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Chapter 661 - A Beast Of Fire And Lightning

"Does that mean that a monster that could control both fire and lightning is present in this very mountain? If such a thing is true, then the young people that enter here would have been trying to find it." Peridot stated as she could see that the story must have been made up.

"But if the story is true then it would make sense why the House of the Azure Dragon is here on this very mountain. What kind of monster in the eastern continent has both fire and lightning abilities? I know that monsters with two attributes are very rare especially when it comes to stronger monsters." Adrian stated as he knew that monsters with dual attributes are very rare.

"Even in the books about monsters that I have read only detail a few. The few that are in the book is even said to have been never proven and just pure speculation." Peridot stated.

"Why did they write it as a speculation when someone recorded it?" Adrian asked.

"The reason being that those monsters were never seen again in the wild or in the eastern continent in general. Monsters like those would have territories that they protect and are very sensitive when it comes to trespassers.." Peridot stated as she knows that there are only five private domains in the eastern continent but those that govern it do not wield fire or lightning.

"Then if you would have a guess, what do you think is the monster told in the legends?" Adrian asked as he is not familiar with monsters in eastern continent nor read about them.

"If I would guess then it would most likely be a Qilin. Only something like that would make the House of the Azure Dragon move." Peridot stated as that would be the only thing that fits the criteria.

"Mistress! If that is true, then the House of the Azure Dragon wants to have the power of the emperor." Saru suddenly exclaimed.

"Why would they get the power of an emperor just because they will get the Qilin?" Adrian asked.

"It is more like a rumor because in the past. A Qilin only appears with the imminent arrival or passing of a sage or illustrious ruler. The Qilin basically became the symbol that someone prominent will either die or appear.

In the stories that we read, its appearance is more linked to the arrival of a sage or an illustrious ruler. Since dragons cannot be tamed back then, the Qilin is the closest thing that the eastern continent as a beast that determines the rulers.

The sovereigns are the holy beasts, but the ruler of the people is either a Sage or an Emperor. The House of the Azure Dragon are probably going to use the Qilin for their blatant excuse that they are descendants of the First Emperor chosen by the four holy beasts." Peridot stated as she could see why the House of the Azure Dragon would be desperate to get their hands on the Qilin.

"Since Master Adrian is casually riding a dragon, the perception of the people might be changing since they believed that no one could tame a dragon. Even the Sages of the past could not achieve such a feat." Saru stated.

"No wonder the people looked like they were bowing when I passed through. I thought they were intimidated but they were just showing respect to their object of admiration. So, do you want to stay here in the eastern continent and act like a king, Kanlaon?" Adrian stated.

"This place is very boring master as they do not have fun things to do. It is much better to be besides master as he is the best in the world." Kanlaon replied as he is now in his human form.

"Why is the eastern continent boring? You can have fun with me in the manor all day if you like to stay here." Peridot stated jokingly but she is shocked by Kanlaon's reply.

"Its no fun being inside a house. Master always goes on exciting adventures that are really fun. Also, we get to fight monsters more powerful than ourselves. There is also this exciting feeling when I beat them that makes me feel like I am the strongest." Kanlaon replied while Sirius is nodding in agreement.

"I see. It seems that you are an exact carbon copy of your master. It is scary already with one of him but two more is already spells doom for the world." Peridot stated as she looked at Adrian with judging eyes.

"Enough about that. What can you tell us about the Qilin? If it really is what they are after, then we need to know everything about it if we are going to steal it from them." Adrian stated as he wanted to change the topic.

"All I know are the basics and that is their so-called attribute is Lightning Fire. They also have one horn, and they look like a mix between a dragon and a horse. Some depictions say that they are a mix of a dragon and a deer which is why they are often labeled as draconic creatures, but they are not related to dragons at all.

You could say that it is more of a unicorn because they bring luck to whoever sees them. They do not have dragon blood in them as they do not have a skill that is inherent to dragons which is Dragon Fear." Peridot stated as she recalled all the things that she has read on the Qilin.

"If the legend is true and if it is a Qilin then it would appear tonight." Adrian stated as he knew what kind of event will happen at night.

"Why would it appear tonight?" Peridot asked as she is curious why Adrian is sure.

"Because today is when those that celebrate the Cerulean Moon Festival. It is a day where the moons in the night sky are full and change color to blue. It is also the time where any type of water attribute magic will be at its fullest.

Mages that can use water magic practice it as their training and understanding of it will increase. Did you not have a similar festival here in the eastern continent?" Adrian asked as he knows that there should be a Goddess of the Moon in the eastern continent.

"People in the eastern continent rarely pray upon the gods and goddesses as they rarely answer prayers to the point that their shrines are small and only a handful of people operate it. Also, why did you not tell me about this!

I have been locked out of that library for days when I could have been training my water elemental magic. I better do something with that attitude of yours!" Peridot stated as she is ready to pounce on Adrian, but Saru stopped her.

"Sorry about that. I thought you already know since you are usually the one that updates us on these types of things. Also, why are there only small shrines in the eastern continent when there are holy beasts that protect each corner of the eastern continent?" Adrian asked as he wanted to know more of the history of the eastern continent.

"The eastern continent had lots of gods and goddesses back then when it was just a fresh nation. The only problem is that there were more troublesome gods than helpful ones. The royal family back then were also treated as gods as they had the land's protection.

Due to the will of the people that did not want to get oppressed, they prayed not to the gods but to themselves. Thus, the four holy beasts are born. Not from the belief that the people must serve the gods, but the gods must serve the people.

The four holy beasts are not born from the world itself or created during the first phase. They came from the power of the people to withstand adversity and hardships that the gods gave them. Hence, the holy beasts will never die as long as there are some people that believe in them.

The holy beasts might not die but they also grow weak if the people they sworn to protect no longer sees them as necessary. This is the reason why the holy beasts protect their respective lands with vigor and established their own houses. Their own houses are like their own personal police force." Peridot stated and Adrian listened with great intent as this is something that cannot be read in the forums.

The knowledge that Peridot has on the eastern continent is basically insider information. Only someone that could be a member of the eastern continent's society could ever know it.

"So, the gods lost their power when no one believed in them anymore. It would mean that they chose another way to cope so that they can stay in their land." Adrian muttered as he suddenly remembered Yinyue.

Chapter 662 - Mt. Thunder Maze I

When Adrian remembered Yinyue, he brushed the idea away and thought that it must have been his overactive imagination. A god or goddess reincarnating into a human would mean that they will lose 95% of their divinity as humans are not divine by nature.

Those who sat loftily in a high position will never be able to bear the position of someone lower than what they had. Adrian wanted to absolutely deny the idea that suddenly popped into his head but something at the back of his mind is gnawing at him that he might actually be right.

"Why are you spacing out? Did you hear what I just said?" Peridot asked Adrian as she has been speaking for about five minutes when the latter is no longer replying to her.

"Sorry about that. I suddenly spaced out as I was thinking about something. What did you say?" Adrian stated.

"I said that we are already in front of the maze inside Mt. Thunder." Peridot stated..

"Ok then you must lead the way as you probably already have a layout of the maze." Adrian stated but Peridot looked at him with a slight bit of irritation as she discovered that he did not hear anything that she said about the maze.

"You seriously did not hear anything that I have just said a while ago. The maze in Mt. Thunder is special because of the walls that make it." Peridot stated.

"Why is it special?" Adrian asked.

"See for yourself as it is now starting." Peridot stated as she pointed towards the entrance of the maze.

A loud electric buzzing sound filled the room, and something suddenly passed through Adrian's vision. The walls of the maze are moving but it is not being controlled by something. The passing electric current is making the walls of the maze move as if they are magnetized to certain parts.

The movement of the walls are erratic and random to the point that even Adrian could not pinpoint a pattern. The maze in Mt. Thunder is a famous maze that is known by all of the youths in the eastern continent as a test of patience and perseverance.

If someone wanted to blitz to the whole maze, then they might suddenly get hit by a moving wall or worse get killed by it. They have tried destroying the moving walls but that has never succeeded due to the special nature of the rock that makes up the wall.

"Those moving walls are made up of Adamantium Lodestones. It is not the metal Adamantium that you see in the central continent but a completely different one. Hitting one is like being hit by a superpowered truck. Sorry bad reference." Peridot stated as she suddenly remembered on how Adrian's feet got paralyzed.

"I do not mind. Anyways, one hit from that Adamantium Lodestone and we will be gone. Just like that?" Adrian stated as he gestured dying by being hit by a flying rock.

"You are correct as the Adamantium Lodestone is not only durable but also supercharged with the lightning element. It might look lightweight because of the way it glides but it is actually incredibly heavy. One fist of the Adamantium Lodestone is about a thousand pounds." Peridot stated which even made Adrian shocked as he realized how heavy the stone was.

"If we enter in our spirit forms, will we be able to safely bypass the Adamantium Lodestones?" Adrian asked as he wanted to know if they can easily traverse the maze.

"I do not know but we can test it out." Peridot stated.

"You do not mean that I should gladly offer myself? Even if I can revive on the spot, I will not waste it on testing something out." Adrian stated as he suddenly hugged himself.

"Relax. Even I know that it would be a waste. Who else would be our meat shield later if we get into an inescapable situation?" Peridot stated.

"Oh! Okay...Hey!" Adrian exclaimed with his first emotion being happy then a small bit of annoyance being looked at like a meat shield.

"Memory of the Earth." Peridot stated as the five gems floating behind her suddenly dropped to the ground.

The five gems that formed a circle on the ground suddenly rotated as they rose. The five gems rose, and it also brought up the soil inside of the circle formation. The soil rose about to Peridot's height and slowly formed to her likeness.

In about two minutes a clay soldier that looked like Peridot appeared. The clay soldier then suddenly started to have color that matched with what Peridot is like. It is no longer a normal clay soldier as it could pass off as Peridot due to the elaborate design of the clay soldier.

"This clay soldier is connected to me which means that it has my soul in its body." Peridot stated.

"I can see that it has a small piece of your soul attached to it." Adrian replied as he could see it clearly.

"Apply your Spirit Form Transformation on it. I will command it to try and stand on the way of a moving Adamantium Lodestone." Peridot stated and Adrian could not help but give her a thumbs up for the great idea. It is a great idea because Adrian did not need to sacrifice his revive to test out the theory.

Adrian applied Spirit Form Transformation on the clay soldier that looks exactly like Peridot. She then commanded it to stand inside of the maze and the group waited for the Adamantium Lodestones to move once again.

Theoretically, the clay soldier will not be destroyed if hit by the Adamantium Lodestone, but expectations will never exceed reality. The ghostly clay soldier shattered into dust upon being hit by the Adamantium Lodestone. Peridot received the rebound of the damage and lost 5% of her health as a result.

"I guess this just means that we must do this the old fashion way." Adrian stated as he let Sirius lead the way.

Chapter 663 - Mt. Thunder Maze II

"Sirius will lead as he has sharper senses when it comes to danger. Saru will guard our back just in case something or someone attacks us. We do not know if we are the only ones that will be inside of the maze." Adrian stated as the group finally entered the maze with caution and vigilance.

"The good thing about this maze is that as long as you can keep going north then you are able to escape it. The only thing that makes this maze difficult are the moving Adamantium Lodestones." Peridot exclaimed as the sound of crashing Adamantium Lodestones echoed in the distance.

"Master, move to the right." Sirius stated as he could feel movement in the direction they are facing.

All of them moved to the right upon Sirius' instructions and an Adamantium Lodestone came flying down on them. At first, Saru wanted to lead as he is a guard for Peridot, and he is a little bit disappointed that he was not the one that is chosen to lead but he no longer feels that way.

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Saru could only admit defeat as even he would not be able to sense a moving Adamantium lodestone that early as he could not trust his ears to give him the correct sound. The numerous

crashing sounds of the Adamantium Lodestone in Mt. Thunder made him unable to sense anything via his hearing.

Sirius brilliantly led them the way until they reached a point where there is no movement for the Adamantium Lodestones. It could be called a safe zone as there should be a way for the players to rest up instead of dodging continuously. Saru almost got caught if not for Adrian's timely save of him by using Blink to change his location.

"Whoever made this place is definitely a sadist." Adrian commented as he knows that something like this could not be natural.

"I agree. I sometimes feel like the Adamantium Lodestones have grudges against us. It feels like those huge boulders have freaking homing capabilities." Peridot exclaimed.

"You should thank Dodu for absorbing the hit that you got. Dodu managed to absorb the physical aspect of the hit but the electric charge that hit you after almost killed you. You would have been dead by now if not for Dodu." Adrian stated as he summoned Dodu to be the third soulbound a while later.

"Thank you, Master Dodu for saving the Mistress." Saru stated as he bowed to the unknown blob in front of him. In truth, Saru is both intrigued and scared of Dodu because of its peculiarity.

Dodu extended his blobby body and made a cute little limb. Dodu then made a cute saluting action and jiggled a little to show its enthusiasm. After a few minutes of resting, the group moved again and arrived at another 'safe zone'.

The way to the next safe zone is not as easy as the first one. More and more Adamantium Lodestones are moving as they go closer to the exit. The group had to completely move on Sirius' instructions or else they would get hit.

The group thought that they would be the only ones there but a group of ten soldiers from the House of the Azure Dragon is actually there resting. The atmosphere in the safe zone suddenly got tense as the ones already there did not expect anyone other than soldiers from their house to be inside the mountain.

"Who are you and state your business!?" One of the soldiers stated as he did not want to easily offend the group that arrived as they had a Demonic Monkey Guard in their entourage.

"I am Saru of the House of Creation. This is my Mistress Peridot who is the successor of the house. We have come here for to mine a large lightning magic stone. We are not here to cause any trouble." Saru stated as he did not want a confrontation in a space like this.

"I can see that you are one of the Demonic Monkey guards but that does not explain the demon and his followers. You two may be free to pass but the demon must turn back or face our wrath." The leader of the soldiers stated as he looked at Adrian with bloodlust.

"How about this? You forget that we have been here and just mind your own business. And in the end, all of you will not have to experience being hit by an Adamantium Lodestone." Adrian stated but the soldiers all laughed at his remark.

Adrian knows why they are looking down on him. The soldiers of the House of the Azure Dragon that is in their area are all Level 190. The leader of the soldiers is even in the max level that is possible to enter this mountain. They believe that they could take on Adrian's group with ease.

"Let me tell you something that no one talks about that is related in Mt. Thunder. Inside of the maze, the rule of non-aggression that is set by the array master is not effective. Which means we could kill you for trespassing in an area claimed by the House of the Azure Dragon.

Soldiers, go into position and kill all of them. The inheritor of the House of Creation met her tragic end inside of Mt. Thunder because of her carelessness. The House of the Azure Dragon tried saving her, but it was too late." The leader of the soldiers stated as he already concocted a narrative that would appease the backlash that their house will receive.

Saru looked like he is about to burst out into anger as the fur on his whole body started to turn red. Peridot noticed this and calmed Saru down as he must not go berserk at a time like this because he might injure himself.

"A pity. You always give them the easy way out. In the end, it is their pride and self confidence that blind them from reality." Adrian stated.

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Chapter 664 - I Warned You

"You talk a lot of trash demon! Now die!" The leader of the soldiers stated as they charged towards Adrian's group.

The soldiers all charged at Adrian's group, but he did not seem afraid. The emotion that Adrian is now showing on his face right now is more of disappointment as he already warned them. Peridot and Saru went into combat mode as they saw that the soldiers are all charging towards them.

"Quantum Dispersion!" Adrian stated as he made the entire space in front of him explode.

Every soldier that charged at them got caught in the explosion and got flung towards the walls. Each soldier went flying to the Adamantium Lodestone walls and died upon being hit by them. Adrian could be seen having a stoic face as he did not want to actually kill them, but the situation called for it.

Peridot and Saru became stunned at what happened as the battle that they thought that will span for an hour finished in under a few seconds. The soldiers became particles of light as they got hit by the Adamantium Lodestones.

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The soldiers that were tankier than the others had to endure two hits before they became particles of light. They had to undergo an enormous amount of pain before they died unlike those that died in one hit. The notification for defeating the NPCs is then received by both Peridot and Adrian.

NPCs do not give much experience points and they are difficult to battle which is why they are usually avoided. They do give a higher chance of dropping extremely rare loot, but the cost far outweighs the reward.

"Well, that was anticlimactic." Peridot stated as she wanted to test out a few spells in the battle.

"I agree, Mistress. Although, settling the fight early is better as we need to conserve strength for the others that will come. We cannot be in the maze all the time." Saru stated as he led them to the next location.

"Seriously, next time can you give a heads up? I actually felt pity for them as that would be the most embarrassing and painful way to die here in Mt. Thunder." Peridot stated as they are traversing the maze.

"I just made use of the unique terrain that we are in. Also, I did warn them, but they did not listen. The only reason that I am confident enough to speak is the fact that I could do what I did earlier." Adrian replied.

Peridot also knew that side of Adrian as he will speak up or do something when he is confident that he could do well. He does not brag though as he hates bragging all the time due to the other types of people that he sees in social events that invite his father.

The group encountered a lot of guards from the House of the Azure Dragon in the safe zones, but they all met the same fate. They all got taken out from being hit by a moving Adamantium Lodestone. Adrian did try to see what their reaction would be if the commander died first but they are extremely loyal to their house.

"Do all members of a house have that type of devotion?" Adrian asked as he thinks that blind devotion is not a healthy thing if you want to live long.

"It depends on the house as some houses prioritize that they must survive but they must not endanger fellow members of their houses. The House of the Azure Dragon is one of the houses that prioritizes loyalty above all.

Even if they return alive, if the leader of their house found out that they brought shame to the house then they will be executed for treason. That has been their style ever since their house is created since the holy beasts are busy sleeping most of the time." Peridot answered.

"What do you mean by sleeping all the time?" Adrian asked as the Vermillion Bird looked energetic every opportunity that they meet.

"In order to maintain the territory and protect it from dangerous beasts, the holy beasts usually expand their power to the utmost. They are burned out in a sense which is why they mostly sleep for 16 hours every day." Peridot explained which means that some things might be mishandled when the real sovereign is not watching.

"Mistress and Master Equinox, we have reached the end of the maze." Saru stated as they are now on the other side of the room.

Adrian is about to say something when a loud rumble and the entire mountain suddenly shook. Adrian looked at Peridot and Saru for their reaction and he could see that even they are shocked by what suddenly happened.

"Is that normal?" Adrian asked as he is not familiar with the typical happenings in Mt. Thunder.

"Unfortunately, that is not normal. Something is definitely happening on top of us, but we do not know if it is directly above us or a few floors up. The mountain never shakes like that even if it is

hit by lightning or heavy winds. Earthquakes do not even occur in this area as the array protects it." Peridot exclaimed.

"Something is definitely happening. We have to hurry and find out." Adrian stated as he commanded Sirius to revert to his true form.

Adrian then signaled Sirius to carry everyone on his back as they needed the speed. If the House of the Azure Dragon has already captured the Qilin then they will definitely do something to it. Adrian wanted the Qilin because it could be a great mount for Peridot.

Adrian is actually planning on increasing Peridot's fame in the eastern continent as this continent values honor and fame more than the central continent. Peridot would often tell them that the number of gifts that they receive during banquets is proportional to how famous or well-known they are.

"It would be nice to have an invisible hand in the eastern continent as the story seemed to point to here for the level 200 and above quests." Adrian thought as he noticed that the central continent is more beginner friendly.

Adrian needed a new hunting ground as the central continent is already congested by the increasing player base. It will probably increase now that any player could become an owner of a territory and a king in the future. It seems that the advertisements that Pandemonium is pumping out is now working.

The group boarded Sirius and they blitzed through the area with ease. Whenever a horde of monsters greets them, Sirius would dive into the shadow realm and appear on the other side where the exit is closer.

The feeling of diving into pure darkness a bunch of times made Saru and Peridot dizzy. They almost let loose, but they knew that they must hold on in order to travel without stops. Adrian did not have a reaction as he already experienced this type of behavior multiple times when he is using his spatial spells on himself.

Sirius suddenly stopped when they could see a light coming from the exit. The loud sound of explosions and commands of someone could be heard. It seems that no one is guarding the exit because all of them are in battle.

Adrian told them to be sneaky which is why Peridot used his Misty Veil spell to shroud them. If Adrian used his Spirit Form Transformation, then they might be found out if there is someone that could see spirits on the other side. The group stepped out of the mountain simultaneously.

What greeted their eyes is the beautiful blue color of the moon, but their ears were greeted by the harsh sounds of explosions and loud commands of someone. Peridot then frowned upon seeing who is the one issuing the commands as it was the one that she did not want to meet.

"Why are you reacting like that? Is he bad news?" Adrian asked as Peridot's reaction is serious.

"He is Zhong Donghai. One of the most gifted from the House of the Azure Dragon and is fifth in line for succession. He also has a nasty attitude of torturing his enemies which is why I do not like him. He does not have the dignity of a commander." Peridot stated.

"I can tell as the soldiers are all battered while some are just charging to their deaths. The only reason that they have not all died yet is due to the toughness of their soldiers." Adrian stated as he could see the state of the soldiers putting their life on the line.

Whenever a tired soldier would retreat to the back, they would be whipped by Zhong Donghai. They would then be forced to participate in the battle until their last breath. The beast that the House of the Azure Dragon is facing is none other than the Qilin.

It seems that their speculations were spot on, but Adrian could see chains on its four feet and neck. He also noticed that the restriction of killing each other is not active.

Chapter 665 - Qilin I

The Qilin is bound by several chains and is tied to the mountain itself. It could move in an area I front of it by a couple of meters, but it only has a limited area of maneuverability. The enemies that it is facing outside of its range is struck down by either flames or lightning that its body generates.

The chains are also giving its body extra weight, so it is not as fast as it originally is. The soldiers of the House of the Azure Dragon are using this as a way to slowly chip the health of the Qilin. It would have been effective as a strategy, but the Qilin is using the lightning that the clouds above generate to heal itself from all the damage.

The Qilin is not even evading the attacks of the soldiers and just absorbing them using its tough scales. The ordinary soldiers could not carelessly approach the creature because of the flames that it is surrounding its body with.

"It seems they are having trouble with incapacitating the beast." Adrian commented as he could see that the Qilins health is slowly regenerating back to almost full health.

"I would not say that as a conclusion.. That sly bastard, Zhong Donghai does not partake in matches that he deems that he will lose. That has always been his way when it comes to tournaments and such which is why he will not fight unless he is certain of victory." Peridot stated as she knows the real attitude of Zhong Donghai.

"Master! We are not gaining any momentum as the beast is healing itself once again. We should rest up our forces and call everyone to attack it." One of the closes aides of Zhong Donghai stated as he could see that they are losing more troops.

"Do not order me around. I can tame this beast even if I need to pummel it to the ground." Zhong Donghai stated as he took out a box that has a dark purple orb inside.

"Young Master! That is the Azure Dragon Orb. Have you gotten permission when you took it out of the armory?" The closest aide asked as this item is a treasure and can only be taken out with the permission of three elders.

"The elders happily gave this to me when I verified the news of the Qilin. They wanted to charge to Mt. Thunder immediately, but they cannot enter here which is why they entrusted everything to me." Zhong Donghai stated as he looked at the orb that he took out of the armory sneakily.

"I see. They would certainly favor you now since you will bring home a Qilin." One of the aides stated in order to flatter Zhong Donghai even further.

The elders will definitely not give Zhong Donghai such a precious treasure as the Azure Dragon Orb contains limited powers of the Azure Dragon. It has the ability to control storms and lightning as long as it has enough power. It needs to recharge after every use as controlling natural phenomenon is not easy.

"The elders would not scold me for taking this treasure since I will bring home a Qilin. If I bring it back with me as my mount, then the world will know that a great leader which is me has finally arrived." Zhong Donghai thought as he activated the Azure Dragon Orb.

The Azure Dragon Orb fired a beam of light towards the sky and a lightning net is suddenly deployed in the area where the Qilin is fighting. The lightning net is cleverly placed so that the lightning that intended to heal the Qilin will not hit the beast in order to regenerate it.

"Everyone attack while it is unable to heal itself." Zhong Donghai commanded as every soldier became fierce and surrounded the Qilin with slashes and magic spells.

The Qilin could no longer regenerate in a regular interval due to the lightning strikes no longer hitting its body. It had to face the enemy head-on without relying on the help of others. The Qilin became enraged and the fire surrounding its body suddenly expanded into a circle with a ten-meter radius from it.

The Qilin is now forced to use more of its stored power to kill the ones that dared attack it. The Qilin knows what the purpose of this attacks is, but he did not care to explain why it is unable to leave Mt. Thunder. The Qilin is bound to Mt. Thunder with an array which means that only those that can decipher the array could free it from its prison.

Adrian kept observing the fight and saw that the Qilin is now being backed into a corner. It is releasing a stronger version of the spells that it currently has means that it is deeply in trouble. The Qilin's state could only be called as pitiful by Peridot as she could see that the beast is not happy being bound to this place.

"Should we make our move?" Peridot asked as she could not wait to take down Zhong Donghai.

"We do not need to dirty our hands by killing them. We can make the Qilin do that for us." Adrian stated as he started casting a spell instantly.

"Quantum Cascade!" Adrian stated as he creates the magic circle that is currently brewing on the top of the heads of the members of the House of the Azure Dragon.

"It would only be trouble some to fight them even if they are preoccupied from the battle with the Qilin. You have to think about your standing and clashing with another rival house is not something that should be easily considered." Adrian pointed out as Saru looked at him with pleading eyes to stop Peridot from becoming reckless.

One minute has passed and the Quantum Cascade finally took effect. Adrian did not select all of the soldiers from the House of the Azure Dragon. Instead, he only chose one target for the spell and the epicenter of that spell would be none other than the Qilin.

The members of the House of the Azure Dragon did not react quickly to their young master being suddenly pulled towards the Qilin. Some soldiers tried to intercept but Adrian did not want that to happen, so he used Quantum Dispersion to send delay their response.

The guards did not even think that someone is pulling the string from behind and wanted to kill their young master as they are busy trying to stop him from reaching the Qilin. They are rather unsuccessful though as Adrian used Chrono Lag every single time that one guard is able to reach for Zhong Donghai.

The Qilin noticed a bug is suddenly flying its way and it is none other than the one who is calling the shots. It does not know why the impudent bug is flying towards it, but it will definitely kill the pesky thing with one hit. Zhong Donghai tried to use his abilities to stop his flight, but he is more of a tactician type person.

"If no one saves me then all of you will have their heads cut off." Zhong Donghai shouted as he could see that the Qilin is waiting for him to come close to the area it can reach.

"Idiot. He should have just kept his mouth shut rather than threaten all of his underlings. They suddenly paused due to the shocking revelation that they heard." Peridot stated as she noticed that the response of the guards suddenly slowed down despite Adrian not casting any spells.

Adrian did cast a spell though and that was Chrono Shift as he wanted Zhong Donghai to reach the Qilin faster. He did not want the guards to stop his clash with the Qilin as he is expecting a great show from the Qilin's attack.

The Qilin that is riddled with wounds looked like a hungry beast ready to devour its prey as it could see the end of this farce as long as it kills the bug flying towards it. The Qilin coated its front paw with intense lightning fire energy to the point that small explosions are now forming around it.

Zhong Donghai immediately started panicking when it saw what the Qilin is preparing. It has never even used that ability towards the soldiers attacking it. Tears and mucus could be seen streamlining the face of the young master of the House of the Azure Dragon.

"Young master!" One of the aides stated as it brought out paper charms and threw it towards Zhong Donghai.

Three layers of barrier suddenly formed around Zhong Donghai as the fist of the Qilin met with the young master's body. The sound of breaking barriers could be heard by everyone and Zhong Donghai is sent flying back towards them due to the attack.

It is not only the barriers that broke but also the necklace that Zhong Donghai wore became ash. It seemed to be a lifesaving trinket that will be consumed if the holder is faced with mortal danger.

Chapter 666 - Qilin II

The necklace that Zhong Donghai wore became ash upon getting hit by the Qilin's powerful attack. It seemed to be a lifesaving trinket that will be consumed if the holder is faced with mortal danger.

The fact that it immediately disintegrated with one attack meant that the attack could easily kill Zhong Donghai. The aides immediately came rushing as they fetched their young master from danger as the Qilin wanted to use a follow up attack to finish what it started.

One of the aides carried Zhong Donghai away from the reach of the Qilin. The others blocked the Qilin's attacks that are coated with lightning and fire attributes. Zhong Donghai fainted from the shock of the attack and the aides could only signal their retreat as their master is injured.

"Everyone will retreat. We will resume battle once the master is back to a fighting fit status. Those that do not obey will be treated as a traitor to the House of the Azure Dragon." One of the aides commanded as he brought Zhong Donghai inside of Mt. Thunder..

The soldiers immediately accepted the command with glee as they are already exhausted beyond belief. They do not know if it is actually a blessing that the Qilin managed to injure the young master, but they do not want to remain to find out.

They did not hear about a Qilin that could pull their enemies towards it, but they do not know much about Qilins in the eastern continent either way. Nobody really wrote a detailed compilation of a Qilin's special traits and characteristics.

Adrian could not believe that his sneaky attack worked out highly in their favor. He thought that they will lose more members in the process of protecting the young master but to actually make them retreat is a godsend.

"Your idea worked. Now, all we need to do is defeat it, but I doubt we can even do that." Peridot whispered as she knew that the Qilin would be a difficult battle.

The members of the House of the Azure Dragon all came inside back Mt. Thunder in order to recuperate as they fear that the Qilin might use its ability to pull people towards it if they are within vision of the beast.

They took all the precautions they need as Zhong Donghai does not look like he will wake up anytime soon. Being hit by a very powerful attack that shattered not only the barriers applied to one's body but also the lifesaving trinket is definitely not something experienced by sheltered individuals.

"They are finally gone." Peridot stated as she deactivated the Misty Veil as her mana is constantly being drained whenever she uses it.

"They really took a long time just to retreat. It seems that they set up some traps and detection spells on their way out, but the Qilin basically erased them with its elemental magic attack. To actually overload the spell itself is definitely amazing." Adrian muttered as he is amazed by the power of the Qilin.

The Qilin could actually see them even if they were hiding behind the effects of the Misty Veil which meant that it has great eyesight when it comes to magic of nature. Even Adrian found it hard to pierce through natural magic with his unique eyesight.

"Mistress, I believe that the Qilin already got our attention the moment we helped it." Saru stated as he could see that the Qilin's eyes moved to their specific location the moment Adrian cast a spell.

"For it to be able to do that meant that it has great intelligence and sharp senses. It means that it could sense hostile intent just by reading the flow of mana from the spell. We should change the way that we are going to face it." Adrian concluded based on the things that he has observed and from the observation of others.

The Qilin did not move from its location and just healed itself from the lightning strikes. Due to the effects of the Orb of the Azure Dragon no longer present in the area, the Qilin could now direct the natural lightning towards its body in order for it to heal.

The gaze of the Qilin did not leave the location of the group though. It is carefully observing Adrian's group as if it is curious on what they have come for. Since Adrian's group is not emitting killing intent nor attacked it the moment they saw it, the Qilin is also observing them curiously on what will they do.

"So...we are not going to attack it?" Peridot asked as Adrian told them to not think of any hostile thoughts against the Qilin.

"Even if we joined forces with Master Equinox' soulbounds, we would definitely have a difficult time my Mistress. We also cannot stay here for long as sounds of a loud battle will definitely make the soldiers of the House of the Azure Dragon suspect fighting going on in the area." Saru interjected as he feels that he would definitely die if he battled against the Qilin.

"Who needs to battle it when we could just talk to it calmly? Am I right, Mr. Qilin?" Adrian stated as the Qilin that did not speak suddenly spoke to them using the human language.

"Curious to see a demon in a mountain such as this. I thought demons no longer roam the world, but it seems that I have been trapped in this mountain for ages." The Qilin stated which shocked Peridot and Saru since beasts that could use human language are extremely rare.

"How about you become my friend's companion? In exchange, I will give you your freedom." Adrian stated which once again shocked Peridot.

"Why me? Do you not want a Qilin as a soulbound? It is an extremely rare and powerful beast after all." Peridot stated as she did not expect that Adrian wanted to give her a mount that is this powerful.

"Oh! I am investing in your future here, so you better pay up with lots of interest later." Adrian replied.

Chapter 667 - Qilin III

"You say investment like I am some project that needs to be advertised or something." Peridot stated with a bit of anger as she does not like being likened to a thing.

"Nice analogy. That is actually my plan. You need to dominate or at least gain fame in the eastern continent for my investment to be successful. Why do you not like a Qilin as a companion? I can give it to someone else if you want." Adrian stated which made Peridot panic.

"I did not say that I do not like it, but I just hate being looked at like an object that is all." Peridot stated as deep down she wanted a companion that does not cower before her.

Peridot has been introduced to various mounts by the House of Creation, but she is the daughter of the leader of the house which meant her blood is not normal. Normal and rare beast all cower before her which makes them unsuitable to become her mount while beasts that are more powerful than those do not like to be under anyone.

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"You talk about me as if I am invisible here!" The Qilin suddenly stated its voice rumbled like thunder and the flames covering its body ignited with more fury.

"We better not anger the Qilin, Mistress and Master Equinox." Saru stated as he almost responded to the threat almost immediately as the sharp killing intent received by his body made him reflexively respond.

Even Sirius, who is in humanoid form, growled at the Qilin as he returned back to his original form. Even the Qilin is shocked from the appearance of Sirius as it is a beast that is comparable to it or maybe even more. The Qilin's attitude may not have improved, but he looked at the demon in a new light.

"Sorry about that. We just got carried away from our conversation but my offer to you is very beneficial though. Seeing that you are tied to this very mountain itself and will not be able to leave without my intervention.

Those that attacked you earlier will try again but they will not be able to defeat you. You draw power from the mountain itself while the mountain also draws some of its powers from you. As long as you are connected to this mountain, you will never really die from attacks of outsiders." Adrian stated as he revealed information that should only be known to the Qilin.

"Who sent you here!? If you do not tell me then I will turn your body into ash using my lightning fire." The Qilin stated as it emitted killing intent that slightly suffocated Saru.

"No one sent me here. I am a little bit special when it comes to seeing the souls of other being after all." Adrian stated as his eyes reflected on the eyes of the Qilin.

The Qilin could not explain why but he felt like the demon's eyes are definitely not normal and more out of this world. It calmed his soul somehow but at the same time reminded him of the sadness he feels from being restrained to this mountain.

"Do not give me false hope, Demon. The one who locked me in here is none other than an Array Master. He might have disappeared now as he did not kill me to get my core but no Array Master is alive at this vey continent.

If an Array Master were alive then they would have taken control of this mountain with vast resources. Those Array Masters are one of the greediest individuals that I have encountered in my long life. He imprisoned me here when I was just about a hundred years old.

To think that he treated me like cattle that needed to be nourished. Too bad...he disappeared before being able to harvest my core that he went so far to nourish." The Qilin stated as it told the group how it got captured.

"Are you looking down on me just because I am a demon? I may not be an Array Master, but I am a Scribe. I also know of a loophole in order to set you free from this mountain, but it will also bound you to another." Adrian stated with confidence as he could read the formation that is used on the Qilin.

"Do what you want but do not get my hopes up. I do not believe that you have the power to break me from these chains." The Qilin stated as it laid down to rest its body.

"I can free you, but you will be tied to my friend over there who is a Ryujin." Adrian stated but he is not a hundred percent sure of the odds of him succeeding but he is fairly confident.

"If you can free me then I will not oppose serving her as she has the freedom to travel the world. I would rather serve someone that can roam around than be locked up in this place for eternity and wait for my death." The Qilin stated which made Adrian smile.

"It finally made an oath." Adrian thought to himself as he smiled.

Making an oath is sacred to the inhabitants of the eastern continent. Be it monster or human, making an oath means that you are putting a promise on your soul. The Qilin will definitely not back down now when it made the oath.

Adrian actually manipulated his words correctly in order to arrive to this conclusion. The monster must be willing in order for the spell misdirection that he will attempt. Now all he has to do is study the whole array formation that is affecting the Qilin. He has a special stone that he can use as a catalyst for the transfer of bondage after all.

"I need to study the formation which means that you guys need to stall the soldiers if they come to observe the Qilin. You must not let them know that we are here at all costs." Adrian stated.

Chapter 668 - The Array

Adrian immediately studied the array while the Qilin just lazed around as it did not believe that Adrian could achieve something like that. Peridot placed multiple illusions around the exit while Saru guarded her in case someone suddenly popped out.

Adrian is using his unique vision in order to see the things that he calls as ley lines. This is one thing unique about the planet Nebulon as it is very much alive in a sense. The number of ley lines that are spread in this continent can be considered more numerous than the central continent.

It must be one of the reasons why the eastern continent is filled with more natural energy. It also contributes to the fact that the monsters in the eastern continent are more powerful and more intelligent.

"I do not have enough vision with just these two eyes." Adrian stated as he started to change his form.

"Paradox, summon the Primordial Armament: Mirror." Adrian commanded as the Cube of Paradox obeyed his command..

[You have summoned the Primordial Armament: Mirror]

[Primordial Stance: Mirror will now activate.]

Adrian changed to his different form as a blindfold covered his eyes while six mirrors with a demonic eye. He immediately multiplied all the mirrors as much as he could and sent them through different locations.

Adrian is now looking at a thousand different viewpoints like he is in front of a giant monitor that is split into a thousand sections. This view will help him in seeing what the peculiarity of the ley lines that is present in the area.

The Qilin saw Adrian's form and had a moment of curiosity but returned to being laid back. The Qilin felt a deep and immeasurable energy for a moment when the mirror appeared in front of it. It thought that Adrian would attack it, but it seemed to be more like a surveying mechanism for the area.

"Paradox, arrange the images like that of a bird's eye view of our current location." Adrian commanded in his subconscious as the real Adrian floating in the real world in a cross-legged position.

"Affirmative." The Cube of Paradox replied as it started to shuffle the thousand images that is currently appearing.

Some of the mirrors broke due to the lightning strikes or some other form of attack. It did not hinder Adrian to just regenerate the mana back using potions and Peridot healing her for the damage that he took.

The rearrangement of all the images took bit of time as Paradox could not easily get the location of each mirror due to the immense magical lighting storm in the area. It is hindering The Cube of Paradox from sensing the exact location of the mirror but the whole image became complete in under ten minutes.

"That was faster than I thought." Adrian stated as a compliment.

"The inside of your subconscious is ten times much faster than that of the time flow in the real world, Master. It is normal for this interaction to happen." The Cube of Paradox replied in a monotonous robotic voice.

"I was giving you a compliment. In other words, good job." Adrian stated as it seems that the intelligence of The Cube of Paradox does not cover the emotional quotient part of the brain.

"..." The Cube of Paradox suddenly became silent as if it became shy from the sudden praise, but Adrian did not think much of it.

"From the image up top, all the lines converge to the area we are now which means that the connection of all the ley lines should be going towards here. Although if one looks closely, it only appears to be like that as about more than half of the ley lines are interconnected to become a perfect magic circle or array as the eastern continent calls it.

The eastern continent might call the Array Masters, but they are called different on the central continent. They are called World Weavers as they could weave the fabric of reality to their bidding as long as they have a clear understanding of it.

The Array Master that created the array in this mountain should be very skilled in earth and wind elements. The ley lines have been placed to support each other while also trapping the elemental storm looming on top of this mountain." Adrian stated as he made a clear observation of how the array works.

The Qilin was not captured to be fed and raised just to be slaughtered. The Qilin is chosen as the anchor of the entire array and also the lightning rod. The whole array operates under the ability of the Qilin to siphon lightning.

The excess lightning would then be absorbed by the mountain itself in order to change its state of existence. One can say that the array is meant to make the mountain itself evolve. The thing that the Array Master wanted to strengthen is not the Qilin but it is the mountain itself.

"The thing that I need to learn now would be...what is important inside this mountain that the Array Master had to be this elaborate?" Adrian muttered to himself/

"Master, your two companions are requesting your aid as the enemy is already upon you. It seems that they could not defend you right now, but the Qilin defended you from being killed." The Cube of Paradox stated.

Adrian is released from his subconscious, and he immediately noticed that the surroundings is indeed chaotic. Peridot and Saru are injured due to the confrontation with the soldiers of the House of the Azure Dragon.

"It is about time that you woke up. I have been calling at you for five minutes now." Peridot grumbled as she had to deal with ten soldiers at a time.

"Sorry about that. I took too much time in analyzing the images presented to me. Greater Summon: Saena." Adrian stated as he summoned Saena in order to heal the wounds of the two including the Qilin that protected him from attacks.

Chapter 669 - Zhong Donghai And Lan

[You have summoned your soulbound Saena.]

[You will have increased health regeneration of about 200%.]

[You have a 20% chance to heal 50% of the damage dealt to you. This healing percentage is subject to healing reduction spells or attacks.]

"Saena, heal both Peridot and Saru." Adrian commanded as Saena started to heal the two with its abilities.

"This is the sacred territory of the House of the Azure Dragon. Leave now and we will gladly offer you a chance to walk away." Zhong Donghai stated with great killing intent.

Adrian knows of people with that kind of character. They will make you believe that they are granting you reprieve but in fact they will immediately stab you in the back when your guard is down. Negotiating with individuals like this would only make one lose their life.

"Sorry but this mountain is not yours to claim. I do not see the seal of the House of the Azure Dragon embedded in this very mountain. In conclusion, this is not your territory because you would have the power to expel us if you did." Adrian stated.

"I agree. Once I get off this mountain, I will show the other overlords on what your house is doing. They will clearly hear and see how the House of the Azure Dragon is overbearing." Peridot stated as he wanted to strike fear on both Zhong Donghai and Lan.

The only thing that the two fears most is the punishment that their house will give them upon learning of what they planned. Still, Zhong Donghai believed that the punishment will be waived as long as he gets the Qilin.

"You want the Qilin for yourself, right?" Adrian stated as he noticed that Zhong Donghai looked at the Qilin with extreme greed.

"I do not need to answer that question to a dead man walking." Zhong Donghai stated as he commanded the soldiers to get ready for battle.

"You will not be able to get the Qilin out of this place. He is trapped here by an Array master after all. Even if you did bring a Charm Master, her skills would be not enough to create a hole in this array. If she makes one mistake, then the whole mountain would explode." Adrian stated as the array is difficult to change.

The soldiers of the House of the Azure Dragon suddenly shuddered from the words that left Adrian's mouth. If the whole mountain explodes then they also will die with the Qilin trapped inside of it. Zhong Donghai saw this and immediately returned his control of the soldiers that he brought.

"Do not listen to the demon. Do you not know that they only spout lies and deception?" Zhong Donghai shouted.

"Wrong race. I am terribly offended." Adrian stated sarcastically as Zhong Donghai is referring to the devils but then again devils cannot outright lie.

"Attack them!" Zhong Donghai commanded as the soldiers charged towards Adrian's group.

"Quantum Dispersion!" Adrian stated as he blew the soldiers back towards the area where Zhong Donghai is being protected.

"Rise up you, trash. Kill that despicable being." Zhong Donghai shouted again, and the frustration of the soldiers increased the more he spouted nonsense.

Zhong Donghai did not even participate in the battle as even he fears the demon from what Lan has told him. He tried his best to hide his fear in a mask of anger and frustration. The demon is releasing an aura that keeps him from being afraid as his sharp senses could tell that the demon before him is definitely not someone normal.

"If I were you, I would stop this farce because I am not joking when I said that the mountain will explode if you make one wrong move in manipulating the array. If you really want to then be my guest, the three of us will be on our way. We do not want to die from an explosion after all." Adrian stated.

After Adrian said his piece, he used his mirrors to immediately transport his group away from the fight. Peridot did not even have a chance to ask Adrian if what he did is the correct way. She obviously thought that he was joking, and this is all part of the act.

"To think that they will escape that easily and leave the Qilin behind." Zhong Donghai stated as he took out another treasure that he 'borrowed' from the treasury.

Zhong Donghai took out an old looking rope, but appearances will deceive anyone. It is actually a Mythical tier relic that is said to even have the power to bind the gods themselves. It is called the Rope of Perpetuity. The cool sounding name does not match the ragged and dirty appearance of the rope.

"Bind it." Zhong Donghai stated.

The Rope of Perpetuity then flew away from the hands of Zhong Donghai and became longer. The rope that suddenly changed in length then bound the Qilin. The great beast could not believe that it is trapped in another form of shackle while the demon that promised to free it just fled.

"You do your job." Zhong Donghai stated as he pointed towards the Charm Master that he brought.

Zhong Donghai did not want to originally use the Rope of Perpetuity as it is an even more valuable treasure than the Orb of the Azure Dragon. It can even be used to restrain a weakened holy beast after all.

The Charm Master bowed towards Zhong Donghai and immediately scattered paper talismans all over the area where the Qilin is currently being bound. She then recited some sort of prayer and the paper talismans glowed in a bright light.

She then suddenly scrunched her face as she suddenly became nervous. She does not want to believe it but from her perspective, she cannot break the array by herself. The fear of the whole mountain exploding suddenly echoed inside of her head. She did not want to die as she is a promising Charm Master.

She still has a bright future ahead of her and she does not want to bet on her life for this twisted young master. She still wants her dream of becoming an Array Master come true.

Chapter 670 - I Told The Truth

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The Charm Master looked back at Zhong Donghai and reported what she found out. She gathered her courage as she does not want to say that she is lacking but she must save her life here. If she attempted to even touch the array and made a mistake, she would immediately die from the backlash.

Adrian also factored this in as he knows that he can die with one mistake. He is confident as he still has his revive just in case and he could also Rewind the time on himself. He could write the magic circle on the Cube of Paradox and activate it when he gets damaged.

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"Young Master, I have grave news." The Charm Master stated as she looked back at the angry Zhong Donghai.

"Speak." Zhong Donghai stated.

"I cannot destroy this array by myself. If I make a mistake, the whole mountain will indeed explode. It seems that the demon was indeed telling the truth when he said that the mountain will explode with one mistake.

I implore your wise mind that we get reinforcement. We need at least two more Charm Masters in order for the array to be lifted perfectly and for you to trap the Qilin. The amount of energy that the array possesses is so enormous that my body will immediately disintegrate when I try to lift it.

If that happens, I will die and will set the defensive mechanism of the array. It is set to explode with just one change in its structure. I am sorry for my lack of strength, young master." The female Charm Master stated as she will not be able to lift the array safely.

"What should we do, Big Brother?" Lan asked as they only have one Charm Master in their group at the moment. There are very few Charm Masters in the eastern continent and each successor is only appointed one by the head of the house.

"Is there no other way?" Zhong Donghai stated as he did not want to stop since he already sacrificed too much for this mission.

"We could sacrifice the Orb of the Azure Dragon. It might be strong enough to hold the enormous power of the array, but I am not absolutely sure." The female Charm Master suggested.

She might not be confident if she will use her body as the point of power but if she used the relic then she might be successful. She suggested it but even she is not confident about succeeding even with the assistance of the Orb of the Azure Dragon.

She is also not that stupid to sacrifice a relic of the House of the Azure Dragon. She will definitely get executed even if she does become successful as she wasted a relic that is the symbol of the house. Even Zhong Donghai knew that he could not easily sacrifice the treasure without permission from the head of the house.

This mission that he started is actually a secret from the head of the house. If the head of the House of the Azure Dragon knew that there is a Qilin in Mt. Thunder, then he would command them to get it for himself. The current head of the house might be charismatic, but he is also greedy.

The current head of the House of the Azure Dragon wanted everything for himself even if he had to fight his brothers for it. Zhong Donghai came across this information by chance as he intercepted one of the scouts that is employed by the house.

Needless to say, the scout is no longer alive as he needed the information to be only known to him. He was also elaborate enough to bribe every person that he encountered in Mt. Thunder. He has invested so much into this mission that he did not want to stop but if the exchange is his life, then he needs an alternative.

"It seems that we are left with no choice but to ask help from our uncle. He has two more charm masters under his protection. Unlike the current head, our uncle wants us to succeed in being the new successor.

I will personally fetch the two Charm Masters. Half of you will remain here to guard the Qilin. If the demon and his friends show up, immediately kill them without mercy. Lan, I will leave you in

charge of this area." Zhong Donghai stated as he immediately set off to get two more Charm Masters.

The female Charm Master sighed with relief as she will not forfeit her life immediately by trying to unveil the array by herself. She assessed the array carefully in order to know the exact number of Charm Masters needed to unveil the array.

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"They are now leaving. Should we attack?" Peridot asked as they are currently on a mirror platform up above in the clouds. She is also protecting them from the lightning by redirecting it. If she did lose focus, then Adrian would use a mirror to block the incoming lightning strike.

"I already set up the location of the spell. I just need to activate it and they would be transported to a different to a new location. The new skill that I picked up is very handy for situations like this. The only downside is that the mana cost is huge." Adrian stated as he set up the Translocation spell on the area where the members of the House of the Azure Dragon is currently guarding.

"What are you waiting for then? Activate it and send those people flying already." Peridot stated as she became impatient.

"I am still setting up the other location. Also, we should wait for Zhong Donghai and his crew to leave Mt. Thunder. He still has another ace up his sleeve or else he would not go for the alternative. It seems he has utmost confidence on that Charm Master." Adrian stated as he wanted to use the spell in an opportune time.

"She is very strong and talented for a Charm Master that is that young. Normally, Charm Masters are already in their old age when they reach the mastery she has." Saru stated as he managed to observe the prowess of the Charm Master.

Adrian waited for Zhong Donghai to leave the periphery of Mt. Thunder. He is easily able to do that because of his mirrors that are providing him vision of the area in Mt. Thunder. When Adrian saw that Zhong Donghai is no longer in the vicinity, he executed his plan as all he needed was time for him to transfer the Qilin to Peridot.

Adrian chose the foot of the mountain as the other part of the Translocation spell. He needed as much time as possible because the array is not something that can be rearranged fast. He then appeared in front of Lan and her house members.

"Did you miss me?" Adrian asked in a casual but demeaning tone.

"Who do you think missed you, filthy demon? Everyone keep your guards up, the other two are not visible." Lan commanded the whole group that is left.

The soldiers of the House of the Azure Dragon all grouped up together as they needed to be prepared just in case there is a sneak attack. They did not know that they fell into Adrian's trap. The Charm Master noticed the smile on Adrian's face and tried to do something, but she was too late.

"Translocation!" Adrian shouted as he activated the magic circle below the soldiers. The magic circle suddenly appeared and the whole group vanished. The next thing that Lan's group knew is that they are now on the foot of the mountain.

Peridot and Saru came down after Lan's group is no longer in the area. They did not want to scatter the attention of the soldiers. They might not get caught up in the area of the spell. Adrian then looked at the Qilin that seemed to be smiling at them and then frowned.

"It seems that you suddenly regained hope." Adrian stated as he teased the Qilin.

"I just thought that you three are better than those insects. At the very least, the three of you are more civilized but not that much." The Qilin responded.

"I will start the process then. Please know that I might really blow up the mountain if I make a mistake. So, make sure that no one bothers me." Adrian stated in a serious tone.

"I thought you made that up to scare the Charm Master." Peridot stated as Adrian gave him the judging look.