

Magic System in a Parallel World

Chapter 141: Sparring With Camille(2)

Once Leo and Camille replenished their energy and mana, they prepared for their second round of spar.

'Even though I have learned so many new magic spells, I am not able to use them in this fight...' Leo sighed inwardly, feeling a little disappointed.

"Are you ready yet?" Camille suddenly asked him.

"Yes." He quickly nodded.

"Then the fight will begin the moment you cast your first spell. I won't do anything until you do." Camille said to him.

A serious expression appeared on Leo's face the next moment. Then, he cast Void Spear before quickly overcharging it.

Camille suddenly felt her body weakening again. Her eyes widened when she noticed how fast the mana from his Void Spear was growing.

'Not good!' She immediately began casting a defensive spell.

Whoosh!

Leo tossed the overcharged Void Spear at Camille the next second.

BOOM!

The entire building shook when the Void Spear exploded directly at where Camille was located.

When the smoke settled, Leo could see a spherical golden barrier surrounding Camille's body.

'That was close...!' Camille sighed in relief inwardly. However, when she took a closer look at her barrier, she could see subtle cracks spread throughout the whole thing.

'Unbelievable... To think his Tier 2 Void Spear can do so much damage to my Tier 5 Holy Shield...'

While Camille was surprised, Leo prepared to multicast Black Bullet.

Compared to Void Spear, Black Bullet had more penetration power.

"Heads up, Miss Camille!" Leo decided to warn her before unleashing over 50 Black Bullets at her direction, and due to his Double Cast passive skill, each individual Black Bullet had a chance to be duplicated, so he ended up releasing 66 Black Bullets.

Camille hastily cast another Holy Shield.

However, even though she'd managed to cast the spell on time, it was unable to deal with the dozens of Black Bullets that collided with the barrier.

Camille tried to dodge the projectiles after her barrier was riddled with holes, but to her shock, these Black Bullets followed her, almost as though they had turned into homing missiles.

Eventually, the Black Bullets reached her body.

Thanks to the magic in the room, the Black Bullets did not bore holes in her body, but they were still quite painful, as if she had been shot while wearing a bulletproof vest.

"What was that just now? His Black Bullets followed my movements? Since when did he have such terrifying control over his magic? And the amount of Black Bullets he had to control..."

Camille swallowed nervously as she looked at Leo, who had stopped casting magic the moment he managed to reach her with his magic.

Even she wouldn't be able to control 66 Black Bullets to chase after her opponent.

"Are you okay, Miss Camille?! Did I go overboard?!" Leo asked her as he approached her.

"I'm fine. Anyways, when did you learn how to control your magic like that? I don't remember teaching you that yet. You really caught me off guard there." She asked him.

"Uhh... It came naturally, I guess..."

Although he didn't mind telling Camille about the Magic System, he still thinks it would be for the best if he didn't reveal all of its functions to her— for both of their sakes.

"Not bad. I have to admit, even I wouldn't be able to control so many projectiles at once. And it's not just your control. Even your magic power is terrifying, especially considering

that you've only been in this world for 3 months. If you ask me, I don't think you need to learn any stronger magic spells. In fact, I'm afraid to teach you. If your Tier 1 and Tier 2 magic spells are already this powerful, I cannot imagine what you can do with Tier 3 and above magic spells..."

"I-Is that so..." Leo was a little taken aback by Camille's praises, as he was used to her undermining his achievements. This is the first time she's openly praising him to such an extent.

"Why are you looking at me like that? Don't worry, I will still teach you stronger magic spells." Camille said when she saw his face, misunderstanding the reason for it.

And she continued, "But since you'll be focusing on your fire magic affinity, I will let the Headmistress teach you fire magic for now."

"Okay." He nodded.

"Anyways, let's continue. You may have won that round, but now that I know what you're capable of, you won't be able to take me by surprise any more." Camille said a moment later with a serious look on her face.

Clearly, she did not expect to lose to Leo in such a manner, and as someone who hated losing, she will definitely want to get revenge.

"Sure..." Leo nodded with a stiff smile on his face.

The two of them would start their third round shortly after.

Over the next three hours, they fought each other 9 times, and in these 9 matches, Leo lost all of them, and brutally, at that.

"Hey, Leo, isn't it about time you tell me?" Camille suddenly said to him.

"Huh? Tell you what?" Leo looked genuinely puzzled by her question.

She frowned and said, "Are you secretly using an artifact or something to weaken me? Every time we start fighting, I can feel my body becoming weaker. However, whenever we stop fighting, my strength returns."

Leo quickly realized the situation and said, "O-Oh... That's due to the Magic System..."

"What?! I thought the Magic System could only affect you! If it can affect other people... I don't even want to think about the possibilities! As powerful as it is, it could also be very dangerous!"

"I don't think we have to worry about that. It only affects my 'enemy'." He said.

Camille pondered for a moment before speaking, "Either way, is there any way for you to turn it off? If you start training with the Headmistress, she will definitely realize it, or do you plan on telling her about the Magic System as well?"

"No, I don't... At least not yet." Leo quickly shook his head, and he continued, "Let me try to turn it off. I never tried."

He opened the Magic System and began pondering.

"Magic System, turn off passive skill Weakening Aura." He mumbled.

Ding!

<Passive Skill: Weakening Aura has been deactivated>

"Oh? I think it worked." Leo said to Camille afterward.

"Let's fight again to make sure," she said.

"Alright."

The two of them went for another round of sparring, and sure enough, Camille didn't feel her body getting weaker throughout the whole fight.

"Okay, it works. Make sure you turn it off whenever you train with the Headmistress."

"I know." He nodded.

Camille looked at the time a moment later and said, "It's getting late. Let's eat something and go to sleep."

"Where are we going to eat? Are you going to cook?" He asked her with an anticipating look.

"No. We're going to eat MREs." She immediately said.

"Huh?! I have to eat MREs even in the academy?!" He truly didn't expect this.

"Oh! I still have some high-quality MREs that I purchased for the Wilderness Training Course!" He quickly remembered this fact.

Camille shook her head and said, "The Headmistress also prepared high-quality MREs for us, anyway."

"Oh..." Leo was relieved to hear this. If it's high-quality MREs, he wouldn't mind eating them even in the academy since he was fond of their quality and taste.

Chapter 142: Mana Blast

After leaving the training room, Leo and Camille went back to their living quarters to clean themselves before eating MREs.

After dinner, they went to their own rooms to rest.

While she laid on her bed, Camille recalled her training with Leo today.

'That Leo... He's growing too fast. This would normally be a good thing, but in his case, because of the recent events, his talent would only make him a bigger target...' She sighed inwardly, eventually falling asleep.

Meanwhile, Leo went straight to sleep.

The following morning, after breakfast, they met up in the training room.

"Instead of just sparring with each other today, I want to teach you some basics when it comes to magic."

"Basics?" Leo raised an eyebrow.

"Yes, these are things that all magic users should be able to do, regardless of their magic affinity. For example..."

Camille suddenly swatted her hand at Leo's direction.

Whoosh!

Leo was suddenly sent flying when something smashed into him.

"W-What was that just now?!" Leo exclaimed afterward.

"It was just a simple mana blast. I forcefully released my mana. It's like getting hit with a strong gust, but since mana is denser, it will hurt a lot more. You can use this trick to block incoming magic spells and even protect your body. Of course, since this is pure mana, it won't be as strong as using a defensive magic spell. However, it's great for emergencies when you don't have the time to cast spells." Camille explained.

"Go ahead and try it. Gather your mana just like when you cast a spell but without actually casting any spell, and whenever you're ready, release it."

Leo nodded and raised his arm in front of him with his palm facing Camille.

After spending a moment gathering his mana in his palms, he released it.

A muffled explosion resounded as a massive amount of pure mana blew towards Camille's direction, who was prepared for it.

"Not bad, but that was a waste of mana. Since mana blast isn't lethal unless you use a tremendous amount of mana, you are better off saving your mana for actual magic spells to deal with your enemies. As I'd said, this technique is mainly used to keep your enemies away, so it's not wise to spend too much mana on it. There's another reason why..."

"Try hitting me again with it." Camille suddenly said.

"Okay."

Leo released another mana blast at her, but it was half as powerful this time.

"Eh?" Leo was surprised to see Camille standing there without moving even though she didn't have a barrier around her.

"I am currently protecting my body by exuding the mana inside my body and forming an invisible barrier around my body. As long as I have this mana barrier, your mana blast will be significantly less effective on me. "

"However, this mana barrier is quite fragile since it's made out of pure mana, and it's only effective against pure mana attacks. If you hit me with a casual Void Spear, the mana barrier would shatter easily."

"With that being said, mana barrier can still reduce some damage done to your body and could even save your life, so you should prioritize it during emergencies instead of trying to rush a defensive magic spell."

"I understand." Leo nodded.

"Then for the rest of the day, we're going to train your mana blast and mana barrier."

"For your first training, I am going to throw magic at you and you will have to block or deflect them using mana blast. Keep in mind, if your mana blast is too weak, my magic will pierce right through it and hit you."

"Okay."

Once they were ready, Leo and Camille stood about 20 meters apart from each other.

Camille started by throwing a casual golden spear at him.

When the spear was on the verge of hitting him, Leo released mana blast right in front of the spear

The golden spear was immediately destroyed.

"You're using too much mana, Leo! Read my magic and adjust your mana blast accordingly!"

"Yes!"

Camille threw another golden spear at him a moment later.

However, Leo's mana blast was too weak this time, and his body was struck by it.

"This is also to train your senses! Learn to read your opponents mana and magic spells! You may be stronger than a lot of students in this academy in terms of magic power, but you still lack experience in other aspects!"

Thus, for the rest of the day, Leo would practice reading Camille's mana and his mana blast.

Three days later, Leo started training his mana barrier when Camille was satisfied with the results of his mana blast training, as he was able to perfectly read her mana and deflect all of her magic spells without wasting too much mana."

"For this part of the training, you are only allowed to stand there and use mana barrier. You are also not allowed to keep your mana barrier active for more than half a second, which will be lowered as you get better at it. While you can keep your mana barrier active at all times during a fight, that would be a waste of mana, so we're going to train your reaction and timing with mana barrier. And to make it more difficult, I will be moving around the room so the attacks will come from all directions."

"Yes!"

Thus, they continued their training for the rest of the week.

Time passed in the blink of an eye.

It's been nine days since Leo consumed the fake Fruit of Magic Awakening and shocked the world, and for the first time since then, Headmistress Eve was finally able to step out of her office after speaking with countless people through the phone and through meetings.

Of course, there were still people trying to contact her, but it was not as frequent, and she has already spoken to all of the required people.

"Now that all of that is out of the way, I can finally start training Leo. We have a little under a month left until the tournament... This should be enough time to turn Leo into a powerhouse." A smile appeared on her face as she returned to her living quarters for the first time in 9 days.

Chapter 143: Training With Eve

When Eve returned to her living quarters, it was just right after lunchtime.

"I was wondering if you'll ever return." Leo said when he saw her entering the training room.

"I was wondering the same thing. I haven't had a wink of sleep for 9 days now. Hell, I didn't even get to step outside my office once during these days. It's been a while since I've been worked to the bones in such a manner." Eve said with a smile on her face.

"Why don't you go rest? Our training can wait until you've recovered your energy." Leo said to her.

"I appreciate your consideration, but you're underestimating me, Leo. I have gone weeks without sleep before, so this much is nothing to me, and we only have a little under a month left before the tournament."

"Is that so..."

"Anyways, now that I am here, we're going to start training, and we're going to focus on your fire magic first."

Eve turned to look at Camille and said to her, "I will take over from here. Thank you, Camille. If I need you, I will call you."

She nodded, "Then I will leave Leo in your care."

She turned to look at Leo and showed him a mysterious smile, "Good luck, and try your best to survive."

"Eh?" Leo's eyes widened with surprise after hearing her words.

But before he could say anything, Camille left the training room, leaving Leo alone with Eve, who had a sadistic smile on her face.

"Before we begin our training, I want to see how strong you are with magic, and it's been a month since we last sparred, so I have high expectations." Eve said to him a moment later.

"Any rules?" He asked.

"Nope. We will begin the moment you cast your first spell." She said.

"Then I won't hold back!"

Leo immediately cast Void Spear and threw it at her in less than a second.

Eve's eyes widened with surprise when she saw how quickly Leo had cast the spell and how much mana it contained. Furthermore, he'd managed to silently cast it, something that requires months of practice.

Right when the Void Spear was about to hit her, Eve suddenly flicked her arm.

Pow!

A muffled explosion resounded as she used Mana Blast to deflect the Void Spear.

Her movement was so fluid and swift that it surprised Leo.

"Not bad, Leo! Not bad at all!" A wide grin appeared on Eve's face as a flame whip materialized in her grasp.

"A whip?! What happened to your sword?!" Leo exclaimed when he saw her choice of weapon, which gave him a sense of dread.

"What's wrong with a whip? I actually prefer the whip over the sword. It's much more flexible and has a longer range, not to mention the sensation of hitting someone is more impactful than a sword." Eve said as she cracked her whip, creating a small sea of fire right beside her.

'This sadist...' Leo swallowed nervously.

"Here I come, Leo!" Eve warned him before she started making her move.

Leo didn't hesitate to draw some distance between them with Void Step.

However, Eve would somehow always manage to chase after him and get closer, almost as though she could predict where he was going to Void Step.

Seeing this, Leo began casting magic spells while using Void Step.

He started with just a few Black Bullets to trick Eve into thinking that was all he was capable of.

A few Black Bullets later, Leo multicasts over 50 Black Bullets.

"What?!" Eve was definitely taken by surprise by the amount of Black Bullet he'd managed to multicast. However, what surprised her the most was how these Black Bullets changed direction when she dodged them.

BOOM!

All of the Black Bullets managed to strike Eve.

However, once the dust settled, Leo realized that Even was unharmed, and she was even engulfed in a fiery aura, looking as though her body was on fire.

"Not bad... You almost got me there just now." The smile on Eve's face grew wider as she started understanding Leo's true potential.

Leo felt a shiver travel down his back when he saw her smile, and he immediately started chucking Void Spears at her.

Several Void Spears later, Leo had managed to take Eve by surprise once again when his Double Cast passive skill activated, sending two Void Spears at Eve instead of one.

'What?!'

Eve blocked the first Void Spear with Mana Blast and tried to dodge the second one. However, just like the Black Bullets, the Void Spear followed her.

BOOM!

The room shook slightly when the Void Spear reached Eve and exploded.

"Leo... How did you do that just now?" Eve asked him a moment later when she emerged from the smoke.

"Do what?" Leo asked with a genuinely puzzled face.

"You threw one Void Spear, but two came out. How did you achieve that? Although Void Spear is a projectile like Black Bullet, Void Spear requires you to throw it so you cannot multicast it like you do with Black Bullet, yet you've somehow managed to do it."

'Oh shit...!' Leo immediately realized his mistake.

"Sorry, but I don't know. It just happened." He tried acting ignorant.

Eve narrowed her eyes at him, but she didn't continue to question him.

"Let's continue!" Eve said the next moment.

The two of them would spend the next two hours sparring with each other. Of course, Eve was just testing Leo's limit and capabilities, so she didn't even try to defeat him, or else he would've lost multiple times already.

Once Eve had a good grasp of Leo's prowess, she quickly ended the fight by overpowering Leo with her magic spells.

"You've exceeded my expectations, Leo. I would've never guessed that you were just an ordinary person a few months ago if you didn't tell me. Both your magic power and casting speed is quite ridiculous. In fact, I dare say that you have the fastest casting speed amongst the students in this entire academy. As for your magic power, you're probably top 3." Eve said to Leo, who was lying on the floor with a terrified look on his face, as he'd just experienced a terrifying magic spell that left him utterly defeated.

Chapter 144: Fire Magic Spells

"Now that I know your capabilities, I also know how to train you. However, for the next week, I want you to try your best to learn these magic spells." Eve retrieved a spatial ring and placed it on the floor beside him.

"There are four four magic spells inside the ring from Tier 1 to Tier 4. I would've taught you even stronger magic spells, but that would require too much time for you to learn, so we'll have to wait until after the tournament."

Eve was unaware of Leo's most frightening talent— his ability to memorize magic circles.

"Tier four? I can learn all of these magic spells in a few hours." Leo said.

"What?" Eve couldn't believe her ears and said, "I know you're talented, but let's not pat ourselves in the back too much. There's no way you can learn a Tier 4 magic spell in just a few hours."

A smile appeared on Leo's face as he spoke, "Then if I manage to learn it, can you teach me the magic spell that you'd just used to defeat me?"

Eve narrowed her eyes and thought to herself, 'Can he really learn a Tier 4 magic spell so quickly...?'

"Three hours. If you can do it in less than three hours, I will teach you the magic spell." Eve gave him a response a moment later.

"Great. Then I will begin now."

Leo retrieved all four items from the spatial ring and went straight for the Tier 4 magic spell.

The magic circles were imprinted on a scroll, which felt quite old-fashioned, but Leo liked it because it felt more fantasy than learning magic spells through the internet.

Once he found the scroll with a magic circle with 4 rings, he began staring at it, his gaze so intense that it might bore a hole in the scroll.

"I'm going to take a bath." Eve wasn't going to sit around and wait for him, so she left the training room and went to take a long and hot bath.

An hour and half later.

<You have learned the Magic Spell: Flame Wall>

[Flame Wall]

[Affinity: Fire]

[Tier: 4]

[Mana: 2,000]

[Mastery Rank: F]

[Description: Creates a wall of fire that burns anything that dares to trespass]

Perhaps it was due to having more experience, but he'd managed to learn the magic spell much quicker than before.

After learning the spell, Leo decided to try it out.

Whoosh!

A massive wall of flames that could reach the ceiling and split the room in half appeared before him.

"This spell is pretty awesome." Leo said out loud.

"It is meant to limit the enemies' movement and block their path." Lilith said.

Leo began fiddling with the magic spell even more, trying to create all sorts of shapes with it.

Eve returned to the training room exactly three hours later.

"It's been three hours, Leo. Have you memorized the magic circle yet?" Eve entered the room with a cup of coffee in her grasp.

In response to her question, Leo pointed his palms at her.

The following moment, a wall of flames in the shape of a circle surrounded her.

"..."

Eve nearly dropped her cup of coffee after seeing it.

"What do you think?" Leo asked her with a cheeky smile on his face.

"You actually managed to learn it in 3 hours...?" She muttered in a dazed voice.

"An hour and half." Leo corrected her.

A nervous smile appeared on Eve's face when she realized the truth.

"I see... I will be back." And without saying another word, she turned around and disappeared from the training room.

"Where is she going?" Leo mumbled to himself.

"She's probably going to find more magic spells for you to learn now that she's aware of your abnormal learning speed.

"Is that so?"

Eve returned to the room an hour later.

"Here." She handed him three scrolls.

Leo looked at each of them.

"Tier 5, Tier 6, and a Tier 7 magic spell?" Leo mumbled in a dazed voice.

"Yes, and the spell I used to defeat you is the Tier 7 magic spell. I was going to teach you the Tier 7 magic spell next year, but I have decided to move up our training schedule."

"Oh, even though you have these powerful magic spells, you should still learn and train the weaker ones."

"I know." Leo nodded.

"Then I will leave you alone for now. Call me when you've finished learning all of these magic spells. I have to change your training schedule, after all."

"Okay."

Once Eve left the training room again, Leo began memorizing the magic spells she left behind.

<You have learned the Magic Spell: Flame Barrier>

[Flame Barrier]

[Affinity: Fire]

[Tier: 1]

[Mana: 25]

<You have learned the Magic Spell: Flame Blast>

[Flame Blast]

[Affinity: Fire]

[Tier: 2]

[Mana: 150]

<You have learned the Magic Spell: Flame Dash>

[Flame Dash]

[Affinity: Fire]

[Tier: 3]

[Mana: 500]

<You have learned the Magic Spell: Flame Tempest>

[Flame Tempest]

[Affinity: Fire/Wind]

[Tier: 5]

[Mana: 4,500]

<You have learned the Magic Spell: Meteor>

[Meteor]

[Affinity: Fire/Earth]

[Tier: 6]

[Mana: 20,000]

<You have learned the Magic Spell: Dragon's Breath>

[Dragon's Breath]

[Affinity: Fire]

[Tier: 7]

[Mana: 90,000]

It took him almost five days, but Leo now has a whole new set of fire magic spells.

Leo went to get Eve after learning the Tier 7 magic spell.

"You're finished already?" Eve didn't think he would find her so early.

"Yes."

"Even the Tier 7 magic?"

"Yes."

"Seriously?" She couldn't believe it.

"Yes."

"..."

'This little monster! It took me months to learn just the Tier 7 spell, and he did it in a few days?!' Eve felt like pulling her hair out of frustration, but she resisted such urges.

Sometime later, Eve brought Leo to the training room so that she could confirm that he had really managed to learn these magic spells.

Once they were in the training room, Leo began showing off his new magic spells.

Chapter 145: Fire Eating Ring

Inside the training room, Leo started his magic showcase with his Tier 1 spell, Flame Barrier.

Just like Dark Barrier, Flame Barrier was a defensive magic spell, and it created a ball of flames around him, but unlike Dark Barrier, it doesn't require more shadows to strengthen it. Furthermore, it also has an offensive property to it, where it burns enemies that touch it.

For his Tier 2 magic spell, Flame Blast, it functions just like Mana Blast, but instead of pure mana, it creates a burst of flames in front of him. Of course, it is much more powerful and destructive than Mana Blast while requiring less mana.

His Tier 3 magic spell, Flame Dash, is a movement spell, but unlike Void Step, he doesn't teleport. Instead, he moves in a straight line at extreme speed.

Flame Tempest, a Tier 5 magic spell, creates a fiery tornado that sucks in nearby enemies.

For his Tier 6 magic spell, Meteor, Leo can summon a literal meteor engulfed in flames to fall from the sky, causing massive destruction.

The spell was so powerful that it violently shook the entire training room, startling Leo for a moment, as he thought it was going to collapse on them.

"Not bad. Not bad at all!" Eve laughed out loud after witnessing Leo's Meteor spell.

"Alright! For your last spell— Dragon's Breath, I want you to use it on me!"

"What?!" Leo exclaimed. "Isn't that very dangerous?"

"Are you underestimating me? You won't be able to hurt me." Eve said with a grin on her face.

"Oh? What if I can?"

"Let's bet on it." Eve suddenly said.

"If you can hurt me with Dragon's Breath, I will give you an S-Grade artifact. However, if you lose... You will owe me a favor."

'She's willing to bet an S-Grade artifact but only wants a favor in return? This sounds suspicious as hell!'

"You won't be able to hurt her." Lilith suddenly chuckled. "There's a reason she's willing to bet an S-Grade artifact."

"We won't know until I try."

Leo nodded a moment later, "Alright! I'll accept your challenge!"

Sometime later, Leo and Eve stood about 20 meters away from each other.

"Whenever you're ready." Eve said to him.

Leo took a deep breath and proceeded to cast Dragon's Breath. However, he didn't immediately release it and silently overcharged it.

An invisible aura appeared around Leo while he overcharged the spell, causing the space around him to distort, and if one were close to him, they would feel an intense heat coming from his body.

Then, a large dragon head made out of flames materialized behind Leo.

'This little monster... Does he plan on blowing up this whole place...?' A small grin appeared on Eve's face.

Once he overcharged the spell until he almost ran out of mana, Leo released it.

The dragon head behind Leo opened its mouth, spewing out a sea of flames that quickly consumed Eve's figure as well as half of the room.

The Dragon's Breath lasted for several seconds before the dragon head closed its mouth and disappeared.

However, the flames did not disappear and continued to burn the training room.

Leo swallowed nervously when he saw the fiery scene, and he wondered if he had gone overboard.

Suddenly, he felt a gentle breeze blowing inside the room.

'Where's this wind coming from?' Leo wondered to himself.

This gentle breeze grew stronger, and within seconds, it became a strong gust of wind. Furthermore, this wind seemed to be gathering at Eve's location.

Eventually, a small tornado was formed inside the room, which absorbed the flames in the room.

Once the tornado consumed enough flames, Leo was able to see Eve and the real situation.

"What the hell...?" A shocked look appeared on Leo's face when he saw what Eve was doing.

The flames in the room were being sucked by Eve— or more specifically, by the ring on her finger, almost as though it was a vacuum.

Within seconds, the ring finished absorbing all of the flames in the room.

"What just happened?" Leo asked her afterward.

"Fire Eating Ring. It's an S-Grade artifact that can absorb all kinds of flames and release it as an attack with enhanced power, which I won't be doing since it's quite dangerous." Eve said.

"Isn't it cheating to use an artifact?" Leo then said.

Eve chuckled, "Even without the Fire Eating Ring, your flame wouldn't be able to hurt me. After all, I am immune to fire attacks."

"Immune to fire? How did you achieve that?" Leo was intrigued.

"I consumed a treasure that granted me immunity to fire. It was a dragon's heart— one that belonged to a fire dragon," she said.

"You ate a dragon's heart...?" Leo swallowed nervously.

"A dragon's heart isn't what you're thinking. It's not a literal heart but a crystal made out of mana. When mana is too dense and powerful, they can condense into a crystal." Lilith explained to him.

"Anyways, I win this bet. You owe me a favor now, Leo." Eve said to him a moment later.

"And what do you want me to do?"

"I will let you know when the time comes." She smiled.

"As long as it's not anything crazy..."

Sometime later, Eve said to Leo, "We're going to spar now. However, you're only allowed to use fire magic. This also means you're not allowed to use your sword— just magic."

"Okay."

Eve handed Leo a high-grade mana potion before they began so that they could fight longer.

While training with Eve, Leo deactivated several passive skills such as Double Cast so that he wouldn't raise any suspicions.

And over the next several days, Leo would train day and night with Eve, getting beat up by her more than once a day.

In the blink of an eye, an entire week has passed since Leo started training with Eve.

"Camille, there's a visitor requesting for you." A teacher went to see her in the infirmary.

"Who is it?" She asked.

"He said his name was Khrome."

'Khrome? Why is he here?' Camille wondered inwardly as she followed the teacher to meet with Khrome.

Chapter 146: Khrome's Visit

"Hey, Saintess! How ya doing!" Khrome greeted Camille with a bright smile on his face the moment she entered the waiting room.

Camille rubbed her eyes and sighed, "What are you doing here, Khrome?"

"I'm here to see the pipsqueak." He went straight to the point. "I just returned to the city, and when I asked the Adventurers' Guild about him, I heard that he's been promoted to a C-Rank Adventurer. However, I also heard that he hasn't been active for over a month now, so I decided to check up on him."

"How considerate of you. Unfortunately, I don't know where he is right now." Camille quickly said.

"C'mon, Saintess! I know you know where he is! You're his sponsor, after all!"

"And he's being hunted, so he went into temporary hiding." Camille shook her head.

"What?" Khrome immediately frowned upon hearing this news. "He's hunted? By whom? And why?"

"I don't know why but someone had put a hit on him even before he'd finished his first mission, and it's a secret bounty, so we don't know the identity of this individual."

"Unforgivable! Who dares to try and assassinate this Sword King's disciple?!" Khrome gritted his teeth, showing real frustration and anger on his face.

Camille raised her eyebrow and said, "Disciple? Nobody even knows you trained him, and when did he become your disciple?"

"He's the first to fully complete my training course, so I have decided to make him my disciple!"

"He's only your disciple if he agrees to be your disciple, and as far as I am aware, he hasn't done so yet."

As though he'd realized something, a grin appeared on Khrome's face, "Oho? Is this jealousy that I sense? Are you afraid that I might take him from you?"

Camille immediately stared daggers at him, and she spoke in a cold voice, "I see that besides seeing Leon, you also came here for an early death."

"I-I'm just joking, Saintess." Khrome quickly raised his arms in a defeated manner.

And he continued, "Anyways, I just want to see Leon's progress and if he's been keeping up with his training or if he's been slacking."

"..."

Camille pondered for a moment before speaking, "Give me a minute. I'm going to make a phone call."

After leaving the room, Camille pulled out her phone and called Eve.

"Huh? Leo's first teacher is here to see him?" Eve repeated what she heard through the phone out loud while she glanced at Leo, who was lying on the floor beside her and gasping for air, looking like he had ran around the world twice.

"What? Khrome is here?"

When Leo heard this news, he quickly sat up and looked at Eve, who said, "Looks like he wants to see your— Leon's progress. What are you going to do?"

A grin appeared on Leo's face as he said in a clear voice, "I have been waiting for this moment— waiting for the chance to repay the debt!"

Khrome's hellish training was still fresh inside his head, almost as though it'd happened just yesterday, and he's been wanting revenge for a while now.

"You heard him, Camille. We'll meet you guys in the Training Center in half an hour." Eve said.

"Okay."

When she returned to Khrome, Camille said to him, "Follow me. You'll get to fight him in half an hour."

"Half an hour? I guess he lives pretty close from here— or is he a student here?" Khrome asked out of curiosity.

"He's not a student here, and he lives outside." Camille calmly lied with a straight face.

Meanwhile, Leo changed out of his school uniform and wore a casual tracksuit and changed his appearance before making his way to the Training Center.

"I won't go with you since that could expose your identity." Eve said to him before he left.

Once he arrived at the Training Center, Leo could see Camille and Khrome standing outside waiting for him.

When Khrome saw Leo, he quickly smiled and started waving.

"Hey, pipsqu—"

However, Khrome's carefree expression suddenly froze, as did the confident grin on his face.

'This pipsqueak... What the fuck happened to him?'

Khrome almost couldn't believe his eyes. Even without fighting, his experience told him that Leo had become a formidable opponent, not to mention the aura around Leo was much sharper than even many of his A-Rank Adventurer friends.

However, it's only been two months since their last meeting. Even someone with monstrous talents wouldn't be able to grow this fast without some desperate training routine.

'In just two short months, that pipsqueak had somehow turned into a freaking tiger!' Khrome cried inwardly.

"It's been a while, Khrome. What's wrong with your face? You don't seem happy to see me even though you were the one who called me out here." Leo said to him.

"O-Oh... It's been a while, pipsqueak." Khrome snapped out of his daze and returned the greeting, but the nervousness remained on his face.

Camille couldn't help but sneak a smile when she saw Khrome's reaction.

'Though, I'm not surprised. It's only been a week since he started training with Eve and he's almost unrecognizable even for me.'

Sometime later, they entered one of the many training rooms inside the building.

"I was worried that you might be slacking so I came to check up on you, but it appears that wasn't necessary. I looked down on you, and for that I apologize for that." Khrome suddenly said to him, even bowing his head slightly.

Leo smiled and said, "You don't need to apologize, because I will repay the debt by beating you."

Khrome's eyebrow twitched after hearing his words.

"Oh? You think you can beat me because you grew a little stronger, Mister C-Rank Adventurer? Your confidence— I like it!" Khrome lifted his head to show Leo a fierce expression on his face.

"I may only be a C-Rank Adventurer, but I have killed plenty of A-Rank monsters by myself." Leo said.

"What?" Khrome's eyes widened with shock, his face filled with disbelief.

Chapter 147: Khrome's Visit(2)

'He can already kill A-Rank monsters by himself? Is he bluffing or... No, the Saintess is here. He wouldn't lie so blatantly before her, and she would definitely call him out if he was lying.' Khrome swallowed nervously.

Since Camille wasn't saying anything, that meant Leo was telling the truth when he claimed to have killed A-Rank monsters by himself.

'This guy can already hunt A-Rank monsters at his age... Just what kind of background does he have? Only powerhouses like the Scarlet Family and the Light Family would have such talents...'

Sometime later, Khrome tossed a steel sword that weighed around 90kg to Leo.

"Can you handle it?" He asked.

Leo casually swung the sword around and nodded, "No problem."

"In order to make this as fair as possible, we're going to use the same weapon. Any complaints?"

"None."

"Great. Then as your senior, I will let you make the first movement— No, I will only defend for the first three minutes." Khrome said with an arrogant-looking smile on his face.

"You better not make any excuses when you lose." Leo said.

"Don't worry, that won't happen."

"Then here I come!" Leo confronted Khrome the next second, taking a step forward while swinging his sword at the same time.

Clang!

Khrome perfectly blocked his strike.

'Heavy!' The smile on Khrome's face widened when he felt Leo's strength for the first time in two months since their last spar.

"Looks like I can finally have some fun, pipsqueak!" Khrome laughed out loud as he proceeded to block many more of Leo's strikes.

However, the smile on his face would slowly become a nervous one, eventually disappearing completely.

'This pipsqueak... Not only is he executing the combos perfectly but he's even improved on some of them!' Khrome didn't recognize some of Leo's combos but they felt similar to the ones he knew.

Over the next three minutes, Khrome would not only block all of Leo's strikes, he would assess it and try to learn from it. His experience may be more than Leo, but he had to admit that Leo had better technique and movement than him.

Once the three minutes was up, Khrome stopped being on the defensive and went on the offensive, which isn't necessarily a bad thing since he had more room for mistakes.

Because Khrome was focused on defense, Leo had a hard time breaking it. However, now that he's also attacking, Leo could find a chance to counter.

"C'mon, Leon! Is this all you got?! Your words had more power to it than your actual strikes!" Khrome suddenly began provoking him.

A slight grin suddenly appeared on Leo's face.

Khrome instinctively shuddered when he saw Leo's grin, but before he could react to it, Leo's speed exploded out of nowhere, taking him by surprise.

"What?!"

Leo's sword struck Khrome's body several times in the blink of an eye, sending him flying afterward.

Khrome collapsed on his back a couple of meters away, and for some reason, he didn't get back up. Instead, he remained lying on the floor while staring at the ceiling with a blank gaze.

"Are you okay?" Leo walked up to him and asked.

"Not bad, pipsqueak. You purposefully weakened yourself during the first three minutes to mislead me into thinking that was all you're capable of. You really had me fooled." Khrome said with a smile on his face as he sat up.

Ding!

[+10 Magic Points]

After defeating Khrome, who was an A-Rank Adventurer, Leo finished his quest that required him to defeat an F-Rank Adventurer.

Of course, he immediately purchased the quest again.

"I only defeated you because of the surprise. Now that you know what I am capable of, I doubt I will defeat you again." Leo smiled.

"You're damn right you won't defeat me a second time!" Khrome laughed out loud, not minding his defeat at all. In fact, he was incredibly happy that Leo had managed to defeat him.

Once Khrome got back to his feet, he said, "Alright, let's do it again."

"Sure." Leo didn't mind fighting Khrome again even though he knew that he would lose.

They started their 2nd round shortly after, and just as he'd expected, Khrome swept the floor with him.

After the fight ended, Khrome said, "So I heard about your situation from the Saintess. You're in hiding right now because you're being hunted by some unknown person, right?"

"That's right." He nodded.

"I don't know if there's anything I can do to help your situation, but I will try asking around." Khrome said.

"No, I appreciate your consideration, but I don't want you to get mixed up in my problem." Leo shook his head.

"So what are your plans? Don't tell me you're going to stay in hiding and hope this person forgets about you?" Khrome then asked.

"I don't know yet, but I will figure something out."

"Alright. I will be staying in this city for a few weeks because of an upcoming mission. If you need me, you know where to find me—the Adventurers' Guild."

"What kind of mission?" Leo asked out of curiosity.

"We're going to be raiding an A-Rank monster nest," he said.

"Monster nest?" Leo's eyes flickered with excitement.

In his eyes, a monster nest had a lot of monsters, and that means a lot of Magic Points.

Khrome looked at him weirdly. "Don't tell me you want to participate in this raid?"

"Can I?"

"You'll need to be at least a B-Rank Adventurer to officially participate." Khrome said.

"And when is this raid going to occur?"

"In a month and half."

'A month and half... The tournament starts in three weeks, meaning I will have around three weeks to be promoted to a B-Rank Adventurer... It might be doable.' Leo pondered to himself.

"If you can reach B-Rank before then and also defeat me again, I will recommend you to join my raid team." Khrome said, almost as though he knew what Leo was thinking.

"Okay." Leo nodded.

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"Alright, I'll stop bothering you now that I am satisfied with your training results. I was hoping that you'd be strong enough to fight me properly in a year or two, but you've managed to do so in just two months. I cannot wait to see what else you can achieve in the next few months, Leon." Khrome said to him.

"Also, thanks for letting me see the pipsqueak despite the situation, Saintess." Khrome thanked her next before leaving the academy.

Once Khrome left, Leo asked, "Hey, Miss Camille... Do you think there's a chance that Khrome would..."

Camille turned to look at him with a calm expression and spoke, "Is there a chance that he'd try to assassinate you? Of course, there's a chance. Nothing is impossible. However, I highly doubt it. First of all, he's not smart enough to do something like that. I'm not calling him stupid, but he's the straightforward type, and he genuinely hates snooping around, especially if you consider his background."

"His background?" Leo raised an eyebrow.

"His family was murdered in the middle of the night during a robbery. The robbers silently entered his home, killed his parents, looted the house, and disappeared into the night."

"How did he survive?" Leo couldn't help but ask.

If they killed his parents, it wouldn't make sense to leave any witnesses.

"He escaped death by not being at home. He was training in a nearby park, and he was only 9 years old then." Camille said.

"Nine years old and he's already training in the middle of the night?" Leo was speechless.

"Which is harder? Training with Khrome or with the Headmistress?" Camille suddenly asked.

"Definitely the Headmistress. She's more ruthless than Khrome."

Sometime later, Leo returned to Eve and resumed his training.

Meanwhile, several miles away from the Four Witches Academy, a beautiful young girl with a doll-like face calmly stared at her butler.

"According to my investigation, Leon's background is unknown. He appeared out of the blue about a month before coming here with the Saintess acting as his sponsor. I have tried everything, but that is all I can find even with our resources. Furthermore, it appears that Leon hasn't been seen for over a month now after visiting us, almost as though he'd disappeared from this world. This is probably due to an assassination attempt on him during his first mission." The butler of the Scarlet Family read the reports to his Young Lady, Lia Scarlet.

"Assassination? Who is responsible for this?" Lia asked with a cold expression on her face.

"This person didn't leave any clue behind so we have no idea. The Saintess also made a big deal out of it at the Adventurers' Bureau when she found out, causing quite the commotion there."

Sometime later, Lia said to Edwin, "Leave all of the reports here before you leave."

"Yes, Young Lady. Excuse me." Edwin neatly placed all of the information he'd researched on Leon on the table before leaving her room, which was no longer surrounded by metal.

Once she was alone, Lia picked up a picture of Leon's face and silently stared at it.

'Almost as though he'd disappeared from this world, huh? This could only mean one of three things. He's either in hiding because of the assassination, he's dead, or... Leon is a disguise and not his real identity...'

Of course, there was the possibility that Leon disguised himself as someone else to avoid the assassins.

'There's only one way to confirm this... Saintess, also known as Camille Light...'

Lia called Edwin back to her room shortly after.

"Contact the Light Family. I wish to speak with Camille Light." Lia said.

Edwin was dumbfounded when he heard Lia's commands.

"My apologies, Young Lady, but that might be a bit difficult. Although the Scarlet Family and the Light Family aren't enemies, we're not on good terms with each other either. Furthermore, I heard Camille Light had left the Light Family, so it would be pointless to contact the Light Family. If anything, I think we should contact the academy that she's working for right now— Four Witches Academy."

"Four Witches Academy... That's one of the academies attending the upcoming tournament, right?"

"That is correct."

"Forget it then. I will probably see her there. If not, we will go to the Four Witches Academy."

"I understand..." Edwin left her room shortly after.

'Even without that brat's presence, he's still corrupting the Young Lady's head. As I thought, his existence needs to be removed from this world as soon as possible!' Edwin gritted his teeth in frustration.

Unfortunately for him, since Leon disappeared out of thin air, he can't do anything until Leon shows up again.

'The moment he shows up, I will get rid of him!' Edwin laughed inwardly.

Time continued to pass, and in the blink of an eye, two more weeks passed.

"Leo! I have great news for you!" Eve greeted him with a bright smile early in the morning.

"Great news? Are we going to take a break from training today?" Leo immediately asked, as they've been training for the last 3 weeks without a single day of break.

"Even better! My submission for the upcoming tournament has been approved. In other words, you're going to be participating in the tournament!"

"Oh... But how is that news? I thought we already knew that I would be joining." Leo said.

"Because I submitted you to join the Knight Tournament and the Magic Tournament, which has never happened before!"

"You what?!" Leo exclaimed in a shocked voice.

"That's right. The tournament consists of two parts— one for ordinary students that cannot use magic and one specifically for magic students, and you're going to be a participant in both. Of course, this also means I expect you to win both tournaments!"

Leo rubbed his eyes and sighed, "I'm confident in winning the Magic Tournament, but the Knight Tournament... I barely practiced with my sword during the last 3 weeks..."

The smile on Eve's face suddenly grew wider, and she spoke, "That's why you'll be practicing with the sword for the last week of training, and I have the perfect teacher for you."

"If you're not going to train me, who is? Miss Camille?"

"You'll find out later today," she said.

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"Anyways, go ahead and take a break until your new teacher arrives. You'll need all the energy you can get." Eve said to him, who almost cried upon hearing the word 'break', even if it was just for a little while.

Leo didn't hesitate and immediately went to his room to rest.

"I wonder who this new teacher will be." Leo mumbled out loud as he laid on the bed.

"Knowing the Headmistress, this new teacher can't be a simple person. They will most likely be an S-Rank Adventurer, especially if you consider her standard. Giving you a incompetent teacher will only hinder your growth." Lilith said.

"I only hope that they won't be too strict."

Later that day, Eve called Leo back to the training room.

However, when he arrived, he couldn't see his new teacher.

"Where's the new teacher?" He asked.

"She should arrive soon—"

Before Eve could even finish her sentence, the door opened, and a tall figure with long silky golden hair walked into the building.

Leo's eyes widened when he saw this elegant-looking beauty approaching them. She had clear azure-colored eyes and naturally cold facial features, and her imposing aura screamed royalty.

This cold beauty glanced at Leo for a moment before looking at Eve, who had a slight smile on her face.

"Looks like everything will turn out just fine." Eve suddenly mumbled in a low voice.

"Huh?" Leo looked at her with raised eyebrows, but she pretended to not notice him.

"It's been a while, Alice." Eve said a moment later.

"Why did you call me all the way out here, Eve? You know I'm a busy person."

"Why? Because you owe me a favor. Or did you forget already?"

"If I didn't owe you a favor, I wouldn't be here. Anyways, what do you need help with? I will quickly get it over with and return home."

"Let's not be so hasty. Allow me to introduce you to my new student, Leo Magnus. I'm sure you've heard of him. He's the idiot who ate the Fruit of Magic Awakening." Eve said while nudging Leo with her elbow.

'Idiot...? You were the one who came up with this idea!' He cried inwardly.

"And Leo, this is Alice. She's an S-Rank Adventurer and also an instructor for the royal family in the Golden City, specializing in swordsmanship. She's going to be your new teacher for this week."

"What?" Alice suddenly frowned.

Eve turned to look at her with an innocent smile, "I want you to teach my student for a week."

"..."

After a moment of silence, Alice spoke in a cold but low voice, "I traveled two weeks to get here because you said you needed help with something and that it was something you could only tell me in person..."

"Yup! If you knew why, you wouldn't have come here, so I had no choice but to keep this from you."

"I refuse." Alice suddenly said, her voice without any hesitation.

"First of all, I am only allowed to accept students appointed by the royal family. Secondly, training a stranger who isn't even from the same city is scandalous. I'm not going to do it."

"Don't be like that! You owe me a favor, remember? If I recall correctly, it's a pretty big favor, too. This is a very good deal for you if you ask me since I am only asking for some of your time and effort. And I am not asking you to accept him as your student. You can even consider this as giving advice. Nobody will even know what happened here, so you don't need to worry about your public image."

Alice didn't respond and turned to look at Leo with a contemplating gaze.

Eve suddenly approached Alice and whispered in her ears, "I'm sure you already notice this, but this guy is a monster. He only recently started learning magic because of the Fruit of Magic Awakening but he can already use Tier 7 magic spell. If you help him, there's a good chance that he will assist the royal family in the future, which will benefit you and the royal family greatly."

Alice's eyes widened with shock after hearing this information.

'He can use Tier 7 magic already?! It's only been a month since then! Even the most talented within the royal magicians can't compare to him if that's true!'

"That's absurd! He only consumed the Fruit of Magic Awakening a month ago, right? There's no way he can use Tier 7 magic already!" Alice doubted this and believed that Eve was trying to trick her into teaching him.

"You don't have to believe my words. You can experience it for yourself whether it's true or not." Eve said to her before turning to look at Leo, "Let her see it. Your 'dragon'."

Leo raised an eyebrow, "Why did you have to word it like that?"

"What are you talking about?"

"Forget it." Leo shook his head.

He turned away from them and proceeded to cast Dragon's Breath.

Since he only needed to prove that he could use Tier 7 magic, he didn't bother overcharging it and released it as soon as possible.

Alice's eyes widened when she saw the dragon head behind Leo.

'It's really a Tier 7 magic spell... And he's even silently casting it...!' Alice was utterly astonished by Leo's talent.

"Are you a believer now?" Eve asked her as a sea of flames engulfed the other half of the room.

Alice swallowed nervously. 'If I can get someone like him to be on our side... The Golden City's standing will soar! And the royal family will...'

When she realized just how valuable Leo was and how he could potentially become a strong ally for her city, she decided to do whatever she could to get on his good side.

"Ahem!" Alice cleared her throat and spoke to Eve in a stiff voice, "Okay, I will teach him for a week. I do owe you a favor, after all."

Chapter 150: Alice

Sometime later, Alice approached Leo and spoke, "Allow me to introduce myself properly. I am Alice. In case you're wondering, I don't have a surname because I am an orphan. I am currently working at the Golden City as an instructor for the Valliere Royal Family. I specialize mostly in the sword, but I am also a magician."

Alice suddenly extended her hand for a handshake.

Leo accepted it without any hesitation and said, "Hello, Miss Alice. I am Leo, currently a student in the Four Witches Academy. I look forward to training with you."

"You can just call me Alice. I don't like formalities."

"I understand, Alice."

"Before we start, I would like to see your current level, so we're going to do a quick spar." Alice said as she retrieved a beautiful sword with a golden blade.

"Okay." Leo wielded his Blood Sword.

"We'll start things out without any magic. Attack me whenever you're ready." Alice said to him.

Leo silently nodded his head and took a deep breath.

Once he was prepared, he advanced forward and started attacking Alice.

Just like his spar with Khrome, Alice didn't attack him back for the first several minutes and would only block his strikes.

The only difference was that Leo went all out from the beginning, as he wasn't trying to defeat Alice.

Once Alice had a good gauge of his capabilities, she started attacking him, but even then, she would do so in a reserved manner. In other words, she was going easy on him.

Compared to Khrome's wide swings and powerful strikes, Alice was the complete opposite. Her sword swings were relaxed and seemed to be as gentle as a feather, but when Leo went to block her attacks, he realized how deceptive her swings were, as they were actually heavier than even Khrome's power attacks.

Furthermore, even though her strikes looked easy to dodge, Leo found it more difficult and stressful to block one of Alice's strikes than 10 of Khrome's strikes.

'She's a true master of the sword!' Leo cried inwardly as he tried his best to keep up with Alice.

'This woman is strong...' Liliith thought to herself as she watched from above.

Alice's movements appeared to be slow, but each of her movements flowed together perfectly, and there was not even the slightest pause between her attacks, so even though she moved slowly, it didn't feel like that to Leo, who was constantly pressured by her blade, feeling as though he was being haunted by it.

Sometime later, Alice said, "Okay, let's stop here for now. After a short break, we'll do another spar, but you'll be allowed to use magic this time."

"Hm? Really? Why are you allowing me to use magic even though we're practicing the sword?" Leo asked, as this is the first time he's been told to use magic while using the sword.

"Is there some kind of rule that says one cannot fight with both sword and magic at the same time? If you think swordsmanship is all about the sword, you're wrong. There are two kinds of magicians in this world. Those that only focus on their magic and those that focus on both magic and their weapon. In my case, I am what you call a Magic Swordsman. I enjoy using the sword, but if using magic puts me at an advantage, I will use that. In the end, the only thing that matters in a fight is the result— my victory."

"A Magic Swordsman, huh? That sounds pretty cool." Leo muttered.

Sometime later, Leo and Alice started sparring again. This time, Leo was allowed to use magic.

However, since he wasn't used to fighting with both at the same time, his movements at first were a bit stiff and awkward, but he quickly adapted to the style and started moving more smoothly.

'He's a fast learner. I haven't taught him anything yet and he's already improving.'

However, even with magic, Leo seemed to have trouble landing a hit on Alice. In fact, he would miss everything, and even his magic spells were being deflected with ease.

'How is this possible? She moves before I can even fully cast my magic, almost as if she could see the future.' Leo found this quite bizarre, as he was casting his magic without uttering a word and without showing the magic circle, yet Alice is able to accurately dodge and block all of his magic for some reason.

At the end of their 2nd spar, Leo decided to ask her.

"How come you can avoid my magic so flawlessly? Can you see the future or something?" Leo asked.

"As if I would have something so convenient. I can tell that you're going to cast magic by looking at your body and muscle movements. When magicians cast magic, they subconsciously move certain parts on their body. However, I cannot tell what kind of magic you're going to cast, so I have to rely on my reaction for everything else. If you don't want to be read, get rid of your bad habits and unnecessary movements."

"Do you have any advice regarding this issue? How do I fix something I can't even realize?" Leo asked.

"Simple. I will discipline you until you get it right. For the next three days, we're going to focus purely on getting rid of your bad habits."

"Okay."

They began fighting again shortly after. However, things were different this time. Every time Leo would make any unnecessary movements, Alice would strike that part of his body and warn him about it.

And everytime Alice struck him with her sword, even if it was only lightly, it felt like he was being shocked by electricity.

Three days passed by in a flash.

Leo's movement improved tremendously during this time. Although he would still have some unnecessary movements from time to time, it was good enough for just 3 days of training.

"For the next four days, until the end of our training session, I am going to teach you how to fight using both magic and sword at the same time." Alice said to him on the morning of their fourth day.

"And the best way to learn is to experience it for yourself."

Alice's body suddenly discharged sparks with electricity flying everywhere.

"This is... lightning magic affinity...?" Leo muttered in a dazed voice, as this is his first time seeing such an element.