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Chapter 361 - Slimes Are Cannibals?

"The den is below me, but I do not know how far below. Every meter I phase through would be a thousand mana which means that I can only go down below 27 meters. Let us hope that the descent will be easy." Adrian muttered as he phased down the floor of the cave.

After about ten meters, Adrian finally saw the hollowed area that is the slime den. It was not something that he has imagined a slime den would look like. It was mostly rocky area that are dried out of moisture and slimes eating one another.

"Slimes are actually cannibals!" Adrian uttered as he immediately looked around the surroundings.

"I see. They are forced into cannibalism due to being locked inside this den, but slimes are said to be always wandering about looking for food. Does that mean that there is no way in or out of this place?" Adrian thought as he disabled his Soul Form Transformation so that his mana could regenerate.

When Adrian's body became corporeal, the slimes suddenly all seemed to look at Adrian's direction despite having no eyes. Adrian could finally have a good look of the slime's physique. Just like what is drawn on the picture books, the slimes have a jelly like consistency.

The bodies of the slimes have different colors depending on their supposed diet but that does not hold to be true. The slimes that Adrian can see in the den have varying colors despite living in the same environment.

(Author's note [Slime Look]:

https://static.wikia.nocookie.net/monster/images/9/9f/Slime.jpg/revision/latest/scale-to-width-down/340?cb=20170525164404)

The slimes bodies are more like viscous snot due to how sticky looking they really are. Slowly but surely, the slimes started to gather towards Adrian as if drawn to him. Adrian who saw this could only think of one thing and that is him becoming registered as food in their eyes despite slimes having no eyes.

"Is their core acting like an antenna that transmits a sound wave that only slimes can hear? There is no other explanation on how they have found me. Let me try isolating the area I am in using spatial magic." Adrian tested his theory as he has spare time seeing that the slimes before him are only level 30.

Adrian used his mastery of Origin Magic to isolate the space around him. Just as Adrian suspected, the slimes that are moving towards him suddenly stopped and continued feasting on each other once more. If Adrian published what he discovered, then he might earn an award from the Summoner Tower but sadly slimes are already extinct in his timeline.

"So, it is true! Anyways, the slimes here only have a normal soul rating. I must head deeper and find the one that has a golden soul." Adrian muttered as he proceeded deeper while properly maintaining his magic that became a shell that covered his body.

The deeper that Adrian went, the more powerful the slimes that he encountered. Some slimes even had multiple colors, but Adrian knew that did not meant that they are special. Adrian judges using the color of the souls.

Monsters with average strength and no potential to evolve would have a white soul. Monster with some talent and can evolve have silver souls. The best one would be a monster with a golden soul as those are the ones that can reach the pinnacle. There are cases where mutation might occur but that is very difficult to control. There are also cases where monsters have a mixed soul color.

Adrian wanted a slime that may be weak now but has the potential to become a monster in the future. He also wants a slime that looks sturdy. If he sees a metal slime, he might immediately go for that one as slimes have a fatal weakness and that is their cores.

They are basically the physical tank version of Charon. If a monster should be immune to something, then the only way to balance it is for it to have a fatal weakness. For Charon, it is holy attribute magic. For slimes, it is their cores.

"I saw some silver soul ones, but I would just return to them if I cannot find the one with the golden soul. Seriously, slimes are ugly. If I find one that says something like 'I am not a bad slime'. I would immediately go for that one." Adrian muttered to himself as he enjoyed that game where he played as a slime. It seems that slime became popular due to its iconic line which landed it having spin-off games.

Adrian checked the time, and he has 15 minutes remaining before he is sent back. He immediately started to seal one silver soul one if he ever fails to collect more. He did not even look what slime he sealed as some slimes are clustered against one another.

Adrian just focused and thought of sealing the silver soul one without checking. Ten minutes are left but Adrian has already reached the end of the den. Adrian finally gave up finding the golden soul one that he managed to see from above the den.

"It seems to be much elusive than I thought. Might as well seal another silver soul slime." Adrian stated as he turned around, but he suddenly noticed that there was a crown behind a boulder.

"Ooh! Treasure!" Adrian shouted as he went towards the crown.

Upon getting closer, Adrian is greeted by an enormous slime that is about his size. The slime had a golden body and a glorious royal crown. It even had a mantle of a king on which rings true to its name.

Monster: King Slime

Level: 100

Description: A slime considered to be the last evolution of a slime. Its body is firmer compared to a normal slime and it is said that even physical attacks covered with magic cannot easily pierce its body. It is said to have the power to propagate ten slimes a day without the aid of fission.

"The golden soul one!" Adrian muttered as he prepared to seal the King Slime.

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The golden soul slime that Adrian saw earlier was none other than the King Slime that is before him. Adrian is now prepared for combat, but he realized he has no weapon to use.

[Casting spells without a weapon will only deal 50% of the total damage of that spell.]

[Spells will have double the cast time if used without a weapon to channel into.]

Adrian is stumped but it is acceptable. Casting without weapons is doable but it would take more effort for half the original damage. This mechanic is why some magic classes could still use magic despite becoming unarmed or their weapon breaking.

"Greater Seal!" Adrian shouted as a magic circle appeared beneath the King Slime.

Numerous chains bound the King Slime trying to pull it below, but it did not seem bothered. Due to having no weapon that can form an immediate soul link, the King Slime is not easily sealed despite being sixty levels below Adrian. The chains broke and the King Slime became agitated because of the tapering of its soul.

Monsters that break the sealing magic would become more agitated due to the magic touching their very essence which is their souls. It is like being pricked by a needle over and over or hearing the sound of nails scratching a blackboard.

The King Slime moved its body up and down which produced smaller version of itself. The small versions of the King Slime then crawled towards Adrian. Adrian then noticed that the trail that the small versions of the king slime left is filled with corrosive poison that even melted the floor.

Adrian did not let those small versions of the King Slime come near him, so he used Quantum Repulsion. The small versions of the King Slime are sent flying towards the cave walls which immediately killed them. Though the smaller versions of the King Slime are eliminated, their golden goop went crawling back to the King Slime.

The King Slime who became lesser in volume regained some of its size when the golden goop is absorbed in its body. The health it lost also recovered when it absorbed its golden goop. Adrian did not stop there as he covered the area with Quantum Spacemines.

"Thank goodness it is not agile or else my spells will not hit it easily." Adrian commented as he hurled an occasional man orb at it to slowly whittle the King Slimes health away.

"Greater Seal!" Adrian cast once more to try his luck as he managed to bring the King Slime down to half health.

A magic circle once again appeared below the King Slime and chains once gain bound it. The King Slime however seemed to become somewhat immune to the Greater Sealing Spell. The King Slime emitted a golden glow, and the Greater Seal spell is dispelled.

[The King Slime used its Ruler's Authority. All slimes inside the den will now be controlled by it.]

[All magic spells will have a chance of being dispelled when cast near the presence of a King.]

"This just got really complicated. I only have one more chance left to seal the King Slime. If I fail once more, I can only hope that it drops its Soul Stone." Adrian uttered as he saw the other slimes that were devouring each other flood towards the room he is in.

"Vortex!" Adrian cast as the room started to become smaller due to the flooding slimes.

A small star is created in Adrian's palm and it started to ascend much slower than it usually would. The small star finally ascended to its utmost height, but Adrian's feet is already being invaded by the slimes.

[You are receiving damage from the corrosive poison of slimes.]

[You will lose 0.5% of your health per five seconds.]

Adrian snapped his fingers and a loud explosion resulting in a black hole opened up above him. The black hole sucked in all the slimes in the room that did not have a strong grip. Even the King Slime is sucked inside the black hole.

Adrian is amazed due to the number of slimes that are sucked in. He received multiple system notifications that he killed a slime. It seems that low level slimes died easily in just one second inside the black hole. Adrian then dreaded the decision he made because of a certain system notification.

[You have killed the King Slime.]

Adrian knelt in defeat because he has a low chance in getting a soul stone. Even if his luck stat that can affect the chances of rarer items dropping, it was still not a hundred percent certain that a soul stone will drop. The vortex ended and a ton of items came out of it.

Adrian scoured the items as 90% of it is worthless and he finally found a golden colored soul stone. He jumped for joy as he did not expect an item like that to appear, but his joy soon turned into sorrow once he appraised the item.

[You have picked up Random Slime Soul Stone.]

Item: Random Slime Soul Stone

Tier: Epic

Type: Soul Stone (Summoner only item)

Description: Used to Summon a random soul of a slime. The slime summoned could have the potential to become strong. It is all dependent on luck if you can summon the best slime as your companion.

[You have picked up Royal Slime Jelly.]

Item: Royal Slime Jelly

Tier: Epic

Type: Consumable

Effect: Unknown

Description: A special jelly that can only be secreted by the King Slime. It is said that men will go through lengths in order to get this slime because of its rumored properties. Eve women love this jelly as it is said to make one's skin glow upon being applied like a lotion. Royalty will buy this at exceedingly high prices.

"The effect is unknown maybe due to the fact that I am still underage. Should I sell this? I will probably get a good amount of money if I sell it." Adrian thought to himself but then he heard an explosion in the opposite room.

Chapter 363 - Returning To The Present

An explosion is heard from the entrance of the cave, but Adrian has no more time left. The timer of one hour ended and Adrian's body started to turn into particles of light. He did his best to gather all the items that he has yet to pick up.

Adrian finally vanished into particles of light as a group of three people reached the current area that he was in. This group of people were none other than the young Ascalor's group. They rushed to this hidden cave because Ascalor sensed a huge amount of spatial energy coming from this specific area.

"There is no one here." Allen stated while inspecting the area.

"Someone was here to be exact. I can still feel the remnant spatial energy in the vicinity. Whoever it was, it might be someone who is already well-versed in spatial magic." The young Ascalor commented.

"Do you think it was one of your kind? I mean only your kind could manipulate space that skillfully." The female dragonkin asked.

"If it is one of our kind then I would love to meet them as I would want to be tutored on the way of using spatial magic. I only ever used it to open portals for myself to enter." The young Ascalor stated as he carefully inspected the area to see more traces of spatial magic.

"Good news though! Whoever it was, they left all the slime cores lying about. The number of cores that are in this cave should be in the hundreds. Thank you, kind stranger whoever you may be."

Allen shouted out loud.

"Whoever it was, they are very skilled as I could not even trace the location where they teleported to." The young Ascalor muttered as he collected the slime cores.

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Adrian who suddenly became particles of light ended up in the tunnel he used to travel to the past. His vision became dark as he suddenly heard a rumbling sound.

"What is that sound coming from?" Adrian thought but his body is suddenly being sucked in a white circle before him.

Adrian tried resisting the pull but ultimately gave up. He had a carefree look on his face that literally stated, 'I do not care anymore'. Adrian's vision is flooded by light and next thing he knows he was being spit out by Bessy.

The Cosmic Cetacea spit out Adrian directly on top of the grazing field of the Capricorns where his soulbounds were currently helping Pann tend to the flock. Fortunately for Adrian, he was not covered with spit or any other liquids, but he did have an odd glow around him.

"You have finally returned brat! G clean yourself up or do you like being covered in Bessy's stomach acid." Pann ordered.

Adrian immediately realized that the odd glow that he had is not something that should be covering him. He immediately went to the well located in Pann's ranch and drenched himself with water. The stomach acid that looked like a star's glow easily got rinsed off.

"Who knew something so beautiful could be so disgusting!" Adrian exclaimed as he stormed towards Pann with an expression of indignation.

"What! Do you want to say anything!?" Pann stated in a threatening tone which made Adrian immediately back down. He went in like a lion but arrived as a cute little kitty cat.

"I have the slime that you want. Let me transfer it in a Companion Stone first." Adrian stated as he transferred the soul of the silver soul slime to the empty Companion Stone.

Adrian can detect the silver soul slime that he sealed and decided that it was better to give it to Pann. He rather tries his luck in summoning a slime using the Random Slime Soul Stone. The slime that he gave Pann is a slime that is perfect for him because it was a Pristine Slime.

Monster: Pristine Slime

Level: 76

Description: A slime said to be the epitome of cleanliness as it hates dirt or garbage. It is so clean that its body is almost water like in texture. It does however expose its core easily which is why Pristine Slimes are easy prey for intelligent predators. It is often used in toilets due to how useful it is.

"Ohh! This slime is perfect for me. I always hated cleaning up my dirty equipment, but I can now do it quickly with this little guy assisting me. I better give you a reward that you need right now." Pann stated as he pulled something out of his subspace. Adrian crossed his fingers and hoped for the best when he heard that Pann would give him something.

"I mean an item from a demigod should be top tier, right? But compared to the demigods that I saw, Pann is more of the simple kind so I should not make my expectations high.

Pann finally pulled the item that he was going to give Adrian. Pann pulled out a foot of a certain animal that is fashioned like that of a charm. Pann happily gave it to Adrian who received it with a strained smile, but the strained smile soon turned into a genuine one.

Item: Lucky Killer Rabbit Foot

Tier: Legendary

Type: Consumable Charm

Effect: Increases your luck for five minutes.

Description: An item said to increase luck when the holder consumes it. Killer Rabbits are said to be difficult to find and kill due to their immense speed and reflexes. You are lucky that you have even got one of there precious foot. Who knew a foot can be this lucky?!

"Funny?! This is an item that I really need right now. Maybe this was a hidden quest that does not give an official quest because the prize greatly varies depending on the slime that I give Pann." Adrian thought as he stared at the Lucky Killer Rabbit Foot.

"I am giving you one of my lucky rabbit feet because of the great work that your soulbounds have given me. Especially Sirius, he can really herd the Capricorns better than my current herding dog. Let me borrow him from time to time." Pann stated and Adrian smiled wryly once again due to the comment

Chapter 364 - Need A Lot Of Luck

"So, what kind of slime did you get? I am fairly sure that you gave me the lesser one of the slimes that you have sealed. I have lived far longer than you so there is no need to lie to me. Show it to me. At least show it to the one who helped you get it." Pann stated.

"I actually did not get a better one or should I say that it would be all up to my luck to get a better one." Adrian answered as he showed the soul stone.

"I see. If you want to increase your luck, then you could go to the place they call Happy Go Lucky Meadow located in the central continent of the main world." Pann stated in order to give Adrian a helping hand.

"Aww...tsundere old man." Adrian commented.

"What does that word mean? I feel like you are insulting me." Pann stated in a voice that is almost angry.

"That word means that you are the best. I learned it from watching the entertainment of the humans." Adrian state as he sealed all his soulbounds and teleported to the main world.

"I am the tsundere." Pann muttered as he went back to work in his ranch. Unknown to him that a seventeen-year-old boy outsmarted him.

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Adrian arrived in Avalon as he did not know where this Happy Go Lucky Meadow in the central continent is exactly located. He decided to search the area in the forums, and he was not pleased with what he found.

"The area is a famous dating site for couples. It would be difficult to go there without getting noticed. Might as well pick an area there that is not overly populated with couples." Adrian thought as he started the teleportation spell and disappeared from Avalon.

Adrian reappeared in the sky above the Happy Go Lucky Meadow and he disguised himself as a dragonkin. He knew that the top guilds are currently looking for him. He did not want to be disturbed much and he even put his chat in silent mode so that he would not be pinged by his friends who are members of the top guilds.

Adrian descended to the ground and he was met with gazes of other players due to landing. The gazes soon averted as they saw it was just a dragonkin practicing flying. It was not a rare site nowadays for newbie dragonkin players to fly in safe zones.

Adrian looked around and saw that the meadow is really a famous dating spot as he was the only single person there. He saw that each couple were in their own world and decided to quickly do his

business. Thankfully, Pann did not lie to him about this area increasing a person's luck even though it is slight.

[You have arrived in Happy Go Lucky Meadow.]

[Your luck has increased slightly due to the good energy present in the area.]

[Once you leave the area, the effect will disappear.]

"I am really curious why this area increases luck, but the empire has banned anyone wanting to excavate the area. Maybe a treasure that can permanently increase luck is buried in this area. Mark this area for later. Hehehe." Adrian thought and started to giggle a little which made the surrounding couples steer away from him.

Adrian saw a shaded area a few meters away from his location and decided to o the summoning there. He needed to find an area where the couples were not flaunting their love atmosphere at his face.

"Should I try and use the skill Summon: Gabriel spell? It did say that a disaster would be summoned in the area that the spell was cast." Adrian mischievously thought as he went to an area with no people.

Adrian then brought out the items that he would need which are the Random Slime Soul Stone and Lucky Killer Rabbit Foot. Adrian stared at the rabbit foot first because he knew that it said consumable.

"So, I should eat the foot raw? Can't I cook it?" Adrian uttered.

"If you cook it master then the effect will become different. It might also lose its rarity or be destroyed if you handle it incorrectly." The Cube of Paradox commented.

"Oh! You are here. I thought you were left at the old man's ranch once more. Seeing that you were not with me when I was flung to the past." Adrian stated in mildly angry tone.

"The Cosmic Cetacea maintained our link despite you being in a faraway place or rather time period. Even master's soulbounds were not sent with him due to this strange phenomenon. It as enlightening due to it being a strange occurrence." The Cube of Paradox defended itself.

"Anyways, let us just hope that this foot would taste as good as its effect. Bottoms up." Adrian stated as he swallowed the Lucky Killer Rabbit Foot.

"Mmm...Taste a little gamey but it is quite delicious nonetheless." Adrian commented.

[You will have a great boost in Luck for ten minutes.]

The system notification is received, and Adrian started to draw the summoning circle. He could have drawn the summoning circle earlier, but he believed that the magic circle might be blessed with luck if he draws it after consuming the rabbit foot. He is in Asia where superstition is still a big part of people's life.

Adrian easily finished the summoning circle and proceeded to place the soul stone in the center of it. He did not make the summoning circle large because he knew how little low-level slimes could be. Adrian started his chant and the area he is in started to gather the lucky aura in the vicinity.

The summoning circle started to glow, and the soul stone also glowed. The soul stone vanished, and a small portal appeared in place of it. A small figure with the size of an inflated basketball crawled out of the portal.

"It is cute. It definitely is the 'I am not a bad slime' type of slime." Adrian commented.

Chapter 365 - Baby Slime

"Greater Summon!" Adrian casted towards the soul stone and it activated perfectly without failure.

[You have successfully summoned a Baby Slime.]

"Greater Seal!" Adrian casted.

[You have successfully sealed the Baby Slime.]

[Do you wish to name the newly sealed Baby Slime?]

Adrian thought what to name the slime and he found the perfect name.

"Dodu! I will name you Dodu." Adrian stated and the new monster successfully became his soulbound.

One would have doubts on employing slime as a soulbound but not Adrian because the Baby Slime he summoned is different. It had a clear golden soul which means that it could grow into a powerful monster if raised correctly.

Dodu had a streamlined body like that of a teardrop. The cute slime also had a floating small sphere on top of the point part of his head. The Baby Slime is also in a baby pink color that perfectly hid its core. Its cute beady eyes could draw in anyone just by looking at the cute creature.

(Author's Note [Slime Picture]: /originals/30/9d/4d/309d4dbca23c50ac94a76dbfb4c68299.jpg)

Name: Dodu

Race: Slime

Species: Baby Slime

Level: 1

Health: 100 / 100

Mana: 100 / 100

Description: A slime that is said to be the weakest of the slime race due to its feeble nature. Not much is known about the Baby Slime, but it said to have the biggest potential in becoming stronger.

"So, I got the slime that starts out weak but becomes stronger after being trained." Adrian stated but then numerous onlookers started to approach his location.

"Looks like me summoning you has caused some sort of commotion. It is best that we go now." Adrian stated as the Baby Slime hopped to his hand and they flew away from the area.

Adrian is reading the details of the Baby Slime and saw that it has no evolution path as of now. It was not like Sirius who had an evolution path right from the start. He believed that the slime would evolve depending on the way he raises it.

Adrian is just flying needlessly when he received a specific whisper from his sister. It seems that whatever she is doing in the game right now needs some assistance.

"She ever asks for my help unless only I can help here with this task. She is not the chummy type of elder sister that would want to hang out with me just because she misses me. She feels like a businesswoman even here inside the game." Adrian thought as he flew in the direction of the supposed meeting place.

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Adrian arrived at the location that Mina stated as it was not that far from his current location. He saw that his sister was not alone as a young man that might be older that his sister by a few years is standing next to her.

The young man standing next to his looked like he chose the human race but something about him felt different. He had an aura of ferociousness that surrounded him. Adrian is awfully familiar with this aura as he was taught clearly by his mother to avoid people like that if he sensed it. Thankfully, this was inside a game and not in real life, so he did not have to run for his life.

"So who is this hunk next to you, dear sister? Another one of your boytoys?" Adrian teased and the young man next to his sister then gave her a shocked expression.

"Oh! Stop with the teasing, little brother. No, you are just the only one." Mina stated with a serious tone and Adrian also tensed up.

"Kyu!" The baby slime suddenly muttered which made Mina immediately snatch it away from Adrian's arms.

"Aww! Who is this little cutie?" Mina asked as she pinched the cute little slime.

"That is Dodu and it is a slime. What is the urgent thing that you are saying?" Adrian answered as he took Dodu back.

"A war might start between the Vampires and the Werewolves and we need your help to stop it. More specifically, the help of your entire race. I read in one of the books in the castle that the Erebians and the Daemos were once part of a council." Mina stated.

"Yes. You are correct but the war that you want us to participate is not possible. We cannot participate in the wars of races as that would mean that we will step into the world and once that happens. Ooff! You do not want to know what happens." Adrian replied as he knew that Ascalors warnings were not half-hearted.

Ascalor told Adrian that an unspoken agreement is held with the hidden powers of the main world Nebulon. The agreement was that the Daemos would just be spectators to events that the natives of the Main World engage in. If not, then the Daemos would once again be branded as conquerors or vigilantes.

"The casualties will not just be the werewolves and vampires as even the normal people would be affected. The vampires and werewolves have incorporated well into society as the look human if not for the fangs or red eyes." Mina stated as she knew that she was not ready for another war.

"There is more to this war than you might think. Even some of the peaceful faction that wishes to coexist has been led by propaganda and wants to dominate the lesser species as they call it. That is not normal because a complete 180 of standing does not happen overnight." The young man accompanying Mina added.

"Fine. I will help you, but it can only be me. If by some lucky coincidence that it is not just a normal war, then I will contact the elders of my kind. Anyways, what is your name?" Adrian asked.

"Lycan. The name is Lycan." Lycan stated as he shook Adrian's hand.

"Huh! So you are that unlucky guy that my sister is fawning about. If I were you, I would escape while I still have the chance." Adrian teased as he went with the two to their hideout.

Chapter 366 - Alpha

"Where are we heading anyways?" Adrian asked as he followed the two of them.

"To a ducal household of course. You did not think that every person from the five races is hiding out like the Daemos. Some actually integrated to society very well but they did hide the fact that they are a werewolf or a vampire." Solstice stated.

"The Empire is not blind though. They are rather tolerating your existence, but they will not do that unless they do not have something to use against you." Adrian thought as he remembered that Emrys told him that they are not safe even if they look human.

"You may be correct as the envoys of the empire has suspiciously lessened their visits to the duke." Lycan added.

The three of them is soon inside the ducal territory as they are now inside the town. The citizens of the town warmly welcomed the two and even asked about Adrian who is with them. Adrian noticed that the ducal territory is flourishing because the smiles of the people are not fake.

"It seems that the normal citizens have no problem with the two of them which means that it is only the higher ups that are steering the discontentment. Is there a new leader that they do not approve of?" Adrian thought.

Adrian thought that the werewolves and vampires in the game Pandemonium is much closer to their modern interpretation. The werewolves should adopt the leader of the pack is the Alpha and that all werewolves under him or her should always listen. Should someone from the pack becomes dissatisfied then they could challenge the alpha for dominance.

"Werewolves should be a species that relies on the strong leading them so if they have dissatisfaction then they would settle it using their fists. Unless the one who has dissatisfaction is not a real werewolf and is using underhanded methods to topple the hierarchy." Adrian thought as they finally arrived at the huge mansion of the ducal territory.

"Welcome to Arkadia's Duke Castle. It might be old looking but that does not mean it will lose to grandeur compared to the castle of other duke in the empire." Lycan stated as he guided the two inside it.

"I am not saying that our castle is better, but it is much grand than this one I tell you." Solstice suddenly added to the conversation.

The castle of the Duke of Arkadia is surrounded by trees and it is not farfetched to say that twothirds of the castle ground is forest. The forest is well maintained as each tree is spaced apart in order for them not to steal the nutrients from the other tree.

The castle also added to the ancient aesthetic due to the walls being made of discolored white marble. The four tall spires of the castle made it look more imposing in the distance. The overall feel of the castle would be that of a family in power since the old era.

Adrian then noticed that all the guards were bowing not to him nor his sister but to Lycan. He could only think that his origins are special for the guards of a noble to bow to him. He did not feel bitter at all (lowkey he is because even his sister is a noble).

"I find it unfair that the pioneers for the other five races are basically nobility. While I am here being basically ordered around like a slave. Oh! How unfair the world is?!" Adrian thought while he made a face of someone who underwent numerous hardships.

"Why are you making that funny face that looks like you are having a hard time digesting what you ate?" Solstice suddenly questioned.

"I am just revisiting my memories of hardships unlike you people who were born with a silver spoon." Adrian stated while even shedding one fake tear.

"Uhmm...Is your brother okay?" Lycan suddenly asked as he saw Adrian shed a tear.

"He does that sometimes. He sticks to a concept and embodies it from time to time. He got it from dad as he would always suddenly act like a different person when something happens. Think of it like a skit or method acting. In other words, do not even bother paying him attention when he is like that. It would make your life easier." Solstice replied monotonously.

"Anyways, let us go inside then. I already informed someone beforehand that we are arriving so the Duke of Arkadia should be welcoming us when we enter." Lycan stated as he opened the large castle main door.

The main door of the castle opened, and a row of knights is arranged in two line is present. They even walked on a red carpet as if it is an official visit of an envoy of the empire. At the end of the carpet is a well-built man probably in his mid-forties that is dressed like a countryside noble.

[You are in the presence of an Alpha. All your stats have been decreased by 10% due to being in the presence of a natural leader.]

The nobleman in front of Adrian emitted a fierce aura that even made him freeze up for a couple of seconds. The nobleman emitted an aura that is five times more powerful than Lycan which is already shocking because the latter is a Level 145 player meanwhile the NPC in front of him is Level 220.

NPC: Lycaon

Tier: Mythical

Level: 220

Title: Alpha, The King of Ferocity, Duke of Arkadia

Adrian is actually shocked by what he found out because a Mythical Tier NPC is basically on the road to become a Transcendent tier NPC. Transcendent tier NPCs are basically one step closer in becoming a demigod.

"My son! You have returned. You told me that we are going to meet someone today, but I did not expect a dragonkin." Lycaon stated in a cheerful attitude but behind the smile is an observing eye that made Adrian feel like he was being hunted by a fierce predator.

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"We should move the conversation to a more private setting. All of you can return to your duties." Lycaon commanded.

The soldiers and servant in the castle all bowed in reverence as they returned to their official duties. Lycaon himself told his close servants to return to their duties despite some of them saying that they need to guard him. The Duke of Arkadia only gave them a fierce stare and they backed down.

"Come this way please." The Duke of Arkadia Lycaon stated as he guided the three of them to his own office inside the castle.

The inside of the Duke of Arkadia's office is rather normal like what you would expect in a nobleman's office. The only thing that feels different is that a barrier is covering the whole room which makes it soundproof from the outside.

"Now that no other people could hear us, why did you bring a demon in the premises? Even if you are my son, you have to explain yourself." The Duke of Arkdia Lycaon asked Lycan.

Adrian is not shocked by the Duke of Arkadia's revelation because people with higher persona than him could easily see beyond illusions. A mythical tier NPC would be not fall for low level illusion magic.

"I could smell the musk of a demon from that young child. You do know that the empire's backbone does not like the demons meddling with the affairs of the empire." The Duke of Arkadia warned his son.

Adrian is once again learning stuff that is not spoken in the history of the empire. This backbone of the empire has passed by his ear a bunch of times when he asked the elders of the Daemos on what he can and cannot do.

"If even a mythical tier NPC is wary of the backbone of the empire then it is probably a demigod. But if it is a demigod, why is it having a hands-off approach in running the empire? Unless that demigod only cares about the royal family." Adrian thought as Lycan is being scolded.

"So, you are telling me that we need to ally ourselves with the demons in order to put down the rising displeasure of my rule? We are werewolves! Why should we fear those who plan in the shadows!?" The Duke of Arkadia Lycaon stated while he released his feral aura that he compressed.

The whole room suddenly felt like gravity intensified. Adrian and Mina started to feel faint as they had difficulty breathing. Lycan who is the focus of this feral aura is already kneeling with his right leg. The Duke of Arkadia Lycaon suddenly released the intense pressure and the people in the room gasped for air.

"It seems that the young demon is much better than you my son. You need to toughen up if you even want to inherit everything I have. You are far too weak right now to safely inherit my dukedom." The Duke of Arkadia Lycaon stated which made Adrian realize why there is unrest in the duke's leadership.

"So, the real reason those under you are planning a revolt is due to the fact that you named hi your successor which is not how the werewolves do it right?" Adrian interjected.

"I will not die anytime anyways so my son could take his time in gaining strength to topple anyone that tries to challenge his succession." The Duke of Arkadia Lycaon proudly stated as he is very confident in his own strength.

"But then again, I can hear some suspicion in your voice. Why?" Solstice rebutted.

"I do not want to be berated by a vampire, but my son likes you and I can say that he has taste. It is not in our nature to plan in the shadows and grow the strength of an army rather than oneself. You vampires that hate the sun, so your people avoid fights during daylight." The Duke of Arkadia Lycaon stated.

"They told me that a war between the werewolves and vampires might occur if I do not help them. How much is the possibility of that really happening?" Adrian asked as he wanted to know from the perspective of the leader of the werewolves.

"Highly Likely. It seems that another Alpha has emerged who has a sugar-coated tongue that bores resentment towards the vampires. They do not move in this dutchy but there are report that werewolves from villages that is not under my influence has joined him." The Duke of Arkadia Lycaon stated in a grave tone.

"Why do you werewolves and vampires hate each other anyway? You guys basically came from one Asmodian lineage anyway." Adrian casually stated which made the Duke of Arkadia suddenly grab him.

"What did you say!? Our origins are traced from the Night Wolf which is the son of the Goddess of the Night. I do not mean to sound impertinent but there is no way that we share the origins of those blood-suckers." The Duke of Arkadia Lycaon stated which made Mina exclaim in anger.

"At least we do not transform to unstoppable beasts of carnage during the full moon. Our origins could be traced to the Night Bat and a dog is vastly different from a bat." Solstice rebutted.

"You say that the origins of the werewolves are from the Night Wolf. Do you have a written record of that?" Adrian asked with confidence since he himself have known that fact since his time inside the Hall of Armageddon.

"We only have stories from the elders of our packs. They have told the stories since time immemorial. If you are lying, then you are saying something blasphemous." The Duke of Arkadia Lycaon stated in a reprimanding tone.

"I am telling the truth. I am quite sure that the Daemos have more solid evidence to back what I am saying. It is far better than the oral traditions passed down from generations as some stories evolve to the passage of time.

If I am not mistaken, this Night Wolf and Night Bat should be the twins born from the Asmodian called Erebus. The twins were not really reported to have a great relationship which has been passed down to those who share their blood. The resentment between your species might have ultimately erased the truth of how you guys came to be." Adrian stated in a concise fashion that even the Due of Arkadia Lycaon is speechless.

Chapter 368 - Information On Fenris

The history that Adrian blurted unintentionally made those of the Erebian race speechless. Not only were they speechless, but they also felt a tingling sensation when Adrian mentioned the name Erebus. Their spine made an odd sensation like when someone realizes they were missing an essential part of their lives.

[You have given knowledge to a Mythical Tier NPC about his origins.]

[You are rewarded +5 to all your stats due to this feat.]

Adrian is utterly shocked because of what he witnessed in his system notification. He got free stats just because of his blabbering mouth. What made him even more skeptical is the fact that the vampires and werewolves do not know their real origin.

What Adrian did not know is that even if another Erebian tell of the truth they would not believe it because it did not come from the mouth of an Asmodian and Adrian is already half of it. Still, Adrian is praising the heavens as he did not mind getting free stats as he does not get them from visiting other realms.

"I do not know why but I feel like your words ring true. I will trust your suspicion for once and investigate the group that my son is suspecting that will start a revolt. Do it covertly and do not act out unless necessary." The Duke of Arkadia Lycaon stated as he gave them a quest.

QUEST NOTIFICATION

Those That Plan in the Dark

The Duke of Arkadia wants you to find out if it there really is an alpha werewolf out there that is planning a revolt. Although he is confident in his strength, he wants to be one step ahead of his enemy.

Condition: Find out if there really is another Alpha planning a revolt and report back to the Duke of Arkadia. You will fail this quest if you are known to be siding with the Duke of Arkadia.

Reward: +1 Level

Failure: The revolt will happen without the Duke of Arkadia knowing. Loss of two levels if you are killed by the other faction.

"This is what I hate about higher order quests. They punish you more than reward you more." Adrian suddenly grumbled.

"We will not fight anyone as it is a covert mission not a subjugation one. So, it makes sense that the punishment is much more severe if we are discovered by the enemy." Lycan stated but even he does not know how they will proceed.

"Are you a scout?" Adrian asked Lycan as he seems to be familiar with these types of mission.

"Nope. I am Blood Brawler. So, we are basically not prepared for this mission. I cannot really go undercover because they already know my face." Lycan replied a little embarrassed.

"Do you have a summon that can grant something like invisibility? That would work right?" Solstice asked Adrian.

"I do not. Seriously, why do the people close to me make it out like I am omnipotent or something. But I do have a skill that can turn us into our soul form so the answer to that question would be yes." Adrian replied as if he gave up reasoning.

"Then why do you have to complain anyway. Just get on with the quest and let us go." Solstice stated as she walked towards the door with Adrian in tow.

"Solstice, you do know that we o not know the exact location of that alpha right? They do not meet here in Arkadia but in a neighboring town." Lycan stated which made Solstice act cute intentionally by knocking on her head and sticking out her tongue.

"The cringe is real. Also, even if we go in soul form, don't werewolves have like a sixth sense where they can feel spiritual entities or something?" Adrian asked as he was curious, and he also nursed the bump on his head that Mina made.

There have been reports or it is popular belief that animals or beasts have a sixth sense that can see or feel ghost entities. This phenomenon is the foundation of the belief that if your dog barks at something invisible then a spirit is near you.

"The demon boy is correct. We werewolves have a sixth sense that tells us if someone is there even if nothing is there. You should go look at the books in my study and read up on werewolves. I have been trying to tell my son to study but he refuses to even pick up a book." The Duke of Akadia Lycaon stated as he went back to his desk work.

Adrian took up on the opportunity and decided to see one of the books in the office shelves. The others did so as well as they want to know details on evading an alpha's sharp senses. Adrian did not pick up a book about werewolves, but he picked up one about wolf species.

Adrian flipped the pages of the book and he was drawn to the picture of a white colored wolf. More specifically, it was not Adrian himself that is drawn but it is Sirius. Their soul link amplified Adrian's curiosity or rather Sirius' curiosity.

"White Moon Wolf." Adrian uttered as tears flow down his eyes.

"Are you okay? Why did you suddenly cry?" Solstice asked as she thought that Adrian is experiencing some post traumatic memory or something.

"Huh! I am crying?!" Adrian stated as he did not realize that tears are already falling down his face.

Adrian snapped out of his trance like state and wiped the tears in his eyes. He then flipped the next page of the book. Upon flipping the page of the book, the previously crying Adrian suddenly flared up in bloodlust.

The whole room froze upon sensing the intense rage and bloodlust that Adrian emitted. Even the Duke of Arkadia stopped what he was doing and stood up in fear that an assassination attempt is going to happen. The whole room then focused on Adrian that emitted the bloodlust as he uttered the reason for the sudden feeling of bloodlust.

"Fenris!" Adrian muttered as half of his body slowly turning into a wolf.

Chapter 369 - A Hundred Years Ago

"Adrian! Calm down!" Solstice shouted ignoring that she said her brother's real name out loud.

Adrian snapped out of his daze once again thanks to his sister. He then realized that he almost tore the book due to the intense force that he asserted. He suddenly turned his gaze to the system notifications that he got.

[Your soulbound Sirius is feeling intense rage.]

[Due to your soul link, Sirius' rage has become your rage.]

[Your soulbound Sirius is unconsciously trying to assimilate your soul. Be careful as you may lose your sense of self.]

Adrian took a deep breath and told Sirius to calm down via their Soul Link. Adrian told Sirius that it was just a picture and nothing more.

"Did you suddenly go insane due to seeing some pictures?" Solstice asked as she is the only one that can tell Adrian that.

"Sorry about that. My soulbound suddenly lost control of his emotion since the picture in this book made him relive the memories of his childhood." Adrian replied and Duke Lycaon suddenly took interest of this information.

"What is your soulbound that carries intense bloodlust on a picture?" Duke Lycaon asked.

"His name is Sirius, and he is a Demon Wolf. It seems that he was driven out of his home by this beast. The Fenris." Adrian answered which made the Duke of Arkadia come up to him.

"Can I see this soulbound of yours?" The Duke of Arkadia stated in eyes full of anticipation.

"He really likes wolf species monsters very much. Can you please humor him?" Lycan helplessly stated.

"Greater Summon: Sirius!" Adrian stated and Sirius' magic circle appeared on the floor.

Sirius appeared in the material word in all his glory. The Duke of Arcadia truly is a fan of wolf monsters because he has been trying to hold back his tears upon seeing a rare type of wolf species.

Duke Lycaon looked at Adrian for permission before touching Sirius and the latter just awkwardly agree.

"Why did Sirius suddenly emit such strong emotion then?" Solstice asked as she knows that strong bouts of emotions is not great for people who experience trauma.

"It is this one. The mythical wolf of legends called Fenris. It is the name of a notorious Fenrir. It seems that Sirius and this wolf go way back. I can only guess because I cannot see Sirius' full memories as it is rather hazy, or he does not want me to see it." Adrian answered.

"If you are referring to the Fenris then I hate to break it to you, but that book has been published a hundred years ago when that wolf of disaster is spotted." The Duke of Arkadia Lycaon stated in a serious tone.

"A hundred years ago? That cannot be! Sirius was still small when I encountered him. It is impossible for him to not even age since that time." Adrian exclaimed.

"Where did you find him anyway?" The Duke of Arkadia asked as he was very curious.

"He was not a Demon Wolf when I encountered him as he was a dog back then. He is my very first soulbound that I got in a pet shop at the Town of Genesis." Adrian answered.

"Hahaha! You are best be joking because there is no town of Genesis in the main world. It is but a fairytale told by the elderlies so that children could fantasize of going on adventures." Duke Lycaon stated as Lycan suddenly whispered something to Adrian.

"It seems that the Town of Genesis is merely a story told by elders as viewed by NPCs. They all act that way when I first told them about the starting town. It seems that it is another universe or realm." Lycan whispered.

Adrian then thought long and hard about the details of the town of Genesis. He wanted to uncover the mystery behind it as why only starting players could access it. There are NPCs there, but they do not treat the players like how the NPCs in the main world treat them.

"Is it possible that the town of Genesis is something like a death realm? The reason that Sirius did not age is due to the fact that he was already dead. I can test that theory when I can perfectly control my Nether Energy. I would use it to travel to the death realms with my physical body." Adrian thought as he wanted to know how Sirius did not age in a hundred years.

"So where was Fenris last spotted?" Adrian asked as this was vital information because he needed to hunt down this world boss.

"He is at the northwest of the main world. In a forest that experiences abrupt change in weather. If you are planning to fight it then I advise you not to because even I am afraid that I will be no match for it." The Duke of Arkadia humbly admitted.

"If we brought a group of five people and above, do we have a chance of subjugating it?" Adrian asked as evolving Sirius is his next priority.

"Even if you have the power to take it down, your group will have to trek into an area with unpredictable weather and fierce beasts. It would take you a month to traverse that forest before managing to find Fenris." The Duke of Arkadia stated which made Adrian think deeply.

"Why don't you hep us first and then we will help you in that quest of yours, okay?" Solstice asked to cheer up Adrian who suddenly became gloomy. She wanted her brother to only enjoy the game and not stress much about it because he does not need more stress in his life right now.

"Fine but promise that you will help me. I really need to take down that world boss. It has the item needed to evolve Sirius into a Fenrir." Adrian stated as he read that Fenris was punished using the Shackle of the Gods to restrict its power due to it wanting destruction.

"Did you just say take down a world boss?" Lycan asked in tone of disbelief as he was consoled by Solstice.

Chapter 370 - Finding The Other Alpha

"So where do we start our search? Do you have any leads on where they could be gathering?"

Adrian asked as he wanted to know if they have information on the movements of this other alpha.

"We have no actual location, but we do know is that they are recruiting werewolves from the villages near Arkadia. They are using the Duke's peaceful attitude to go behind his back and plan a revolt." Lycan stated in a serious tone.

"How do you know that they are planning a revolt anyway? I mean, they could be doing something else by recruiting other werewolves. Maybe hunting prey or teaching them to control transformation." Adrian asked as he was still not convinced that it is a revolt.

"They attacked a vampire hideout which is why we know. We managed to capture one aggressor and interrogate her about why they attacked the hideout. It seems that young werewolves are pent up and want change or the alpha is using his silver tongue to rile them up." Solstice stated.

"I did read in one of the books that werewolves have a thirst for blood and that they should hunt in order to lessen its influence. It becomes a drug to their system and if they do not satisfy this crave then they would become feral on the next full moon." Adrian muttered as he thought more on what he read.

"If you interrogated them, why do you not get the location of their hideout?" Adrian suddenly asked as he thought it was strange not for them to know since they already interrogated a member.

"We did try. We even asked a vampire who is an expert at Charm Magic to do it, but she only told us that they meet in different locations. She also confessed that only the trusted betas are allowed to meet the alpha in secret" Solstice replied.

"Basically, this mastermind is very good at planning revolts because they do not meet at the same place in fear of getting discovered. This alpha also only allows the betas that he or she trusts so that she lessens those keeps close. This other alpha seems to be particularly good in guerilla warfare as well due to the fact that they attacked a vampire hideout undetected." Adrian reviewed the information given to him.

"We have two options available to us." Solstice suddenly stated as she held up two of her fingers.

"One would be to attempt in finding out the meeting place and use Equinox' magic to turn invisible. The other choice would be to change Lycan's appearance using that Glamour of yours and plant him as an inside man." Solstice suggested.

"Why bother using Glamour when I have this!" Adrian stated as he flashed his Faceless Mask.

"What does an ugly looking mask have to do with infiltrating the meeting?" Solstice berated.

"This mask, dear sister, can morph every fiber of your being to a certain person that you got DNA from. We just need the DNA of another werewolf. Using that werewolf's identity as a disguise, I will then attend the meeting without them getting suspicious." Adrian stated in a smug tone because he thought of a great plan.

"So, you will become our inside werewolf while you will turn both of us into this soul form thingy so we can watch from a distance. Even if that mask of yours is really great as you described, we should still have the chance to support you if things get awry suddenly." Solstice added.

"We should find out the location of where they recruit first. I will get you that DNA of another werewolf. What do you need so that you can transform into that person?" Lycan stated.

"I would need a pound of their flesh. The bloodier the better." Adrian stated with an evil smile but his siter hit him in the head due to his joke.

"Ouch! I only need a strand of hair. Happy!?" Adrian stated in an irritate tone.

"Dude, even if that is a joke, it is still quite dark." Lycan said with a squeamish face.

"He is doing his acting skit again that references some movie. Television really does pollute the mind of the young which is why I did not watch much growing up." Solstice stated with her chin up as if she said something to be praised for.

"Uhuh...Tell that to your collection of dramas from other countries. I even saw you crying once because your favorite character in the drama you were watching did not get his happy ending. You even suddenly decide to do a hunger strike once because your favorite character from another drama died. Do you want to me to keep adding more?" Adrian teased his elder sister and started running after revealing embarrassing stories about his sister.

"Oh! You are so dead when I get out of this game!" Solstice stated as she started to run to her little brother than escaped.

"Do you not know that child violence is prohibited?! I might report you to the Disciplinary Committee you know." Adrian shouted in response.

"That committee might protect your ass inside the game, but they cannot protect you outside of it. Hyaa!" Solstice shouted as she ran after Adrian.

"Be careful what you say because our parents are watching me play the game. Also, I have far superior stats compared to you, so you have no hope of catching me!" Adrian teased once more as he knows he has the upper hand.

Lycan, who saw the two siblings rumble, could only feel their happy atmosphere and smile unconsciously. Deep down though, he wanted to have the same playful banter with his siblings, but they are not in speaking terms due to the fight for an inheritance.

"Sometimes, I feel like the world or God only gives happiness to those that already has happiness." Lycan thought as he smiled wryly.

"What are you doing? Come on and help me catch that blabbing twerp!" Solstice stated as she pulled on Lycan's hand.