

"If I lose such an outstanding wife, where will I go and find another? Furthermore, I still hope to bring you back to Northern Spiritual Realm, letting my father to take a look at his daughter-in-law. I have to let him know that my eyesight is tip-top."

Hearing Mu Chen's words, gentleness appeared at the corner of Luo Li's mouth. But soon after, her face flushed red. She couldn't endure the shyness within her heart and angrily barked, "Who's going back with you?"

"At that time, it'll no longer be your choice." Mu Chen grinned. His smile felt as though a small rabbit had fallen into the mouth of an ash-grey wolf.

Taking a glance at him, her girlish attitude was exceptionally sweet and charming. It was different from her usually quiet and distant attitude and made Mu Chen dazed from looking at her appearance. Shortly, those black pupils made Luo Li feel an uneasy heat rising to her face.

She lightly twisted her body, but her slim waist was embraced even tighter by Mu Chen. She then saw Mu Chen slightly lower his head and his heated breathing was blowing on her lovely cheeks.

As though she knew what Mu Chen was going to do, her delicate cheeks blushed red. She bit on her red lips and lightly shut her eyes.

Let it be. Give him some encouragement since he'll have to fight tomorrow.

Just when she was thinking, with her heart beating fast, Mu Chen's lips went towards those lukewarm lovely lips. Covering those rouge cherry lips.

Luo Li's body had turned stiff at this moment and after a moment later, only then did she soften up. Her slender jade arm unconsciously hooked around Mu Chen's neck. She slightly raised her head, revealing her swan-like white neck.

They were shining under the moonlight and after a long while later, their lips finally separated.

Mu Chen looked at her bewildering eyes. Causing that charming girl to smack her lips.

"You rogue!" Luo Li sobered up. Thinking of her bold actions earlier on, her face instantly became boiling. She hammered her fist on Mu Chen in humiliation and anger. Circulating her Spiritual Energy, she broke free from Mu Chen's arms and returned back to her room hastily.

Mu Chen looked at that girl's silhouette as he lightly smiled. Shortly after, he breathed a deep mouthful of breath out. His black pupils sparkled as it began to surge. Among them was a surging, blazing fighting spirit.

Li Xuanton, let's battle next!

When the first glimmer of dawn tore through the night sky the next day, it shined onto the vast land of the Northern Heavens Spiritual Academy. Astonishing moments broke out in the academy.

Wooooosh! Woosh!

Countless sonic booms resounded in the sky in all directions. They were all heading towards one direction, the Spirit Battle Stage located at the northwest direction of the Northern Heavens Spiritual Academy.

This is the area in the Northern Heavens Spiritual Academy that's used for sparing. Ordinarily, many students spared here, conducting actual combat to promote their own strength.

And the battle that had been causing a sensation in the entire Northern Heavens Spiritual Academy will be conducted here.

Today, the Spirit Battle Stage appeared especially lively, compared to usual. At the largest stage in the Spirit Battle Stage, a vast crowd was already gathered here. With a glance, it's full of black-coloured heads and the end could not be seen.

In the countless sea of people, it was a vast stage that was approximately several thousand feet in range. It was sufficient to accommodate a brilliant and fiery battle.

"This battle could be the most attracting battle in the Northern Heavens Spiritual Academy this year." Someone looked at the surrounding mass of people and couldn't refrain from making the comment.

"That, look over there. Didn't you see Su Xuan, Rank 3 of the Heavenly Ranking, as well as Rank 4's He Yao and Rank 5's Xu Huang? Probably only Li Xuanton is capable of making them show themselves."

"Hehe. You seem to have forgotten the most monstrous one in our Northern Heavens Spiritual Academy?" Weird laughter sounded.

"You're talking about Shen Cangsheng? People like him is too heaven-defying. I believe that his position is unshakable, not even Li Xuanton could do it."

"I wonder how long it would take for me to reach that height." Some people sighed. Those that were able to enter into Northern Heavens Spiritual Academy all possessed decent talents. However, even they felt helpless admiration towards that name.

Many whispers came from behind. Su Ling'er was seated beside Su Xuan, as they sat at the front. A pair of beautiful sisters were extremely attractive to the eyes. One of them being lovable and charming, while the other was sweet-tempered, being a great feast to the eyes of others.

Not far from them, was a green-haired youth with devil-like looks. The smile on his face looked a little devilish, but that also attracted the peek of many girls.

This person was He Yao, Rank 4 of the Heavenly Ranking. In the Northern Heavens Spiritual Academy, this person possessed fame not any weaker to Li Xuanton.

Not far away, at the right side of his direction, was Xu Huang. At the current moment, Xu Huang was resting with his eyes shut. Xu Qingqing sat beside him with a face of excitement. She already couldn't wait to see the look of Mu Chen's suffering.

Indeed, as said by those at the back. This battle had indeed attracted a huge line-up and was certainly extremely grand.

Xiuuuu!

Just when the surroundings of the stage were bustling, a ray of light shot towards this direction from far away. He then appeared at the center of the battle stage with both of his hands at his back, having a tranquil look on his face.

"Li Xuanton is here!"

Looking at that appearing figure, the surroundings of the stage rumbled and shortly after, their eyes were blazing. One of the protagonists have finally appeared.

Su Xuan, He Yao, as well as Xu Huang, all had their gazes on Li Xuanton. Over here, the only thing that could attract their interest would probably be Li Xuanton.

As Li Xuanton appeared, he paid no attention to the surrounding crowd as his eyes were shut, patiently waiting.

The bustling crowd continued.

When the sunlight began to turn intense, a sonic boom finally resounded in the sky far away from the Spirit Battle Stage. Countless figures flew over. Several of them landed at the seat of the stage, whereas one landed in the stage under the looks of countless eyes.

As a slender youth landed in the stage, he raised his head to look at the person in front of him. The youth cupped his hands and smiled. His moderate, yet fearless, voice resounded.

"Senior Brother Li Xuanton, Mu Chen is here to face you in battle!"

When these words landed, the atmosphere in the surrounding stage abruptly turned boiling.

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Chapter 216: Pact of Three Moves

The atmosphere around the vast stage surged. Countless curious eyes looked to the tall, thin youth standing on that stage. This youth had an outstanding appearance. He wore a light smile on his face, with a fearless demeanor that made many secretly nod to themselves. Regardless of the outcome, at least Mu Chen dared to accept the battle. Many would approve of him simply for such courage.

"Gege[1. Gurgled laughter.], this Junior Brother is rather handsome."

"It'd be better if he was stronger, instead." A few pretty girls were gathered, laughing with amorous eyes on that youth.

"So, this is the number one of the newcomer batch? Mu Chen?" Those who were paying attention to Mu Chen's looks were only a small number of the girls, after all. The majority of the crowd were narrowing

their eyes as they examined Mu Chen. *A Heavenly Transform Stage Initial Phase strength. Even for the newcomers, there's no way he's the best, right? But it looks like he became first, anyways. It looks like Mu Chen has some methods up his sleeve.*

Su Ling'er looked over Mu Chen. The latter stood proudly at the center of the stage, fearlessly facing Li Xuanton. Her charming eyes lit up and her tiny mouth quirked as she said, "This fellow really came."

"So he's Mu Chen?" Su Xuan was also examining Mu Chen with some curiosity. Then, she nodded, "He's got a pretty good demeanor, to remain so calm while facing Li Xuanton. Some old-timers can't even do as much."

"Big Sister, please don't underestimate him. Although his cultivation is only at the Heavenly Transform Stage Initial Phase, he's not weak. Not even a Heavenly Transform Stage Late Phase could gain an advantage over him." Su Ling'er immediately followed.

"Oh? Looks like things are getting more interesting." Su Xuan lightly smiled and continued, "However, that won't be enough to confront Li Xuanton. I don't know how they're going to spar, but no matter how I look at it, Li Xuanton is still absolute. It'll be extremely hard for Mu Chen to shake that."

Su Ling'er also sighed. Of course she knew the truth in Su Xuan's words, but since things had already progressed this far, things would have to depend on Mu Chen, himself.

Let him last longer.

Even if he lost, no one would ridicule him. After all, the two of them were on entirely different levels. Even if Li Xuanton won, the contest was unfair to begin with.

"So he's the new transfer that everyone's been talking about, Mu Chen?" The grey-haired He Yao stared at Mu Chen with a devilish smile on his face, then gave a light laugh. From the looks of him, the boy wasn't anything special. He Yao didn't know why Li Xuanton bothered to personally issue the Battle Notice. In the entire Northern Heavens Spiritual Academy, you could count on one hand the number of people who could get that kind of treatment.

On the other hand, when Xu Qingqing saw Mu Chen, she stared at him with her teeth tightly ground. Hatred filled her eyes. *Pretend all you want! I'll see how you're going to pretend after Li Xuanton crushes you!*

Xu Huang sat to the side with indifference on his face. His sunken eyes reflected a sharp ray of light as he stared at Mu Chen. Five fingers lightly tapped the stone chair, emitting a sharp and clear rap.

In the areas around the back, Yang Hong, Mu Kui, and Bing Qing were also present. The matter with Li Xuanton and the Battle Notice to Mu Chen had been widely talked about; how could they not know? They also wanted to witness this confrontation.

Yang Hong was obviously here to see Mu Chen left in a sorry state. On the contrary, Mu Kui and Bing Qing wanted to see how far Mu Chen could go, while faced with the genuine influential figure of the Northern Heavens Spiritual Academy, Li Xuanton. The same Mu Chen who'd made them feel such fear.

Would he be crushed? Or would he create some miracle? They, too, were curious.

All eyes were focused and filled with expectation towards the two figures at the center of the battle stage.

Under the countless watchful expressions, the two at the center of the stage met eyes. The surrounding atmosphere froze.

Li Xuanton still wore calm and tranquil expression as he stared at Mu Chen and said, "Not bad. You didn't reject the Battle Notice. Your courage is still admirable."

"Many thanks to Senior Brother Li Xuanton's praise."

Mu Chen smiled noncommittally. His black pupils, however, didn't have much of a smile in them. Rather, he stared at Li Xuanton with a sharpness in his eyes and slowly said, "How should we spar? Senior Brother Li Xuanton, please say."

Li Xuanton's immediately dropped his indifferent air. "Rest assured, I won't leave a single route for you."

Mu Chen smiled, "Then Senior Brother Li Xuanton can also be rest assured. I've walked quite a lot of death routes and had quite a few experiences. Since I, Mu Chen, have come today, of course I'll accompany you until the end."

Li Xuanton lightly nodded, raised his head, and looked out into the sea of people. His keen sight swept over them and landed somewhere.

Someone like Li Xuanton always attracted attention around here. Many people noticed this action of his. Among the many in the crowd, his attention finally collected on a young girl with a refined complexion and a tranquil air.

"She's *that* Luo Li? Rumor has it that Li Xuanton likes her. Seeing it now, it really looks like it's true."

"Tsk, ts. Such an appearance and air, she's indeed of the best quality. In the entire Northern Heavens Spiritual Academy, probably only Su Xuan could compete with her on any level. No wonder the top of the old-timers and that freshman are fighting over her."

"She's already caused this at such a young age. What's it going to be like in the future? Who's going to let such a beauty go?"

A trace of shock flashed through the eyes that found the girl in black. Afterwards, they only spoke in low voices.

"She's Luo Li? She's indeed outstanding." Su Xuan also turned her head and her eyes flashed with a trace of shock.

"Yeah." Su Ling'er couldn't help admitting it, either. She'd fought with Luo Li before and knew that not only was that girl beautiful, she was also amazingly strong. Perhaps she was hiding her strength even deeper than Mu Chen was. Usually, she wouldn't show her true strength, unless it was some special situation.

As everyone praised her, Xu Qingqing didn't have such tolerance. She looked at Luo Li with jealous eyes. The latter's appearance and demeanor made her ashamed of her own inferiority; at the same time, she was angry over the humiliation.

However, Luo Li only disregarded the eyes from every direction. He cold glass-like pupils stared back at Li Xuantong. Her exquisite face had a chilly mask over it.

"It seems that I've angered her, yet again."

Li Xuantong helplessly shrugged and shifted his line of sight back to Mu Chen. "It's true that there's quite a gap between us. But I don't want everyone to say that I'm bullying the weak with an unfair advantage. So I'll give you a chance in this battle."

"Three moves."

Li Xuantong extended three fingers. He stared at Mu Chen and slowly said, "Take three moves from me and it'll be your win. However, I'll do my best. Whether you can receive them depends on yourself."

"So? Do you dare?"

Everyone narrowed their eyes at the stage. This so-called Pact of Three Moves looked simple enough, but was actually filled with extreme danger. If it was an ordinary fight, Li Xuantong might not be too serious about it. But once the pact had been made, he might really take it seriously. As for Mu Chen, it was an opportunity. But it was also an opportunity filled with extreme danger.

In the entire Northern Heavens Spiritual Academy, there weren't many who could handle three moves from Li Xuantong. But each and every one who *had* accomplished it had possessed a fame far above Mu Chen's.

Countless eyes were directed towards Mu Chen, waiting for his choice.

Under everyone's watchful expressions, Mu Chen lightly breathed out a cloud of white mist, then nodded towards Li Xuantong. "I've said before, no matter how you wish to conduct our battle, I'll accept it."

"Good."

Li Xuantong silently nodded as he looked at Mu Chen. Then, he used a faint voice so that only his intended audience could hear. "If you can accept my blows, then I'll tell you something about the Luo God-Clan. I think you'll be interested to know."

Mu Chen stared, ten fingers slowly curled into a tight fist. Li Xuantong's words had undoubtedly struck a chord in his heart. Based on Li Xuantong's words from earlier, Mu Chen had figured out a few things. In order to come to the Northern Heavens Spiritual Academy, Luo Li had made a promise to the so-called 'Luo God-Clan'. A promise that was probably wasn't good for her. And evidently, this Luo God-Clan would not permit Mu Chen and Luo Li to be together. Therefore, Mu Chen had to gather information on this Luo God-Clan in order to prepare for future troubles.

"Then, I'll have to ask Senior Brother Li Xuantong for advice."

Mu Chen's two hands came together and the Spiritual Energy within his body began to circulate without reserve. An abyss-black Spiritual Energy, burning with black flames, poured out of his body. The surrounding atmosphere seemed twisted because of it.

A Pact of Three Moves.

There wasn't going to be a warning cry. The moment Li Xuantong moved, it'd be a torrent of thunder and rain. Mu Chen would have to bring out his best.

Mu Chen's black pupils were filled with attentiveness. He turned his head and glanced at the girl in black. She was biting her cherry lips and looked rather nervous.

"I won't lose!"

If he couldn't even deal with this problem, how would he face the even harder obstacles in the future?

Mu Chen suddenly looked up as black flames rose in his eyes. He looked at the indifferent Li Xuantong and growled with a heart-shaking resoluteness that resounded across the battle stage.

"Senior Brother Li Xuantong, make your move!"

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Chapter 217: Freshmens Number 1 vs. Heavenly Rankings Rank 2

"Senior Brother Li Xuantong, make your move."

When Mu Chen's low growl resounded across the stage, the crowd realised that the atmosphere around the vast battle stage had been frozen. It's as if it'd been stretched to the extreme.

The murmur from around the stage slowly died down. Each pair of eyes was focused on that stage.

Li Xuantong looked at the handsome youth who had unwavering resolution in his eyes. His eyes slightly rippled, but there were no changes to his expression.

He slightly nodded and rolled up his sleeve with his slender hands. Those same slender fingers and fair hands harboured an astonishing lethality.

"I won't go easy."

It looked like Li Xuantong mumbled something to himself. Then, everyone felt the Spiritual Aura between heaven and earth turn chaotic in an instant. A shocking surge of Spiritual Aura roiled and collected towards Li Xuantong.

Fwoooooooo. Whooooosh.

A hurricane formed on the stage from the Spiritual Aura that formed between heaven and earth. It was a gorgeous beam of light that twisted itself around Li Xuantong, painting him like a majestic god.

As long as one is able to step into the realm of the Three Heavens Stage, they'd be able to mobilise the heaven and earth's Spiritual Aura. Evidently, before a Heavenly Transform Stage like Li Xuantong, Mu Chen's Heavenly Fusion Stage wasn't able to gain the slightest advantage and was suppressed instead.

Therefore, compared to Li Xuantong's rainbow-like demeanor, Mu Chen's side was much more quiet. His blazing black-flame Spiritual Energy shrouded his entire body. Looking from afar, it was like surges of black smoke was soaring up into the skies. The black smoke was also abnormally concentrated. No matter how forceful the external pressure was, it still remained towering and firm.

Countless eyes were nervously staring at both of them. They were all aware that the battle would soon breakout.

Tap.

Li Xuantong took a step out. That subtle sound caused countless eyes to contract. Li Xuantong was seen slowly raising his right hand. That slender, long and white palm was actually becoming transparent, bit by bit.

Ohmmm. Ohmmm.

The omnipresent Spiritual Aura violently surged and landed on Li Xuantong's gradually transparent palm. In that transparent palm, there were threads of chalcedony-like luster emerging and in the end, filled his entire palm.

That hand had turned into something like transparent jade and in that jade, chalcedony flowed within.

It was extremely beautiful.

Yet, when some seniors saw Li Xuantong's palm turning transparent, their expressions couldn't help changing drastically. Their hearts trembled. Li Xuantong was really not joking around, he's not intending to be lenient at all.

"Spirit Chalcedony Hands Li Xuantong, the skill that made him famous. It seems like he's truly not intending to be lenient at all." Su Xuan softly said, feeling a little astonished, while looking at the scene.

"This fella is bullying." Su Ling'er said in indignation. Li Xuantong's strength far surpassed Mu Chen's to begin with, and he had actually used his genuine skill, that's simply bullying.

Su Xuan smiled. "Not exactly bullying. In fact, it's also a kind of recognition that Li Xuantong has for Mu Chen. If he's not going to use his true strength against Mu Chen, then that means that he's looking down on him. Men like them are always concerned about the so-called face, acknowledgement and whatsoever. Otherwise, why would there be so many of those 'fights that leads to friendship', as well as the so-called mutual understanding?"

Su Ling'er flung the corner of her mouth to one side. What acknowledgement is that, beating the other party into a sorry state is the so-called acknowledgement? These men are indeed, incomprehensible.

Low voices of alarm spread throughout the surroundings of the Battle Stage. Clearly, many people sensed the formidability in this attack from Li Xuantong. Does he really intend to end this farce in just one move?

No one knows. How will Mu Chen handle this?

Countless gazes shifted over, towards Mu Chen, who was shrouded within a blazing black-flame Spiritual Energy. They could all naturally sense the peculiarity in Mu Chen's Spiritual Energy. However, if he

wanted to use this to contend against Li Xuantong, he's still too naïve. Thinking about it, Mu Chen wouldn't be childish to that extent.

Under countless gazes, Mu Chen who had his entire body shroud in surges of Spiritual Energy, had a grave expression appearing on his face. In his black pupils, black flames appeared and, shortly after, it turned cold and sharp.

“Woooosh!”

Up ahead, Li Xuantong was looking at Mu Chen indifferently. Thereafter, his already transparent slender hands lightly fanned over.

Bang!

As Li Xuantong's palm fanned, vigorous Spiritual Energy was seen instantly exploding forth, like flood. Huge and deep cracks appeared in the earth up ahead.

Xuuuuosh!

A transparent palm that was roughly several dozens of feet flew out, creating a whistling sound. In that palm, it was also filled with chalcedony-like blood vessels that appeared to be extremely profound.

That palm flew with a frightening speed. Anything that was obstructing its path was instantly crushed. It's to the point that even the air was issuing penetrating explosion sounds.

Everyone could see the huge ravine being ripped open on the ground. Furthermore, at the end of the ravine was where Mu Chen was located.

A transparent chalcedony-like palm rapidly expanded before Mu Chen's eyes. That frightening pressure caused Mu Chen's clothes to flutter. A sharp pain sensation came from his skin.

Huuuuu

Mu Chen spat out a mouthful of white smoke. A sharpness was within his eyes as he abruptly took a step forth, clenching his five fingers into a fist as it burned with black-flame Spiritual Energy. It was as though a black sun had appeared within his fist.

An abyss-black Spiritual Energy twisted and a black light seal rapidly flew out.

One, two... four, five.

Five Limitless Death Seals appeared before Mu Chen. Those Limitless Death Seals were also blazing with black flames. A shocking amount of Spiritual Energy ripples swept out.

Outside the stage, Su Ling'er looked at those five Limitless Death Seals and a smear of concern flashed across her eyes. In the Rank 6 Spirit Convergence Array, Mu Chen had used this move to repel Huo Feng. Although the power wasn't weak, it's still not possible to deal with this move from Li Xuantong!

“Buzzz. Buzzzzz.”

Just when Su Ling'er had some worries, a black luster rushed out of Mu Chen's fist again. A berserk of Spiritual Energy ripples violently swept out that could be seen by the naked eye.

An Abyss-black Spiritual Energy rapidly gathered before Mu Chen. Thereafter, everyone could see another black-coloured light seal slowly being formed.

Boom!

The sixth Limitless Death Seal!

The current Mu Chen was actually able to unleash six Limitless Death Seals at the same time!

The Common Tier Spiritual Art that Mu Chen had obtained in the Northern Spiritual Academy had gradually revealed the extraordinariness that belonged to it in Mu Chen's hands!

"Boom!"

When the sixth Limitless Death Seal was formed, Mu Chen also felt the qi and blood within his body boil. The sharpness within his eyes was increasingly more intensely. His five fingers tightly clench and punched a fist out.

Xiuuuu!

As Mu Chen punch his fist out, the six Limitless Death Seal instantly flew out. They were like mysterious black-coloured comets that streaked across the horizon, dragging long light tails behind them. Even some Heavenly Fusion Stage Late Phase experts were alarmed at the overbearing Spiritual Energy ripples. While ripping the battle stage fearlessly under the various astonished gazes, they flew towards the transparent palm and heavily collided.

Bang!

In that instant of collision, the Battle Stage that was several thousand feet long trembled as if it was in the middle of an earthquake. Everyone could clearly see that the ground which the two forces collided had fierce cracks that were rapidly spreading out like spider-webs.

The two thickest cracks were like earth dragons that were roaring underground and bolting upright. The impact directions were heading for Mu Chen and Li Xuanton's directions.

Li Xuanton looked at the huge crack that was coming towards him. Under that crack concealed an extremely berserking Spiritual Energy.

He stared at that crack and took a step forward. The Spiritual Energy within his body poured out and formed into a Spiritual Energy light wall that was approximately a hundred feet in size before him.

Bang!

The crack violently collided onto that Spiritual Energy light wall. That wall trembled and fluctuated with ripples. Thereafter, the ripples intensified, causing the light wall to scatter. The crack's speed was obstructed and stopped half an inch away from Li Xuanton's feet.

As Li Xuanton stopped the impact, at the opposite side, there was another even more astonishing Spiritual Energy crack. Under the gaze of many, it struck Mu Chen.

Boom!

Dense smoke burst out. Everyone could see that when that crack, which contained a violent Spiritual Energy, touched Mu Chen's body, he flew out and was sliding across the floor.

Huaaaa.

An alarming voice broke out in the surrounding area. Did he manage to resist it?

Somewhere on the stand, Luo Li was looking at this scene. Her jade-like hands also couldn't help abruptly grabbing onto her black-coloured longsword.

Su Ling'er's hand, which was holding onto Su Xuan's, also clenched tighter. Her other hand covered her mouth with nervousness filling her eyes.

Countless gazes gathered towards the smoke and dust and they were all worried. Did Mu Chen manage to take that move?

Under countless gazes, the smoke slowly dispersed. As the smoke dispersed, the situation there also became clear to everyone's eyes.

On the ground, there was an extremely ferocious crack that was like a huge black dragon. And at the end of the crack, was a figure with one knee on the ground. Both of his hands were thrust into the ground and dragged a long mark.

That's Mu Chen!

Under the gaze of the entire stage, Mu Chen slowly pulled his hands back with fresh blood dripping down from his fingers. He slowly stood up and raised his head. There was also a trace of blood at the corner of his mouth. He casually wiped it off and looked at Li Xuanton with a light smile, which was dazzling to the eyes.

"Let's carry on with the second move."

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Chapter 218: Four Gods Constellation Scripture VS Profound Sky Divine Technique

"He took it!"

All around the stage, the eyes that'd been watching Mu Chen suddenly issued cries of surprise. Many of the expressions boiled over with amazement.

Mu Chen had actually managed to take an attack from Li Xuanton.

From the looks of it, Mu Chen had paid a price for that. But in the end, he was still standing on that stage. He'd successfully taken the first move.

Luo Li's nervous jade-like hand, that'd been clutching her black longsword, silently loosened a little. She couldn't help the heartache she felt as she watched the young man standing upon the stage, as he wiped the blood from the corner of his mouth.

Next to her, Zhou Ling, Ye Qingling, and the others also breathed heavy sighs of relief. Regardless of what anyone said, Mu Chen had taken the first move. So, even if he ended up losing, it'd be a glorious defeat. After all, he'd managed to take a full-on attack from the Heavenly Ranking's number 2, Li

Xuantong, even though he was only a freshman. That was already enough to make others exclaim in admiration.

Su Ling'er sat up front, watching the scene with pleasant surprise. Su Xuan, sitting next to her, was also watching the youth, and her expression flashed with amazement. She lightly nodded her head. "His strength isn't bad."

This time around, her words were actually coming from her heart. For someone of her level, Li Xuantong's attack just now wasn't anything she couldn't take. But for a freshman who was only at the Heavenly Fusion stage Initial phase, that was pretty impressive.

"Interesting." He Yao said with a light smile, while nodding.

Xu Huang also watched Mu Chen with eyes that crinkled a little. Xu Qingqing, sitting next to him, was gritting her teeth with a face filled with resentment. *Was that guy born under the zodiac of the cockroach or something? The fact that he could even block that...! How detestable!*

Mu Chen had no time for the differing opinions of the crowd. He shook off the traces of blood from his palm and smiled towards Li Xuantong. "Shall we continue?"

Li Xuantong also stared at Mu Chen and, shortly after, nodded. "Not bad, you didn't disappoint me."

"No worries. At the very least, I'll also give you some surprises." Mu Chen smiled. His youthful and handsome face was full of offensive signs, which was entirely different from his usual gentle look.

"I'm looking forward to it."

Li Xuantong lightly nodded and followed, "Spirit Chalcedony Hands, that's my once famed move that made me famous. However, since it's 'once', it also means that it has been replaced. Now, try my new move that has replaced it."

Mu Chen deeply inhaled a mouthful of air as the smile on his face slowly turned sharp and grave. The Spiritual Energy within his body had been circulated to its peak. Pitch-black Spiritual Energy that's being igniting with black flames was looking like black smoke and started to surge out.

That move earlier had actually caused some wounds for him. Although it wasn't anything serious, the might of Li Xuantong's next move was definitely more frightening.

The situation wasn't too good for him. As the Heavenly Ranking's Rank 2, Li Xuantong's fame was indeed not in vain. That strength of his should be the strongest that Mu Chen had seen among his generation so far.

Both of Li Xuantong's eyes slowly closed themselves up and, thereafter, a surge of majestic brilliant rays of Spiritual Energy emerged. His figure slowly floated up in the air, as well.

Woooooosh! Woooosh!

Spiritual Aura from the heavens and earth started surging like a hurricane. A whistling sound resounded around Li Xuantong, along with some muffled thunder.

Both of Li Xuantong's hands lightly came together and formed mysterious seals. As the seals formed, everyone could abruptly feel the concentration of the surrounding Spiritual Aura. It actually had signs of berserking, but thereafter, poured into Li Xuantong's body from all directions.

As the shocking Spiritual Aura poured in, both of Li Xuantong's hands looked as though they had turned illusionary and fuzzy.

"This is..."

"Profound Sky Divine Technique." Su Xuan, He Yao and Xu Huang all said together with their eyes concentrated.

"Profound Sky Divine Technique?"

Hearing these four words, Su Ling'er's face instantly changed drastically. She naturally knew that the tyrannical Profound Sky Divine Technique that Li Xuantong had practiced in was no longer in the category of ordinary Spiritual Arts, but Deity Tier. Its might was even more frighteningly powerful.

Although others didn't have discerning judgements like Su Xuan, through the frightening and berserking Spiritual Energy that they felt, their faces all turned grave.

On the stage, Mu Chen raised his head and looked at Li Xuantong's illusionary and fuzzy hands. The faint frightening ripples that came from him caused Mu Chen to feel immense danger.

Mu Chen inhaled a mouthful of air as he suppressed his pounding heart. Both of his hands slowly came together as pitch-black Spiritual Energy frantically gathered into his palms. Shortly after, both of his hands abruptly changed, as well. Cryptic and primordial seals were skillfully being formed from his fingertips, one after another.

As Mu Chen's seals changed irregularly, the sky behind him slowly turned dark. Thereafter, light started to appear, like stars.

These changes immediately attracted the attention of everyone. Countless people directed their gazes over in astonishment. Seeing the stellar lights behind Mu Chen, their hearts trembled.

From the stellar lights, they felt astonishing Spiritual Energy ripples.

This Mu Chen truly does have some methods up his sleeves, as well!

"Those seals that Mu Chen has formed...!" Su Xuan shockingly looked at the primordial seals formed in Mu Chen's hands and continued with a soft tone, "It's actually a Deity Tier Spiritual Art."

"Mu Chen also knows a Deity Tier Spiritual Art?" Su Ling'er said in astonishment. *Just how much does this fella have hidden?*

"Yeah, those that are ranked within the top five of the freshmen all possess the qualifications to enter the Spiritual Arts Hall and choose a Spiritual Art of their own liking. If opportunity is sufficient, they would even get the chance to obtain a Deity Tier Spiritual Art. However, the Deity Tier Spiritual Arts that the majority of people have obtained are all Quasi-Deity Tier Spiritual Arts. I think that Mu Chen has obtained his there." Su Xuan said as she nodded.

“However, even if he has also trained a Deity Tier Spiritual Art, Li Xuanton’s Profound Sky Divine Technique is a Deity Tier Low Rank. Furthermore, his base strength has far surpassed his. With Deity Tier against Deity Tier, he still wouldn’t be able to gain any advantage.”

Su Ling’er sighed. Indeed, even if Mu Chen possessed a Deity Tier Spiritual Art, he still wouldn’t be able to cross that distance. Furthermore, Li Xuanton had been practicing with a genuine Deity Tier Low Rank. In terms of ranking, it’s a level higher than the Quasi-Deity Tier.

Mu Chen was very outstanding with many cards up his sleeves. However, since Li Xuanton was able to become the Rank 2 of the Heavenly Ranking, how would he be ordinary? These fellows were all talented figures.

Up in the sky, Li Xuanton was emitting a light luster. His fuzzy hands rapidly changed. The Spiritual Aura that filled the sky surged forth and poured into both of Li Xuanton’s hands. As the Spiritual Energy became concentrated to the peak, both of his hands gradually calmed down. The light luster faded away and his hands were restored back to their original colour. From looking at them, they seemed to be only an ordinary pair of hands.

However, those with the strength to see, like Su Xuan, could sense the frightening lethality contained in his pair of hands.

Li Xuanton’s eyes indifferently looked below. Looking at the stars forming behind Mu Chen, a little ripple was made within his eyes, but soon disappeared.

Thereafter, under everyone’s gaze, he gradually extend a slender finger and lightly tapped the air.

“Profound Sky Divine Technique, One Profound Finger.”

When Li Xuanton’s finger tapped down, the empty space was suddenly filled with endless ripples. Those ripples rapidly fluctuated and the entire sky looked as though it had been turned into an enormous mirror with ripples in it.

Boom!

That mirror suddenly distorted as tens of thousands of brilliant rays engulfed it. Soon after, everyone shockingly saw a huge crystallised finger of few hundred feet. It actually came out from the mirror and, like a sky-high pillar, started pressing towards Mu Chen, who was directly below it!

The crystal finger hadn’t land, yet a huge crater was already forming on the battle stage as cracks were rapidly spreading out.

Everyone inhaled a mouthful of cold air. That one finger was actually so frightening!

The ground was shaking, but Mu Chen’s figure wasn’t moving the slightest bit. After raising his head to look at the approaching huge crystal finger, his ever-changing seals abruptly solidified.

ROOOOOOOOOOAR!

Endless killing aura poured forth from his black pupils as he roared into the sky. His roar sounded like tiger’s as it shook the heavens and earth.

Torrent-like killing aura swept out as the sky became instantly rendered into an intense killing battlefield.

Mu Chen's pitch-black pupils were turning scarlet as the black-coloured Spiritual Energy frantically rush towards the stellar sky behind him. As the Spiritual Energy boiled, a large white tiger with the size of several hundred feet rapidly formed.

The white tiger stood on the stars as it roared towards the sky. Its roar shook the starry skies as torrential killing aura turned both heaven and earth a dull gray colour.

"Four Gods Constellation Scripture, Divine Seal of the White Tiger!"

A deep and low tiger-like roar also resounded in Mu Chen's heart. Soon after, his seals changed and the White Tiger that was standing on the stars abruptly pounced. The White Tiger lunged as though it was striding into the limits of space-time and appeared on the sky.

The White Tiger roared towards the sky as the Spiritual Energy that filled the sky turned frantic and berzerk. Thereafter, under countless gazes, it directly went head-on with torrential killing aura, descending towards the huge finger and heavily collided with it!

BOOOOOOM!

In the instant it collided, it was as if the heavens and earth had gone silence. Everyone was overwhelmed with shock as they looked at this scene. Before they could recover from the shock, that frightening Spiritual Energy impact rushed over like a hurricane.

Bang! Bang!

However, when that hurricane was about to spread to the viewing stands, a light luster suddenly appeared around the surroundings of the battle stage. The light luster shrouded the battle stage within, it was the protective measures of the Spirit Battle Stage.

Boom! Boooooom!

That fearsome impact heavily hit one of the Spiritual Energy light barriers and made urgent ripples. After a very long time, it gradually dissipated.

That overwhelming impact gradually dispersed.

Everyone's gazes immediately redirected themselves towards the middle of the battle stage. Thereafter, they couldn't help inhaling a mouthful of cold air as their eyes became filled with shock.

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Chapter 219: My Turn to Attack

Countless pairs of eyes looked upon the battle stage spiderwebbed with ravines. The massive cracks were sinister mouths that spreading through the stage.

That impact had nearly destroyed the stage.

There were numerous exclamations of astonishment, after which all eyes returned to the stage. As the smoke and dust dispersed, the only even ground that was left was revealed. As of this moment, there was a black-light pagoda roughly a few dozen feet in height.

That black-light pagoda quietly stood there like a towering figure on the battle stage, but Mu Chen's silhouette could not be seen.

Upon seeing this, everyone questioned. *Where's Mu Chen?*

Ohmm Ohmmmmm.

While they were confused, the black-light pagoda flickered with a dark light, then rapidly shrank. A slender figure appeared with a flash.

It was Mu Chen.

However, his face was pale. He extended his hand and the black-light pagoda landed on his open palm where its light dulled before it disappeared entirely.

Cough!

He covered his mouth as he coughed. Fresh blood dripped from his palm. Half of Li Xuanton's frightening attack had been cancelled out by the Divine Seal of the White Tiger. Even with the protection from the Nine-layered Pagoda, his five viscera and six bowels had still suffered quite a jolt. So much that his blood was even showing signs of flowing backwards. But fortunately, he was able to suppress those feelings.

"What a formidable Profound Sky Divine Technique."

Mu Chen wiped the traces of blood from his mouth. The redness of his lips was shocking, even to the eye. He slowly raised his head, smiled lightly at the sky, and said:

"That technique that you've practiced is even more formidable." Li Xuanton scrutinized Mu Chen. His usually indifferent expression finally turned grave. The technique that Mu Chen had executed just now was extremely powerful. That killing aura had even frozen his blood. But fortunately, with his vigorous Spiritual Energy, he'd endured it.

Li Xuanton understood that if Mu Chen had been on par with him, then that attack wouldn't have won him the slightest advantage.

"You've taken the second move." Li Xuanton said slowly. His pitch fluctuated slightly. He clearly hadn't expected Mu Chen to come this far.

"He took it again!"

Li Xuanton certainly wasn't the only one. Countless agreements sounded from around the battle stage, then returned attention to the slender, pale-faced youth with respect in their eyes.

"What a formidable Junior Brother."

Even some of the beautiful girls exclaimed in surprise. He was able to force Li Xuanton of the Heavenly Ranking's Rank 2 to use his Profound Sky Divine Technique. And even then, he stayed upright on that

stage. Even though he'd suffered some injuries, he never showed the slightest trace of fear. Others found it hard not to be shocked by such discipline.

"Big Brother Mu Chen, f*ck yeah!" Zhou Ling firmly pumped his fist as he flushed red from the excitement. His vulgar language caused Ye Qingling, who was sitting beside him, to glare at him in anger. Only then, did he cover his mouth in embarrassment.

"Formidable!"

In the front seats, Su Xuan focused on the slender figure as she softly made a comment. "Give him two more years, or maybe even less. There will definitely be a place for him in the Heavenly Ranking's top 3. Who knows, he might even be able to challenge Shen Cangsheng's Overlord position."

Su Ling'er was stunned for a moment as her eyes filled with amazement. She clearly hadn't expected her sweet-tempered, yet prideful sister, to give Mu Chen such a high evaluation.

In all these years at the Northern Heavens Spiritual Academy, no one had ever been able to shake Shen Cangsheng position as Overlord. There were many people who had their eye on it, but no one had ever succeeded.

Su Ling'er approached her sister and chuckled. "Hehe, Big Sister, I think Mu Chen is quite strong. Aren't you lacking one person in your mission? Perhaps you can consider him."

Su Xuan unhappily stared back at her and said, "That mission of mine must be as delicious as a steamed bun. He Yao has also been drooling over it for a long time and I didn't consent to it. True, Mu Chen isn't bad, but he can't be better than He Yao, right?"

"I thought you weren't fond of He Yao? You kept saying that his scheming was too deep, like a smiling tiger[1. Someone with a big smile and evil intentions.]" Su Ling'er said in a low voice.

Su Xuan softly knocked Su Ling'er on the head, but she didn't give a clear-cut answer, "Let's see. If Mu Chen can take three moves from Li Xuanton, I may consider it."

While they were talking, He Yao sat a short distance away, staring at the battle stage with some concentration. He actually seemed rather serious, compared to his usual absent-mindedness. This sparring match had truly aroused his interest.

Xu Qingqing sat next to Xu Huang, also blankly staring at the stage. The corner of her mouth twitched, but no mockery came out. She knew that no matter how arrogant she acted, Mu Chen's performance had truly made many people gasp in surprise.

Mu Chen paid no attention to the commotion around the stage. He only held his mouth and coughed, and circulated the Great Pagoda Art to pacify the rampaging blood flow.

He looked up and smiled at Li Xuanton. "There's still one more move, right?"

Li Xuanton slightly nodded his head, then went silent for a brief moment before speaking. "You're already injured. I'm afraid you won't be able to handle the third move in your current situation."

Mu Chen smiled at Li Xuanton, "Why don't we change things for the third move, then?"

“What?” Li Xuanton was briefly taken aback by Mu Chen’s suggestion.

Mu Chen extended his slender, blood-stained hands and stared at them for a brief moment. “Why don’t I take the initiative for the third move?”

Silence...

When Mu Chen spoke, the uproar around the stage instantly turned into dead silence. Many twisted their necks to stare at that pale, yet smiling youth, wondering if they’d heard him wrong.

“He said he’d take the initiative to attack first?”

Someone muttered and exchanged looks with the person next to them. They felt as though the world was suddenly becoming incomprehensible. Faced with an opponent like Li Xuanton, Mu Chen actually dared to speak such words?

“He must be joking.” Someone dryly laughed. But shortly after, he realised that the joke wasn’t funny at all. They could only shake their head with a bitter smile. This battle was really impossible to predict.

“What’s Mu Chen trying to do?” Su Ling’er muttered, blankly staring at Mu Chen.

Su Xuan, however, had a grave expression on her face. She looked at Mu Chen with a look of surprise. Mu Chen clearly wasn’t a fool. But even in a normal battle, most people wouldn’t take the initiative to attack. The receiver had the advantage because they always had the time counter. The difference between Mu Chen and Li Xuanton was huge; Mu Chen had only survived because he’d been on the receiving end. The moment he decided to take the initiative, he’d be putting himself at a disadvantage. Unless he was certain his attack would be a real threat to Li Xuanton.

Could he possibly reach that place?

He Yao and Xu Huang had also been taken by surprise. They couldn’t help narrowing their eyes as they stared at Mu Chen on the stage. They laced their fingers and sat up.

“That guy is simply looking for death!”

Xu Qingqing ground her teeth with a lunatic expression as she glared at Mu Chen. *Does he think he’d soared into the sky after barely managing to take two moves from Li Xuanton?*

She turned to Xu Huang, but didn’t see a single mock or sneer on her brother’s face. On the contrary, she saw bewilderment. That made her heart jump. The words that she was about say suddenly became stuck in her throat.

“You’ll take the initiative to attack?”

In the sky, Li Xuanton stared at Mu Chen with a sharp gaze. It was such a grave expression that even his voice dropped and couldn’t return to its previous calm. “Are you sure?”

Mu Chen lightly nodded his head.

“Alright!”

Li Xuantong's expression was as sharp as the bladed edge of a sword. His figure slowly descended. "I truly hope you can surprise me today. The man who's caught Luo Li's eyes must have something to distinguish him from the masses."

"Thanks."

Mu Chen nodded, then turned around to look at the black-dressed girl that was also looking at him, too. He lightly smiled. That gentle smile paired with his handsome face caused many red faces in the female population. They realised that this Junior Brother of theirs possessed charm no less than Li Xuantong.

Luo Li also saw Mu Chen's gaze and gentle smile, which burrowed into the deepest parts of her heart. Her face, which had always been cold, slowly turned gentle. The corner of her cherry lips turned into a smile.

Her smile was breathtaking, making many watching eyes green with envy.

Mu Chen looked away as his pitch-black Spiritual Energy slowly gushed out of his body. His body floated up and with a move of his mind, the energy that he and Nine Netherbird shared swept out.

Boom!

An astonishing amount of Spiritual Energy radiated from him, torrenting out as black flames filling half the horizon.

As Mu Chen raised his Spiritual Energy, he slowly closed his eyes. His heart was as calm as glassy pond as he slowly submerged himself into the profound intent of the Heart Array State. Even though his eyes were shut, he could still see the outside world with such clarity that he could even hear the heartbeats of those around the stage.

The Spiritual Energy in the heavens and earth also became exceptionally susceptible.

Watched by countless shocked expressions, Mu Chen slowly put his hands together. Then, his fingers moved, forming Spiritual Seals all around him.

"Spiritual Seals?!"

The eyes on those Spiritual Seals contracted. Someone finally understood Mu Chen's intentions. "He's trying to set up a Spiritual Array!"

However, a Rank 3 Spiritual Array was probably useless against Li Xuantong!

Several Spiritual Seals were suspended around Mu Chen, one after the other. Everyone's expressions also turned from their initially puzzled looks to shock. So much so that even Su Xuan and those that were seated at the front had grave expressions on their faces.

That's because the number of Spiritual Seals that was revolving around Mu Chen had already reached the frightening quantity of a hundred!

This was already in the category of a Rank 4 Spiritual Array!

Mu Chen's eyes slowly opened. With a flick of his fingers, everyone watched the hundred Spiritual Seals suddenly rush forth, blending into the sky.

The heavens and earth turned dull gray and frightening Spiritual Energy ripples fluctuated. Everyone could see a frightening Spiritual Array forming above Mu Chen.

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Chapter 220: Reappearance of the Demonic Lotus

Rumble!

Heavens and earth darkened as the Spiritual Aura gathered. Everyone around stage looked up with shock in their eyes.

Wind and clouds gathered. Between them, a large light array gradually formed, one with an extremely complicated outline, like a masterpiece of nature.

“He can actually set up a Spiritual Array of such a level?!”

Many stared blankly at the complicated light array as their eyes filled with wonder. This Array clearly surpassed a Rank 3 Spiritual Array. Could Mu Chen be a Rank 4 Spiritual Array Master?

Such Spiritual Array Masters were few in number, even amongst all of the students at the Northern Heavens Spiritual Academy. Could this Mu Chen really be at that level?

“It’s the Heart Array State!”

Su Xuan’s eyes were dignified. She stared at the figure in the sky as her eyes glowed. “He’s actually controlling the Heart Array State. Furthermore, it looks like this isn’t the Initial Level of the Heart Array State!”

Su Ling’er was overwhelmed with shock. She understood how important the Heart Array State was for Spiritual Array Masters. Generally speaking, only Rank 3 Spiritual Array Masters could comprehend this kind of ‘Controlling everything in his hands and link to his heart’ Heart Array State. Furthermore, the Heart Array State was further divided into three different levels. In the entire Northern Heavens Spiritual Academy, those who practiced in the way of Spiritual Arrays and are able to comprehend the Heart Array State were extremely few in number. The amount of people who could comprehend the Middle or High Level Heart Array State wouldn’t exceed the number of fingers on a single hand!

“Just how many cards does this guy have hidden up his sleeve?” Su Ling’er muttered. This gentle-looking youth was like a bottomless pit, unfathomable.

“Looks like there’s finally some fun this time.”

Su Xuan lightly smiled. Even Li Xuanton should get a headache from a Spiritual Array of this level. Mu Chen really had gone all out. However, that boy truly was extraordinary, to be able to force Li Xuanton to such a position, even though he only had an Initial Phase Heavenly Fusion Stage cultivation.

He Yao and Xu Huang wore no expressions on their faces. They’d originally regarded Mu Chen with little significance. They’d only come here to see Li Xuanton. They never thought that this insignificant character would make them feel such danger.

Furthermore, they couldn’t forget that Mu Chen was still a freshman. If he was given a year to train in the Northern Heavens Spiritual Academy, wouldn’t his achievements surpass theirs?

This guy couldn't be underestimated.

The entire arena was shaking due to the appearance of the enormous array in the sky. Li Xuanton, himself, was also staring upwards. His eyes reflected a dark and unclear gleam.

He said nothing, which made it difficult to guess his thoughts. His hands slipped out of his sleeves as a frightening amount of Spiritual Energy ripples fluctuated around him.

The indifference that he'd worn at the start of the match was clearly gone. Now, Mu Chen had far surpassed his expectations.

"Come, let me take a look at your trump card." He lightly muttered inwardly. His expression, however, became sharper and sharper, as though he wanted to shoot through the air and straight through Mu Chen's body.

Huuuuuu.

Under Li Xuanton's sharp blade-like gaze, Mu Chen breathed out a sigh. His face turned even paler and his hand seals abruptly changed.

Boom!

Up in the sky, the huge light array exploded with a loud thundering sound. Rays of light filled the sky, then gathered into a colossal black lotus a few hundred feet in diameter.

The black lotus was suspended in the air, slowly revolving. As it turned, the space around it seemed twisted.

This Spiritual Array was the Butchering Demonic Lotus Spiritual Array, of course. Back when Mu Chen was in the Northern Spiritual Realm, he had relied on this array to kill Liu Jingshan. But back then, he was only at the Spiritual Rotation Stage. It was fundamentally difficult for Mu Chen to bring the array to its full potential. Even after borrowing the power of the Nine Netherbird, he was barely able to execute it. But now that he'd grown stronger, he could comprehend some of the array's profound intent.

Back then, he lacked foresight and treated the Butchering Demonic Lotus as only a Rank 3 Spiritual Array. It was only after he became a Rank 3 Spiritual Array Master did he realize how shallow his understandings were towards this array.

He'd learned from that black scroll that his current 'Butchering Demonic Lotus Spiritual Array' was only a small portion of the array's true form. One day, when Mu Chen became strong enough and he learned to fully unleash this Spiritual Array, its might would definitely be world-shaking.

But now, this portion of the 'Butchering Demonic Lotus Spiritual Array' was already his limit.

Mu Chen's face turned even whiter as weakness washed over his body. This time, he did not rely on the Nine Netherbird's strength, but rather his own, to lay out the 'Butchering Demonic Lotus Spiritual Array'.

"Go."

He extended his palm and lightly tossed it. The enormous black lotus shook as it shot forth with a black luster. As it flew out, the closed lotus flower slowly bloomed.

The Spiritual Energy ripples between the heavens and earth became even more violent.

Ohmmm. Ohmm.

The black lotus reached full maturity. The heart of the lotus slowly directed itself towards Li Xuanton, who was right underneath it. A strange black liquid dripped from the lotus petals, gathering towards the heart of the lotus.

A black luster gathered towards the heart of the lotus. A surge of scalp-tingling Spiritual Energy violently rippled out.

Shiiiiinnngggg!

When the dark glow reached its peak, the black lotus jolted. After that, the crowd watch a ray of black light nearly penetrate through the heavens and pierce the earth, as if the black liquid had formed a black dragon that tore through the sky with its fangs and claws!

Boom! Boom!

The stage, which was already filled with ravines, finally couldn't endure any longer and started to crumble down in layers. Li Xuanton, however, made no movements. He raised his head towards the black light that penetrated the sky. His slender hands came together as his deep and low voice resounded.

"Profound Sky Divine Technique, Profound Sky Compass!"

Ohmmmm!

A brilliant green light filled the area in front of Li Xuanton. As the light gathered, it turned into a huge compass made of green light, roughly a hundred feet in diameter. As the compass materialized, even the air seemed to become frozen.

"Li Xuanton's strongest defence... the Profound Sky Compass..." Su Xuan, He Yao, Xu Huang and the rest all watched that green compass with great focus. To think Li Xuanton had actually been forced to take such measures.

Once the green compass fully formed under the watchful eyes of the crowd, it flew out and collided with the black light falling from the sky!

Boom!

In the instant of collision, brilliant rays of light exploded like fireworks. They outshone any other source of light that one could possibly imagine, forcing everyone to shut their eyes. Even after that, they could all feel a stinging pain from behind their eyelids.

Boom!

The brilliant rays of light shot forth, followed by a storm of Spiritual Energy that changed the expressions on Su Xuan and everyone else's faces. As if they had been materialized, wreaking havoc. The shockwaves instantly collapsed the battle stage, even though it was several thousand feet wide. The Spiritual Energy barrier surrounding the stage was instantly torn apart, creaking as it went. The sheer

destructive force of the impact forced a fear into everyone's hearts. Several even jumped at the collision. Even a Heavenly Fusion Stage Late Phase would be torn to shreds by such an impact.

The Spiritual Energy tornado on the stage wreaked havoc for several minutes, before it slowly started to disperse.

As the Spiritual Energy tornado dissipated, everyone directed their eyes back to the stage.

The stage itself was already gone, only leaving several huge craters. Two figures towered over them, in the sky.

Mu Chen's face had paled again as the Spiritual Energy ripples around him weakened even further. However, his black pupils were still eye-catchingly bright. He looked at Li Xuanton with a smile. Even his voice had become a little hoarse. "Senior Brother Li Xuanton, I suppose we can say that I've taken the third move, is that right?"

Li Xuanton looked to his right hand with a blank expression, then slowly opened his palm towards Mu Chen. There was a streak of scarlet-red blood. He'd suffered some injuries.

People began whispering around the stage with shock in their hearts. Mu Chen had actually managed to injure Li Xuanton.

"You... you're pretty good." Li Xuanton said as he sighed, glancing at the pale, yet bright-eyed youth.

"You won the pact of three moves. Luo Li's judgement is as good as ever."

Li Xuanton lightly smiled. With his personality, it was beneath his dignity to admit the fact. But the answer was already obvious, especially with so many people looking on.

Mu Chen's performance today was more than enough to shake the Northern Heavens Spiritual Academy.

"I no longer have any strength left. If this had been a real fight, I definitely would've lost." Mu Chen announced in a light voice. One could say that he'd already exhausted his strength. He'd already spent all his cards to withstand Li Xuanton's three moves.

"That's why we had those rules. If the two of us had been on the same level, then perhaps I would've been the one to lose." Li Xuanton smiled, then cupped his hands towards the crowd as he continued, "In this battle, I, Li Xuanton, have lost."

His voice echoed over the crowd. Everyone opened their mouths with complicated expressions written all over their faces. This outcome had clearly been far beyond their expectations.

Who could've expected a mere Heavenly Fusion Stage Initial Phase to win against Li Xuanton?

"Marvelous!"

Su Xuan lightly smiled as she made a pertinent comment, then began clapping her slender jade-like hands. The crisp sound echoed throughout the arena.

Clap! Clap!

The sounds of one person clapping turned into a thunderous roar, until it rumbled over the Spirit Battle Stage with an earth-shattering intensity. One could even hear it outside the arena.

Even the most narrow-minded person would sigh in admiration at the outcome of this battle.

Somewhere among the spectator seats, Yang Hong's face was ashen. He clenched his fist until he was shaking. The fears buried deep in his heart slowly began to spread. The current Mu Chen had already surpassed him. He felt powerless.

He looked at the youth's pale face and felt helpless. Maybe only Ji Xuan could suppress him.

Mu Kui and Bing Qing also sighed, but there was also admiration in those sighs. Even Mu Kui, who was fond of fighting, had no intentions of fighting Mu Chen. He knew from watching those three moves that he wouldn't be able to take even one of them.

"How can this be?" Xu Qingqing's face changed irregularly. She slouched back with a face paler than before. Fear rose in her eyes.

Mu Chen, who was still up in the sky, only felt exhaustion at hearing the thundering applause. He lightly trembled, then blacked out and fell from the sky.

Swoosh!

A beautiful woman's image flashed through the spectator zone. With a move of her slender waist, she reached out her jade arms and wrapped them around Mu Chen's waist. She wore a black dress. It was Luo Li.

She hugged Mu Chen and peered into his handsome, yet pale face. A surge of heartache overwhelmed her. She coldly glared at Li Xuanton with glass-like pupils. "I'll settle this with you later."

Li Xuanton bitterly smiled and shrugged.

However, Luo Li was done paying attention to him. She tightly held Mu Chen as she turned into a streak of light. Under numerous pairs of surprised eyes, she flashed out of the Spirit Battle Stage arena and flew away.