

Magic Era 1421

Chapter 1421: Raging

If the Leopard Tail Worms had not been so flexible that they wouldn't have died even if they had been pressed into a piece of paper, the kid would've died already.

It was not until he landed on the surface of the sea that Lin Yun finally looked around.

The surface of the sea was in the shape of an arc, just like a bowl. The sea was so peaceful that it didn't have any waves, as the latter had been suppressed by the horrifying pressure. Its surface had turned into a bowl in a radius of 1,000 kilometers.

Around the bowl was a dreadful storm that was thousands of meters high. This place was like the eye of the storm, which seemed peaceful, but still carried daunting pressure. An invisible force continued falling upon his head.

In the center of the strange yet terrifying eye of the storm, a thick bull leg that was more than two kilometers tall was floating. Its muscles were so tight that they looked like rocks. On its knee was armor that was as thick as a boulder. There was not any light on the surface of the hoof, as if it were dead and dried, but the hoof was the part that carried the most terrifying aura.

Seeing the enormous hoof, Lin Yun became pale. It was part of the Lord of War's right leg, exactly the same as the one he saw earlier. He was almost killed by the Lord of War's hoof last time, and he saw the guy's leg again...

No wonder the Leopard Tail Worm didn't dare to approach. Whoever could fight the Lord of War's right leg had to be another god.

The Lord of War's right leg flew in the sky at an astonishing speed. The broken leg was shrouded in a bloody glimmer. On the top of the leg, there was also a circle of runes whose colors were constantly changing.

The wound on top of the leg didn't seem smooth, indicating that the leg wasn't cut apart by a sharp weapon, but had been grabbed and forcefully torn off from the Lord of War.

The edge of the wound and the fractured bones all suggested that the leg had been torn apart instead of cut off.

Lin Yun was completely shocked to see the wound. He would've found it understandable if the Lord of War's right leg had been cut off. There were more than 10 gods that he knew were capable of doing that.

However, the Lord of War's body was terrifyingly strong. His soul had been completely melted into his body to maximize the power of his body. In terms of physical toughness, the Lord of War was definitely one of the strongest gods.

Who could've torn the Lord of War's leg off his body? Lin Yun was completely shocked. He had no clue who could possibly do that. Even the king of gods couldn't have possibly done that.

Whoever did that had to have an absolute advantage to suppress the Lord of War's strength so that they could tear off the Lord of War's right leg.

Lin Yun knew some of the runes that constituted the circle which floated around the Lord of War's wound. Half of them were truth runes. Even though he had only grasped one-tenth of the 108,000 truth runes, Lin Yun was still able to recognize that they were truth runes.

Some of the other runes were even weirder and more complicated. Lin Yun figured out their usage when they were combined—they were meant to suppress the Lord of War's right leg, and disconnect it from his other body parts. The leg was independent. Even the part of the soul in his right leg had been suppressed. It was impossible for the Lord of War to revive.

The Lord of War was incapable of removing such a seal at all. There was nothing he could do even if he worked on it for 100,000 years.

While Lin Yun was astonished, he heard a furious roar.

“Fight!”

Lin Yun heard a low and angry roar that carried a terrifying power. His soul seemed to be influenced by the aggressive roar, and he became more and more ruthless. Gradually, his eyes turned bloodshot, and his magic power became violent. The world turned bloody in his eyes.

His soul seemed to be opening its eyes too. There was nothing but craziness and aggression in his eyes. His soul power was rising crazily...

In only three seconds, his magic power and soul power expanded by 10 times. He had never been stronger. He was definitely as strong as a level-8 Heaven Rank mage at this moment. Also, his rage allowed him to unleash 200% of his strength.

Lin Yun, losing his rationality, soared from the surface of the sea, and stared at the source of the pressure. The only thought that was left in his head was fight. He didn't consider why or whom to fight.

All of a sudden, a crisp sound burst out, and the terrifying pressure exploded, waking Lin Yun up from the state of muddledness. Coming back to himself, Lin Yun realized that his soul power and magic power had both expanded 10 times, and he rose to an altitude of 400 meters.

The fat kid who had been lying on his shoulder also had bloodshot eyes. His body was shrouded in bloody light, and there was nothing but aggression on his chubby face. He shrieked at the loudest of his voice.

“Fight!”

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Lin Yun smashed the fat kid back to his shoulder. After being smashed into a pie five times, the fat kid finally came back to his senses, and then clutched Lin Yun's robe, trembling with fear.

Lin Yun landed on the surface of the sea, and flew towards the other side along the storm wall.

He didn't have much time in the emergency. The Lord of War's roar had automatically empowered Lin Yun by 10 times.

His soul power and magic power had both expanded by 10 times.

After the expansions, his combat ability had been increased at least 60 times, but Lin Yun put on an awful expression.

So far, everything felt alright, but he would be completely doomed if he didn't pass the battlefield when the buff of rage was gone.

Ten-time raging was supposedly an ability that only the beastmen with the best bloodlines in legends had.

Also, even the horrifying beastman experts at the peak of the Heaven Rank would also be half dead after they used ten-time raging. Lin Yun didn't need to think to know how enfeebled he would be after the buff was gone.

His vitality was being exhausted for him to fight. More than half of the experts who used ten-time raging died afterwards.

He had used mental raging before to help with his understanding of laws. He was weakened when the raging effect expired. Also, the mental raging was only a three-time effect at best. At this moment, his soul had been buffed by rage 10 times over.

Lin Yun was so grim that his face was almost dripping ink. He was not even sure whether he wouldn't fall asleep when the raging effect was over. There was at least a 50% chance that he would. There was another 50% chance that his soul would be shattered due to the exhaustion of his soul essence.

Sticking to the wall of the storm, Lin Yun moved as fast as possible with the ten-time raging effect. He had no time to care about what was happening on the battlefield.

In the distance, the bull leg flew rapidly, and the strange dim patterns on its hoof glittered. Then, as if it were absorbing all the rays of light nearby, a circle of weirdly dark patterns appeared on the surface of the hoof.

Wherever the hoof reached, the space was shattered, and horrifying crevices appeared. It was impossible for the space to remain intact. The hoof would shatter any part of the space it stomped on. The space around it was stepped on and twisted like a flat tablecloth.

The entire world seemed to be roaring along with the Lord of War. When the hoof's aura reached the most powerful extent, a wheel that was a kilometer tall appeared in front of the hoof. The glittering wheel was revolving slowly. There was a 12-facet gem on each of the four directions of the wheel, emitting the aura of the essence of elements.

The moment the gigantic wheel appeared, all the earth, fire, water, and wind elements on the battlefield were controlled by the enormous wheel, just like loyal soldiers that had received the summoning of their king.

At this moment, Lin Yun completely lost control of the elements. He couldn't manipulate the elements, even though he was using the Elemental Spirit King Embodiment. He couldn't feel any of the elements around here.

Lin Yun put on an awful expression the moment he realized that.

"Domain!" he exclaimed, and entered the storm wall next to him without thinking. The moment he entered the storm wall, he felt the violent elemental power again.

However, the violent elemental power was forced to retreat by Lin Yun's Elemental Spirit King Embodiment. As if it received an order it couldn't resist, it rushed to the battlefield crazily as countless colorful ribbons of light.

All the elemental power within thousands of kilometers of the storm had been extracted in three seconds. The terrifying elemental storm was almost gone instantly.

Because it was too fast, all elements seemed to be assembled into a brilliant, colorful ribbon of light that darted to the battlefield quickly.

Instantly, the entire battlefield became colorful, and was filled with unimaginably abundant elements.. Observed from the outside world, it looked like an enormous colorful upside-down bowl on the surface of the sea.

Chapter 1422: Strange Mage

All the unimaginably abundant elements within thousands of kilometers were concentrated in the bowl. The power of four elements surged inside without leaking out at all. The upside-down bowl seemed to have turned into a boundless world of elements.

As the elements started rolling, an unrecognizable wave spread out, and Lin Yun was flung back, vomiting blood. Had it not been for the Elemental Spirit King Embodiment, he would've been torn apart in the strike.

It was the simplest blast based on the four elements.

Lin Yun's face was pale when the power of four elements hurt the Elemental Spirit King Embodiment. He grabbed the dumbfounded fat kid, and slapped him in the face.

"Show me the way. We'll die here if we stay any longer..."

The fat kid didn't dare to hesitate any longer. He hurriedly pointed in a direction.

Lin Yun flew forward at the edge of the enormous colorful bowl. The raging effect remained. He seized the opportunity to maximize his speed, and crossed dozens of kilometers in only a few minutes.

It was not until he was far away enough from the colorful bowl that Lin Yun finally gained the courage to look back.

On the top of the upside-down bowl, there was suddenly an opening, and the Lord of War's right leg charged out. But it didn't look as threatening as before. The hoof was still intact, but the flesh on the leg seemed to have been torn off by some sort of force, leaving only some remains on the bloody bone.

After breaking out of the colorful domain that looked like a colorful bowl, the Lord of War's right leg soared to the sky and disappeared. Colorful streaks of light erupted to the sky from the opening on the top.

Instantly, a colorful aurora that stretched for thousands of kilometers emerged in the sky. It contained such unimaginably abundant elemental power that many elemental creatures were being born in the torrents.

The creatures were born hundreds of times faster than in elemental planes. Those weak elemental creatures were soon drowned in the torrents of elements after they were born.

Lin Yun had cold sweat all over his head. He had never been as terrified since he came to this age. There was always an opportunity of turning the tables even in the gravest crisis.

However, this time, he didn't stand any chance of making a comeback.

The domain was a special ability of the expert mages who had ignited the God Fire!

They had completely grasped a certain law. Then, they ignited the God Fire, and gained the power of changing the law. They released their understanding of the law completely, and made pertaining adaptations, thus creating a world that belonged solely to them. All the laws in the world belonged to the mage.

Everyone who hadn't ignited the God Fire yet would be killed in such a domain. It was a simple mass annihilation ability.

A level-9 Heaven Rank expert would be no different from a Magic Apprentice when caught in the domain of an expert who had ignited the God Fire. Their understanding of laws would be useless in the domain. They had to defend themselves with their own mana.

But could mana resist the power of a world? No mages had enough mana to resist the power of an entire world.

Death was inevitable for them.

Caught in that kind of domain that covered everything, Lin Yun would be dead for sure no matter how strong he was.

The domain that Lin Yun just weathered was even a complex one that included all the four elements, which countered Lin Yun's ability completely. The foundation of Lin Yun's laws was earth, fire, water, and wind. It was impossible to control any of the elements or cast a spell in the domain.

The domain had swallowed all the violent elements within thousands of kilometers in only a couple of seconds. It was clearly a domain of elemental storm that would destroy anything in it. Even a drop of water would be minced into the most fundamental element.

The Lord of War had melted his soul into his body, and made it almost immortal, but in that domain, all the flesh on his leg had been cut off, and only the bone escaped.

As for the other people, even if Agalon had fallen into the domain, he would've been killed within three seconds. Even his Natural Demiplane couldn't save him.

If his Natural Demiplane had evolved into a real world and the four elements had been immaculate, it would've been possible for him to defend himself for a while with the laws of the Natural Demiplane.

The domain was the most powerful ability for the mages of Noscent to conquer other planes. A mage who had ignited the God Fire could easily destroy any plane except the supreme ones.

They were Noscent's greatest threat to other planes.

Never would Lin Yun have expected to see a mage who had such a domineering domain in the Kingdom of Nightmares. It even easily cut the Lord of War's leg to the point where it only had the bone left.

The periphery of the Kingdom of Nightmares was still in the middle stage of the age of gods. In the final stage, the King of Nightmares would die. In this age, gods were the protagonists. Even the side characters were mythical creatures. Dragons were just food to strong creatures or gods, and let us not mention human beings.

The life of human beings was quite miserable in the age of gods. The enlightenment of magic had begun, but very few human beings were capable of igniting the God Fire.

The total population of human beings was small, and the percentage of experts was even smaller. The mages those days were completely different. All the extraordinary human beings could've been swallowed by a mythical creature with one bite.

So, Lin Yun was completely shocked to see a God Fire mage who boasted such a powerful four-element complex domain. The history that he had learned as a mage apprentice was completely disrupted.

The Lord of War was definitely one of the 20 strongest gods. Because his soul was completely melted into his body, his body was even among the sturdiest. Although he was short of many of gods' special methods, he could blow up everything with his body.

His leg definitely carried at least one-tenth of the Lord of War's strength, yet it had been crushed. If his bones hadn't been hard enough, the leg would've been torn apart in the domineering domain.

Lin Yun wasn't surprised at all that the Lord of War's leg survived. The guy didn't completely die even in the prime age of Noscent's mages. He would be alive as long as part of his limb lived. His hoof was the strongest and hardest part. It would remain even if the world was destroyed.

Lin Yun was quite surprised and appalled to see the mage.

When a mage advanced into the Heaven Rank, he could establish a Demiplane to accommodate the laws he grasped. As time went by, his understanding of a law would become perfect when he reached the peak of the Heaven Rank, and the Demiplane that accommodated his understanding would turn into a domain.

That was a special ability which could manifest a mage's own world in a battle. In the domain of a mage who had ignited the God Fire, it was possible to change the laws in the domain into the mage's own laws. Even the basic laws such as those of time and space could be rejected.

Everything inside the domain, even including a grain of sand, would be minced and annihilated by the laws inside the domain if the mage didn't want it to exist.

But the mage had to be powerful enough in order to do that.

Ever since the establishment of a Demiplane, human mages had been walking on a unique path of magic!

No experts of other races walked on such a path. Only the mages did. Even the mages, such as the Caucasus Mages, fought by strengthening themselves with magic in the age of magic enlightenment at the beginning.

Lin Yun was quite stunned to see a mage who had ignited the God Fire here.

This world was technically the King of Nightmares' dream and memory. It had happened in the age of gods, and couldn't possibly be wrong. There shouldn't have been any God Fire mage, or anyone who had established a Demiplane, before the King of Nightmares' fall.

But if it had really never happened, it couldn't have possibly existed in the Kingdom of Nightmares...

After Lin Yun flew far enough, the terrifying domain was broken, and the elemental power that was restrained in the domain erupted to the sky. This place was no longer dangerous.

Lin Yun looked back at the dispersing domain. Its colorful brilliance was gone, leaving the enormous wheel floating in the sky. The wheel looked completely different from before.

It was still brilliant and glamorous, but it was filled with a dangerous aura. The four elemental crystals on the wheel had been gathered in the center of the wheel. Then, they spread out like countless parts, which assembled into bigger circles. Countless runes spun around the circles.

There were also a tremendous number of elemental spirits cheering and dancing around the wheel. They were all singing the chapter of elements.

Seeing that, Lin Yun was expressionless. He was almost feeling numb...

There was a God Fire mage in the age of gods, which changed the history of magic. Also, he boasted a terrifying domain of complex elements, which even deprived Lin Yun of his control over all elements. Lin Yun couldn't manipulate any of the elements around him, even though he was using Elemental Spirit King Embodiment.

Then, he saw an even more astounding scene...

Chapter 1423: Passed

A Magic Array...

The magic conducting rune that the God Fire mage boasted was a Magic Array...

That terrifying wheel was not just an Extraordinary Magic Tool, but also a manifestation of the God Fire mage's laws and the center of his domain.

Although the mage's Magic Array was slightly different from Lin Yun's, Lin Yun easily recognized that the wheel represented the Magic Array, the most powerful magic conducting rune.

The moment he saw the enormous wheel, Lin Yun felt that his Magic Array was instantly empowered more than 30 times. It became so powerful that Lin Yun could hardly control it.

An idea occurred to Lin Yun. Countless runes flashed in his eyes, and a vortex quickly surfaced. In no more than one second, Lin Yun's sight crossed 1,000 kilometers, and saw everything in the center of the battlefield clearly.

Underneath the Magic Array, a human mage wearing a black robe was floating. Everything around him looked normal, but Lin Yun was not able to see him clearly at all. He could only tell from the man's back that he was a human mage. The man was wearing a black robe that had an enormous wheel mark on its back.

The man was undoubtedly a human mage. He couldn't be from any other race...

The black-robed mage seemed to have detected something, and turned his head and looked at Lin Yun. Lin Yun's eyes widened as he tried to figure out who the mage was. It was impossible that the God Fire mage from the age of gods didn't leave any trace. He might have been mistaken for a member of another species.

After all, in that age, human beings were considered an inferior species. They didn't have their own language system or historical records. All records from that age were basically copied from other species.

However, when the black-robed God Fire mage turned around, Lin Yun felt an irresistible weakness. His Magic Array was reduced to its original form, and he dizzily fell to the surface of the sea.

Everything that Lin Yun saw was fuzzy due to the exhaustion of his magic and soul power. He quickly drank three bottles of mana water, and finally felt better.

The moment the raging was gone, Lin Yun felt that his mana was completely drained. Even his vitality and soul power were greatly consumed too. He would've completely passed out if he hadn't been prepared for that.

Passing out in this place would mean death. Even though all the sea creatures in this area had escaped from the battlefield, they would come back when the battle was over.

There was no telling how long he would be sleeping. While he was asleep, any random sea beast could tear him apart and swallow him.

The mana water and the potions he had quickly replenished his magic power and his soul power. The weakness of his soul was resolved.

When he landed on the surface of the sea, Lin Yun struggled to summon his magic power and construct a boat of ice. He sat on the ice boat, and continued recovering.

He looked back, and could no longer see the colorful domain. Needless to say, the battle had come to an end, so the God Fire mage disappeared.

Everything here was quite lifelike, but it wasn't real anyway. It was just the King of Nightmares' dream and memory. Many of the details weren't exactly the same as they were in real history.

Swallowing potions consecutively for a couple of hours, Lin Yun finally looked less pale. However, it would take much more time and effort for him to completely recover.

It would take at least a week for him to completely recuperate, even though he had the help of the perfect potion. A week was not a long time in the outside world, but it meant that he might die here because of his weakness.

He floated to the other side of the sea on the boat, moving at a much lower speed, but there was nothing he could do at this moment.

The fat kid gloomily lay in the front of the boat, and stared at Lin Yun. He wanted to say something, but didn't dare to. He could only remain gloomily silent.

Lin Yun didn't care about the cowardly fat kid. He considered the previous battle. The Lord of War's right leg didn't matter, whether it was real or not. That maniac had melted his soul into his body. Even though it meant that it was difficult to kill him, it was impossible for him to revive as well.

Thinking about the God Fire mage, Lin Yun could no longer remain calm. That God Fire mage had to be from one of the King of Nightmares' memories.

In the Kingdom of Nightmares, all of the King of Nightmares' memories were turned real. That God Fire mage was essentially there in person. In this kingdom which solely belonged to the Kingdom of Nightmares, the King of Nightmares' laws made everything real, even though the King of Nightmares himself couldn't possibly boast the powerful four-element complex domain.

On second thought, the mage wore a black robe, and couldn't be seen clearly, as if he was shrouded in mist. It was very possible that the King of Nightmares was incapable of seeing him clearly. The God Fire mage that he remembered was obscure.

Even if the raging hadn't come to an end, Lin Yun probably wouldn't have seen anything valuable when the God Fire mage had turned around.

That being said, Lin Yun was slightly regretful because he wasn't 100% certain of his speculation. There was still a slim chance that he might have seen something, but it was too late. The battle was over, and everything was gone.

There was still the enormous wheel, which was just as baffling. Lin Yun didn't understand why the Magic Array existed in the age of gods. Remembering the Magic Array's invention, he was somewhat stunned. As he searched his memories, he found that the invention of the Magic Array, which was the most powerful magic conducting rune, was not written about elaborately in history records.

Compared to other magic conducting runes, it took a very short time for the Magic Array's prototype to be perfected into its final version. It was almost like it had been buried for a long time until a mage dug it out and found it again.

Most of the other magic conducting runes had a complete record of evolution. They might be primitive at the beginning, and then they were perfected and strengthened. There was always a complete record, or a written history, of their development.

As for the Magic Array, it almost felt like a mage had a eureka moment, and came up with the initial design of the magic conducting rune immediately.

Time went by, one day after another. Lin Yun floated on the peaceful surface of the sea for a week, and he only crossed 1,000 kilometers. Living creatures could already be seen in the water. They seemed to know that it was safe to return home.

At first, normal fish could be spotted. Then, some sea beasts appeared. In the end, other sea species showed up.

After Lin Yun recovered from the raging, he took off to the sky, and watched the sea creatures moving back where they came from. Now that the threat was gone, they started hunting each other instead of crazily running for life.

The powerful sea beasts swallowed the weaker ones, and the weaker ones swallowed the ordinary fish. The sea clans gathered together, and reined in the beasts that were under their control to go back home.

None of them cared about Lin Yun who was flying at high altitudes. Very soon, Lin Yun crossed the inland sea that was 10,000 kilometers in diameter.

Standing on the shore, Lin Yun was slightly surprised with the scene in front of his eyes because he was exactly where he set sail earlier. The mountains and forests were exactly the same as what he had seen. The only thing new was a zigzagging trail in the woods.

Seeing the trail, the fat kid was greatly relieved. He prudently glanced at Lin Yun.

"The chief said that if you're determined to enter the deeper world, you'll see a trail after you cross the sea. However, the trail looks different in each person's eyes.

"When you come here, you will surely see the trail. If you move along the trail, you will enter the deeper world."

The fat kid was worried, and stopped begging to leave. After such a long time, he had realized that Lin Yun would never let him go until he reached his destination. Besides, he wouldn't dare to go even if Lin Yun set him free.

He could cross the sea in exactly the same way as he came, and return home. If he still had his tail, he would be bold enough to just travel across the sea. None of the beasts and creatures in the sea would dare to stop him. The Leopard Tail Worms were like overlords at the edge of the Kingdom of Nightmares.

Even the strongest sea beasts wouldn't dare to mess with the Leopard Tail Worms, because the weakest Leopard Tail Worm would become as strong as their opponent in a battle. Also, they had more advantages in the Kingdom of Nightmares. So, no creatures dared to mess with the Leopard Tail Worms..

Chapter 1424: Homecoming

If a Leopard Tail Worm's body was destroyed, but their soul wasn't, then whoever did it should just be prepared for the Leopard Tail Worms' revenge. The Leopard Tail Worm Kings were always two levels higher than their opponents, so they could just all wait to get killed.

However, a Leopard Tail Worm without the tail didn't have all the abilities they were proud of. They were incapable of transforming or sending their souls out for resurrection when they died.

If such a Leopard Tail Worm appeared in the sea, there would surely be hundreds of creatures that would be bold enough to taste it.

The fat kid obediently stayed aside, and remained quiet after pointing out the way.

Lin Yun looked at the trail, and found it somehow familiar. The trail extended all the way into the depths of the woods. It looked exactly the same as one of the trails he remembered.

However, he couldn't see anything wrong about the place. Taking a deep breath, Lin Yun embarked on the journey with the fat kid.

The moment he set foot on the trail, Lin Yun looked back, only to discover that the shore behind him was completely gone, replaced by the trail that stretched backwards. He seemed to have arrived at the center of the trail from nowhere.

However, the space, elements, and magic power were all normal. Everything seemed natural.

Lin Yun wasn't really surprised. The Kingdom of Nightmares was essentially a dream of the King of Nightmares, where anything could happen. The King of Nightmares was so formidable that his dream was as vivid as the real world.

Lin Yun moved forward on the creepily quiet trail. At first, the surroundings looked like those in the real world, but as he walked on, the sky was completely shrouded in darkness, and he couldn't see any starlight at all.

No sound could be heard at all. The heartbeat sounded like thunder, and the flowing blood sounded like running rivers. Even the swallowing of the fat kid on his shoulder sounded like drumming too.

After Lin Yun walked for more than 10 minutes, the vivid forest became an oil painting that he was crossing.

Everything except the trail that extended into the darkness became fuzzy and twisted. The lifelike painting became a lousy piece of art too. It was dead and desolate. Even an idiot could tell that the tall trees were all fake.

As Lin Yun walked, the wind seemed to be rising again, and the sounds were back. The noises of heartbeat and flowing blood gradually declined.

Lin Yun gradually became confused. His pupils dilapidated, as if he had lost his consciousness. The fat kid clutched Lin Yun's shoulder, frightened, not daring to move at all or make any sound.

Stunned, Lin Yun proceeded on the trail. After a dozen minutes, the sky was lit again, and light could be seen up ahead. They seemed about to walk out of the forest.

The moment he left the forest, Lin Yun regained his consciousness. When he looked back, the forest was gone, just as he expected. He found himself standing in the middle of a desolate desert. There was nothing around him except sand.

"Fatty, tell me what you've just seen. Don't deny it. I know that the bewilderment of the Kingdom of Nightmares doesn't work on you."

After Lin Yun opened his mouth, the fat kid gloomily fell silent. It was not until a few seconds later that the fat kid finally obediently admitted what he saw.

"You lost your consciousness as we walked. You kept walking on the trail until you were out of the forest. When you reached this desert, the forest was completely gone..."

Lin Yun was silent for a moment. He began to observe the desert, and saw protruding dunes and a yellow tornado moving in the distance.

He looked up at the sky. The blue sky had turned dim, and there were a lot of thick space crevices that were fixated to the sky like hideous wounds.

Chaotic and violent power was erupting constantly from the wounds. The sun had almost set. The entire sky was filled with the aura of death and desolation.

He inhaled, and found that the air was extremely spicy. The elements were like infuriated bulls that couldn't be tamed at all.

"The apocalypse..."

Lin Yun looked at the world with complicated feelings.

Although he had always known that the deeper world was not fixed, but was dependent on the visitor, he didn't expect that it would be so deeply related to himself.

His deepest fear had been transformed into a complete world by the power of the Kingdom of Nightmares. It looked just like the world he remembered.

Lin Yun examined his own strength, only to find that he had been weakened into a mage. His huge storage of mana was gone. He couldn't detect his Demiplane any longer. He seemed to have been completely blocked in this world.

The only thing that wasn't too terrible was that he could still use his space ring. At least he wouldn't be short of mana here.

Having arrived in this apocalyptic world, Lin Yun knew that the one thing that he couldn't be short of was mana.

The elements in the air were like maddened bulls. Most of them were unusable. The mana was so thin it seemed like a magic resistance barrier had been established. The chaotic energy from the wound in the sky was the only magic power that was pure and peaceful in this world.

The magic power from the void storm was the most violent and untouchable thing in the age that Lin Yun currently lived in, but here, it was the only source of hope.

One could only squeeze out a tiny bit of magic power from the void storm at the risk of being torn apart.

Mana flowed inside Lin Yun's body slowly. He controlled every tiny bit of it without letting it leak. He had gained the ability of controlling his mana from the apocalyptic world he came from.

His control of mana, having been honed in the apocalyptic world, was much better than that of the Noscent mages. The mana in their age was like a docile pet. The only mana that could be used in this age was a short-tempered beast.

Lin Yun was not unadapted to the environment at all. He checked the surroundings, and soon found the direction of Heiss City. That was the most important ability to survive in the apocalyptic world.

In the desert, losing the way meant death. Everyone who failed to return to Heiss City before nightfall and receive the protection of the Shelter Tower would die without leaving any remains.

Walking forward for a few hundred meters, Lin Yun suddenly stopped, and casually threw out a sand vortex into the desert.

The sand within three meters began to swirl, revealing the hollow down below. The sand constantly collapsed in the center. A few seconds later, a sandworm that had a hard yellow skin charged out, and bit at Lin Yun with sharp teeth, as if it was going to swallow Lin Yun.

The fat kid shrieked in fear. He had every reason to feel scared. He had been feeling that his mana was fleeing beyond his control since he came here. The air was spicy, and the elements outside seemed crazy. The entire world was filled with desolation.

At this moment, this rampant beast had emerged out of nowhere. Having lost his tail and most of his power, and because Lin Yun was already weakened into a mage, he thought he was dead for sure...

"I'm going to die, I'm going to die. Let's run..."

Lin Yun ignored his scream, and extended his hand. He quickly cast a spell, which consumed one-fifth of the mana in his body. The consumption was a dozen times greater than it should've been, and that was when Lin Yun controlled his mana perfectly.

The sandworm, with its enormous mouthpart, had moved almost 10 meters when it came to a sudden stop. It seemed to be held back by something. Feeling the restraints, the sandworm wiggled and mauled the hole where it came from.

Sand splashed as if there was an explosion. Stinky blood permeated in the sand. The sandworm completely emerged on the ground. It was more than 15 meters long, and the rear half of its body was tied up by thorny vines.

The thorns on the vines couldn't penetrate the sandworm's rocky skin, but they could make it awkward for the sandworm to move.

The Bloodsucking Vines couldn't kill the sandworm, which Lin Yun knew too well. A sandworm that was a dozen meters long at least had a 20-centimeter-thick skin to ensure its survival in the desert.

The Bloodsucking Vine didn't seem accustomed to the environment. It withered quickly. If the sandworm left it alone, it would completely wither 10 seconds later.

But the sandworm didn't know that. When the rear half of its body was held back, it instinctively bit and mauled its opponent, corroding its opponent with its poisonous saliva.

But it only bit itself. The Bloodsucking Vines were only as thick as human arms, so the sandworm's bite penetrated them as well as its own defense.

Feeling the blood, the Bloodsucking Vines crazily absorbed it to ensure its own survival. Then, they crawled into the sandworm's body through the wound.

Seeing the scene, Lin Yun knew that the battle was over.

The sandworm wriggled crazily in the desert. The vines on the surface of its body quickly withered, but those inside its body quickly proliferated..

Chapter 1425: Retaliation

It was not until 10 minutes later that the sandworm finally stopped struggling. A lot of thorny vines where bloody flowers were blossoming crawled out of its mouth, and then withered quickly.

The sandworm looked exactly the same as before, but its body had been emptied. Its blood and everything had been transformed into the Bloodsucking Vines' nutrients. After the nutrients were exhausted, the vines would wither and disperse, turning into ashes in only a few seconds.

Lin Yun passed the sandworm's body, and moved even faster. It was already getting dark.

The weather was not bad. Only several tornadoes were visible during the day. It would be fine to avoid them. The only dangerous factors were the quicksand and the sandworms.

But nothing except sandworms could survive in the desert at night. Their thick rocky skin was exactly meant to resist the harsh environment at night.

To move faster, Lin Yun cast an acceleration spell, which consumed one-fourth of his mana. He then cast Keen Senses in case of possible dangers around him.

After rushing for half an hour, he could already see the light and the tip of the Shelter Tower in the distance. The Shelter Tower was emitting dim light, just like a lighthouse on a dark night.

However dim it was, it was still the last hope in the apocalyptic world.

The night fell extremely fast. The spicy smell in the air quickly dispersed. It seemed that the air was back to normal, but it became so cold that one seemed to be breathing ice only three minutes later.

As time went by, the air became more and more gloomy and chilly. Lin Yun knew that it would be impossible to stay outside Heiss City in 15 minutes. Everyone who hadn't returned to Heiss City in 15 minutes would either be killed by sandworms or frozen.

In the apocalyptic world, even an official mage would be a top-tier expert. In particular, Lin Yun was at the last phase of the apocalyptic world. Very few people became Magic Apprentices these days. The population in Heiss City had plummeted too.

When the doomsday finally arrived, Heiss City had few living residents. Even those who were alive had lost their desire to live.

In the age where a real mage counted as one of the top experts, the terrifying coldness outside would surely kill anyone easily. When it was midnight, the outside would be as freezing as some of the ice planes.

Such coldness was too much for any Magic Apprentice or mage to resist. Besides, there were sandworms. Whoever failed to return to the city before nightfall could be presumed dead, or dying...

Lin Yun sped up, and rushed to Heiss City. The air became colder and colder. This coldness was unlike the lack of warmth in the void, but more like a mouth that would swallow all lives.

When he saw Heiss City, he noticed that a slim pale young man was rushing to Heiss City from one side too. Behind the young man, a 10-meter-long sandworm was giving chase.

They were only three kilometers away from Heiss City, but the sandworm was about to catch up with the young man. His time would be wasted even if he survived the fight with the sandworm. If he missed the last safe time, he might be weakened by the coldness of the night, and killed by another sandworm eventually.

Seeing Lin Yun, the young man cried in fear, trying to grasp at the straw.

"Lin Yun, help me, help me..." the young man implored in fright. He didn't drop the piece of meat dripping with blood on his back even though he was wounded. That was what he gained from today's hunt. He found the remains of a sandworm which had been killed by another sandworm, and got the only piece of edible meat, which could sustain him for a couple of days, and give him enough time to strengthen himself.

When he became stronger, it would be easier for him to get more prey so that his time could be saved to further strengthen himself and swallow mana from the void...

Lin Yun casually glanced at the young man, and unconsciously touched the left side of his neck. While rushing, he chanted a spell, and threw a quicksand trap in the young man's way.

The young man was too desperate to notice the trap. By the time he noticed it, one of his feet had already stepped into it. Normal quicksand traps were only half a meter deep, and couldn't bury a person. However, this trap had been expanded three times by Lin Yun. It was impossible for the young man to dodge.

Stepping on the quicksand trap, the young man lost all his hope. When he was delayed for two seconds, the sandworm had caught up to him, and bit off one of his legs. His blood was frozen into bloody grains of ice before it hit the ground.

“Lin Yun, I curse you. I curse that you will be destroyed in the flames of doomsday... Aaaaah...”

Lin Yun finished the rest of the journey, and entered Heiss City, which was shrouded in the light of the Shelter Tower, and was freed from the coldness outside. Looking back at the young man who was swallowed by the sandworm, Lin Yun didn't look happy.

Lin Yun knew the guy's name—George. He met the guy in the second year after he came to the apocalyptic world. The guy was a level-5 Magic Apprentice. Back then, Lin Yun was only a level-3 Magic Apprentice.

It wasn't easy for him to overcome the initial difficulties, and become a Magic Apprentice. He had to seize the three minutes of peace in the morning and the dusk to swallow the mana from the void storm. It was too much for normal people to bear.

Countless people in Heiss City had given up because they couldn't endure the pain. The mana in the void was so chaotic and disorderly that it felt like blades running about inside the body until it was tamed.

Lin Yun had transmigrated to that world. Nobody cared where he came from, or why he looked different. Nobody had time for that. They didn't even care whether he was a human being.

In the end of Noscent's apocalypse, even the inferior demons from the abyss and the undead creatures were unwilling to come to Noscent. So, nobody really cared about anything...

Lin Yun met George when he became a peak level-3 Magic Apprentice. They went hunting as a team.

The picture was exactly what happened earlier. Lin Yun picked up parts outside of Heiss City, hoping to make them into simple tools, even if he was unable to build alchemy puppets just yet.

What happened was exactly the same. George was wounded. He was carrying a piece of edible meat, and being chased by a sandworm, and the night was falling.

He sought Lin Yun's help, but took advantage of him in the end. Lin Yun nearly died a kilometer outside the city. Before Lin Yun was able to retaliate, George had gone missing on a trip outside Heiss City...

Now that the same scene happened again, Lin Yun naturally got back at him.

He couldn't hold back, even though he knew that everything in this world was fake. More importantly, he was just a mage here. If he died, he would truly be dead.

When he transmigrated to the apocalypse of Noscent as an ordinary person, it was harder for him to survive than it was to make it out alive in a boundless desert. He didn't want to recall the hardships he went through.

He read magic books day and night, and learned the local language. In the world of magic, knowledge was power. He managed to survive. Then, he breathed in the spicy air, and swallowed the mana that felt like glass pieces from the void.

After he became a Magic Apprentice, this was the place where he had almost been killed by a fellow human being for the first time.

Lin Yun entered Heiss City. He looked back at George, whose body had been bitten apart by the sandworm, with a peaceful expression.

He had heard exactly the same curses in the past, but the result was completely different.

This was a world that was based on Lin Yun's memories and feelings, but things might not go exactly the same as he remembered. The memories were just the foundation. What happened later might deviate from what he knew.

Lin Yun had seen it before, but he wasn't very clear about it. Still, it was fine because he had returned to Heiss City!

Entering Heiss City, he found that everything was the same as he remembered. All the passers-by on the street were numb. Those who had just returned to Heiss City all seemed happy that they made it back at the last moment.

He looked out of the city across the city wall, only to see that the outside world had been covered in black snow. Black snowflakes the size of human hands were swirling and falling from the sky like ice blades, making the sounds of a devastating piece of music..

Chapter 1426: Dreamland

Darkness and frost fell. The yellow desert turned black, and was connected to the sky. Outside Heiss City, it was already doomsday. Normal mages couldn't possibly survive in this place. Those who weren't mages would surely die the moment they came to the outside world. They certainly couldn't survive the night.

On the city wall of Heiss City, many numb people looked at the horrible scene outside with fear. They all left the city wall as quickly as possible.

Lin Yun walked on the street. Nobody looked at or cared about him. Everyone smartly kept their distance from him after realizing he was a mage. Even though mages were the strongest people in the city, nobody paid any attention to him.

Mages had to leave Heiss City to hunt anything that might be usable. Many of those places were only accessible to mages. Only the real mages could go 30 kilometers out of Heiss City.

However, there were plenty of mages who left Heiss City, and never returned by the end of the day. Nobody was confident that they could see the next sunrise...

Lin Yun looked at the lethargic Heiss City, and suddenly realized that Noscent was already dead at this moment. What remained was just its body. All the people here were waiting for their final relief. They had lost all their hope, which meant that Noscent was hopeless too.

Under such circumstances, it wouldn't matter whether the real destruction ever took place...

The fat kid stayed on Lin Yun's shoulder, pretending that he was dead. He had been truly terrified. On his very first free mission, he had met such a scary opponent like Lin Yun. Then, he had been taken to the deeper world of the Kingdom of Nightmares against his will. In this world which was about to collapse, the numb and desperate ordinary people gave him a lot of pressure too.

Now that the fat kid was pretending to be dead, Lin Yun simply ignored him, and walked all the way to the center of Heiss City. He stared at the enormous Shelter Tower, and observed it carefully. He had observed it in the past, but back then, he hadn't been as knowledgeable.

He had read a lot of books, but never put them into practice back then. He had been just an alchemist apprentice at best. Also, his alchemy expertise couldn't improve, because his mage level hadn't improved.

At this moment, he saw the Shelter Tower again. The seemingly simple tower that was a kilometer tall represented the best of Noscent's technology. But even so, it was not really complete.

Examining the Shelter Tower carefully, Lin Yun knew that the Shelter Tower had run out of its power. In a couple of years, when its dwindling light was gone, Noscent would be completely destroyed.

The dense runes on the Shelter Tower became completely dim. Lin Yun even saw that most runes had completely lost their effect due to the lack of power.

If the runes were still useful, the Shelter Tower could've protected a much larger area than Heiss City. Things were better during the day. At least the area within 30 kilometers was at peace. But when the night fell, the city wall would be the boundary of two entirely different worlds.

Observing the Shelter Tower for a while, Lin Yun turned around and left. What mattered the most in the construction of the Shelter Tower was methodology and materials. If there were enough materials, the construction shouldn't be very hard.

Leaving the Shelter Tower, Lin Yun went to the decaying library of Heiss City. These days, there were occasionally one or two people who came to the library for books, but they quickly left after they found what they needed. The enormous library was dead silent for most of the time.

The library was the greatest treasure left from the heyday of Noscent. It contained the most valuable essence in the past tens of thousands of years. Yet, it became useless garbage right now.

The magic books from the past had lost all their magic power, and become normal books. The most powerful curses had become garbage that nobody bothered to look at.

The library had been built so that Noscent would have a chance to rise again after surviving the apocalypse. There were also legacies of many top experts, who wished that someone could succeed their heritage.

Unfortunately, Noscent didn't survive the final destruction. Still, the knowledge that was left wasn't completely useless. At least, it was useful for Lin Yun, and it might avert the second apocalypse.

Seeing the decaying library again, Lin Yun stood in silence for more than 10 minutes before he finally entered the library.

He opened the books that were covered in dust. The magic power in the books had completely disappeared. Many of the well-preserved books turned so vulnerable that they could easily be torn apart when they were opened.

Those books would've been destroyed if the place hadn't been so desolate that there weren't even ants or rats anymore.

Lin Yun opened a random book, and saw things he had read in the past. His memory had sunken to the deepest part of his brain, and he was unable to recollect it even though he wanted to. Here, he was given an opportunity to reread the books.

Confirming that what he saw was real, he started to look for records regarding the Kingdom of Nightmares.

There were simply too many books here. Despite tens of thousands of years of purging and compressing, the number of books was still shocking. He had spent at least 70 percent of the time reading books here since his transmigration. After he became a magic apprentice, he needed less time sleeping, which gave him more time to read. Nevertheless, it was not until the year before the doomsday that he finally browsed through all the books. He read some of them carefully, and skimmed through the rest.

But even the memories of the books he skimmed through had deeply sunken into his brain. He usually couldn't dig them out, but in this world that was based on his memories, the knowledge reappeared in the form of books.

It was not easy to find a book that he had read 20 years earlier only for fun. After confirming the shelf where the book was stored, it took Lin Yun three days to find the book that was related to the Kingdom of Nightmares.

The book was half a meter thick, and only a tiny part of it was about the Kingdom of Nightmares. Soon, Lin Yun found the page with the content according to his memories.

After reading the information about the Kingdom of Nightmares, Lin Yun put on an awful expression.

The book kept a record of things about other places and special places, including the Kingdom of Nightmares. When he read the book for the first time, he only enjoyed it as a novel. After all, everything that happened in other planes didn't matter to Noscent at all when it was embracing its doom.

He had only read the book for fun, so he didn't remember all the things he saw, certainly not every detail.

When he read the book for the first time, he was just a low-level Magic Apprentice, and all that he remembered was what he could immediately use back then.

As his level improved and his soul was empowered, what he read in the past sometimes popped up from the depths of his memory. However, most of the things had sunk so deeply that he couldn't find all of them even though he reached the Heaven Rank.

Now that he had read the details of the book again, Lin Yun put on an awful expression.

The deeper world of the Kingdom of Nightmares was certainly a projection that was based on one's memories. Everything here was a projection that was based on his memories. There were very few things that weren't.

To leave this illusionary world, he had to find the thing that didn't belong there. It would be the key to the gate for him to leave this world.

However, the key was different for each individual. It was not fixed.

The key was usually hidden in the most important place in this illusionary world, which was likely the place where one spent the most time.

It could be a tiny crack on the wall, a piece of paper, and even just an ant...

Lin Yun closed the book and looked around. He couldn't help but hold his forehead with a headache.

Needless to say, the key to leaving the illusionary world was right in the decaying library. It might even be in one of the books.

The illusionary world couldn't possibly be a closed world, because everything here was from Lin Yun himself. There had to be an exit, and there was surely a way to find the critical item, even though it might cost a lot of time.

He had read all the books here in the past. That was his basis. He could look for a book that didn't belong to this place, or the content in a book that didn't belong to the book.

It took him 20 years to read all the books. Even though he could read faster now, it would probably still take at least 10 years.

Besides, he had to read all the books carefully this time, whether they were serious books or just for fun.

Shaking his head, Lin Yun put on a bitter smile, and picked up the book on the top of the shelf.

Fortunately, there was no need to feel anxious after he entered the deeper world. The time he spent in the illusionary world was like a dream.. No matter how long he stayed here, it would just be the time of a dream in the outside world.

Chapter 1427: Freedom

That was also the most important reason why the powerful mages frequently visited the Kingdom of Nightmares after it was discovered. They could experiment on anything here. It was just a dream anyway.

They did many crucial experiments in this place to avoid the waste of precious materials and increase their experience.

A lot of mages also came to this place when they had trouble remembering things from a long time ago.

Days went by as Lin Yun read the books. There were fewer and fewer people in Heiss City. The number of babies dwindled too. Most people were numbly waiting for their eventual destruction.

Lin Yun stayed in the decaying library without any rest, and read the books in this place. Each of the books, including those which were written for enjoyment, could cause a war in Lin Yun's age.

Even the most rudimentary book on magic knowledge could disrupt the mindset of those mages. However, there were plenty of such books in this place.

The curses that could horrify all lives in the boundless planes were just esoteric information that few could understand.

However, the books that he only skimmed through in the past became the most important things. It wasn't easy for him to dig out what was buried deep in his memory. It was possible that he might hurt his own soul if he tried too hard to dig it out.

The stronger a mage was, the longer they could live. The mages who were as strong as gods were basically immortal. They couldn't remember everything that happened in their long life, or their souls would be destroyed by all the impurities.

The best solution was to sink most memories in the deepest part of the mind. Some powerful mages would even erase memories that were useless to them.

Although it wasn't easy to read the books all over and search for the key, the task was not entirely unrewarding.

Inside the decaying library, Lin Yun read all the books on the shelves one after another. This time, he wasn't just skimming through them. He seized the opportunity to connect all the knowledge in the books.

Besides, it was possible that he might find leads on the apocalypse of Noscent from the books that recorded unusual events.

Time flew quickly. While Lin Yun read the books carefully, the fat kid could only sleep. When he woke up a year later, he found that Lin Yun was reading. He fell asleep and woke up again, only to discover that Lin Yun was still reading...

The fat kid fell asleep 10 times, and woke up 10 times. Then, he discovered that Lin Yun had walked to the other side of the decaying library.

Realizing that Lin Yun was close to finishing reading all the books, the fat kid didn't dare to sleep any longer, fearing that Lin Yun would be gone when he fell asleep again.

A dozen days later, Lin Yun picked up the last book that was covered in dust, and read it in silence. It was the last book in the decaying library that he hadn't read.

Lin Yun, too, found it very inefficient to scan all the books one shelf after another during those 10 years. What if the key was at the very end? However, after jumping and reading books from other shelves first, Lin Yun realized that it was impossible for him to find the key just with luck. He could only read all the books one by one.

Holding the last book, Lin Yun opened it without hesitation.

No matter how long he stayed in this illusionary world, it would just be a dream. When he left this world, it would be the time he woke up. The 10 years he spent here might only be half a day outside.

Having spent 10 years reading the books as a Heaven Rank expert and a Saint Alchemist, he found them a lot different from before. The things he didn't understand could be understood, and the things he forgot came back to him.

For a mage, knowledge was power, and truth was everything. Thanks to the filling of knowledge, Lin Yun's eyes became as deep as a bottomless lake. He was calm and unreadable.

Lin Yun didn't doubt himself, even though it was the last book. It didn't matter whether there was a key in the book.

Opening the book, he found complicated descriptions of time and space. Also, the descriptions were incomplete. It was impossible to predict time and space completely anyway.

The book was supposed to be a magic one. The writer's understanding was poured into the words through the power of magic. By reading the book, the reader could feel the power of laws clearly.

However, at this moment, the book had nothing but the words left. All the magic power was lost. The book was damaged too.

Lin Yun read the book carefully. When he finished most of the book, he saw something different at the ending of the book.

Lin Yun put on a weird expression. On one certain page of the half-meter-thick book, there was the theory of relativity...

After reading it carefully, Lin Yun confirmed that the content on the page was the theory of relativity, except that it was written in the language of Noscent.

Lin Yun looked back, and called out, "Fatty, we're going to leave..."

The fat kid, who had been waiting with widened eyes, rose on Lin Yun's shoulder and clutched his robe, fearing that Lin Yun would run off.

Looking at the page, Lin Yun shook his head. He finally realized why everybody had to leave the illusionary world on their own after they entered the Kingdom of Nightmares.

He had spent 10 years reading all the books here, and looking for the page that didn't belong to the library. Nobody except Lin Yun could've accomplished the task.

The theory of relativity, as part of the book on time and space, would seem absolutely normal even in the eyes of a God Fire mage. There were countless theories and schools in the heyday of Noscent. Every powerful mage had their own field of research.

Lin Yun was not really surprised that he didn't find the key until the last book. This was a world of his own illusions anyway. Even if he had read the books randomly, he probably wouldn't have found the key until the last book.

In that case, it might not be the theory of relativity that he found. It might be a page on advanced mathematics that was hidden in alchemy arrays or a brochure that was hidden in a mage's travel journal...

Holding the book, Lin Yun walked out of the decaying library. Heiss City was even more desolate than before. There were only half as many people on the street. Everybody was even number. Not far away from the library, a one-legged man was leaning against the wall, and waiting to die helplessly...

Heiss City seemed to be completely dead...

The Shelter Tower was getting dimmer and dimmer. There were more and more terrifying wounds in the sky, including one enormous space crevice that almost crossed the entire sky. Visible storms were blowing out of the crevice. The world was already on the precipice of destruction.

Lin Yun quietly looked at the crevice, and knew it was time of Noscent's destruction. He looked back at the Shelter Tower, and slapped the page of the book in his hand.

Instantly, the entire world seemed to freeze. Lin Yun felt that the book in his hand disappeared, and the earth underneath his feet was gone. The entire world seemed to have turned into a fixed picture.

A few seconds later, the world cracked like glass. What he was seeing in front of his eyes was like a piece of broken painting. When the dense cracks filled the painting, the world fell apart into countless pieces. Then, all the broken pieces vanished into the boundless void.

His level-7 Heaven Rank power returned to his body. Everything seemed to be the same. Around him was the boundless void where a lot of glimmering balls were floating.

When he approached them, he even saw vague scenes in them. They were small illusionary worlds!

Lin Yun floated outside of the balls and observed. Those which were bloody and dark, unsurprisingly, belonged to the vampire ancestors.

They couldn't resist the power of this world, even though they were soulless. After all, the King of Nightmares was no more. The laws of the Kingdom of Nightmares were functioning on their own. The vampire ancestors couldn't just ignore this deeper world.

The vampire ancestors could freely access the periphery of the world, but nobody except the King of Nightmares could come to this place freely.

Ignoring the illusionary world of the vampire ancestors, Lin Yun observed others.

However, it was hard to identify the other people's illusionary worlds. From the outside, he could only see fuzzy light. The scenes inside were as if observed through a piece of frosted glass. He could only see shapes and shadows.

To Lin Yun's surprise, apart from the vampire ancestors' illusionary worlds, there were six more...

Agalon, Alonzo, and the three deans of the Starry Sky College were five people, yet there were six worlds. Who was the last person?

Lin Yun frowned and observed. He couldn't tell to whom the illusionary worlds belonged from the fuzzy shapes. He could only try his luck...

Lin Yun drifted to a green illusionary world.. There had to be a massive forest and a vast starry sky inside this illusionary world, which probably belonged to Agalon, the Great Astrologian.

Chapter 1428: Trespasser

After examining all the worlds, Lin Yun decided to try one of them first. He had to rescue all the five of them anyway. He didn't know to whom the sixth illusionary world belonged.

"Fatty, were there only five human beings who recently came to the Kingdom of Nightmares except the vampire ancestors?"

The fat kid was confused too. He counted several times, only to discover that there was indeed an extra one...

"I'm not sure. It can't be wrong. The chief mentioned a lot of times that this is the first time that anyone has ever entered the deeper world since I was born. He said that there had been a long time since the last visitors arrived. Whoever came earlier must be dead already..."

The fat kid was stunned. Lin Yun frowned too, and didn't care what the fatty said.

Entering the deeper world, everybody would be separated and trapped in their own dream, which was not entirely safe.

If they died there, they would truly be dead...

Even if they weren't killed inside, they would encounter other dangers as the dream progressed.

Take the illusionary world that Lin Yun entered for example. Even if he survived, as time went by, the world would still be destroyed 20 years later when the Shelter Tower's light died out.

By then, Lin Yun, who was only as strong as a mage, would surely die.

The same would happen to other people. They wouldn't be just trapped in the illusionary worlds, which were nightmares. As the nightmares progressed, the King of Nightmares would swallow the worlds and strengthen himself. Even though the King of Nightmares had perished, his kingdom was still running according to his laws.

So, Lin Yun was rather baffled. Whose illusionary world exactly was the sixth one?

If anyone had entered the Kingdom of Nightmares and the deeper world, they couldn't have kept it a secret from the Leopard Tail Worms, the locals of the Kingdom of Nightmares. They were observers in this dream, and they guarded the entrance to the deeper world all the time.

The fat kid, who was a pure rookie, tracked Lin Yun down soon after he came to the Kingdom of Nightmares. The same would've happened to anyone else. It had nothing to do with his strength.

If Lin Yun hadn't encountered the battle of two top experts in the inland sea, it wouldn't have been so easy for him to enter the deeper world...

Though confused, Lin Yun stopped thinking. He picked the green illusionary world that had a starry sky.

Although he could only see the vague shapes in the world, he speculated that it belonged to the Great Astrologian.

He drifted towards the ball of light slowly. Gradually, it became bigger and bigger in his eyes, until it was bigger than all the other balls. A few seconds later, all that he could see was the light ball. Lin Yun felt that he was falling in the world of light.

Dazzling light arose around him. The entire world turned brilliant. There was no telling how long it took, but Lin Yun felt that his feet were on solid ground again. The light around him was gone.

He slowly opened his eyes, and saw a forest that was full of tall trees. The gravity here was much greater than that of Noscent, but smaller than the periphery of the Kingdom of Nightmares.

Flying to the sky and examining the environment, Lin Yun put on an awful expression.

Several kilometers away, there was a tree that was more than 500 meters tall. Its crown covered a radius of several kilometers with a halo. Some human-shaped creatures were on the tree.

What frustrated Lin Yun was the house on the tree, which seemed to have naturally grown as part of the tree.

Elves...

They were not just ordinary elves. They had silver long hair and a gray but not dark skin, which was like a layer of frost. When they flew among the trees, there was even a brilliant streak of light behind each of them that was in the color of moonlight...

The Silver Moon Elves...

Lin Yun concealed himself, and flew to higher places. Observing the environment with Hawk Eye, he felt more and more terrible.

The dim sky gradually glowed, and the scorching sun rose in the east. As the sun rose, the mist in the forest was quickly gone, and the dark world was illuminated.

Lin Yun stared at the distance, where an enormous shadow could be vaguely seen. As the mist faded away quickly, a terrifying tree that was at least 10 kilometers tall showed itself. It could be seen from hundreds of kilometers away.

The crown of the tree was shrouded in dazzling brilliance, as if it were a pillar that stood between the sky and the earth. Lin Yun could feel its magic waves clearly even though he was so far away.

At this moment, Lin Yun finally realized that the abundant magic waves were not because of the exuberant magic power here, but because of the enormous tree.

"The Eternal Tree..."

Lin Yun covered his head, and moaned almost painfully.

The Eternal Tree was a symbol of the pure-blood elves and the Nesser Dynasty.

The Eternal Tree only existed in the Nesser Dynasty. After the Nesser Dynasty's fall, the elves never had the Eternal Tree again. The best mother tree that any elves could ever have was the life tree. There wasn't anything better.

Lin Yun wasn't very certain when he saw the Silver Moon Elves earlier. After all, the pure-blood elves disappeared from Noscent after the fall of the Nesser Dynasty. However, it was impossible that all the pure-blood elves went extinct.

In Noscent's age of colonization, small tribes of the Silver Moon Elves had been spotted in the boundless planes.

However, after seeing the Eternal Tree, Lin Yun didn't have any doubt that he was in the Nesser Dynasty...

This illusionary world was from the Nesser Dynasty!

After figuring that out, Lin Yun confirmed that this illusionary world belonged to the sixth person in this place.

Neither Agalon nor Alonzo was born yet back in the Nesser Dynasty. This couldn't be their dream. The three deans of the Starry Sky College were born even later than Agalon, so this was even less likely to be their dream.

So, this had to be the world of the unknown sixth person, who was apparently a creature from the Nesser Dynasty!

Thinking of that, Lin Yun's expression changed. This illusionary world might have appeared much earlier than he expected. It was possible that it had appeared even before the Kingdom of Nightmares arrived in the Plane of the Undead.

That was the only reason why the Leopard Tail Worms were unaware of the sixth person's entrance. When the King of Nightmares just perished, and everything was unstable before the Kingdom of Nightmares was melted into the Plane of the Undead, there could be exceptions who escaped the guardians' attention.

Thinking about that, Lin Yun put on an awful expression. Whoever had spent so much time in this place without having a nervous breakdown had to be extremely strong. He might even have survived the collapse of the illusionary world...

He was undoubtedly a terrifying creature beyond the Heaven Rank!

During such a long time, the illusionary world had to have collapsed many times, yet the guy remained here. It was impossible that he didn't know how to get out. He probably stayed here because he wanted to.

After considering for a moment, Lin Yun put on an awful expression.

It was truly challenging to survive in the Nesser Dynasty, especially when he wasn't aware of which phase of the Nesser Dynasty this was yet.

There weren't as many extraordinary creatures in the Nesser Dynasty as there were in the age of gods, but the number of experts was still plenty.

Level 7 of the Heaven Rank was only reasonably good in this era. It was not really the top...

After spotting the Eternal Tree, Lin Yun quietly descended, and flew in the opposite direction at a lower altitude. He was really too close to the Eternal Tree here. If the pure-blood elves found him, they would probably kill him without letting him say anything with their arrogance.

Hiding his body and all his waves, Lin Yun simply flew at an altitude with the power of the wind elements. He flew further and further away from the Eternal Tree more smoothly than he expected.

None of the pure-blood elves could've foreseen that someone would suddenly show up so close to the Eternal Tree. The defenses weren't as rigorous as he expected when he was so near the Eternal Tree.

However, the expert elves he met on the way were more than he expected. He saw more than 80 Heaven Rank Silver Moon Elves, and even a level-8 Heaven Rank Hymn Elf.

It seemed that the further he was from the Eternal Tree, the more elven experts there were...

After flying across more than 3,000 kilometers, Lin Yun suddenly stopped—he was spotted...

He heard a loud and pleasant song. In the sky, a lot of spirits were cheering and dancing in the sky. There seemed to be a curtain of light that was falling from the sky.

All the elements around seemed to be summoned. They danced in the song. When the light sprayed from the sky, Lin Yun came to an abrupt halt, and it was impossible for him to hide any longer.

The light covered a radius of dozens of meters. Everything that was hidden in the range would be exposed to the light.

Lin Yun took out the Draconic Staff and the Book of Death, knowing that it was pointless to hide.

That was the Hymn Elf's Song of Truth. Everything that was hidden could no longer be hidden. Hiding became pointless. No spells could be cast to hide anyone.. Everything would be exposed. All he had to do was fight...

Chapter 1429: Discovered

As the song of the Hymn Elf continued, three Silver Moon Elves who wore glamorous robes appeared in the sky. There was also a Hymn Elf floating and glowing in a white robe.

Three level-6 Heaven Rank Silver Moon Elves and a level-7 Heaven Rank Hymn Elf...

Lin Yun put on an awful expression. He didn't expect that he would be caught so easily after he left the center.

What were the pure-blood elves thinking? Shouldn't they have established the greatest defense near the Eternal Tree?

Why did the pure-blood elves, who never knew how to build city walls, set up such defenses at the edge of their territory? What was their problem?

A level-7 Heaven Rank Hymn Elf was undoubtedly on the second, if not the first, tier among the pure-blood elves. Yet, he was apparently asked to work as a guardian...

Lin Yun didn't think that they had spotted him earlier, but postponed attacking him. The pure-blood elves were so proud that they would've attacked the intruder immediately if they had found him. They would all just show up, worrying about nothing...

Damn, if there's an elven squad here, then there must be squads in other directions too. Those elves are all psychos. They're so strong, yet they're all working as guardians...

Lin Yun didn't think that he was just unlucky. Three Silver Moon Elves and one Hymn Elf was one of the standard lineups of pure-blood elves' squads. Also, such squads were better at defense than chasing. So, they were definitely guardians in this place.

Before Lin Yun said anything, the three Silver Moon Elves had already attacked. Three streams of moonlight that looked like gentle auroras sprayed from the sky. Holding the Draconic Staff, Lin Yun disappeared.

When the gentle moonlight approached Lin Yun and combined, there seemed to be an abstract painting made of moonlight in the sky. A lot of brilliant vortexes of moonlight appeared. Everything within a kilometer was condensed in the painting.

It was peaceful and artistic, but Lin Yun's heart was chilled. Inside the peaceful painting, there was the crown of a tree, which fell apart into countless pieces. It seemed to have been minced instantly. Furthermore, even most ashes were gone too.

The terrifying power annihilated everything in the abstract painting, but the process was soundless, and didn't seem destructive at all.

Lin Yun reappeared a kilometer away. He watched the abstract painting reverting to normal, and the twisted vortexes slowly disappearing. The moonlight was gone too. He had cold sweat on his forehead.

That was the most horrifying part about a team of three Silver Moon Elves. The spells that each of them cast weren't too powerful, but they could be combined into the most terrifying slaughter spells. When the moonlight interconnected, it would twist the space. It might seem gentle, but it moved as quickly as a running river...

It moved much faster than a vortex of water. Unsurprisingly, everything in it would be minced and annihilated...

The three Silver Moon Elves proudly waved their hands, and chanted a spell in the Nesser Language. The Hymn Elf was singing the hymn of elves. Then, all the four elves attacked at the same time. There seemed to be a silver moon in the sky. A lot of moonlight sprayed from the sky and eclipsed the sunlight, covering everything in the range.

Lin Yun's expression completely changed as the moonlight shone like a rainfall. He unfolded the Fusion Shield, and the chains on the Book of Death crumbled. The pages were turning automatically.

The Purple Dragon Embodiment flew out of the Draconic Staff, and floated behind Lin Yun as an intimidating shadow.

Spells were cast quickly one after another. The Four Element Bombs were all launched towards the storm of moonlight.

When the storm of moonlight crashed into the bombs, there was an area of vortexes of twisted light. Dense vortexes were blossoming like flowers, covering a radius of a dozen kilometers. Everything in the vortexes was minced into pieces.

All the Four Element Bombs exploded one after another, unleashing the purest and most violent blasts, which collided with the gentle moonlight. A terrifying chain reaction was produced...

In a radius of a dozen kilometers in the sky, colorful light that was full of destructive aura exploded, ruining the peace in the area...

After all the Four Element Bombs exploded, a destructive storm arose in the forest on the ground. The ancient trees that had lived countless years were torn to shreds. Even their roots were also pulled out and minced into pieces.

A couple of kilometers away, a furious exclamation burst out, and a man who was wearing a cloak soared from the ground. He then took out a black scale, which let out an intimidating dragon roar. The destructive blasts that almost approached him met insurmountable obstacles, and couldn't proceed any further.

All the four elves looked at the man at the same time. One of the Silver Moon Elves even shrieked loudly.

"Stupid slaves of the Chromatic Dragon, you're challenging the authority of pure-blood elves. You must pay the price with your blood, even if we must wage a war..."

The purple dragon illusion that surfaced behind Lin Yun, the obvious dragon aura on the Draconic Staff, and the black dragon scale that the other guy took out exasperated the elves.

At this moment, the three Silver Moon Elves simply abandoned Lin Yun, and attacked the stranger.

Seeing that, Lin Yun finally realized that it was true that he hadn't been discovered until this moment. Those pure-blood elves, on the other hand, weren't really trying to block him. They were actually defending against someone else, and he was just unlucky...

The battle had lasted half a minute. The intense battle waves had already spread out. In no more than a minute, the reinforcements of pure-blood elves would arrive. Considering the circumstances, it was possible that stronger elves might come. Then, there would be no chance to escape. It was impossible to hide, either—not while the Hymn Elf was here. He had to flee for now.

There were at least three pure-blood elves that were above the Heaven Rank near the Eternal Tree. Also, the legendary Great Elf King was said to be as strong as the Three-Headed Golden Dragon, which could kill him with one strike even when they were far away from each other.

But Lin Yun wasn't too worried. If the Great Elf King were to attack any intruder, then he would be too cheap. If he attacked someone in level 7 of the Heaven Rank, the Chromatic Dragons would laugh at him for 1,000 years...

Nevertheless, the level-9 Heaven Rank pure-blood elves might attack him. If he wasted too much time here, he would surely be killed...

Now that the opportunity had presented itself, Lin Yun certainly wouldn't let it go. He quickly chanted a spell, and invoked an electromagnetic track that was 100 meters long, launching a special cannonball that was most famous for its speed.

The cannonball was not aimed at the three Silver Moon Elves or the Hymn Elf who had been singing, but at a place 100 meters away from them. It seemed to have missed the target.

However, seeing the cannonball, all the four pure-blood elves who looked proud changed their expression. The Hymn Elf suddenly stopped singing.

The space in the empty area where the cannonball hit was twisted. Then, the four elves suddenly disappeared 100 meters away, and reappeared where the cannonball was about to hit.

The three Silver Moon Elves took action at the same time. They covered the Hymn Elf in silver light, and carried him hundreds of meters away. The cannonball missed the four elves, and passed through where they had just been standing with a terrifying blast.

After the terrifying blast, a wind started to blow because of the blast in a radius of several dozen meters. It was even sharper than blades, and could tear anything apart.

The four elves were shocked and infuriated. They didn't expect that Lin Yun could discover where they were standing, or suddenly launch the terrifying attack.

Neither the Silver Moon Elves nor the Hymn Elf were known for their physical sturdiness. They were naturally endowed with the ability to manipulate magic power, but they would surely be torn apart if they were hit by such a physical attack without unfolding their shields, even though they were in level 7 of the Heaven Rank.

Lin Yun sneered. Having read books for 10 years, he recollected all the information in his memories, a lot of which was about Silver Moon Elves. Earlier, he had just read the books casually, and he couldn't have remembered the information if he had been caught in such a situation. However, he had read the books again carefully, and thanks to his enormous soul power, relevant information would pop up whenever he saw anything. He didn't need to worry that he might forget anything.

The most typical tactic of a squad of three Silver Moon Elves and one Hymn Elf was to hide themselves first. It was impossible to infer where they were from the rays of light or their auras, and they could keep their real selves elsewhere with their special talent, so they didn't need any shield. Nobody could force such squads to appear except with a spell that had a massive coverage..

Chapter 1430: Hideout

Lin Yun knew the method to locate them. He calculated with the Magic Array, and easily figured out where the four pure-blood elves really were. However, the elves didn't know that he could do that. He only had one chance to attack and then escape.

Naturally, none of the four elves saw it coming. The moment they dodged, Lin Yun already moved at his highest speed, and flew away right after the cannonball.

The four elves gloomily and unhesitatingly chased him. When they were distracted, the stranger who was wearing a cloak agilely escaped in another direction.

Lin Yun fled in the opposite direction of the stranger. Because of the emergency a moment earlier, the four elves didn't dare to split up. They hadn't decided which one to chase when both targets vanished.

After flying dozens of kilometers, Lin Yun concealed all his aura and disappeared. He wouldn't be discovered unless he was so unlucky that he ran into another level-7 Heaven Rank Hymn Elf. The weaker Hymn Elves might know the Song of Truth too, but they couldn't possibly keep up with Lin Yun.

After running for 100 kilometers, Lin Yun detected terrifying waves behind him. The scorching sun appeared in the sky, and its dazzling light covered a radius of 100 kilometers in only a couple of seconds.

The moment he felt the sunlight, Lin Yun decisively landed in the forest down below. His skin was covered in water balls. There was also a bright blue rune on his forehead. He then summoned a dozen water elementals.

It was very simple for him to pretend to be a pure water elemental with the Water Elemental Spirit King Embodiment. Besides, there was a lake and a dozen water elementals nearby.

The water elementals that Lin Yun summoned were right at the shore. Lin Yun hid himself among them, and felt no different from other water elementals. Even the wild water elementals weren't hostile. They automatically gathered around Lin Yun on guard...

Exactly at this moment, the scorching sunlight scanned the area and disappeared. At that moment, Lin Yun keenly sensed that someone seemed to have casually glanced at him. He only detected the guy because the latter was too strong.

After the scorching sunlight passed, Lin Yun looked back at the territory of pure-blood elves, and wasn't quite reassured. He was only accidentally involved. Those pure-blood elves were looking for the other guy. After the latter escaped, a level-9 pure-blood elf initiated a search with his ultimate skill. So, Lin Yun had every reason to feel bad...

It was essentially a level-10 probing skill. Everything that was shrouded in the sunlight would be spotted. Also, it could disable all stealth abilities. The greater range it covered, the more exhausting it would be. It had surely covered a radius of at least 800 kilometers...

In such a short amount of time, even if Lin Yun were to take the risk of a space jump, he couldn't possibly jump across 1,000 kilometers. Besides, if he did that, those elves would catch up to him immediately. The waves of the space gate were as obvious to them as a lighthouse in the dark night...

Lin Yun had no idea what the stranger did to infuriate the pure-blood elves so badly that a level-9 Heaven Rank Flame Elf would search for him at such a great cost. That was quite remarkable...

Lin Yun was not in a hurry to go. He stayed by the lake, and sustained his embodiment. It was not until an hour later that he dropped the Water Elemental Spirit King Embodiment, and turned into a normal water elemental embodiment.

His water elemental embodiment had already been upgraded to the highest level. When he used it, and hid his aura purposely, he looked no different from any other water elementals.

He could keep the spell activated for a long time, and the cost would be negligible.

After waiting for one day, and feeling no more danger, Lin Yun finally looked back at the fat kid who had been terrified on his shoulder...

The fat kid seemed quite scared. He kept his eyes closed, not daring to watch what was going on. However, Lin Yun realized something unusual.

Starting from the last illusionary world, it seemed that everybody and all the creatures ignored the fat kid. They might have seen him, but they never did anything about him.

It was understandable in the apocalyptic world, where everybody was numbly waiting for their death. They probably wouldn't bother to look even if anyone was running naked in Heiss City, so Lin Yun didn't find it unusual.

However, come to think of it, the fat kid had the body of a gigantic green caterpillar that was full of protein. The guys in the apocalyptic world who were so hungry that they would eat sandworm meat shouldn't have overlooked him.

In this illusionary world of the Nesser Dynasty, the elves didn't seem to notice the fat kid, either, which was quite unusual...

Lin Yun speculated that it might be the Leopard Tail Worm's special ability. None of the illusionary beings in this world could see the fat kid. Or rather, they would ignore him even if they did. The creatures in this world weren't real anyway. They were essentially just projections of memories...

Leopard Tail Worms were parasites in the Kingdom of Nightmares, and had special abilities here. Lin Yun knew that a parasite should be naturally incapable of preventing itself from being rejected. So, it was normal that none of the creatures in illusionary worlds noticed him.

Lin Yun stayed for 10 days without moving. Three teams of pure-blood elves passed by. They even searched on a large scale once. However, Lin Yun didn't move at all.

10 days later, the pure-blood elves seemed to have given up. Finally, Lin Yun dived into the lake, and left the region through the underground canals of the lake.

Elves were famous for their pride, and the pure-blood elves were the proudest elves. This time, two people had escaped from within their perimeter, which was a heavy smack on their faces. The pure-blood elves would never give up until they caught the two runners. During the 10 days, two level-49 pure-blood elves had taken action...

They would never give up so easily. They might have seemed to give up, but they were too proud to really give up so easily...

Lin Yun's guess was correct. It was true that the pure-blood elves didn't give up. They even sent out experts and investigated the area. They sent out Tree Herders too, which meant that it was impossible to hide in the woods.

Through the underground canals among the lakes, Lin Yun examined the direction and moved forward. The canals didn't seem to have an exit at all. He had swum across more than 3,000 kilometers. He didn't see a channel to the surface. If anything, he was moving deeper and deeper underground.

Lin Yun was not anxious at all. As the water elemental embodiment, he was able to tell the flow of water clearly. After he turned back into the Water Elemental Spirit King Embodiment, he knew that if he moved another 1,000 kilometers forward, there would be a suitable place for him to return to the surface, where the pure-blood elves couldn't be as strong as those near the Eternal Tree, if there were even any.

At this moment, Lin Yun keenly detected an unusual wave in the distance, which couldn't have been caused by a creature that lived in the water. A few seconds later, Lin Yun saw bubbles popping up from another canal, and the stranger wearing a cloak was right there.

Seeing the stranger, Lin Yun put on an awful expression. He spouted two frost runes, which hit the bubbles and froze them. A cube of ice that was dozens of meters tall was condensed in the middle of the river, freezing him.

One second later, the ice exploded, and the stranger, holding a black dragon scale, spouted another bubble. He looked at Lin Yun in panic.

"Don't attack any longer, or you will attract the attention of the obnoxious elves..."

After hearing that, Lin Yun stopped casting the spell he was about to release. He looked at the guy coldly. The guy seemed young and handsome, and was obviously an elf. However, there was a tiny black dragon scale on his chin...

He was a half elf who carried the black dragon's bloodline...

Lin Yun had every reason to feel surprised. Even though the pure-blood elves and the Chromatic Dragons reigned over the Nesser Dynasty, they were not really allies. It was said that the Great Elf King even once fought the Chromatic Dragons' leaders, but there were no detailed records.

The pure-blood elves despised the black dragons the most, and the black dragons were undoubtedly the worst enemies of the pure-blood elves, who fought them almost 10 times.

In the age when the pure-blood elves reigned, ensuring the purity of bloodline was the most important thing, or they wouldn't be called pure-blood elves. The half elves were humble existences. They were either sentenced to death or treated as slaves...

Lin Yun was shocked to see the Heaven Rank half elf who was the offspring of a Destruction Black Dragon and a Flame Spirit. He had met the impossible. This couldn't have been recorded in history.

Although Lin Yun was angry that he was almost killed because of the stranger, the latter was still the best source of information to tell him everything about this place.

After figuring that out, Lin Yun put away his staff.

