

## O Summoner 2371

### Chapter 2371: Greedy in the East II

"Do you really think that this will work?" Adrian asked as all of them are now in the eastern continent.

"It will work as the identities we used are something that is already established by the Ryujin to use. I am Lady Firefeather and you will address me as such." Peridot stated as she hugged Levin Cloud to act as if she is a frail noble lady that needs to be supported by her lover.

"Let us just get this over with." Adrian muttered as he followed through the merchant guild in Kunlun as this is the place they are currently in.

"Please identify yourselves." The guard leading to the merchant guild stated.

Adrian acted like a real guard of a noble family in the eastern continent and presented a token that was given to him by Peridot. It was a token that contains a small essence of flame from the Vermillion Bird. Tokens that contain the essence of a divine beast are meant to verify the identity of the holder.

The token cannot be used by others that are not acknowledged by the divine beast. Any person that dares to steal and use the token for themselves when they were not given acknowledgment will incur the wrath of the divine beasts. If you incur the wrath of the Azure Dragon from using the token that is not yours then you will be struck by lightning even in the middle of the day. Another example is a person suddenly combusting when using a stolen token from the Vermillion Bird.

"I am with Lord and Lady Firefeather." Adrian stated with a stoic tone.

"Apologies for not recognizing the Lord and Lady Firefeather. Please tell us what the masters' needs, and we will assist you as VIPs in the merchant guild." The guard suddenly stated in a rather worried tone as he did not recognize the nobles before him.

Even Adrian was slightly shocked of the identities that Peridot and Levin Cloud are using in the eastern continent. The Ryujin has covert families in each of the regions of the eastern continent that only the divine beasts know. Even the divine beast cannot speak of these families

to other people as a vow to the Ryujin. The ones they are using is the Firefeather clan which is a prestigious and old noble clan from Vermillion City.

The Firefeather clan is basically a clan that is prominent but not boastful and would rather be neutral when it comes to stances regarding interclan exchanges. They are also art collectors from of pure prestige and beauty that can stir the desires of the masses. Even if they rarely show up to events, the Firefeather clan is said to be able to sway the interests of the nobles. This is the cover set up by the Ryujin in the southern part of the eastern continent and they have different covers depending on the region.

"Please tell the Branch Guild Master that we need to speak with him." Peridot stated in a rather soft tone as her setting is a rather physically weak noble lady but still full of prestige.

"Apologies, Lady Firefeather but the Branch Guild Master is not present at the moment. I can call upon the Assistant Branch Guild Master if you wish. Please head to the room prepared inside as I inform them. Please take the VIPs to room number 3." The guard stated as he asked another guard to escort the group to the VIP room.

The guard did a polite bow before scurrying away to call upon the assistant branch guild master. Another guard was then called to escort them to the VIP room that was designated to them. Peridot was actually stunned that the person that they wanted to meet was not present at the moment which is why Levin Cloud had to wake her up from her stupor.

"Weird. Why does this place feel familiar?" Adrian suddenly thought as he entered the merchant guild when in fact he has never entered here before.

The merchant guild branch in the eastern continent is very heavily decorated with gold, red, and silver. They even built this building according to the rules of feng shui as this is the most auspicious location. This location is said to be able to bring immense bounty and this is true as the merchant guild in the eastern continent is the most successful branch compared to other continents.

"Please enter the room as the assistant branch guild master will arrive shortly after his current work. Does the esteemed guests need some refreshments?" The guard asked as he also know of etiquette since they sometimes serve as liaisons.

"We are good for now as we just need to rest. We shall call upon you if we need refreshments. Thank you for your service." Levin Cloud stated as he handed a gold coin to the guard to which the latter bowed deeply before vanishing.

Adrian immediately created an isolated zone using spatial magic which will prevent any noise to escape. He also had Sirius look in all parts of the room to check if there are any hidden observation tool, but the room is clean. It seems that the merchant guild here needs such measures to ensure that they can do shady dealings without the customer feeling anxious.

"What do we do now? The plan suddenly took a downward spiral now that the branch guild master is now here?!" Peridot suddenly exclaimed as she did not expect this as she learned that the branch guild master of the eastern continent is always at this place.

"Relax as the plan just needs some adjustments. Just make sure that we have an audience with the branch guild master. You did say that he is called Branch Guild Master Goldenclaw, right?" Adrian stated.

"Yes. The Goldenclaw clan has basically ran the merchant guild here. The guild master might not be a direct descendant as he married into the family, but he is a Goldenclaw since he took on that last name." Peridot replied.

#### Chapter 2372: Greedy in the East III

The Goldenclaw clan is a prestigious clan in the eastern continent known for their great use of money and assets. They are even called the richest clan in the eastern continent second only to the imperial family. It is even said that the original patriarch of the clan was a member of the imperial family which is why they have ties to them as well.

The current Branch Guild Master in the eastern continent took on the family name when he married the current matriarch of the clan. He ruled the merchant guild while she took the affairs of the clan. They are said to be the most powerful couple when it comes to money in the eastern continent due to this. The power and affluence of the Goldenclaw clan skyrocketed when this union happened, and the main merchant guild turned a blind eye as this would solidify their footing in the eastern continent.

Adrian and the others were discussing what they needed to fix in their plan when a knocking sound suddenly echoed in the door. Adrian immediately took out the spatial isolation and returned back the state of the place. He then proceeded to go to the door and looked at Levin Cloud and Peridot.

"You can open the door." Peridot commanded as this was the custom for VIPs in the eastern merchant guild.

Unlike the central continent where the merchant guild practically owns any rooms in there and could enter without the permission of who is inside, the eastern continent treats their guests like masters. Some would say that this type of etiquette spoils their VIPs, but it is the most successful branch for a reason. The people of the eastern continent know that pampering your prestigious guests will make them spend more or give more valuable items up for trade.

"Apologies if I arrived late and disturbed your rest, Lord and Lady Firefeather." An old man with squinty eyes stated as he entered the room when Adrian opened the door.

"You are excused of being late as we were enjoying our time together." Peridot stated as she leaned towards Levin Cloud.

"As charming and as beautifully in love as always. How may I serve our VIP guests from the Firefeather clan?" The assistant branch guild master stated.

"I wanted to deal with the Branch Guild Master, but they said that he was away which is quite shocking. Can you tell me why he could not meet us or maybe he is disrespecting us by not showing himself?" Peridot stated as her words carried a hint of disdain which made Adrian give a slight thumbs up for her acting.

"Let me apologize for the branch guild master's sake, Lady Firefeather. The guild master is really not here right now as he is in mourning for his second eldest daughter. We received dire news that she passed away in the central continent and returned back to their home in an urn as ashes." The assistant branch guild master stated truthfully and nervously.

"I see. I guess we did not know of that information as it might have been tightly shut but we do not concern ourselves of the very personal matters of other clans. I offer my condolences to the Goldenclaw clan but then our trip would be such a shame. It seems that we have wasted our trip here, my beloved." Peridot stated as she nudged Levin Cloud.

"Please tell me what you need as I will be more than happy to assist you with anything here. The Firefeather clan is one of the clans that made our branch the best one out of the other merchant guilds after all. It is not boasting to say that your clan basically built our branch from the ground up." The assistant branch guild master stated as he was desperate to make a deal with them as this would increase his influence in the guild.

"If you say so but make sure that nothing leaks out as I have something that was secretly traded to us from Avalon." Peridot stated which suddenly made the assistant branch guild master perk up.

"The land of demons! Is it one of those prized teleportation scrolls?! I am sorry if I am being too straight forward as I have never been this excited before." The assistant branch guild master stated.

"Please explain the item, my beloved. I am getting rather faint from talking too much." Peridot stated as she rested her head back to Levin Cloud's shoulders.

"Here is the item that we have gotten from the Champion of the Twin Gods himself. You can appraise it, but we cannot let you touch it." Levin Cloud stated.

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Item Name: Advanced Teleportation Scroll

Item Tier: Legendary

Item Type: Consumable

Item Effects:

-Allows the user and up to five people to instantly teleport away to a location of their choosing.

-As soon as this scroll is used, all beings tagged to be teleported will be immune from damage when they are being teleported.

Description: A teleportation scroll that is masterfully crafted by the Scribe Equinox. It is one of the rarest forms of the teleportation scroll as it can provide immunity to damage and immediate transportation. Teleportation scrolls like this are not in circulation as they are only given to people a demon trusts. This item is not bound to the gifted party.

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"An unbound Legendary Teleportation scroll!" The assistant branch guild master stated as his eyes looked like they were devouring the scroll.

Teleportation scrolls are in the market for circulation but the highest they have is of the Epic tier and could only teleport you within the continent you are in in fixed locations. The scroll being presented by Levin Cloud is a known item, but they are usually bound to the being they were given to as a precaution of the demons should the scroll fall into the wrong hands.

"Such a rare thing! Does the Lord and Lady want to sell this? If you do, then this thing could easily buy a small house located here in Kunlun." The assistant branch guild master stated as the value of the scroll is immense.

#### Chapter 2373: Lazy is the Key I

The Gnome Kingdom located on the western area of the central continent is currently having dilemmas. The Gnome Kingdom that is said to be the marvel when it comes to magical engineering is now experiencing what people call as a slump. The industrious and workaholic people of the kingdom suddenly started to have a burnout as they say.

The royal family has experienced this before and their response to the burnout that people experience is a long holiday festival called the Festival of Relaxation. This is a festival given to the hardest workers of the kingdom and has all magical engineers to have some time off. The only problem now is that those magical engineers that had time off are now too lazy to work.

A surge of laziness could be seen on most of the magical engineers of the kingdom which put a halt to the production of Magitech tools and weapons. Even the main source of livelihood of the kingdom which is exporting these tools are having a crash as all the deadlines are not being met. Even if some are lazy to work, the magical engineers are still present, but they are not their spirited selves as if they are overtaken by the spirit of laziness.

To make matters worse, the royal family that is supposed to oversee all production is suddenly silent. The people of the outside world might not know but most of the royal family is currently under a curse as they say. The curse that the royal family was affected did not harm their health, but it made them unable to stay awake for more than two hours a day.

Despite the best efforts of the apothecary in whipping up highly caffeinated drinks, the royal family would still sleep as soon as the two-hour mark is reached. To add more worry to the mix, the ministers were also feeling incredibly lethargic as they were keeping the kingdom afloat. The frustration and tiredness they felt would often have the ministers leave in anger and not go to work the next day.

The entire Gnome Kingdom could be said to have stopped but there were still some keeping it alive. The royal family tried their best to circumvent the curse that is said to have afflicted them

by having schedules on who is awake but that is not enough. The ministers even called upon all of the famous healers they know even the secret contacts they have but they could not lift whatever curse there is on the royal family.

"They are not cursed." Hexy stated as she was in the room of king and queen that is sleeping soundly.

"What do you mean they are not cursed!?" The minister shouted in frustration, but the king and queen did not wake up even with the disturbance.

"I also have the same opinion because I cannot feel any curse seeping in their body." Creepysoo added as he was there as well.

"True Saint Lime... I know that you brought them but are you sure that they are not lying? All the other churches told us they were cursed. You also had that opinion when we asked for your aid." The minister stated as he looked exhausted and unwilling to believe the two people that Lime brought.

"If they said that this is not a curse then it is not a curse. I do not know if you care much about the outside world, minister, but he is the Prince of the Undead. If one knows about curses, then it surely be the one that is a living curse himself. His companion is none other than Hexy, who is also royalty from the Faekin. She is a Black Fairy known for their exceptional usage and command over curses." Lime stated as she is actually thankful that they were there to answer her call.

Lime was called upon by the Gnome Kingdom as she owes them a debt. She asked the Gnome Kingdom to create a bracelet that stabilizes the body as this was a gift she gave to Imiter. Imiter had some problem stabilizing his body when the dark god that had a part of creating him died. He would often suddenly sag as the body was unstable which is why she asked the Gnome Kingdom.

She did ask the demons for help at first, but they are not beings capable of helping when it comes to living bodies. The demons do not have technology of this kind for help, but they did have the knowledge. Aernas was able to get a blueprint of a special device that stabilized the magical energy in the body, but it was made by the First Gnome King.

Fortunately for Lime, she had helped the Gnomes in the Gnome Kingdom before and have a good reputation. She was able to have an audience with the royal family in exchange for owing them a debt. The Gnome King himself was the one that created the Mana Stabilizer that Imiter

now uses. As she owes the kingdom a debt, Lime was called upon to act on that debt as they were in crisis.

The ministers of the Gnome Kingdom knew that she was the True Saint. The True Saint is a being that is blessed by the world itself as they were born and only did good deeds. They called upon her as they believe that she could dispel the curse that has befallen the royal family, but she also failed in helping. Seeing that the entire kingdom was in jeopardy, Lime immediately called upon her guild for assistance as they might be able to solve it.

She immediately contacted the guild via their guild chat on any experts on curses. Fortunately for her, Creepysoo and Hexy were available and were interested in hearing what she needs. The sudden knowledge of a sleep curse made Hexy thrilled and Creepysoo also followed just in case. They arrived at the Gnome Kingdom with Lime as their escort but they frowned upon learning that it is not a curse.

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"If it is not a curse then what is it?" Lime suddenly exclaimed as she did feel her purification magic did nothing as there was no repelling force compared to when she used it on beings that are cursed.

"True Saint Lime, what do you mean they are... the Undead Prince and... a Black Fairy?" The minister stated as he suddenly got weak in the knees.

"Oh! I am still in disguise. There. That should do it." Creepysoo stated as he released his Cursed Appearance spell that changed his form to the opposite of what he is and that is of a living being.

"Huawah!" The minister suddenly screamed in shock as he was being disrespectful to the Undead King.

"Why are you so afraid? It is not like your kingdom did not interact with ours though. We even bought some sanitation devices from the Gnome Kingdom if I recall correctly. Thanks to that, the undead do not smell like rotten cheese anymore. At least, that is what the guests say since I cannot smell at all." Creepysoo stated as his incredibly pale and ashy skin could now be seen clearly.

"What about her! Do not tell me that she will look even more hideous." The minister shouted as he pointed at Hexy that has a very unkept appearance and dark ragged robes.



"That is quite rude. This is what I normally look like. This is very comfy as this cursed gown regulates temperature to the best degree possible. It ensures that I do not even sweat even when inside a volcano. Trust me on this because I have tested it myself." Hexy retorted as she found her dark ragged robes incredibly aesthetic and pleasing to her eyes.

"Make sure to not say that again, minister. They are still royalty like the king and queen there. Also, they have hidden guards that accompanied them. Anymore disrespect and you might be sleeping forever the next day." Lime stated.

"I apologize. Please accept my humblest apologies." The minister stated as he basically prostrated to earn forgiveness.

"Do not really care about what you said." Hexy added as she started looking around.

"Do not worry about it. It does not bother me in the slightest. What does bother me is what is suddenly draining their energy which keeps them in this cycle of sleep." Creepysoo added which made the minister sigh with relief.

"If it is not a curse then what is it?" Lime asked as even she does not know.

"If big brother were here then he might have an idea. He is always knowledgeable about stuff that is out of the ordinary. He could see things that even I cannot see with his special eyes after all." Creepysoo stated.

"Big brother? You mean the guild master?" Lime asked.

"Yeah. Wait! Maybe I can ask him about his insights. I will call him but do not expect a response since he is currently in the eastern continent." Creepysoo stated as he contacted Adrian.

"There is something strange though." Hexy suddenly stated which caught the minister's attention and even Lime's.

"What is it?" Lime asked Hexy.

"I get why the other churches told you that it is a curse because they are basically acting abnormal. They also sleep too much which is not what their body clocks are programmed to do. Still, there is no miasma or any cursed energy of the sort. It is speculation but I think I know what is happening." Hexy stated.

"Big brother is busy with something as they are being chased by numerous knives wielding undead as per his words which is why he immediately cancelled the call. What did I miss?" Creepysoo stated.

"Hexy told us that she thinks she has an idea on what is happening to them." Lime stated.

"Not to them specifically but to the entire kingdom." Hexy added which made the minister jolt in surprise.

"Can you please elaborate on why the entire kingdom is affected? Also, why is the royal family the one that is affected the most?" The minister stated as he was willing to accept any explanation at this point as it has been too long, and their kingdom is basically shutting down.

"Do you remember when I said when I entered the Gnome Kingdom?" Hexy asked Creepysoo and Lime.

"Yeah. You said that it felt eerily gloomy. I was actually shocked that you said that." Creepysoo replied as he remembered as these are words that Hexy rarely uses to describe a place.

Hexy would often call a place full of curses as exciting or challenging but she would never call it gloomy. She would not say this unless she felt it which is incredibly rare as she likes being in places with these atmospheres. The fact that she described it that way made a mark on Creepysoo's mind as this was the first time ever since they started talking.

"Why are you shocked?" Lime asked as she was totally lost in the conversation of the two.

"How should I say this? Places with curses often makes my skin tingle if that is an accurate way of describing it but the Gnome Kingdom made me lethargic. Even getting inside the castle where the royal family is said to be cursed did not make me feel any excitement. Black Fairies are beings that can use curses and wield them freely, but the kingdom itself does not have any trace of it." Hexy stated.

"If there are no curses or miasma... then how can you explain what happened to the royal family?" The minister asked.

"I can only feel negative emotions lingering in the entire kingdom with the castle being the center of it all. You see curses are intricate like spells and any tampering could destroy it. Another component of curses are negative emotions which determines the intensity of the curse, but it is only one component." Hexy stated.

"Are you saying that the royal family is not cursed but overwhelmed by negative emotions?" Creepysoo asked.

"Not the royal family but the entire kingdom itself is engulfed in it." Hexy stated as she looked at the gloomy skies above the Gnome Kingdom.

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"How can negative energy even do something catastrophic like this?" Lime asked.

"It is not normal negative energy as it is abnormal to the point that it can affect a whole populace. To make matters even stranger, the level of negative energy is almost to the point where a curse can manifest but not enough to qualify as one." Hexy stated.

"It makes sense now that you say that." Creepysoo stated.

"I am sorry, but I find it hard to believe that negative energy could do something like this. If it did then how come the other people are not affected." Lime stated.

"There are many factors such as how stressed were they. The mind is different compared to the body after all. Our minds can be working overtime while the body itself is tired. Are all of the people in the kingdom only showing signs of lethargy and nothing else?" Hexy stated as she looked at the minister.

"Yes. We often feel this burnout syndrome when we work ourselves to the bone. Unlike dwarves that always drink to relieve their fatigue, the gnomes work to cure our own fatigue!" The minister proudly declared.

"Yeah. There is something wrong with that kind of thinking. Even the undead are told to rest and we do not even understand the concept of rest because we have unlimited stamina. We may

have unlimited stamina, but we do not have unlimited minds. You, gnomes, are of the living so your problem is the opposite of ours." Creepysoo stated.

"You know, he makes sense." Lime agreed as she has seen that even the healthy ministers becoming workaholics.

"Tell me, you said that you held a festival. Did the royal family work during this festival time as well?" Hexy asked.

"Yes. The royal family sacrifices for the rest of the people and they worked tirelessly during that time." The minister replied.

"In essence, the royal family is the most tired of all of you. Still, this would not explain why there is a swirling vortex of negative energy here in this kingdom. The heart of it is even on the castle here at this moment. Did any of you accept artifacts when people from other kingdoms brought gifts? Also, is any of these gifts from the eastern continent?" Hexy asked.

"During the festival, we had lots of nobles from all over the world coming to us. They presented the king and queen with gifts that have different and exotic allures. We gnomes value art and beauty after all since creation is also a form of art." The minister stated.

"In that case, lead us to the vault where all of them are stored. Destroying something that can bring a whole kingdom to lethargy is not something that should be kept." Hexy stated which shocked Creepysoo as she dislikes cursed relics to be destroyed as she knows that it can be repurposed but the fact that she said to destroy it meant that the item they need to find is incredibly dangerous.

"Can you even detect it?" Lime asked.

"I will try my best but there is also another problem." Hexy added.

"What problem?" The minister asked.

"If they placed that artifact here that causes lethargy then they might be getting ready to storm the castle. They might want something here in the castle, but we do not know when they are going to attack. Are all the castle soldiers awake?" Creepysoo asked.

"Oh no! Apart from the royal family, the soldiers that are stationed in the castle are also without proper rest or sleep. I shall call upon the guards to check on the others. Guards!" The minister yelled but the guards behind the door were not answering him.

"What are they doing! Guards!" The minister shouted but there was still no answer.

"The negative energy is getting thicker, but it is still not crossing the line of it transforming into a curse." Hexy replied.

"Where are the guards?" Lime asked as she opened the door but found that the two guards outside the chambers were now sound asleep as well as the maids stationed there.

"This is bad. They might be starting to infiltrate the castle. I shall stay with the king and queen here to protect them. Somebody needs to deal with anyone that approaches the castle with hostility. Alert any guards that can be alerted as someone planned all of this." Hexy stated as she slammed her hands on the floor to create a barrier made of miasma that repelled any intruders that might harm the royal family.

"I will go and collect the prince and princesses to bring them to this room. Protecting them in one area is more efficient due to the manpower that we have now." Lime stated.

"I guess I will be the ones that will repel any intruders. Tell me, minister... is there any top-secret project that all of you are doing right now that any secret organization might covet?" Creepysoo asked but the minister did not want to answer.

"If you do not want to answer then I guess I will just stay here and do not even bother defending this castle. Let them take it for themselves then. We are not sure if there are any intruders but then again, they could have already entered as we know it." Creepysoo added which finally made the minister talk.

"We have a project called the Artificial Sun. We are creating a powerful magical power source that is equivalent to a real sun that can give off radiant energy. Not the cheap knockoffs that are created by magic spells but a combination of science and magic!" The minister stated.

"I see and where is this artificial sun located?" Creepysoo asked.

"At the very sealed laboratory where only the royal family has access to. Only they can go in and out as they control the access as those inside cannot get out without the permission of the royal family." The minister stated.

"A glorified science and magic prison. I guess that will do then as our assailants would target the royal family for their access. That will make my job better then." Creepysoo stated.

"How exactly is that making your job easier?" The minister asked but Creepysoo suddenly took out a chained book that has thick death energy.

"I can set up the defenses just outside this place and a castle is very nice since lots of roaming spirits are here." Creepysoo stated as he activated a magic circle that called upon any lingering ghosts or attachments to him.

Creepysoo summoned specters as the castle was cleaner from dark spirits which was incredibly rare as royalty usually had lots of betrayals and bloodshed. The grudges and resentment that he could gather were not a lot which is why he had to opt using metaphysical undead that do barely enough damage. Still, this was what they needed as the castle does not have any eyes and ears at this current state as almost all personnel are asleep.

"How come you are not affected by the negative energy as much, minister?" Creepysoo asked the terrified minister as the latter saw the former summon lots of horrifying creatures.

"I was away on a business trip before the festival. I only arrived back when the festival was on the last two days." The minister answered truthfully while feeling shy.

"I see. You were on a vacation. Good for you as things would have gotten a lot more dangerous if no one was awake now. They are already here after all." Creepysoo stated as one of the specters already tagged another foreign entity.

"Come say that again?" The minister stated with a terrified face.

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"The plan is simple as everything has already been placed. The only thing we need to do is sneak inside the quarters of the royal family and take them to the entrance. Once opened, take

the artificial sun and kill all the people that are no longer needed." The leader of the hooded people stated.

"Affirmative." The other hooded people stated as they entered the castle without any obstructions as the soldiers were all knocked out.

The hooded people entered the castle in a quick fashion. All of them surveyed the areas that they are going in and any moving people were dealt with quickly. Some tossed knives that pierced the chests of maids and any weakened soldier which killed them swiftly.

"All potential threats and witnesses have been silenced." One of the hooded people replied as he is about to enter the room of one of the princesses.

"Still, how come there are not screams when they were hit? All I heard was silence when I launched the weapons at them." The hooded person thought but soon forgot it as he entered the room.

The hooded person entered the room of the princess and raised his dagger to kill her, but his heart suddenly stopped beating. Without even uttering a sound, the hooded assailant dropped to the ground. He died without even knowing how he died as a beautiful lady rose from the bed.

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All the other operatives that are entering the castle were all split up which is not good news for them. The hooded assailants killed any moving people that they encounter but all of them noticed that there was no sound when they got killed. A simple scream or sudden reaction was not even registered. All that heard are bodies suddenly falling to the ground, but they could not get a good view as the castle was dark inside.

"Team B, report." The leader of the hooded assailants asked via a communicator device that they have also smuggled from the Gnome Kingdom.

It seems that the assailants have an inside man as the communication devices that they are using are not available to the public. They are personal devices that are small enough to be an earring and operate at a specific magical frequency. The possibility of leaking any information on the conversation is basically zero.

"Team B, report on your progress with capturing the princess." The leader of the hooded assailants repeated but only static was picked up until some sound could finally be heard.

"Team B is now reporting. Apologies for the delay as there was a new guard that had to be dealt with." The familiar voice of the Team B leader stated.

"How about the princess? We need them to be alive in order to enter the sealed laboratory." The leader of the hooded assailants asked.

"Team B, reporting. The princess is secured and is currently in slumber. It seems that there are still soldiers that are awake but weakened. Will the rendezvous point be changed?" The familiar voice of the Team B leader replied.

"Nice work, Team B. Rendezvous with us in the quarters of the king and queen. Team C is still on the way to the room of the crown prince. Team D will clear the path towards the sealed laboratory for now. Do all teams, copy." The leader of the hooded assailants stated.

"Affirmative." The familiar voice of the Team B leader responded.

"Almost at the room of the crown prince. We shall begin extraction." The Team C leader replied.

"Team D has split up and is now sweeping the entire area before the secret laboratory." The Team D leader replied.

"Good. Team B and Team C will rendezvous with Team A. Let us make this quick as we only have an hour before the cranky Primordial Beast of Sloth kicks up a fuss. She is currently channeling her power through the artifact that we have sent here prior. She refuses to work for more than an hour so hasten everything. Kill anyone that gets in the way but make sure that the royalty is not hurt until we get what we need." The leader of the hooded assailants commanded.

"Yes, commander." All team leaders responded.

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"So, they are all working with a Primordial Beast and it is even one of the Primordial Beasts of Sin. Thankfully, the Primordial Beast of Sloth is not inside the castle which means we have a chance to repel all of them. No wonder the entire kingdom is getting lazy and sleepy.



The Primordial Beast of Sloth is the one behind it all. Thanks a lot for your service, Team B leader. You have made your master proud but the fact that all memories prior to this plan is erased is not a good sign for me. You can now dispose of the bodies, Voodoo Marie." Creepysoo stated.

"Can I add him to my collection, my prince? You said that I can do anything to bodies of criminals that are full of bad karma. This one has accumulated a lot despite not having memories." Voodoo Marie stated.

"Sure. Just make sure that we can still use his voice should another communication opens up." Creepysoo stated.

"Do not worry, my prince. This head will be very useful for us for now." The head of the Team B leader replied as it can speak and move on its own despite being separated from its body.

"The crown prince is next. Who was the one I assigned to him again?" Creepysoo muttered.

"It was Mummie who is assigned to protect the crown prince." Voodoo Marie replied.

"I remembered thanks to you. Protect the princess as I will go and aid Mummie. Shadow Creeper, let us go!" Creepysoo stated as an undead made mostly of shadows took him away from the bed chambers of the princess that is sleeping.

Creepysoo arrived at the chambers of the crown prince and saw an entire team of assailants covered in bandages. Creepysoo also saw some bandages filled with sand which means Mummie must have activated Curse of the Pharaoh which turned any enemies his bandages touched into sand. He could already guess that the others struggled while those that are tied up are not resisting in fear of dying.

"Where is the leader? There should be someone that has a communication device on their ear." Creepysoo stated.

"Mummie is sorry because one escaped. Robin Hoodie is currently chasing that one." Mummie replied as he looked like he was about to cry.

"In that case, Mummie has done a good job. We do not need prisoners as they do not know anything about the plans anyways. You can dispose of them now but good work in holding them down." Creepysoo stated as fear crept to the captured assailants.

"Okay!" Mummie stated in a gloomy yet somewhat cheerful tone.

The assailants wanted to escape but they were not as powerful as their team leader. All of them tried to plead but their mouths are covered so that they will not utter a sound. Mummie looked at the assailants with a sad face and all of them turned to sand. Mummie looked sadder but he became a bit happy when he collected the sands of his victims.

"We will play forever now!" Mummie stated as he created a small sandcastle.

"Protect the prince from harm now. I need to clean up the other bad people that are headed towards Frankie." Creepysoo stated.

"Okay! Be safe!" Mummie stated as it looks teary eyed with Creepysoo leaving but he did not stop the latter.

"Let us go, shadow creeper." Creepysoo stated as he tapped his shadow, and it engulfed him once more.

"What is that thing! I must report to our leader!" The Team C leader stated as he ran for his life while clutching his left hand that he cut off himself.

The Team C leader did not have any problem going towards the quarters of the crown prince as all awake personnel were dealt with. The problem happened when they entered the room and saw a peculiar child that was bandaged. They attempted to kill the child, but they soon found themselves covered in cursed bandages. He was somewhat fine as he managed to dodge and only his hand was caught.

He thought that the kid was a mage designed to protect the crown prince which is why they aimed all their poisoned darts at him. All the darts hit the body of the child, but it just stared at them blankly until it cried. When the bandaged child cried, half of the people that he ensnared with bandages turned to sand.

"My hand!" The Team C leader noticed as his hand started to turn to sand as well.

When the curse that turned his hand to sand was about to affect his entire arm, the Team C leader immediately cut it off. He did not even save his own people and just ran away. He wanted to activate the communication artifact to alert the Team A leader, but the activator ring was on the hand that turned to sand. The Team C leader proceeded to alert the Team A leader himself as the cursed child was not following them.

"I need to get to the leader! There are hidden guards that are not affected by the negative energy of the Primordial Beast of Sloth. This mission might fail with the strange ene..." The Team C leader stated as he suddenly felt lightheaded before dropping to the ground.

"I have secured the straggler." A voice that came from a hooded being stated as he picked up the dead Team C leader with a hole in his head as the arrow passed through cleanly.

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"Why is the path to the secret laboratory so dark?" The Team D leader stated as this area barely had any guards as the Gnome Royal Family is confident in their sealed door.

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"Leader, do you hear that?" One of the hood assailants asked.

"That is probably just faulty wiring from a machine. Remember that this castle itself is a magical technology marvel. The reason why we need the royal family to be asleep so that the defense mechanism does not work." The Team D leader stated.

"I see. I always wondered why you need the royal family to be asleep." Creepysoo stated which all the hooded assailants noticed and promptly sent their throwing weapons at him.

Chapter 2377: Protect the Gnome Royalty II

"Who are you?! Attack!" The Team D leader shouted as Creepysoo suddenly appeared behind them.

The assailants' first instinct is to kill the sudden intruder as they should be the only ones that are allowed to be in the vicinity. They even killed all of the other people that were still moving

when they encountered them. They do not have the luxury of cleaning up the corpse, but they will be able to do it once the initial plan is over.

The hidden throwing weapons that were all thrown towards Creepysoo suddenly produced a simple ting sound as a large dark shield could be seen in front of him. It is not just a shield but a Doom Knight with the name of Don Quixote. The Doom Knight did not move from his location as it just stared at the enemies of its master.

"Greetings to the living. I am the Prince of the Undead. Care to introduce yourselves?" Creepysoo stated.

"All of you charge at him. I will contact the Team A leader." The Team D leader stated as the other enemies took out their daggers.

"That will be unwise and bad etiquette as I already introduced myself. Shadow Creeper, bind them for me." Creepysoo stated as he poured mana on the summoned undead that is currently living in his shadow.

The shadows inside the room suddenly warped as if it came alive. The shadows that were still became like living beings that could move on their own. The shadows of the assailants moved and bind their 'owners' which made them unable to move.

"Calling Team A leader!" The Team D leader shouted as she was trying contact the leader of this operation but all she got was static.

"You will be unable to call for help with that communication tool in this location. It might be using a unique magical frequency, but the walls here dampen frequencies." Creepysoo stated.

"Impossible! There should still be a way to connect as we already set it up to be weakened beforehand." The Team D leader exclaimed in disbelief.

"You did not let me finish. The walls might dampen frequencies, but I have a very loyal servant that disrupts magical frequencies. Frankie, show yourself to the people and make sure she does not escape." Creepysoo commanded.

A large shadow that was sitting quietly in the corner before suddenly loomed over the Team D leader as large hands grabbed onto her. A large undead with freakish proportions and patched

worked body could be seen. The Team D leader tried to escape but the strength of the undead that grabbed her made it impossible to even flail.

"Tell me. Do you know anything about why you want the artificial sun?" Creepysoo asked.

"We will never tell you! Even if we died because we do not know it!" The Team D leader shouted.

"Okay then. Kill them, Frankie." Creepysoo replied coldly without any hint of indecision.

"Wait! This should not be like this! You should capture us an AHHHH!" The Team D leader exclaimed as she was crumbled to a mush by Frankie.

"Electro Magnetic Piston!" Frankie shouted as he released a powerful electromagnetic wave that destroyed all living flesh in the vicinity around him.

The body of the Team D leader that was squished turned to meat paste along with the other assailants that were held by their shadows. Creepysoo gave Frankie a thumbs up for his great effort and control. The area of the attack was now at an acceptable degree as he and the others are no longer getting affected by it.

"Great control, Frankie. Guard this entrance for me as there might be others that come this way." Creepysoo stated as he tapped his shadow again to be transported back to Hexy as it seems the other group has reached that location.

Frankie nodded as it once again touched the wall and melded his body to camouflage with it. Frankie has a unique ability it awakened that lets it camouflage to areas that are full of steel or anything metal related. The fact that an almost three meter tall undead could hide and camouflage is the most terrifying thing to ever happen. This is also the reason why the assailants were unable to notice him as he was already there guarding the door.

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The Team A leader arrived at the door to the quarters of the king and queen, but he noticed that there were no guards stationed there. He looked at the others and signaled them to be ready as the soldiers might have already barricaded inside of the room. The Team A leader kicked the door which swung open but there were no soldiers or maids in the room waiting for them.

The assailants could only see the king and queen in deep slumber as they were affected by the powers of the Primordial Beast of Sloth. They did not immediately enter the room as they used a scroll to create a dummy. The Team A leader then proceeded to toss this dummy inside the room as a way to see if there are any hidden traps. When the dummy that was tossed just dropped to the ground without any problem, the Team A leader told his subordinates to get ready for extraction.

When the first two assailants entered the carpet area of the room, a magic circle suddenly activated and wrapped the two of them in dark thorns that oozed poison. The remaining assailants jumped away but the door to the outside suddenly closed. The same dark thorns oozing with poison covered the door to make sure that they will be unable to escape.

"Very unfortunate. We only caught two but at least we have trapped the entire group." Hexy stated as his form finally materialized from the shadows she was hiding from.

"We had no information that there was a dirty sorcerer employed by the royal family. We even tested out their protection detail back when the festival was ongoing." The Team A leader stated in shock.

The festival that was held is not just to weaken the royal family, but it also tested their defense protocols for themselves. Some of the assailants even sacrificed their lives to ensure that they have a detailed protection detail of the royal family. This was the first time that they have seen Hexy and thought that she was just a recent addition to the protection of the royal family.

"It is not dirt!" Hexy shouted as she released dark thorns towards the Team A leader for insulting her cursed gown as dirty.

The Team A leader took out two daggers that had a different aura to them and proceeded to cut the dark thorns that Hexy launched at the enemies. In that exchange, Hexy already knew that the Team A leader was different from the others. This was a legitimate enemy that can cut off thorns made from miasma, but she is sure that it was not the strength of the Team A leader. Hexy looked at the daggers that the Team A leader is holding and could feel the energy of a dragon from them.

In olden stories, Dragons and Fairies are said to never agree with one another. In fact, there are even stories of fairies aiding heroes in slaying dragons. Even Hexy and Peridot felt this awkward tension around one another, but it is not due to them as it was ingrained in their racial

blood to dislike one another. This is like the dwarves and elves that love bickering with each other even though they came from the same origin which is the Faekin.

"Those daggers. They are made from the body of a dragon. Fangs or claws... maybe. The length is very short though which means it is young when it was used a material. Savages that would kill even the young. Very appalling." Hexy stated as she knew that daggers that small cannot be made with adult dragon parts and she hates anyone hurting children the most. Hexy that was a bit aloof suddenly sharpened her gaze.

"What do you care? Given that you seem to know about my weapons here... did you kill a young dragon as well? It was such an exhilarating experience as it even thought of me as its father. The light dimming from its eyes was pure bliss for me. Wait a minute! Why am I suddenly talking about this?!" The Team A leader stated as he shut his mouth as he was having the urge to answer truthfully even though he does not want to.

"The Curse of Inner Thoughts. A curse that is subtle yet effective in making people talk what they are thinking of. The fact that only you were the one affected by it means that the others are merely puppets without a subconscious mind. I have heard your thoughts, and it is quite disturbing that you call yourself human." Hexy stated as she called upon the miasma, she set up in the room to crash at the location of the enemies.

#### Chapter 2378: Protect the Gnome Royalty III

"Foolish curse caster." The Team A leader of the assailants stated as he took out a relic that looked like a chime.

The chime in the hand of the Team A leader produced a clear sound that reverberated in the entire area. The ones caught in the black thorns were all freed from the suppression of it as the chime created frequencies that dispelled curses. Even the miasma that Hexy controlled was destroyed by just the sound of the chime.

"A holy artifact? Such a thing is very unimpressive." Hexy stated as she dislikes holy artifacts as they do not have a complex spell structure compared to cursed artifacts, but she recognizes the effectiveness of the one that the enemies have brought.

"Clear the area. We are now escaping as our presence has been known. We do not know when more of them will come, and the enemy is not someone we can easily deal with." The Team A leader relayed to his other team members.

"Leader, the door was not cleansed by the chime." One of the assailants stated as they looked at the door and it was still covered in thick dark thorns.

"You will not be getting out as long as I am alive as the curse I placed in the exit is connected to my life. If you want to leave, then you will have to kill me." Hexy stated as she released a curse that manifested as dark gas that went towards the enemies.

"Feat not." The Team A leader stated as he once again activated the chime which released a clear sound that destroyed the miasma of the curse that Hexy created.

Hexy could be seen staring at the man holding the chime and thinking of how she can address that item that counters her. She decided to put the holy artifact to the test as she took out her own weapon that amplifies her curses. Hexy brought out a floating bulb that looked like it was a budding flower.

The weapon she brought out is quite different from one would imagine. It was a green bulb full of thorns on the side. It looked like the flower would prick anyone that touches it as just looking at it can induce fear in sharp objects. The enemies also noticed that the woman they were fighting has just revealed something akin to a weapon which means she was not yet serious before.

"I will need to get serious now as you brought a holy artifact with you. Cirsium, enhance my power! Seed!" Hexy stated as the flower bulb weapon suddenly dropped a seed filled with miasma to the floor.

As soon as the seed dropped to the floor, the dark thorns that were dying because of the holy artifact suddenly gathered beneath Hexy. The thorns merged into a cluster of thorns that Hexy could freely control. She then proceeded to split the area of the room as she needed to protect the king and queen from the enemies.

A wall of dark thorns is created which made it impossible for the assailants to even get near the sleeping king and queen. The flower bulb weapon that Hexy has could be seen have a minor change as small petal tips emerged from it. The enemies did not notice this though as Hexy controlled the dark thorns to also deal with the matter at hand.

The dark thorns became thicker and much more robust compared to earlier. The Team A leader once again used the holy artifact to defend themselves against it, but the dark thorns did not get destroyed or erased immediately. A divine sound barrier prevented the dark thorns from reaching the enemies, but it enabled Hexy to know how the holy artifact precisely operates.



Hexy decided to stress test the power of the barrier by piling up more and more dark thorns. The Team A leader noticed that they cannot be at the mercy of the enemy if they want to live. He commanded two of the assassins to go and kill Hexy while she was busy taking her attention.

The two assassins initially did not want to go but they were compelled to do so. The voice of the Team A leader was absolute, and he cannot be questioned. If they did not listen to him then they would be dead either way which is why they risked their lives for the chance of escaping. The two assassins moved quickly and even evaded some the dark thorns that Hexy launched at them. The two assassins managed to actually get close and were about to be in close proximity with Hexy when she placed her weapon in front of her mouth.

"Pollinate!" Hexy stated as she blew the top part of her flower bulb weapon.

Pink pollen suddenly exploded in front of Hexy which are actually filled with miasma. The two assassins that were the closest to her suddenly dropped to the ground and held their necks. The two squirmed and tried to stand up but they couldn't. The Team A leader immediately used the holy artifact once again to destroy the pollen and it did, but the two assassins did not stop squirming.

"The Curse of Asphyxiation." Hexy whispered as that is the curse she infused the pollen with.

Despite the holy artifact being able to destroy the pollen, the two assassins that were affected by it were successfully affected by the curse. The holy artifact was unable to protect the two assassins from the inside. It was a powerful defensive artifact, but it was only able to protect from outside threats. The two assassins did not squirm for long as they died within minutes of being unable to breathe as the curse used by Hexy was potent.

"They were quite strong individuals. It took them about three minutes to die when it usually only takes 30 seconds." Hexy stated nonchalantly as she took notes of what is happening.

"You witch!" The Team A leader shouted as he charged towards her with the others.

#### Chapter 2379: Bloom: Jinxed Thistle

The assailants saw what happened to two of their team members and were immediately overcome with fear. They did not know if the being before them was human as she easily killed two of them without breaking a sweat. The fear of the unknown is always instilled in humanity which is why some panics at moments of uncertainty. Still, the enemies were mindless puppets programmed to do a cause and mind control cannot be overcome by simple fear.

At the command of the Team A leader, all of the assailants charged towards Hexy. The Team A leader saw how deadly the unkept girl could be and decided that he should at least survive this ordeal. He no longer cared about the people he commands as his life takes priority now. He is the only one that has knowledge of what they really intend to do which is why he cannot be captured.

The Team A leader used the holy artifact to the maximum extent, and it released a crisp sound that destroyed any small black thorns on their way. Seeing that the enemy is now in a desperate situation, Hexy infused her weapon with more miasma. The flower bud slowly opened once again to release even more petals, and it released a powerful miasma that enhanced the black thorns she controlled.

"Budding!" Hexy shouted as the dark thorns became thicker than before and almost filled the entire room.

The dark thorns came crashing towards the enemies as Hexy intends to destroy them as well. If she did not put all effort, then she would be the one that loses. Even a cornered rabbit could kill a wolf if the predator is not serious. All of the dark thorns crashed towards the enemies which made the Team A leader exert more power from the holy artifact.

The holy artifact released another clear sound much louder than before. The crisp sound even made those that hear have their ears ring as it was very high pitched. The high-pitched sound created a powerful frequency that defended them against the crashing dark thorns. The initial wave of dark thorns was destroyed by Hexy was unrelentless and utilized more.

"Protect me!" The Team A leader shouted as his hand became slightly numb since using the holy artifact consumes the mana of the wielder.

The Team A leader could not keep the holy artifact working any longer as his mana would be emptied. In the end, the Team A leader sacrificed two more of his men as meat shields in order to live but the surge of dark thorns stopped. The Team A leader then held his two daggers and released a series of slashes that destroyed the remaining dark thorns.

"Well done." Hexy stated as she was now sitting atop a large flower bud with her weapon floating next to her.

"It seems that even you are tired, witch." The Team A leader stated in order to agitate Hexy as he is banking on the situation where she loses her calm.

"I have been called that word many times that I already accepted that I am one. Your holy artifact is indeed powerful to hold out against my attacks filled with miasma and laced with curses. Still, all of your efforts have now gone to waste because I am done preparing." Hexy stated.

"You are bluffing, witch. You are just like me in terms of energy levels which means you are almost out of mana as well." The Team A leader stated but Hexy chuckled.

"You are correct, but I have set up everything perfectly compared to you. Know that you will die at the hands of a Black Fairy and not a witch. Bloom: Jinxed Thistle!" Hexy stated as her weapon finally bloomed and revealed the beautiful flower inside of it.

A Thistle flower that has violet and pink petals emerged from the weapon that Hexy uses. As the flower bloomed, Hexy did as well as her appearance changed to her Black Fairy form. A beautiful and dangerously alluring form that entranced any that sees it. It is not just Hexy and her weapon that bloomed as the large flower bud she was sitting on has also opened itself.

"!" The Team A Leader shouted but no sound was coming out of his voice. He turned to his other team members, but they could not hear anything as well.

"The Curse of Silence. Let us see if your holy artifact can protect yourself against me with this curse affecting the entire area of my Cursed Paradise." Hexy stated as she is the only one able to speak in this situation as she is not affected by the curse.

"Bloom: Jinxed Thistle – Haunting Utopia." Hexy exclaimed as her weapon suddenly used the excess miasma that is not being used by the Curse of Silence and absorbed it. The weapon then released a powerful burst of miasma which automatically activated the holy artifact that is owned by the Team A leader.

The holy artifact flew up and tried to activate its power, but no sound came out of it. The Team A leader could be seen desperately trying to ring the chime to produce any sound, but the Curse of Silence was not a curse that can be easily defended against. The Curse of Silence is also empowered by Hexy's Cursed Paradise which is akin to a domain when she is in her full Black Fairy form.

"Futile as your holy artifact relies on sound. This large flower I conjured is a Tone-Deaf Flower that eats sounds and frequencies in an area. The perfect counter to a holy artifact that relies on sound and frequencies to cleanse miasma. Please die in a world without sound." Hexy stated as the enemies were all blasted by the miasma produced by her weapon exclusive skill Haunting Utopia.

The enemies grabbed their heads as their thoughts started rushing which made some spiral into madness. Some decided to end things themselves as they could no longer take the torture. They could not even hear themselves scream as they all became crazy with the silence.

Chapter 2380: Heavy on the Lazy

"Where is this room?! I am going in circles. Ah! Undead! Sorry for that. Please be on your way." Lime exclaimed in shock as she suddenly bumped into an undead created by Creepysoo.

As soon as all of the disturbances happened, Creepysoo immediately cast a special spell on the Necronomicon called Undead Castle. This is a spell that can only be cast once every three months and uses up 80% of the user's mana. The user also cannot cast any other spells as long as this spell is active, but it transforms a castle into an undead temporarily.

The castle of the Gnome Kingdom was used for this spell but only most of it was transformed as Creepysoo lacked the mana to make all of the castle animate. He also needed the permission to do what he wanted to the castle. If it was an abandoned castle, then he could just cast this easily, but he needed the permission of the one in charge. Thankfully, the minister was very enthusiastic about giving him control for a moment.

All the personnel that the assailants attacked or allegedly killed were all undead. The real attendants were all gathered into a room that is protected by an army of death knights that Creepysoo summoned with the Undead Castle. In essence, all of the soldiers and personnel of the castle were not harmed and only the undead were attacked.

This is the reason why Creepysoo had to summon lots of undead and his knights as he cannot use spells when using the Undead Castle spell. A good thing about the spell that Creepysoo used is that he can see every part of the undead castle. He used the shadow creepers as a means to teleport from one place to the other as his undead cannot hear his commands when he is far away.

"The place should be located two doors away from you. That is the place where I can feel the negative emotion." Creepysoo reported to Lime as she entered the room.

"Found it! It would take some time checking for the artifact. Interrogate the enemies if needed." Lime stated.

"Are you sure you are a True Saint? You sound like a thug right now." Creepysoo replied as he found it funny that a saint speaks like a thug.

"Call me back when you need more information. I will check on each artifact here and I have no time to argue. Remember that you told me that the Primordial Beast of Sloth is involved in this. That thing might come attacking." Lime replied.

"Ok. I also stationed some shadow creepers outside the castle to monitor for activity. I will report to you when I have more info. Also, I think I can give some advice since it is from a primordial beast." Creepysoo stated as he looked at the door covered in dark thorns and even, he cannot enter yet.

"Okay then. Any information is appreciated." Lime replied.

"Big brother said that primordial beasts are natural phenomena. Find the artifact that might seem too natural. If it is an artifact that is created by a primordial beast then it is bound to emit a lot of natural energy. Given that whatever phenomenon affecting the kingdom is still in effect." Creepysoo replied.

"Thanks." Lime replied as she started to scour thousands of priceless gifts.

"No problem. I just hope that the doors would open." Creepysoo stated and the dark thorns finally receded which made him gently open the door.

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"Tell me, why do you need the artificial sun?" Hexy asked the Team A leader that is gripping his shoulders and having a full-blown panic attack.

"Am missing something? Or am I interrupting?" Creepysoo stated but no sound came out of his mouth.

"Ah! No wonder I could not hear his answers. The curse is still in effect because of the plant." Hexy stated as she collected all the miasma used for the Curse of Silenced. She then fed this miasma to the Tone Deaf plant which it devoured with joy.

"Artificial Sun!? No! Master! I! Please spare me!" The Team A leader shouted as he clutched his body thinking it was not real and real at the same time.

"You did some nasty work on them, but it seems he do cannot speak properly. Should we just kill him, and I will raise him as an undead to speak?" Creepysoo stated.

"I even tried the Curse of the Whistleblower on him but something in his soul suddenly made him lose his mind. The others died without a problem, but he lived because he was strong enough to counter the effects of Haunting Utopia. He was only affected for a few seconds before he lost his mind and kept babbling like that." Hexy stated.

"Maybe we should ask for something that our other guild member needs to know. What is the appearance of the artifact being used to transmit all these negative energies?" Creepysoo asked as his red eyes glowed menacingly which frightened the weakened Team A leader.

"Idol?! Sloth! Goat! Sky!" The Team A leader shouted as he once again cradled himself like someone that lost their marbles.

"Did you hear that? The artifact should be a statue of a goat in a sky or something." Creepysoo reported to Lime.

"A goat in the sky? Are you sure about that? There are some goat statues here but there are no indications of skies." Lime stated as she saw some goat statues.

"Maybe it is not the sky itself. Maybe the statue is the same color as the sky. Also, look for ones that look like it is slacking off. If you are not sure, then just destroy all goat related statues you can find." Creepysoo stated.

"There are thousands of them. I cannot pay for the damages but there is a blue goat statue here that is gently sleeping. I am going to take my chances with that one." Lime stated as she took out her hammer and slammed it towards the blue goat statue that is about one foot tall.

As soon as Lime destroyed the goat statue, a powerful wave of negative energy swept throughout the castle. Lime suddenly felt sleepy, but she slapped her face to stay awake. Hexy also felt this wave of negative energy and felt drowsy, but she did not feel sleepy. Creepysoo felt the negative energy but did not feel sleepy at all since undead do not rest.

The wave of negative energy swept across the kingdom, but it only made every person inside sleepy. The cloud of negative energy pooling outside the castle also dispersed as soon as the idol was destroyed. All of them thought that they have succeeded but they felt an incredible bone chilling pressure located outside the castle. The powerful pressure appeared for two seconds before it suddenly vanished.

"What was that? Did you guys do that?" Lime asked.

"We did nothing." Hexy replied.

"Is it the primordial beast?!" Creepysoo exclaimed as he looked out to the direction where that powerful pressure was but there was no oversized monster destroying the city.

"Is it not coming? Still, prepare for battle." Creepysoo added as he called all of the undead to prepare.

All three of them were nervous as fighting against a Primordial Beast of Sin with just their group is impossible. They know that their guild leader also fought some primordial beasts, but he told them that the entire guild is needed to deal with one. They waited for one hour with great anticipation, but nothing happened. No one attacked the castle which made them think that it must be fake out.

"Will it not really attack?" Hexy asked Creepysoo.

"I do not know. I will send some shadow creepers outside to check the city. If there are any beings hiding, then the shadow creepers will be the ones to find them." Creepysoo stated.

Creepysoo sent out the shadow creepers and they did a full sweep of the city but there was no sign of other beings that are awake. All the shadow creepers reported that all people were asleep, and all stoves were closed so there is no risk of fire. The three of them could not believe that they really did not need to fight against the Primordial Beast of Sloth

"What is happening to him?" Hexy suddenly stated as the Team A Leader convulsed before turning into mush.

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The Primordial Beast of Sloth suddenly emitted a powerful killing intent when one of its artifacts were broken. It was the artifact that is being used to cover the entire city with negative energy that is created by it. The Primordial Beast of Sloth was angry one moment and then suddenly stopped.

"Why did you stop!?" One of the hooded beings around the Primordial Beast of Sloth shouted.

"I got bored and tired. I want to go back." The Primordial Beast of Sloth stated.

"You can..." The hooded being stated before he suddenly popped like a balloon which made the others around fear the primordial beast.

"We shall now return." Another hooded person stated as they opened a scroll that ripped the dimension and vanished from their location.