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Happy author's note: My contract is under review and if nothing goes wrong I should be hired in just a few days, at the moment I can't write extra chapters to celebrate, but as soon as the novel is hired I promise you that the price of the chapter bonus will go down to just 15 stones and this will last for a week.

Reflective author's note: I have read two masterpieces in my life, Supreme Magus which introduced me to the world of novels, and God of the Sword in a World of Magic, the first made me vibrate with excitement to read all the novels I could, the secondly it made me question whether I could write something as good, it was the first work that had such a big psychological effect on me, maybe I'll never be able to come close to any of them, at least not in this story, but someday in the future, maybe In another work, I will be among the best, I promise.

"I hope you give me a worthy fight," a teenager with brown eyes and black hair was standing in front of Kayden, this was the last opponent he should face to advance to the top twenty.

All his progress was made... in just one day, Kayden massacred his opponents without mercy and used his path indiscriminately, at that moment his focus was only on advancing and he didn't care about learning from his opponents.

Kayden didn't respond to the boy and as soon as the judge gave the start signal, he pushed his way as far as he could and ran at his opponent without thinking about anything else. The brown-haired teenager went at Kayden with his bare hands and, as incredible as it seemed, he managed to block Kayden's blow with his hands.

The problem came next, when another attack connected with his body and then another, he was unable to keep up with the wave of attacks that seemed to come from every possible angle.

For every two blows he defended, another two drew blood from his body, not only that but it seemed to have no end, Kayden didn't leave his foot for even a second, if he retreated the katana was waiting for him, if he advanced or dodged the katana was waiting for him.

This wasn't even a fight but a one-sided beating, it didn't even take 30 seconds for Kayden to end the battle with a deadly blow to his opponent's jugular.

'Finally' Kayden wasted half a day on this, most of the time because he had to wait for the candidates to come after receiving the challenge. The boy was looking for a good opponent and nothing more.

"I want to challenge student number 10", Kayden quickly asked and his challenge was declined because that specific student was not at the academy, the boy had the option of waiting 48 hours, but he just decided to move on to the next one.

In just a few minutes a teenage girl appeared
Kayden had to rub her eyes to see if she wasn't
dreaming, the girl had a long and scaly tail, her
hands had claws and some scales were visible on
her body. Her golden hair contrasted with the
green of some scales giving the girl a great
appearance. Considering her toned body from

exercise, she would easily fit into a category of beautiful people.

"Have you never seen a dragon hybrid!?" the girl shouted at Kayden after the boy looked too closely at her. Their race was the result of experiments in previous centuries and therefore suffered enormous prejudice.

"Sorry, it's my first time", Kayden realized his mistake and recognized that his attitude was rude, luckily the girl was used to it and didn't pay much attention to it.

"I didn't see you at the tryouts, so I was surprised."

"I joined by invitation." This cleared up all of Kayden's doubts, he knew that some people who had achieved exceptional feats had received exclusive invitations to join the academy without having to pass tests.

"I understand", Kayden didn't say anything else while waiting for the judge's signal, in a few seconds this signal came and the girl assumed a boxer's position and waited for a movement from Kayden. Kayden let out a long sigh before assuming a state similar to that of a black hole,

all the mana around him came towards him, in every possible direction the mana knelt in his presence.

Countless lightning began to rotate around him, the world itself recognized his will and prepared it for him, stomping down to the ground Kayden rushed at his opponent, his first strike was so fast that the sound of air being cut exploded in loud volume.

The girl just defended with her arm and, oddly enough, Kayden only managed to get a scratch, the girl was surprised, it had been a long time since she bled, but that didn't stop her from throwing a hook at Kayden.

"Argh!" she moaned in pain when she felt the boy's blade passing through her rib, once again the cut wasn't deep, but it managed to draw blood, the teenager didn't even understand where that attack came from and instinctively backed away.

"Use your path or this will seem like a joke",
Kayden's voice was loaded with mana and
caused a shiver in everyone watching the fight,
even though it was something planned by

surprise, there were thousands of students watching. It wasn't every day that great powers faced each other and no one wanted to miss a thread of that fight.

"My path is strength." The girl would never use this in an ordinary fight, but Kayden's last sentence entered her head as "use your way or die", for the first time in her life she felt genuinely pressured. His entire body began to be covered in scales and a smile of excitement appeared on his face, instantly his aura began to change, Kayden seemed to be facing an indestructible mountain.

## SWISH!

The wind cut when Kayden took the initiative again, nothing would shake his confidence, not even a powerful aura, this time all his blows were being received by the girl's head-on.

It seemed as if his body was entirely made of the toughest stone in the universe, Kayden's sword began to turn a black shade as his reminiscence technique was used at full blast.

Her ray armor was working at the highest level of performance, making Kayden look like an <

angry god, unfortunately, the rays couldn't get past the girl's scales.

"Fuuu" the sound of the girl filling her lungs caused an alert in Kayden's mind, mainly because it didn't seem to be air, before the boy could move away a puff of flames at close range was thrown at him.

By contorting his entire body, Kayden managed to get out of the central area of the attack, but the entire left part of his body was burned, his flesh was charred and his skin was no longer even visible.

Fortunately, he had his spiritual sense switched on at all times and felt which way the blow would lean more, which was probably the only reason the judge didn't immediately take him out of the arena.

When everyone thought it was over Kayden continued attacking without pause, not even a moan of pain left his lips, his eyes were cold as emptiness, and his mind was calm as a lake.

"Give up boy, you can't face a hybrid" The girl didn't want to fight against a weakened opponent, but to her surprise, Kayden continued

