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Up there, there were some castles in the classic medieval style, with walls and an immense stone building. Some were black and others were gold, it looked like a very glamorous place to live.

"Each of these castles is the home of one of the fourth kingdom teachers," Heimer whispered. Kayden was simply shocked, as he could easily count at least a dozen castles.

This made the boy wonder when it became so simple to find high-grade mages anywhere he went. The wizard who was guiding them landed in a huge ballroom.

The entire floor of the place was made of wood that gave off a pleasant smell to smell. Kayden felt his mind calm slightly just from entering the place. The two seemed to have arrived a little late as the hall was full of people.

The space was simply immense, as it should have been able to easily accommodate ten thousand new students plus a huge number of patrons and companions of these people.

As soon as Kayden entered the event's massive doors, the hall fell into an audible silence. Even a pin dropping to the ground could be heard at that moment. Then an explosion of conversation began, the main topic being Kayden.

Being the center of attention caught Heimer a little off guard and he didn't quite know what to do. Kayden didn't even alter his state of mind in the slightest, as he had already dealt with much more pressure than that.

"Heimer! Kayden!" Sarah appeared behind the two with a smile. "Come with us, we already have a table prepared." Heimer thanked the girl for getting him out of that situation. The attention of an entire hall was a bit too much for him.

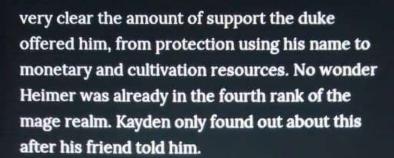
The girl quickly led them to one of the tables in the center of the room. When they got close, it was possible to see an immense round platform raised a few meters above the ground. On top of him, there was nothing.

The Britten family table contained all the members Kayden had known years ago.

Everyone greeted him happily and started asking Kayden a barrage of questions.

"Kids, stop bothering Kayden." The insane amount of questions only stopped when the Duke intervened in the boy's defense. Then he spoke seriously to Kayden: "What do you think about accepting me as your patron? Heimer must have already told you the benefits."

That was true. His friend had already made it



Author's note: This was supposed to be introduced earlier, but I ended up forgetting.

"I appreciate the offer, but I'd rather wait for all the offers first," Kayden promptly declined. Even though he was one of the Big Ten, Kayden wanted to see if he had any other more tempting offers.

"I understand. This offer stands as long as I live", the Duke did not care much about the refusal. For the next few minutes, everyone chatted normally about random topics while waiting for the event.

"I ask for a second of your attention, please." The





dean appeared in front of everyone. "We will begin the patron and protégé process. Those who want to be patrons will stand on the podium and call out their chosen ones, one by one." His sentence was simple, but he explained the process quickly.

The first person who went up was... the king himself. This came as a surprise to many but was still expected. Everyone knew who he was going to call.

"I choose Kayden Heart as my protégé." His voice resounded throughout the entire room, saying what everyone had already expected. Then, all eyes focused on the boy in the center of the room.

"I accept." Kayden had no reason to refuse and didn't even stop to hear the benefits. That wasn't important at that moment. The king removed a pendant with the symbol of royalty plated in gold and levitated it to Kayden.



The pendant had a sun being carried by a person. It looked very similar to the painting of Atlas carrying the sky on his back.

"Present this to the palace when you need something." His tone was neutral and short. Kayden called out to him respectfully before the king could turn and leave.

"Your Majesty, please give me a second of your time." The king stopped halfway but still gave the boy a nod. "Could you provide me with a building within the academy and the right to participate in this event as a patron?" Kayden's request surprised many, but the king still agreed.

This wasn't difficult considering the boy was a high-ranking noble. The part that was a bit annoying to resolve was the part about giving the boy a building at the academy, especially since the royal family only had three there. And





that was still a lot considering that only the dukes had enough power to obtain a building there and not everyone got this right easily.

"Yes, the building will be handed over to your name before the end of the day and you must enter as a patron in the order of the noble hierarchy." With both of Kayden's requests met, he sat down in the chair as he waited his turn.

Kayden's strange request was debated by everyone in the room and even the people at his table didn't know why these two requests were made by the boy. After a few hours, all the dukes chose their wards.

Again, a huge amount of time passed before all the marquises finished and finally, it was Kayden's turn. As he was a relatively new noble, his status was behind all other marquises.

What told the boy to go up was a small robot



that appeared flying in front of him and pulled his sleeve to the center stage. Kayden didn't even have a name in his mind. He would make an announcement.

"I don't have any name on the tip of my tongue. I will make an offer to all students. Tomorrow, I will conduct a test for those I will have in my care over the next few years. Anyone willing can participate. The location will be announced on my social networks."

Before Kayden could get off the stage, a noble sitting in the first few pews shouted.

"Who will choose to follow a mere child who has no influence whatsoever?" His tone made clear the mockery he had for Kayden. Kayden's only response was to calmly climb down and ignore the man who only had to grit his teeth in frustration. Kayden has already proven himself untouchable within the kingdom.





The rest of the event was peaceful and went off without a hitch. The number of people who obtained a patronus was about half of the academy's freshmen, and most of them were nobles. Only a few commoners who stood out managed to gain the support of a House of Nobility.

Author's note: hello, maybe we won't have chapters on January 1st because I'll be traveling, so happy New Year in advance, I wish you all a oppai, I mean....happiness this year.

Author's note 2: I was reading on Webnovels and I noticed that when we use Google translation on the Webnovels website, some sentences disappear, that's right, they just disappear, they are not mistranslated or anything like that, they just disappear, so if you see any this type of error, check if it's not the automatic translator, thanks for the error reports!