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"Parasite, what is the matter with you?!"

Hach'ara was fuming as he glared back at the Black Dragon . Although he knew Arthur was the one controlling him, he couldn't help but feel threatened, after all, the pressure coming off the dragon was enough to make him feel nervous .

This was the case for most of the spectators and contestants, whether they were allies or enemies . Thanks to her incredible physique and high recovery, Losha recovered to near perfect healthy state but she didn't leave the scene yet . Maxine and her teammates also remained on standby, curious about what's going to happen, though the high-leveled player did show a bit of interest toward the Blessing Stone in particular .

Arthur didn't reply to the insect user and, instead, spread his marvelously big wings and loudly cried, shaking the whole planet and even causing more than half of the Holy Knights to instantly fall unconscious .

Black Dragons excel in mental attacks, many myths speak of how a single gaze from them can petrify a God or kill a Devil .

Dozens of powerful individuals, including Hach'ara, Sickle Bart, the Jade Emperor, and the Saber Saint, jumped at the Black Dragon, wanting to get rid of him in order to obtain the rewards .

Arthur made sure his body covered both the stone, the star, and the black fog in which Zodiak was in . Unlike the Wish Star, the black fog was slowly but surely letting the Blessing Stone get closer to Zodiak, however, this was Arthur's doing . He was forcefully pushing Zodiak's dark magic and opening a path for the stone .

It was the only thing that could help Zodiak prevail against Sol'khin as, currently, the two were fighting each other in the former's consciousness .

The Black Dragon opened its mouth and spat a thick black beam which disintegrated Hach'ara's insects, the saber essence, and the incoming Jade projectiles . Though some attacks did end up hitting the beast, they did close to no damage and could have been avoided but Arthur refused to budge as that would endanger Zodiak .

Without waiting for anyone to recover, Arthur used two successive Rizaki, A Dark and newly acquired Space Rizaki . It did take them thirty or so seconds to fully complete and explode, but Arthur was able to hold on and counterattack using his vast arsenal of powerful skills, however, he did also sustain severe injuries, after all, he was battling over ten Exalted Gods .

Seraph was wise enough to retreat to a safe location, Maxine and Ar'wen also did the same but did not interfere . When the area abruptly turned jet black and the space cracked, all hell broke loose .

The two successive Rizaki were initially underestimated which led to the death of 4 peak Overgods, there was even an Exalted God that was fatally injured . Unfortunately, Hach'ara was unscathed as

summoned a special armored Beetle which resisted the two blasts and even spat a purple liquid which melted dozens of Arthur's scales and made him body tremble for a few seconds .

Even with the Pain immunity activated, the beetle's poison caused him an agonizing pain, it somehow seemed to bypass his passive skills and even hurt his consciousness despite it being a physical attack .

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A few chaotic minutes passed and apart from the greedy Hach'ara, the rest decided to back off as Arthur clearly showed that he wasn't kidding around . His attacks were dangerous even for the best of them, in fact, Hach'ara had lost a hand but managed to rip a third of the black dragon's arm using a praying Mantis that used Void Magic .

Though Arthur's body could self-regenerate, it needs time, which was a luxury he could not afford . Furthermore, controlling the Black Dragon was taking a toll on his mental and making him a lot slower . The situation got much worse when ten minutes passed and he was forcefully ejected from the Black Dragon's body .

Arthur quickly stored the massive corpse then took out the sword given by Timos . He was ready to use [Thousand Waves] and sacrifice his arm but he, fortunately, didn't have to as the Blessing Stone finally and successfully entered Zodiak's body .

This miraculous item would grant the beneficiary a blessing of his choice and if the user can't choose then the stone would choose what he needs most . In Zodiak's case, it'll certainly grant him something that can make him overpower Sol'khin .

A couple brief moments of restlessness passed as Arthur looked at Zodiak's motionless body with anticipation . He tried getting closer but suddenly halted when he saw the black fog vanish into nothingness and a black tentacle stretch from Zodiak's body .

The tentacle was faster than Arthur, who was currently weakened and had a slower reaction time . The disgusting thing stabbed the parasite's chest and brought him closer to Zodiak, but Arthur managed to swing the sword and cut it off before it did any more damage .

'Impossible! How did Sol'khin win?'

He saw a red light emanate from Zodiak's eyes, coupled with the ghastly laugh, Arthur knew that Sol'khin had emerged victorious . Just as Sol'khin was about to attack Arthur again, an ear-piercing cry reverberated across the three Universes .

It lasted only for five seconds but it had a clear effect on Sol'khin and Arthur especially . The black tattoo on the back of his right hand expanded in size and devastating black flames engulfed him and Zodiak, causing Sol'khin to loudly cry in pain as if something was pushing him back and restraining his power .

"Master! It's the Dark Blade! It's calling you!"-Quad-Spirit

"I know . "

The wild and frightening cry of the Dark Blade was heard by everyone and anyone, no matter what they were . The planet Arthur was in was especially affected as the night sky was replaced by an ominous gloom which made those in it uncomfortable and greatly weakened .

This was a golden opportunity for Arthur, who stabbed Zodiac's chest and started mumbling with a cold voice

"Stars, hide your fires; Let not light see my black desires .

It cannot be seen, cannot be felt,
Cannot be heard, cannot be smelt,
It lies beyond stars and under hills,
And empty void it fills,
It comes first and follows after,
Ends life, kills laughter!"

The black tattoo belonging to the Dark Oath was expanding and causing the dancing dark flames to become more violent .

Sol'khin's cries became weaker and weaker until they stopped and the red light coming from Zodiac's eyes was replaced by the original owner's clear pupils .

Arthur did manage to push Sol'khin back into Zodiac's consciousness but the two souls didn't merge yet . Zodiac was greatly weakened and even with the powerful blessing, he wasn't able to win, sadly .

Nevertheless, Arthur's timely help did allow Zodiac to gain control and seal Sol'khin for sometime .

"Thank you . "

The old man weakly smiled at Arthur before pushing the latter's hand back and shooting in the sky with an abnormal speed . Within a few seconds, he had left the planet's atmosphere and was getting further and further away from everything, purposely choosing to be in an isolated place as to not affect the innocent bystanders .

Zodiac didn't know but not far behind him, a tall man in a white costume was quietly following him while holding a card in his hand . The Joker had a serious look on his face and the killing intent emitting from his eyes was truly bone-chilling .

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"Are you alright?"

Lucy support Arthur and worriedly asked . Although she was supposed to follow Arthur's clones, she just couldn't sit still and let him face all of them together so she ended up returning almost immediately . Her nine lotuses released a clear blue aura which enveloped him and conjured a powerful defensive barrier . The moment Zodiac succeeded in trapping Sol'khin's soul, Arthur felt incredibly weakened and oddly dizzy . His breathing was uneven and heavy and his hand was pressed against his heart .

"It's nothing... nothing . " He bit his lower lips and raised his head, meeting an eye to eye with Seraph and several other contestants which circled around him, all eyeing him greedily . The Blessing Stone vanished by the Wish Star was still floating next to the parasite, strangely unwilling to leave his side .

"Hand over the Wish Star!"

Hach'ara spat some black blood and loudly spoke, his aura multiplying by several folds as he showcased his dominance . He wasn't the only one as the Saber Saint and Jade Emperor were also displaying hostility, only Sickle Bart remained at the back, not because he gave up but due to the fatal injuries he sustained from Arthur when he was using the Black Dragon's body .

"Hand it over? It doesn't seem to want to leave his side . "

Lucy glanced at the blinding blob of light circling around Arthur and mockingly said to the cultivators surrounding her . There were seven to eight Exalted Gods and the number of Overgods was staggering, many of the contestants there were eliminated early didn't want to let go of this golden opportunity but they didn't behave as brazenly as Hach'ara and the rest as they were much weaker .

Even if they don't get the Wish Star, they can still help the powerhouses and earn their favor, which is also something very valuable to them .

The Sword God Ber Von Xin showed no interest in the Wish Star, he was staring at the half-kneeling Arthur while pondering about something .

"Your partner, Arthur MoonStar, isn't the winner of the competition . He already caused us enough trouble by allowing Zodiak to get the Blessing Stone! I advise you to take a step back and let us get the Wish Star . "

A praying mantis and a golden beetle appeared in front of Hach'ara, they had huge builds and emitted an aura that wasn't the least bit inferior to their master .

The Saber Saint unsheathed his weapon and prepared to fight too .

"There's no need to talk to her . Let's just attack together . "

The King of Jade shamelessly said that before taking his jade weapons and leaping at Arthur simultaneously with the Hach'ara and the Saber Saint . The remaining Exalted Gods were also greedy about the Wish Star but they didn't attack immediately .

The first ones that reached Lucy were the two insects of Hach'ara, the mantis slashed with its elongated poisoned claws, however, they didn't reach their target as nine lotuses clashed with the claws, causing a ringing metallic sound to echo throughout the area . The Golden Beetle turned illusory and passed through the mantis, heading directly at Arthur but it was also stopped by Lucy, who released golden flames which spread across all directions .

Unfortunately, Lucy couldn't rest for even a split second as she manipulated the flames and pushed away the golden beetle . She left afterimages in her path as her eyes emitted a blue light which froze time and locked the King of Jade mid-air . Her spectral form made its appearance next to Amtir, her devil arm materialized itself and violently struck the king's side, sending him flying dozens of miles away, leaving a fountain of blood in his way .

Lucy withhold nothing of her power and aimed to kill every person who dared to attack Arthur . She became an enraged beast as the Golden Crow flames exploded in her sky, illuminating the area and pushing away the Saber Saint and Hach'ara, who were only a couple of meters away from Arthur .

"Sir, what are you trying to do?"

The bard, Aneirin, appeared a couple of meters away from The Joker, who trapped the greatly weakened Zodiak in a dark and unbreakable space .

Seeing the calm poet and the serious look on his face, Wolfram snorted and retorted:

"It's not a place for you to meddle . "

"Oh but I don't want to meddle . " Said Aneirin while innocently raising his hands: "I'm only here for my friend, which I humbly request you let go . "

"Request? Who are you to request anything from me?"

"We may not know each other but I'm still a friend of Arthur and an acquaintance of Leiu . Doesn't that make us allies rather than enemies?"

The Joker's aura elevated and locked onto the bard, who was powerless to do anything but he didn't seem to be worried about his fate .

"Zodiak is no more . It's time for their two souls to be extinguished . "

"Is it really something for you to decide? It's your brother's soul and it can be helpful in... many ways . " He empathized the last part while softly smiling . It was quite obvious that the poet knew more than he showed but he didn't speak of any details .

The Joker frowned but didn't say anything, he seemed to be thinking about something as he glanced at the unconscious Zodiak and the crimson tear on his chest .

An indeterminate amount of time passed and after harrumphing one last time, the Magician turned around and left, leaving Zodiak, who was no longer imprisoned, and Aneirin .

The bard supported the old man and poured a vial containing golden liquid into the latter's mouth . The red tear shining on the chest started fading away and Zodiak's consciousness started slowly returning .

When he fully woke up, he found himself leaning against a withered black tree and facing Aneirin's young face .

"It's nice to see you again, friend . "

In response, Zodiak actually chuckled as his expression eased up . Even though the red spear completely vanished, he knew better than anyone about his current condition, the Blessing Stone granted him something that allowed him to entrap Sol'khin but it wasn't permanent and that effective .

"I thought you hated danger . " Said Zodiak while sitting up and drinking a cup which was handed to him by his friend . The cup had a unique alcohol which the bard specially brewed, it's something that Aneirin was willing to gift only to Zodiak as he was the one who encouraged him and helped him reach this point . In a way, their adventure began at the same time and the encounter could be considered as destiny .

"Heh! This is not dangerous though . " He paused for a few breaths before adding: "It's a farewell . "

"..." Zodiak remained silent and stared back at the handsome young man, who's expression remained the same and his smile was filled with unfathomable serenity .

"I plan to head back home and take a long break . "

The bard played with his lute and shared his thoughts with Zodiak . He seemed to be distracted as he continued speaking:

"I've traveled to all corners of the multiverse and, honestly, I'm tired and bored . I guess it's time to go back to my roots too . "

"Aneirin, you..." Zodiak didn't continue his words as he saw the bard's expression .

"You know, as much as I pity Arthur, I truly wanted you to be a bit selfish and hide . Cycles or whatnot, there still many things you could do... life is beautiful, with all its fortunes and tragedies . "

Although the old man gave no reply, the bard continued talking: "Even without your help . . your soul, Arthur would have found a way . He has his wife, who's as exceptional as him, he has friends and brothers, I'm sure that one day he'll attain a level of power that would allow him to achieve his goals . I find your sacrifice unjustified and unnecessary . "

The poet's tone became a bit emotional but he managed to control it with a light cough . He emptied another cup of alcohol and let out a long sigh .


"I want to die . " Said Zodiak, surprising even Aneirin .

"Is that a good enough reason for you?"

The old man dropped his head and looked at the wrinkled and bone-like hand, a small black fog was emanating from his nails .

"Even if it was unintentional, Arthur created me . He was also the one who gave me Dark Magic, which helped me start a new life, which many would find miserable but when I acquired the power I sought, I was really, really happy . It's true that life has always been chaotic but I cannot say that I did not enjoy it, quite the contrary, I don't regret it . Some sought fame, power... and love but I wanted an answer for my existence, a purpose maybe but by finding naught, I found and understood everything . "

Zodiak sighed and waved his hand unceremoniously at his friend: "Give it a rest, Aneirin . My time is up so don't be so foolish as to follow me . "

After a momentary silence, Zodiak laughed and said: "Let  change this grim topic . You recently told me that a woman caught your eye?"

As per Zodiak's request, the bard talked about various others things and the two spent a whole day chatting and laughing .

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In order to protect Arthur, Lucy transformed into a raging beast, withholding nothing of her strength . The might she demonstrated even brought fear to those watching, some even contemplated finishing

her off before she grows even more strong . The harmony between her blinding golden crow flames and the freezing Yin Power made the spectators question their eyes and senses .

She was enveloped by a lot of steam as he Devil Arm absolutely pulverized the golden beetles and sent the mantis flying far away like a kite, leaving only a trail of black blood in its path . She was only an Overgod yet she managed to battle three Exalted Gods at an advantage .

The pressure of Amtir, Hach'ara, and the Saber Saint pressed down on the White Specter, who unleashed a terrifying wave of golden flames which blinded her opponents and disintegrated everything in its wake .

Unfortunately, no matter how heaven-defying she was, there was still a limit, more so after what happened inside of the Red Tower, which forced her to expand a sizable amount of her Mana .

"Tsk tsk, you really are the Matriarch's daughter!"

Hach'ara clicked his tongue and glared at Lucy, whose hair was floating in the air and her eyes were covered in white flames . Her spectral form made her look even more frightening as the Devil Arm was releasing dangerous spatial vibration and emitting steam through the tiny holes situated in the large scale-like shoulder guards .

The one who got the most injured amongst the three Exalted Gods was the Saber Saint, who was hit by two bullets of Lonely Moon, Lucy's specially crafted silver revolver . The bullets had a staggering amount of Yin and were fired from a very close distance hence his inability to dodge or block them . Not even his Saber Essence was able to shield him so he ended up getting shot two times, causing blood to gush out from the two small holes in his stomach and right shoulder . The hand that was holding the saber was intensely shaking and his left hand was pressing on his bloody stomach, trying to heal himself and extract the bullet .

Slowly but surely, ice started covering him and his teeth were clattering from the chilliness . His eyes were glaring at Lucy, no longer paying attention to the Wish Star, the enmity he harbored against Lucy peaked as he faces such a humiliation in front of the powerhouses of the Cloud Sea Universe .

"Your name was... Lucy, right? Tell you what, let us get the Wish Star and we'll leave immediately . "

Hach'ara had felt a bit of urgency as the Wish Star was getting closer to the unresponsive Arthur and seemingly about to integrate inside of him . Furthermore, it doesn't look like he'll be able to get close as Lucy was like a raging devil, attacking anything or anyone who got too close . She stood next to the parasite and dutifully protected him against all dangers .

Although she managed to resist the enemies, she was still injured as her left thigh was poisoned and slightly trembling, moreover, she sustained a severe injury from one of the Saber Saint's strikes . As she no longer had Arthur's stats, her recovery was greatly slowed, plus, these were wounds inflicted by Exalted Gods so the aura embedded in them isn't easy to get rid of, regardless of whether her Vitality Stat is high or not .

This precarious situation continued for a bit of time as Hach'ara and the other stared at Lucy, who was panting heavily and bleeding from her shoulder . The poison caused by the insect user was spreading through her body and making her condition much worse .

As if things couldn't become worse, the army of Holy Knights has gotten close to Arthur and Lucy . Their leader, Seraph, landed dozens of meters away from Lucy and said:

"Miss Eva . " He was staring at Lucy, displaying no hostility whatsoever . "I hope you can reach an agreement without the need for violence . "

After pausing for two breaths, in which he glanced at Arthur, he continued: "The Pope has something to discuss with your partner Arthur . We'll safely escort him there . Any bloodshed is truly unnecessary . "

His words carried no threat, he didn't even release his aura as he spoke politely to Lucy . In response, she coldly retorted:

"My name is Lucy MoonStar and it's Madam Lucy for you . " She snorted, raised her hand and released a ball of white flames which seemed both suffocatingly hot and strangely chilling .

"If you or anyone else takes another step toward me, I'll slaughter them!" She showed no hesitation as the steam releasing from her devil arm increased, shrouding the area around her in a dense fog but it wasn't able to block Seraph's eyes, which penetrated through it and locked onto the couple .

"We have no grievance with the White Specter Clan . "

This time, his tone contained a bit of threat, which was obviously directed at Lucy, more specifically, her clan . Alas, she couldn't care less about the fate of her clan as she considered herself part of the MoonStar Sect .

"Holy General Seraph . "

Hach'ara bowed his bald and hideous face to the young man while showing his row of dirty yellow teeth . In response, the youngster nodded his head in reciprocation but said nothing .

The old man didn't mind this as he suggestively said:

"You wish to escort the parasite and we want the Wish Star . I reckon a cooperation is beneficial . "

In response, Seraph snorted and coldly replied: "That won't be necessary . "

Right after he said that, a white light shot from the ground . It was none other than Lucy, who grabbed Arthur and made a run of it, pouring all of her strength into her movement technique . However, she didn't forget to leave a special 'present' in her place, it was a small white fireball which hit the ground, causing it to split in two half, each with a unique color and energy .

A second after he swift departure, the place turned into a raging inferno and a soul-chilling blizzard which hit everyone indiscriminately . Seraph raised his hand and erected a thick shield made of white light which blocked the uncontrollable golden flames .

Surprisingly, he didn't chase after Lucy and instead, looked at the sky west of his location . He could sense an overwhelming aura press down on him, rendering him unable to do anything but move his neck . It took him only a breath to recognize the owner of this aura, an unparalleled existence which would frighten anyone .

Unlike the Holy general, Hach'ara and Amtir hastily chased after Lucy, furthermore, two more auras belonging to two peak Overgods also rose into the sky . The Saber Saint, who was supposed to harbor a deep grudge, was unexpectedly nowhere to be seen .

In fact, ever since that day, no one had ever heard about him . He was last seen next to the remains of the Red Tower, severely injured, but he abruptly vanished . The truth about this matter was only known about the perpetrators who caused his disappearance, more precisely, Black Rose .

As he was too focused on Lucy and the Wish Star, the Saber Saint didn't notice the transparent creepy hands which suddenly bound his ankles and quickly pulled him into the ground within a split second . When he came to his senses, a young man wearing a grey robe was facing him . Before the saint could do anything, the youngster stabbed the dagger into the former's chest, killing him on the spot .

After finishing off the man couldn't even yell before his death, Artid let out a sigh and vanished from this special dimension which he created just to eliminate this minor threat . He was but a God Monarch yet he easily killed an Exalted God in one attack .

Although he looked young, this youngster, the Green Seat of Justice, was the oldest member of Black Rose and has always been a loyal adviser of Forne . Though, no one knew why his cultivation is stuck at the God Monarch Realm .

"Azure Bai was really actually right... what a surprise . "

From amongst the large crowd of cultivators and players alike, he gazed at the white flying star shooting off in the horizon, his mind pondering about something .

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Although Lucy was strong, her cultivation was still lower than her pursuers so not long after her departure, two shadows appeared a few kilometers behind her . It was Hach'ara and the Jade King Amtir, the former summoned two other insects while using a mass of black flies to fly at a faster pace . As for Amtir, he took out a large boat made of green jade, boarded it, and went after the white specter .

The speed of the Green Jade Spirit Boat was absurd as it caught up to Lucy in just a few seconds and seemed about to crash into her too .

Lucy erected a barrier and braced herself for the impact while shielding Arthur with her back, but just as she was about to be hit, a domineering aura appeared out of nowhere and crashed into Amtir's boat, causing it to stop its fast charge .

In fact, before the King of Jade could even see what happened, a colorless energy pressed down on the boat, causing it to crack . Amtir was forced to store it and hurriedly around only to a white figure with a long white tail and long pointy illusory ears facing him . She had long silver hair and looked very much like Lucy but the pressure around her was truly frightening .

Lucy immediately sensed the person who interfered but her speed didn't slow down at all, it actually accelerated and in a few seconds, she left the area . As for Amtir and Hach'ara, who just caught up, they didn't pursue the young white specter as their path was blocked by the Katrina, the Matriarch of the White Specter Clan .

Ever since the war between the undead and the specters, she has been missing so many assumed she seclude herself in order to cultivate but she was actually imprisoned by the Joker, who released her right before the competition of the Red Tower began .

"What a surprise!"

Hach'ara was displeased by Katrina's arrival but considering his current cultivation, he wasn't that afraid of her, after all, he was stronger . Sadly, his complexion had a drastic change as the silver-haired woman released her aura, fully showcasing her cultivation .

The Exalted God Realm is formed of five small realms, each with a unique name . They are; Condensing Stage, Expulsion Stage, Stagnation Stage, Exalted Stage, and Transcendancy Stage . Currently Hach'ara is an Exalted Stage Exalted God while Amtir is just at the Expulsion Stage . Katrina has been an Exalted God for a sizable amount of time but it isn't easy to breakthrough the next stage, in fact, it takes decades if not centuries .

At the war, she was at the Exalted Stage but now, she actually has broken through the Transcendancy stage, making her a peak Exalted God, an existence that rivals Ber Von Xin, the Sword God . The difference between each stage is difference, especially the last two as the cultivator's energy will start changing, becoming a new type which is more powerful and dominant .

"Your chase ends here!"

Katrina snorted and waved her arm, releasing a formless white energy which blasted both Hach'ara and Amtir . It was just a simple motion but the white energy caused the King of Jade's body to turn bloody .

What shocked Hach'ara even more is that the Matriarch attacked again without warning again . He thought she was just going to stop them but the boundless killing intent she released made it blatantly obvious that she wants to kill . Amtir shouted in pain as he coughed a lot of blood but before he could do anything, Katrina was upon him, her hand stabbed his chest, causing his body to explode into a bloody mist within a couple of breaths .

Even though she was at the last stage of the Exalted God Realm, killing Amtir shouldn't have been this fast . Cold sweat tricked down Hach'ara face as he innocently raised his hand and hurriedly said:

"I concede I concede! I won't chase your daughter anymore!"

He sounded genuinely afraid and honest . He retracted his aura and even summoned back the two insects guarding both of his sides .

The white specter glared at him before snorting and turning around, but once she made that, a cold smile appeared on Hach'ara wrinkled face . His bony fingers released an invisible aura which slowly made its way toward Katrina . It was a special kind of poison he created, it was a spiritual and incredibly deadly, even to being superior to him . It was also one of the reasons of Arthur's sudden fall .

Normally, even if Zodiac's loss to Sol'khin affects his soul, it shouldn't have made him half-conscious and barely responsive . When he was controlling the Black Dragon, Hach'ara actually used his invisible and unnoticeable poison called the Smiting Invisible Poison .

The old man flawlessly controlled the unseen poison but just as it was about to touch Katrina, she vanished from her location, shocking the grinning Hach'ara . By the next second, his arm was severed and a hole appeared in his chest . Thousands of flies appeared from within his tattered robe, stopping blood from gushing out and enveloping him .

Katrina wanted to finish him off but her next strike hit nothing but air as Hach'ara seemed to have used an instantaneous teleportation technique . Nevertheless, her two previous attacks did fatally wounded him, basically sealing his fate .

The destruction of the Red Tower and the events that unfolded on that planets had traveled far and wide and reached the ears of the three Universes . The Mythical Zodiac got the Blessing stone but completely vanished from the face of the world, as for Arthur, it was rumored that he got the Wish Star but it wasn't confirmed as there were many who chased after him .

Although she didn't know where her parents were, Saly wasn't overly worried as her teacher assured her they were safe . She was taken to Green-Leaf, where the MoonStar's first branch was created . The city situated in the wasteland became bustling with people, moreover, vegetation started growing on its surrounded and the weather became much better .

Arthur's nature magic seemed to affect the corrupt earth and the dry rivers, bringing a new life to this scarred land .

Quite unexpectedly, three days after the Red Tower's destruction, Arthur appeared in that city, now called Silver Star City .

"Daddy!"

Saly happily jumped in her father's arm, her tail wagging left and right . She was delighted to finally reunite with father after such a long time .

The girl was beaming with joy as he caressed her long snow-white hair . Although she became a bit mature, she behaved like a child whenever Lucy or Arthur is with her, and this time was no exception .

Arthur led her to the newly self-constructed tower of Silver Star city, where he met with Mary and Robin, who were managing this place whilst Sonia was gone .

The Arthur who came here was actually one of the two clones, each was tasked with something and they were literally no different from the main one . Apart from not being able to use a few certain and unnecessary skills, the clones could have the parasite's states and memories . Basically, they were no different than the original, in every sense of the word .

The reason he came here was to meet his daughter and the World Tree, which sent him a strong signal and urgently called for him . The oath he made in the past sounded an uncomfortable alarm and this made him certain that there are going to be invaders coming to Astria very soon and as per their agreement, he needs to defend the World Tree .

Arthur spent only a day in Silver Star city before heading to Astria, although Saly was reluctant to part with him, he promised her to come back once he settled his business . He wanted to bring her along but

there was a strong chance she could be in danger, despite her mighty strength and the Fenrir's power, which came at a cost, obviously .

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"Was there any disturbance outside of Astria in the last few months?"

Arthur asked the not-so-handsome looking Gutcha, who bowed respectfully before his boss . The pigolo was different from the past, whether in terms of cultivation or behavior . He was no longer a scaredy-cat and his loyalty to his benefactor, Arthur, is unquestionable, as he, metaphorically, gave him a new life and a meaning .

"Nothing at all . " The pigolo answered with certainty but he was puzzled over why he was asked such a question, though he didn't dare question the parasite .

"What about the Cthulhu, they didn't come back? ❖❖"

"Ever since they escaped last time, there has been no signs of them . In fact, the portal leading to their world vanished completely . "

Arthur pondered for a few seconds before asking: "Alright, what about the Eastern Continent, is there any one living there anymore?"

"I haven't checked but there seems to be a few elven tribes who chose to settle around the World Tree . Apart from them, I don't think there's anyone else, as far as I know . "

Gutcha handed Arthur a crystal which recorded images of the current Eastern Continent . They showed a desolate and ashen land which looked worse than the Western continent, which became a bloody wasteland after countless war occurred in it .

"The World Tree suffered a lot due to the Cthulhu's strange fire but King Isadore dispatched an Overgod which helped quieten them . "

"Isadore?" Arthur's brows knitted as he recalled the blond and young king ruling over Green Leaf .

"What about the Kang Clan? Has they sent anyone?"

The pigolo shook his head before saying: "The Kang Clan is oddly quiet, however, a girl from the Mirage Era Hall did come looking for you . "

"Mirage Era Hall? Who was it?"

"She was called Shu'ru . I told her I'll pass the message but she vehemently refused . She said that it needs to be personally delivered to you and returned right after . "

Arthur was a bit confused as he doesn't remember having a close relationship with either Shu'ru or her sect . He has been there for a short time and their interaction was brief and almost forgettable .

He put this matter in the back of his mind as the problem with the World Tree is more urgent . It's a shame he can't create more clones and both the main body and the first clone need to accomplish equally important matters .

After talking with Pigolo for a bit more, Arthur went to meet with the World Tree, both curious and nervous to hear what it has to say...

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"How do you feel?"

Lucy worriedly asked Arthur, who sat up and answered her with a bright smile . He felt refreshed, the weakening and the uncomfortable feeling had vanished after he went comatose for a week or so . Lucy brought him to a small planet which had only mortals in it . They were currently inside a small hut situated in a normal, peaceful forest .

While grasping her soft snowy-white hand, Arthur said: "I'm perfectly fine . "

A white glow came out of his hand and entered her body, healing the injuries inflicted by both Hach'ara and the Saber Saint . Only a bit of Saber Essence remained but the old man's poison could not be expelled even when she used her Pure Mana . Fortunately, there was nothing Life Energy could not purify so the deadly poison was extinguished in fifteen minutes .

This was the first time in a while since they got together in a peaceful place utterly void of any kind of danger . Arthur was in no hurry depart immediately even though the Dark Blade's oath kept flashing on the back of his right hand .

After a short silence where both of them simply gazed at each other, Arthur lowered his eyes, which were filled with a bit of guilt .

"I'm sorry . "

"Nn?"

Lucy was startled to hear a sudden apology and didn't know why he would say that . She leaned her face closer to the point where she could feel his hot and a bit unsteady breath .

"For what? Why are you apologizing?"

"..."

Feeling guilty even to look at her eyes, his hand tightly clenched her hand as he voiced his turbulent thoughts:

"Back on Riarravar... you were pregnant but I . . . "

Before he could finish, she cut him off by saying: "I was pregnant and I didn't tell you . It was never your fault, I just thought that you'll focus more on protecting me if you know I was carrying our child . "

"Of course I would do that!" He protested as guilt showered him . A simple inspection of her body told him that she was no longer the child, so she probably had a miscarriage . They didn't talk about it when they were in the Red Tower but they couldn't avoid this tragedy forever .

Lucy died by Elias' coin and she has no idea what happened to the unborn baby but it was safe to assume it died along with her, after all, it was but a fetus a few weeks old . Back then, when she woke

up, Lucy would cry from time to time but only no one was looking . After a while, she managed to steel her heart and look for Arthur, who was still missing .

Yes, it was very sad that she lost her child but she never lost hope and neither blamed herself nor Arthur . Everything she went through in the past taught her that anything can happen and it's up to her how to deal with misfortunes .

Seeing his incredibly sad expression, Lucy gently caressed his cheek and softly smiled . Her spotless and mesmerizing face would steal the soul of any man, even in the multiverse, where beauties are as many as the stars . She was the most beautiful woman in the world but her unique charm is definitely exceptional .

"It's in the past now . We can always make another one . "

Her voice was clear and resolute as if she was stating a fact . She didn't even wait for his reply as she planted her lips on his while her hand slid down his chest...

Of course, Arthur didn't resist or push her away... No one, including him, would resist a breath-taking woman as she seductively lunges at them . Although their conversation was cut off short, it didn't matter, at least not to him, after all, they can continue later .

Further details will be omitted .

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A week later, Arthur and Lucy arrived at the Rose Sea situated between the Cloud Sea Universe and the System Universe . It's a forbidden region filled with dangers, only God Monarchs and above can enter this plan and not be affected by the deadly fog lingering in the air . Even Exalted Gods do not venture too deep and, in fact, Arthur and Lucy didn't come here to search for some unimaginable artifact... it's just that Makaze was here .

The more he got close to Evil Wind, the stronger the signal from his partner was . He didn't know why would Timos would put his forest here but he didn't care, he just wanted to recover the Dark Blade and be able to use his strong sword skills again . The sword given to him by the Black Devil was strong but the cost to use it was too much, even for a parasite like him, whose stats are borderline absurd .

"So this is the Rose Sea . "

"I didn't think the name literally described the place . " Lucy was fascinated by the sight before her . The horizon was painted with a pink-shade as a vast sea spread everywhere . It was strangely calm and emitted an unfamiliar energy which made the couple slightly uncomfortable .

"Master, this place is not as peaceful and welcoming as it looks . "-Quad Spirit

Arthur's pupils focused on the pink water, trying to see what they were hiding but not even his sense could penetrate through these waters .

Heaven and Hell Universe, Pact Galaxy, Southern Angel Region

Arthur floated in the endless dark space while scanning the empty area . Everywhere he went, there was angel troupes patrolling the area, moreover, their individual strength was truly eye-opening to the parasite .

He activated his Stealth Mode, turning invisible and unnoticeable and bypassed the angels . This region was a restricted place where only the angels can enter and it's also his destination . More accurately, he was looking for a specific planet .

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FLASHBACK

A man that was a carbon copy of Arthur leaned on the wooden chairs and asked, his gaze never leaving the parasite .

"So, got any more questions?"

In response, Arthur thought for a few breaths before saying:

"The Garden of Words... can't you give me a hint on how to reach it?"

For an indeterminate amount of time, the man didn't reply, he seemed to be weighing his options . After what seemed to be a long, long while, he smiled and said:

"I can tell you that... you need Life and Death . "

Arthur knitted his brows, not understanding the man's meaning .

"Life and Death?"

"Yes, Life that could heal anything and bring the damned . Death which could finish the holiest of beings . I think I'm making it quite obvious . "

Arthur thought for a moment before he let out a gasp and said: "You can't mean..."

"Yes, the twins, Radolf and Midolf . I know what you're going to say, they both disappeared after the war but they're currently imprisoned by the angels . Get them out . "

"And then what?"

"When you get them out, the answer will naturally reveal itself . "

"What's that?"

A blue-haired girl which looked no older than seven pointed at a large structure far, far away from their location . After Timos had left, Vyncent and the girl were left alone and had no choice but to travel together to ensure their safety . With the use of unique and powerful water magic along with Vyncent's cultivation and the coin, especially, they managed to travel from one planet to another .

They had been chased by many things and ended up landing here, a planet devoid of life and very eerie .

The two were shrouded by a fog unleashed by the coin but just to make sure they don't get spotted, they used a few thick bushes as a cover . They gazed at the large black structure and the sky-tall fences surrounding it from all sides .

"I don't know . It appears to be a prison . "

"Hmpf! You're old, aren't you supposed to be knowledgeable?"

Although she was much younger than him, the girl always behaved arrogantly and never wasted an opportunity to flaunt her superiority in talent . Vyncent had long since grown accustomed to her childish behavior and, at first, he used to bicker with her but now he would just remain silent .

"Should we go in?"

She was more intelligent than a genius child or the average one, however, due to the special circumstances surrounding her birth, she was curious about any unknown thing or place .

"Why should we?" He furrowed his brows and showed an instant injection . One look at the prison would make you want to go the other way . He truly couldn't understand what's going inside of her little head .

The two were so busy with the prison that they didn't a presence which quickly grew closer to them . When a faint rustling came from behind, the two abruptly turned around, both comically covering their mouths .

What met their eyes was a man with grey and black hair, black clothes and two abyssal pupils . The girl didn't recognize him but Vyncent was flabbergasted as his lips opened and closed a few times .

"What are you doing here?"

Arthur scanned the young man and the girl, wondering why they're here out of all places .

END OF VOLUME 11

Note : The next three volumes can be considered a 'real' volume, each revolving around the three Arthurs and do take in mind that they happen simultaneously .

Volume 12 : Prison Break and Affair

Chapter 636

Faced with this Vyncent and the unfamiliar girl, Arthur was truly surprised as he never expected to the former here, in such a barren and tightly-guarded place . Strangely enough, he felt a sense a familiarity when he looked at the girl but he was certain he had never seen her in the past . When he used appraisal, the results were unexpected but confusing at the same time .

Shen Shen (Race: half-human/half-demon): Cultivation: none

Lv: none

Age : 8

Title: Lord of the Ocean / Water of Origin / Eternal Blue Soul Holder

Short Description : none

The titles were intriguing but her young age and the aura emanating from her body betrayed the results given by the appraisal . Even after Arthur activated his eye ability, the results didn't change, perplexing the parasite . He didn't dwell on the matter and shifted his attention back to the dumbstruck Vyncent .

"So? Why did you come here?"

In response, the young man gulped some saliva and muttered inaudible words before hesitantly saying: "I, I don't know where we are . We landed here by accident . "

Arthur tried to read through him but his tone and expression were genuine .

"Who are you?!"

Unlike Vyncent, the girl was unwelcoming of the stranger, whose aura was cold and ominous, making her feel a bit uncomfortable . Arthur's Dark Magic leaks out of his body permanently, whether he likes it or not, however, a person needs to be extremely perceptive to feel it, especially when Arthur conceals himself .

Arthur sized this blue-haired girl, who wore a simple black dress and stood arrogantly before him . She didn't attack immediately as she could sense the difference in power but she didn't back down either . Her name was weird and the aura inside of her body made the parasite feel a slight pain in his hurt, but it remained inexplicable, sadly .

"Little lady, you should introduce yourself first . ❓❓❓"

Arthur couldn't get angry at the young girl as he broke into a smile and took a few steps forward . Shen raised her hand and released a formless pressure to push away Arthur but it did nothing to him .

"Hmpf! You look and feel evil!"

She coldly snorted and impolitely retorted, not even caring that her attack was pointless . It was at this time that Vyncent butted between them by saying:

"Arthur... how about you? Why are you here?"

The two weren't close to exchange secrets but they weren't strangers either . They helped each other in Riarravar, nevertheless, they can't be considered true friends .

"I'm going there . "

He pointed at the black structure dozens of kilometers away, not bothering to hide his intentions . From what the man in his 'dream' told him, Midolf and Radolf are imprisoned here and they're essential to reach the Garden of Words, a miraculous place which has all the answers in the multiverse . Any answer you seek, however impossible it is, you will find it there .

When he was with Wolfram and Leiu, they spoke of the Garden and how they attempted to reach it but their search was fruitless . It's not a place for everyone and the cost is not cheap, at least that's what the Nameless Knight said .

The Garden of Words is not a place created by the Twelve or the Watcher, in fact, no one knows how or when it came into existence . They just know it exists because there has been people who went there and obtained answers which shocked anyone and everyone .

"You want to go in there? Why?" Vyncent couldn't help but ask, his brows furrowing as he glanced at the massive black structure and the fences which were enveloped by white lightning .

"..." Arthur stared back at the young man but chose not to reply this time .

"Don't come closer or I will . ." -Shen Shen

"You will what?" Retorted Arthur, raising his hand and using Telekinesis . It's not useful against powerful enemies but this rare Enigma ability, at his current stage, can even affect a peak God .

An overwhelming aura pressed down on the girl, causing her movement to slow down and her pupils to contract . Vyncent stepped to the front, shielding her and saying:

"Please don't mind her . She's still young and doesn't know how to interact with strangers . "

Arthur chuckled and retracted his power : "I was just playing with her . "

He only applied a bit of pressure to scare her, it wasn't even enough to cause pain . Although she had no cultivation and Lv, the girl was oddly strong .

'I'm not imagining it, right?'

"Yes, master . Whatever she used a few seconds ago can defeat Immortals . I also sense the Water of Origin from her . "

'Water of Origin? What is that?'

"It's Water created by Dmitra . It's just like the wood used to make the box which held the sword given to you by Timos . While Wood symbolizes defense and sturdiness, Water is all about flexibility and clarity . Its healing powers are even superior to your Life Energy . Actually, when she reaches the God Realm, she can produce special droplets called Origin Water Droplets . They can cure crippled Meridians and destroyed Dantian and significantly and drastically increased one's cultivation . "

'What about the other two titles?'

"I don't know the first one but the third one is unimaginably rare . In fact, ever since everything came into existence, there has only been two other people which had the Eternal Blue Soul . It's a special kind of soul which affects the holder's Physique and consciousness . When they reach a certain age, their body will obtain the Silent Water King Physique . Additionally, the talent of those in possession of the Eternal Blue Soul is unparalleled, even the Madam's prodigious feats cannot compare . An Overgod or above can easily discover the soul and if they discover her, they'll surely want to get their hands on her . In case she doesn't die, she'll become an Exalted God Within a century, at most, and that is if she cultivate normally without any assistance... I wonder what's her origin . "

The Quad-spirit sounded amazed and even a bit jealous . As an existence which defies the logic, its affinity with Earth, Water, and Death is at its peak but it couldn't held but envy this girl called Shen Shen .

Arthur remained silent as he internally talked to the spirit so Vyncent became a bit restless . He briefly remained silent before saying:

"Can you help us leave this place?"

Before the parasite could reply, Shen Shen stomped her feet and said: "Hey! Why are you asking him for help? He looks like a bad guy!"

It's truly a shame that Timos, the one who raised her in the past few months, didn't talk very much about parents, especially their appearances . He did say that her father was a parasite but she had no way of knowing if Arthur was a parasite or if he's the person the Black Devil talked about .

"Little Lady, you shouldn't talk like that to your seniors . "

Shen Shen crossed her small arms and turned her face to the side, unwilling to converse with the stranger anymore . This led to a chuckle to escape Arthur's lips as he tried to probe her with his sense for the nth time only to fail... again .

Seeing that Arthur completely ignored him, Vyncent bit his lips but didn't insist . He grabbed the girl's hands and was about to leave only to hear the parasite say:

"There's an angel troupe coming from that direction . "

The young man's abruptly halted, he spread his sense but couldn't sense anything, though he didn't dare to doubt Arthur's words, after all, he had seen what this terrifying man is capable of .

"We escaped Riarravar together so perhaps the same fate shall befall us here..."

Arthur said his piece before raising his hand and unleashing a large quantity of hell flame which turned the trees and bushes into ash and alerted the angels not far away . Within a few seconds, the trio was surrounded by dozens of angels, all fully armored and very strong . Actually, the weakest amongst them emitted a pressure similar to an Immortal Cultivator .

The method of strengthening in the Heaven and Hell Universe is much more complicated compared to the Cloud Sea or the System Universe . The angels, especially, relied on Commandment, and the more they got, the stronger they are . Arthur doesn't know much but the little bit of knowledge he has allowed him to gauge their strength and determine if they're a threat or not .

Currently, his aura was that of a Divine Being and none of the angels suspected anything, still, they raised their weapon and pointed them at the three invading strangers .

"On your knees!"

They didn't even question them and demanded they surrender on the spot . Anyone caught in this place will be imprisoned regardless of their identity . It's a place prohibited for travelers and the consequences of getting caught are not to scoff at .

Seeing the angels all around him, Vyncent grit his teeth and got on his knees while throwing a blaming glance at the parasite . Shen Shen was more stubborn but when the pressure of the angels fell down on her, she surrendered too . In less than an hour, they were caught and quickly transported to the prison

but since they didn't fight back and were judged not to be a real threat, they were put on the first underground floor, where most of the common criminals are .

Unbeknownst to Arthur, the moment he set foot in the prison, there was one person who sensed his arrival and became exhilarated . The woman bound on the deepest floor burst into happy laughter, her body was shaking from excitement and she could barely hold herself from breaking free and going to meet him right now .

"Ah! My dear! You've finally come . "

A seductive and enchanting smile plastered on her breath-taking face as her sense locked onto the unknowing parasite . Zaaarae, the parasite Empress, knew the reason Arthur came here but she couldn't help but feel incredibly impatient . As for the twins locked onto the adjacent cell, they maintained their silence but both felt their master's aura albeit its faintness .

Above the unrecognizable human continent of Astria, which now but a bottomless abyss filled with eternal fire and raging waters, a graceful figure scanned this destroyed place before taking out a clear sky-blue crystal covered in white flames .

Katrina actually managed to find Astria, her daughter's homeworld and personally came here without being noticed . She poured all of her Nether Energy into the crystal, which caused her surrounding to rapidly starting changing, or more accurately, reverting back as the flow of time was broken .

In just a few seconds, a peaceful continent manifested itself in front of the Matriarch, who disappeared into white steam, appearing somewhere south-east .

"Show me, Eva, what really happened for you to become like this . "

What she had used with the Divine artifact of the White Specter Clan, something that would allow the user to see past events of all the white specters . However, the cost to use for a prolonged amount of time is very great, sometimes even fatal . Nonetheless, Katrina didn't care as she was wanted to know why did Lucy reject her so vehemently .

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Vyncent, Shen Shen, and Arthur were thrown into the same cell, which had dozens of other prisoners . Almost every one of them had hideous faces and scars all over their bodies but they weren't that strong . Surprisingly, there only a few people from this universe, the rest were players and a couple of rogue cultivators .

The angels weren't perceptive enough to discover Arthur's race, which he hid pretty well so it was to be expected to be thrown in here, on the first underground floor . The angels warned the trio to not cause noise before violently shutting down the metal doors of the cold cell .

It's kind of ironic as angels are supposed to be merciful and majestic beings but their behavior was no different than arrogant thugs . Except for their appearances, everything else was the opposite of what

one would expect from angels, then again, they are the a low-ranked angels, whose duty is no different than guards or cannon fodder soldiers .

Vyncent felt helpless when he was captured but when he was forcefully dragged here, he knew that escaping is going to be difficult but not impossible, if he were to use the coin, that is . As for the little blue-haired girl, she was in a very bad mood and glaring daggers at the parasite, who was motionlessly standing with his eyes closed .

His sense could only reach the 4th floor but he could pinpoint all the patrols and bypassing them won't be that hard, however, there's bound to be stronger ones much deeper into the prison . He could also a domineering aura coming from above .

The aura belonged to Warden Habs, a human who's in charge of the biggest prison in all of the multiverse . In fact, ever since its creation, only six people managed to escape, two of them being Forne and Zodiak . Arthur's memories of Zodiak were fuzzy, nevertheless, he managed to remember a few things, like how three six-winged angels and one eight-winged one are permanently guarding the deepest floor, which is where the twins are .

Midolf and Radolf could not escape alone which kind of explains how strong the beings here, especially the Warden and the eight-winged angels, which are can rival Exalted Gods in Strength .

Moreover, this planet is close to a military base that belongs to the angels so if the alarms go off, reinforcement will arrive within minutes . In addition to angels, demons, and devils, the Heaven and Hell Universe also has an abundance of humans and dwarves .

Actually, the largest mercenary corporation is situated in this universe and it's definitely a great force that even the angels dare not underestimate . It has been growing in force for two whole eras and its strongest members are truly frightening .

"The leader of the Blood Sworn Mercenary Corp is a woman who fully absorbed a drop of Thyddor's blood and is in possession of the Cursed Sword, Famine . "

There was a rumor that the angels hired the Blood Sworn Mercenaries but Arthur wasn't able to confirm it before coming here . Furthermore, he'll be able to quickly escape swiftly using the fragment of the dimensional stone and his Space Magic . Only inside the prison is his Space Magic restricted so the moment he leave, the angels won't be able to catch him, he'll also have the support of Midolf and Radolf, who are by no means weak, after all, they are mythical beings .

"Hey!"

An unpleasant voice originated from the center of this cell, which could fit forty to fifty heads . Someone standing at the front of a group of haggard prisoners called the three newcomers but only Vyncent and Shen Shen turned around .

"Aren't you going to greet your new cellmates?"

A man over two meters tall and a body riddled with ugly scars looked at the frail-looking Vyncent and the small Shen Shen, not hiding his contempt and feeling of superiority . Although the prisoners weren't chained, they still couldn't use their cultivation or magic and this applies to everyone . So, the only one

who dominates is those with great physical strength hence why this muscular man was flaunting his arrogance needlessly .

Arthur was also unable to access all of his arsenals, nevertheless, some skills remained, moreover, Dark Magic wasn't affected by the seal placed on the whole prison . His Enigma skills, racial abilities, a few passives, and Dark Magic were unaffected . Moreover, if he were to transform, he'll still be able to unleash some powerful bestial skills, such as Dragon Breath, Vermillion bird's flames, and the White Tiger's acid .

In response to the man's harsh tone, Vyncent knitted his brow but didn't respond . Shen Shen's powers were also restricted bu the Water of Origin could still be used, she smirked as she puffed her chest and retorted:

"You're ugly, turn around!"

Unfortunately, her defying behavior had no effect on the man or the other prisoners, who burst out in laughter, finding her act cute rather than threatening .

"Esco, why don't you let me handle her?"

A skinny-man with corpse-like skin, pointy nose and small eyes appeared from behind Esco, the muscular and tall man, who's most likely the 'leader' of these prisoners . He looked like a walking stick with his thin body and bony limbs, he was staring at Shen Shen with a strange, almost disgusting look .

"Mhm, do whatever you want . "

Esco spoke heartily as he shifted his attention to Arthur, the only one of the trio who was making him feel uncomfortable . Vyncent and Shen Shen didn't look threatening but this black-clothed man was giving a sense of great danger, making him hesitate .

"I'm Slick Hand, what about you, pretty lady?"

The skinny man introduced himself as he marched toward Shen Shen while rubbing his fingers and displaying an unpleasant grin . Shen Shen didn't reply and was about to use her unique water Magic only for Vyncent to hold her raising hand and whisper with a very low voice .

"Stay still!"

He pulled her behind him, faced Slick Hand, and coldly said: "We want no troubles . Don't force my hand . "

Arthur was watching from the side, slightly amused .

'Heh, he changed a bit . '

Back in the day, Vyncent was cowardly and wouldn't risk his life for strangers but he was protecting this girl, for some unknown reason .

"Force your hand? Hahaha"

The man sinisterly laughed before lunging at Vyncent, his bony fingers in the form of a claw aimed at Vyncent's throat .

What Esco and the others expected didn't happen, in fact, the opposite happened . Slick Hand's body was sent flying and crashed into the wall, his hand was broken and blood leaked out of his lips . He was knocked unconscious with one hit, astonishing everyone . They didn't even see Vyncent move but the result before their eyes frightened the weak bunch, even Esco .

The muscular man's body shook before he prostrated himself on the ground, not even daring to look at the blond youngster .

"I surrender! Please forgive me!"

His attitude has a 180 degree change as he shook like a leaf . He wasn't that strong but he immediately knew the difference with that one-sided exchange . He liked to rule over the weaklings but Vyncent was on a different league and the only thing Esco wanted was to keep his miserable life .

"Hmpf! Serves you right!"

Shen Shen stood proudly as she threw a glance at Arthur . She wanted him to know the consequences of offending her but the parasite chuckled and shrugged his shoulders as if he expected such an outcome .

Vyncent didn't want anything to do with the prisoners so he waved his hand dismissively and sat on the cold ground, wondering what to do to escape . His eyes watched the motionless Arthur, who was walking toward Esco .

The parasite stopped a few inches away from Esco's head, which was plastered on the ground . He crouched down and said:

"There's no harm having a useful informant . "

He softly patted the man's head, sending a wisp of dark magic into the latter's body .

"How long have you been here?"

"Reporting to the venerable one! Six years . "

Arthur kindly smiled, making Esco shiver even more intensely .

"Then you must know a great deal about the prison . "

"Yes yes! Of course!"

Esco didn't even dare to reply to a moment too late as he did his best to be truthful and obedient .

"I want to know too!"

Shen Shen appeared next to Arthur and looked at the big man before her .

"Little lady, children should remain quiet . "

Arthur patted her small head, causing her to try and get away but her attempt was unsuccessful . Only after he retracted his hand did she angrily look at him and say:

"You're evil! Wait till I tell my parents about you... they'll make you regret this!"

In response, Arthur laughed, finding her even more likable

"Hahaha sure sure . "

Shen Shen pointed at him and added: "My father will grind you into dust! When he comes, you won't be able to escape!"

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"U-uhm, there are 13 underground floors in this prison, but they're generally divided into five levels and each level is three floors, with the exception of the 13th floor . Us, prisoners of the first level are put here for relatively minor crimes and aren't strong . Venerable's strength is mighty so if I had to take a guess, he'll be put in the third or fourth level . "

Esco raised his head and explained the structure of the prison and how it functions . For a weak prisoner, he was knowledgeable, at least enough to satisfy Arthur's curiosity .

"Each level is handled by a chief guard and if they sound the alarm, the rest will replicate within seconds . "

"And who's the strongest in here, no, let me rephrase it, how strong is the Warden and the Chief guards . "

"The Chief guards are as strong as eight-winged angels, as for Warden Habs... I really don't know . " The muscular prisoner paused for a moment before hesitantly saying: "But he's a very ambitious person . "

"Ambitious? What makes you say that?"

"He has no special background but still managed to climb all the way here, moreover, he's human yet managed to rule over angels . He's the only person Heaven trusts to manage this godforsaken place . "

The prison was split into two parts, the underground one is where prisoners are held and the black structure Arthur and co saw is where the personnels live . The Warden's office is also at the top of this massive ominous building .

"Anything new?"

A man with long crimson hair and sword-shaped eyebrows was resting on his leather chair while listening to an angel's report . The angel had eight white wings spreading from his back and emitted an aura no less threatening than an Exalted God .

"The situation in Heaven is still unresolved, however, there have been talks about a possible solution . "

"Which is?" Habs fiddled with a dagger while listening to handsome male angel .

"A young World Tree was found in a low-realm somewhere in the System Universe . Actions has not been taken yet as there is a strong chance the System may retaliate if a large force of angels appear uninvited . "

"Interesting . Very interesting . Do they expect some kind of resistance? Is that why they're planning to send numerous forces?"

"That's most likely the case . "

The warden tapped the dagger's hilt on the table, continuously and almost periodically as he was lost in thought . After an indeterminate amount of time, he added:

"Anything else?"

"Three unknown individuals were discovered and caught within the prison's vicinities but their strength is negligible so they were put on the first level . "

"Hmm negligible you say?"

Seeing Habs' strange reaction, which is different from his nonchalant one, the angel furrowed his brow but didn't speak .

"In the prison's vicinity and negligible strength? That doesn't make sense now, does it?"

The angel listened to the warden without uttering a word . By now, he was used to how Habs behaves and how he talks to himself .

"Just entering this planet is a feat of its own yet you say 'negligible', I find that... worrying . Are they human?"

"They appear to be so but since the proper procedure hasn't been done yet, we can only assume so . "

Although the prison is undoubtedly huge, it isn't every day that prisoners are captured and brought here . In fact, it rarely happens, especially special cases where they're discovered kilometers away from here and this definitely pricked Habs' interest .

Instead of immediately heading deeper into the prison, Arthur stayed for a few hours in the cell along with Shen Shen, Vyncent, and the rest of the cowering prisoners . The number of guards was staggering and every fifteen minutes exactly, a patrol of six angels would pass in front of the cell to check on the situation . They weren't strong but were highly vigilant and didn't drop their guard even though the prisoners were trapped and severely weakened .

Arthur cannot use Space Magic, however, [Faster Than Death] didn't qualify as a teleportation and was accessible, fortunately . Moreover, Arthur could easily bypass the thick floor under his feet by transforming into a plant or an ant but his disappearance would be discovered soon and that would complicate things . The best solution is to infiltrate the deeper floors by possessing some one of high status, like one of the Chief Guards .

Esco said that they are no weaker than Exalted Gods so he needs take down one of them swiftly and without being noticed . It's going to be hard but if done meticulously and thoroughly, it's definitely possible .

Sadly, the Dark Cloud which can act as his substitute is with the main Arthur so he has to resort to the shadow clone, which is temporary and noticeable by stronger individuals .

The clone remains for two minutes at most, so within 120 seconds, he needs to take down the Chief Guard and come back here . Once his target has been taken down, the rest will smoothly proceed . By possessing someone with a lot of power, he can transfer 'himself' into another safer place so he won't have to worry about potential mishaps .

Apparently, the Chief Guard of the first level is, surprisingly, a goblin named Buo Buo . Apart from his distinguishable appearance, little information is known about him as he isn't as active as the other Chief Guards, nevertheless, Arthur chose him as his first target since he's the closest . Buo Buo is also rumored to be the weakest amongst the five .

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A very short and hideous-looking blue-skinned goblin sat on a comfortable sofa while enjoying a lavish feast . He was surrounded by pretty elves who served him food and satisfied his desires . The chief guard was so engrossed that he didn't the approach of an invisible figure . Arthur easily bypassed the barriers put around this place and successfully infiltrated Buo Buo's private room .

"Buoyoyoyoyo pour me more wine!"

His unpleasant laugh echoed across the large and luxurious room, which was unbecoming of the prison . He noticed nothing as the parasite got within fifty meters of him, the latter's aura was non-existent and he was currently in the form of a tiny snake that can turn invisible .

Arthur thought that's it's going to be easier than he expected but, out of the blue, Buo Buo suddenly got up and looked around .

"Did something bother you, master?"

After looking around for a few breaths, Buo Buo shook his head, grinned while showing his disgusting teeth and said: "It's nothing nothing buoyoyoyo!"

A split second later, something flashed before the goblin's eyes, startling him . Buo Buo's body slightly shook before his eyes turned livid and his liveliness vanished . His body remained motionless for sometime before he returned to his laughter as if nothing happened .

Arthur converted all of his strength into Agility and Intelligence and activated [Transmutation], granting him speed that far surpassed the goblin's reaction time . He unleashed a concentrated green bolt of lightning which headed straight for the target's brain . It was a swift and clean attack which was not resisted or blocked, it allowed Arthur to end Buo Buo and possess his body .

This time, Arthur purposely chose to obtain the goblin's stats and skills as he needs to act like the real chief guard . The increase in stats was significant, moreover, he gained powerful skills in the goblin's possession . The interesting ones were [Goblin's Gold Bag], [Apex Slavery], and [Handler's Telekinesis] . In fact, the last one was an Enigma skill which caused a reaction with his own [Telekinesis] .

*Permission to fuse [Handler's Telekinesis] and [Telekinesis]

Y/N?*

'Yes . '

*Process of fusion . . 1% . . 15% . . 45% . . 75% . . 100% . Completed .

[Handler's Telekinesis] and [Telekinesis] have successfully fused into [Thought Telekinesis]*

*[Thought Telekinesis(Enigma ability)]: An advanced form of Telekinesis that allows the user to control things from a distance . It can affect anything, material and spiritual and is highly effective against those with weaker Mental Power than the user . *

*[Goblin's Gold Bag(Passive): Can duplicate Gold, Red Spirit stones, crystals, talismans, etc...

Earning will be increased by 15%

+3% luck . *

*You've obtained a new stat: Luck: The chance for a unique artifact to spawn somewhere around the user .

The chance to solve puzzles through thought has been increased .

The chance of being cursed have been decreased . *

[Apex Slavery(active and passive)]: a low-damage ability that can enslave anyone weaker than the user by one entire realm or if the user hits a target 300 times, consecutively .

Info: Regardless of the target's cultivation or Lv, if they're hit by Apex Slavery three hundred time then they'll be the user's slave . The slave imprint can be retracted at any time . *

You've obtained a new title 'Slave Master': All your slaves will earn 5% of the user's stats (the bonus can be slightly adjusted)

You've obtained a new title 'Sexual Friend': The ability to...

Arthur didn't even continue reading the last title and just adjusted himself to the goblin's body before spending a bit more time with the elves then leaving the room, heading directly to where his clone was .

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'Great! Lucy is going to scold me once she sees the last title . '

He didn't know if the skills or stat increase will apply to the main body but Lucy will definitely not ignore the 'sexual fiend' title . After spending a few seconds grumbling to himself, Arthur adjusted himself to the short body of the blue-skinned goblin and left his private room . As he is currently disguising himself as the chief guard of the first level, none of the angel guards stopped him, though they didn't greet him either, indicating that the deceased Buo Buo wasn't exactly popular amongst these winged beings . Nevertheless, the several hundred million stats he obtained and the Mental Power that increased were nothing to scoff at .

Arthur's cultivation jumped directly to the late stage of early Overgod Realm, though his real power could content with Exalted Gods . Buo Buo had a power that rivaled a first stage Exalted Gods but, unfortunately, he was still a parasite's match . Arthur's incredible stealth and his unparalleled speed allowed him to easily take down the unsuspecting target .

If it was a fair fight, Arthur wouldn't have been able to defeat the goblin this fast, nonetheless, he would have emerged victorious . The large burst of Natural Lightning he used to take down the Chief Guard cost him more than three billion Nether Energy and ten thousand Mental Power .

Sure, he can use lightning magic without a cost but if he infuses them with Nether energy and Mental Power, its effectiveness drastically increases depending on the cost .

In less than a minute, Arthur appeared before the cell his clone was at . An angel was standing behind him, confused about the goblin's sudden appearance and unusual behavior, nonetheless, he complied with everything the Chief Guard said .

After opening the cell, the angel was sent away, leaving Vyncent and rest with the goblin, who didn't look strong but emanated a suffocating aura .

"Oyoyoyoyo you four, follow me . "

He pointed at himself, Vyncent, Shen Shen, and the informative Esco before turning away and starting walking deeper into the floor . Apart from his shadow clone, the three slightly hesitated before following the blue-skinned goblin . While Vyncent and Esco were feeling threatened and restless, Shen Shen was a bit curious about the Chief Guard, she eyed him with wide eyes .

"How did you do it?!"

She appeared surprised as she walked beside the goblin and asked with an exclamatory voice .

The goblin knitted his bushy brows as he turned his small head toward the blue-haired girl, who didn't appear scared at all .

"It's you, right?!"

Shen Shen pointed at the silent shadow clone before uttering those words . This made Arthur surprised, though he didn't say anything and just waved his hand, causing a nearby empty and small cell to open . It was better to put his clone and his 'companions' in an isolated place then shroud it with his magic so that the angel won't interfere . Soon, they'll know that the chief guard imprisoned a few prisoners here and they won't dare question his actions .

Perhaps the only one frightened out of his wits was Esco, who was shaking like a leaf . He was the first person to enter the small cell and choose the farthest corner from the goblin . It took some time for Vyncent to understand the situation, especially after Shen Shen said that .

When all entered the cell, Arthur accompanied them then raised his hand and unleashed a dense fog that plastered itself on the prison bars, making anyone from the outside unable to see a thing .

"How'd you know?"

He looked at the blue-haired girl and asked, sounding genuinely curious . In response, the girl giggled and proudly said: "It's easy to tell!"

Arthur found her response lacking and not satisfactory .

"Teach me how you do it!"

As she said that, the goblin evilly chuckled before retorting: "I thought I'm a bad guy . "

Shen Shen cutely pouted and said back: "W-well, you still are... but I will consider not telling my parents if you teach me your trick . "

"Oh? Is that so?" A wide grin was displayed on the goblin's ugly-looking face, in fact, it made him look even more hideous, more than poor Gutcha .

"I can't teach you because it can't be taught . "

Arthur gave her an immediate reply which made the girl's expression a mix of sadness and anger .

"Then you'll get beaten by my father!"

She sulkily turned around and proceeded to ignore Arthur, who laughed at her behavior before turning around to leave . He was just about to exit the cell only for Vyncent to stop him .

"Wait!"

As Arthur turned to face the youngster, the latter asked: "Why did you come here? What do you plan on doing?"

Vyncent knew that whatever Arthur will do, it'll cause chaos, after all, that's what happens whenever he meets him . Whether it's on Green Leaf or Riarravar, it always happened .

After a brief silence, the goblin said: "I suppose there's harm telling you . I'm going to help two people escape the prison . "

"W-what!"

An loud gasp escaped Esco's mouth as he kind of figured the situation but still couldn't help but become surprised once he heard Arthur's words . Seeing their eyes fall on him, he coughed a few times and dropped his head, embarrassed and afraid .

'What did I get myself into? I'm doomed! DOOMED!'

Even though he knew Arthur was incredibly strong, what he said was borderlines absurd and unfeasible . The prison was guarded by extremely strong beings like the chief guards and Habs, there's also the nearby military camp which will respond if anything were to happen . There's literally no chance to escape this hell hole, even a peak Exalted Gods won't be able to leave .

The last prison break that happened forced the angels to make the security tight and increase the number of powerhouses guarding this place . The very fact that Zaaarae is still imprisoned here explains how difficult it is to escape, though Esco or anyone else were unaware that Emir managed to enter and leave the prison unharmed, then again, it's to be expected as he's an Archmage and existence that is above Exalted Gods .

After spending a moment of contemplation, Vyncent said with a serious tone: "What of us?"

"What about you?"

"We can't escape on our own . When you leave, I hope that you'll help us too . "

Yes, Vyncent and Arthur weren't particularly close but the former knew that if he asked for help, the parasite wouldn't turn the other way . Their relationship was strange but Arthur won't forget that Vyncent did help him and Lucy back on Riarravar, albeit for a short time . Furthermore, he was the one who caused him and Shen Shen to get caught in the first place .

Additionally, despite their constant bickering, it was obvious that Arthur was quite fond of Shen Shen, though he did little to show that . Vyncent didn't know everything about Arthur but he was well aware that the parasite isn't amicable to strangers yet he still treated the young girl with kindness and didn't get angry at her remarks, which gave Vyncent a bit of hope to cling onto . They were unlucky enough to land on this planet and unless they leave the prison, at least, he won't be able to escape even with the coin's help .

Elias' coin had a lot of functions and one of them was instantaneous teleportation at a great cost . However, the seal put around and inside the prison rendered him unable to do anything but circulate a bit of his Nether Energy, which isn't nearly enough to fight, much less use the mysterious artifact .

"As long as you don't cause any trouble then I see no reason to keep you entrapped here, don't worry . "

Arthur waved his hand dismissively before leaving the cell . Vyncent sighed and sat on the ground while Shen Shen was still pouting . Seeing that Arthur's shadow clone dispersed, she turned to the blond young man and asked:

"Hey you! You know him, right? Then tell me how he did that . "

Vyncent wasn't in the mood to quench the girl's curiosity but he still replied honestly after glancing at Esco, who also wanted to know what exactly happened .

"He's a parasite . It shouldn't be hard for him to possess anything that moves . "

"A parasite? Really?"

Shen Shen was only a bit surprised, she rubbed her chin and looked at the dense fog blocking her view while pondering about something .

It was more comfortable to transform into the goblin than possessing its lifeless body so Arthur did just that . He proceeded to the deeper floors and none of the angels or exceptionally few human guards blocked his way . He was getting gazes of disgust and contempt from the winged majestic beings but the humans were surprisingly docile and unresponsive . It didn't take Arthur long to figure out that Buo Buo had a few subordinates which he secretly dominated using his Slave Imprint . Their freedom was sealed and their will sealed, they were no different than eternally loyal tools which obeyed his orders to the letter even if it means costing their life .

As he didn't have any use for them now, Arthur ignored them and soon enough, arrived at the fourth floor, which is also the beginning of the second level . From this point onwards, this was the second chief guard's territory, however, there was no reason any of the other chief guards will interfere unless he did something to provoke them .

Esco previously said that the relationship between the five Chief Guards isn't exactly harmonious but they weren't enemies either . The only odd chief guard was the one ruling over the fourth level, he was of a Ratika race, a human that resembled a serpent and someone more seclusive than Buo Buo . It has been decades since he showed himself and is said to be as strong as the chief guard of the fifth level .

The chief guard of the second level is a woman named Fariya . She's of the succubus race, which surprised Arthur as the succubus race is one of the races ruling the demon realm . Technically, succubus are considered demons so it made no sense for a succubus to be working on angels .

'I guess they don't care about the race as long as someone works for them . '

"Master, Heaven isn't only ruled by angels, it just happens that they are numerous, that's all . Actually, there's a unique race called Light Demons, which is one of the ten Races managing Heaven, they do look like demons but are absolutely loyal to 'God' . Unlike the Holy Dominion, not everything associated with darkness is viewed as evil in this universe . Angels are much more understanding and open-minded, all they care about is to maintain peace and stop the spread of slaughter and maliciousness . "

'What will they think of Dark Magic?'

"I don't think they would welcome you with open arms . Master's Dark Magic influences one's emotions and will so, in more than a way, it can be considered as evil and no different than a devil's control magic . "

The Quad-spirit paused for ten seconds before saying: "Master, I should you be careful of the succubus . I know that you are immune to beautiful women except for the Madam but a succubus' charm magic is highly effective against men, especially master . You have many bestial desires obtained from possessing countless monsters so a succubus' seduction may be fatal . "

Arthur chuckled and retorted: 'Don't worry about that . You can even bring me the most devilish and seductive succubus and 'it' won't even get up, I assure you . It's not about instincts or desires but a mental problem . '

What he said was none other than the absolute, undeniable truth . Apart from Lucy, he doesn't get aroused by other women, no matter how heavenly beautiful they are . It must have something to do with his tragic pasts, which made him close-minded . It's just that Lucy is the sole exception, the only woman he can ever copulate with and make him sexually excited .

The quad-spirit gave no response as it saw Arthur's certainty . It was useless to try and explain, furthermore, it didn't doubt its master's words .

"What brings dear old Buo here?"

A devilish voice entered Arthur's head, it was soft and pleasant to the ears, unlike the goblin's . A silhouette materialized a couple of meters in front of Arthur, and in just a few seconds, it became crystal clear .

It was a woman wearing almost no clothes, just something like a black bikini which covered her nipples and lower parts, even her pose was seductive as she crossed her slender arms under her massive breasts while smiling at the goblin .

Fariya Shaker (Race: Succubus): Cultivation: none

Lv: None

Astral Force: 6 Purple stars 94 Golden Stars

Age : 548

Skills : Seduction (Passive Max Lv) / Charm(Passive Max Lv)

Titles: Sadist / Ravenous Hunter / Old Virgin

Short Info : None

The only thing that shocked Arthur was that she's a virgin, contrary to what her appearance and behavior portray, nevertheless, he didn't show his shock and behaved normally . Buo Buo is known to be lustful so the parasite acted as so, focusing his gaze on her impressive assets .

'Thank god Lucy isn't here...'

His wife would get angry if he stared at another woman so if she were to see what he was currently doing, all hell would break loose . He wouldn't even be surprised if he gets beaten into a pulp then ignored for a whole month . It's the same thing for him as he didn't like men getting close to Lucy but as she hates the opposite sex, she tends to distance herself and act coldly toward all men .

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Like the Cloud Sea Universe and the System Universe, the Heaven and Hell Universe has a unique strengthening system which is efficient but difficult and more complicated than the rest . In essence, the inhabitants of this universe accumulate stars of various colors and shapes . Of course, this applies to everyone but spirits and angels, which are born strong from the get-go . Angels obtain more wings through the completion of special commandments they get from Heaven . As for other races, they rely on Star Accumulation, which is, in more than a way, a good way to become stronger .

Players increase their stats and gain more levels while cultivators absorb Nether Energy to strengthen their Meridians and fill their ever-expanding Dantian . Star Accumulation, however, is wildly different as a person need, at first, to locate their unique stars then build up from there . It is said that every individual has their unique star since the moment they came into existence, either from scratch or from their mother's womb, no beings is exempt from this rule . If done properly, an individual can find their star at the age of five and start absorbing its aura for a period of time until it's fully inside the host .

The first star is called the Birth Star and is the foundation for everything else . The Cultivation System is divided into Mortal Realm, Spirit Realm, and so on, but Star Accumulation is measured by the color and number of stars .

The weakest ones are white stars, then there's, Silver, then Gold and Purple stars . To be able to accumulate Silver Stars, for example, one needs a hundred White Stars . When you accumulate ten white stars, you're no longer a mortal and can contend with Spirit Realm cultivators or players above Lv1000 . From the appraisal, Arthur could see that Fariya accumulated 6 purple stars, which are the equivalent of an Exalted God at the second stage . For instance, Buo Buo only had five purple stars and a few dozen Gold Stars so this seductive woman was definitely stronger than the goblin .

There are also cases where you cannot measure someone's power based on their cultivation or Lv, these beings wield special powers which make them rival experts without the need to resort to orthodox methods . Midolf and Radolf are a good example as they have no cultivation but can use their unique powers to defeat Overgods .

As he faced Fariya's question, Arthur only took two breaths to reply while trying to imitate Buo Buo's behavior;

"Oyoyoyo I have a small matter to attend on the lower floors . "

For a very short period of time, the succubus did nothing but stare intently at the goblin, her thoughts were known only to her . Her smile widened as she marched toward Arthur, her bulging chest going up and down with every step .

"I'm feeling awfully lonely... can't dear old Buo accompany me for a bit?"

Once she got within two steps of Arthur, an insurmountable telekinetic force stopped her march . The goblin's powerful ability rendered her unable to get close but she didn't seem to mind as she pursed her lips .

"Maybe later..."

The goblin displayed a disgusting smile as he scanned every inch of the succubus' body before waving his hand dismissively and casually walking past her .

Sadly, this wasn't the end of their encounter as Fariya turned around and boldly said: "I'm sure dear old Buo will find my company very pleasing . "

She stretched her fingers toward him, emitting intertwining pink-ish threads of light which were harmless . They danced around Arthur, making blood rush to his head but that only lasted for a split second before a cold and refreshing sensation covered him and negated whatever Fariya did .

The succubus remained unfazed as she put one hand on her hip, seductively pouted while speaking with a wronged tone: "I actually never liked Buo Buo... but you, you're much more charming . "

The moment she finished speaking, a monstrous force locked onto her and instantly bound her body . Incredibly thin but dangerous threads wrapped around her whole body, binding her in a split second, however, Fariya did nothing to resist despite expecting this to happen .

Her smile widened as she saw the goblin glare at her, an ominous aura emanating from his body . The threads tightened around her neck, making her gasp for breath as her face became redder yet she didn't resist at all .

"I... do not... want to antagonize... you . " She spoke with great difficulty as she stared back at Arthur, who showed naught but decisive ruthlessness . Seconds after she uttered those words, the succubus fell unconscious as a vibrating, and electrocuting lightning invaded her body and numbed her nerves and severed her connection with her consciousness .

Arthur was about to kill her but the Quad-spirit stopped him, advising him to use her as she could prove very useful . It's the first time the spirit intervened with his actions so Arthur didn't ignore what was said

and just knocked the target unconscious . He still doesn't know how she discovered him but having her speak to anyone else would complicate things a lot .

He managed to locate her private room and teleport there along with her . The place wasn't guarded or protected by any kind of barrier, though it has to be said that it was different from what he had imagined . The whole place was filled with strange artifacts, whether it was vases, old swords, or medicinal grass . It's like a well-decorated museum as everything was neatly ordered and placed a specific distance from each other .

Arthur laid the succubus on the large king-sized bed before using a wisp of Dark Magic to invade her body and seal her fate . Even if she were to wake up and quickly retaliate, the Dark Magic hidden inside her would slowly corrupt her and end her life, without any interference of the parasite . Of course, he could accelerate the process if he ever wished so .

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Two hours later, her eyelashes fluttered and her body momentarily trembled but she slowly opened her eyes . She was still bound by Arthur's threads, which were wrapped around her ankles and abdomen . Her hands were also bound and behind her back but she didn't seem to mind at all as she kind of sat up and leaned against the soft pillows .

She gazed back at the goblin, her lips arching upwards as she winked, appearing untroubled by her current situation .

"So you didn't kill me . " She spoke with an amused tone as she faced the parasite .

"Speak, how did you discover me?"

Fariya didn't hide anything from him as she gave him an immediate answer: "It's very simple . You could even call it a fluke . " She lowered gaze, precisely toward Arthur's groin, before continuing:

"Dear Buo would get an erection the moment he saw me . He wouldn't even try to hide it or is ashamed of it . As someone who knew him for more than fifty years, your disguise was bound to fail... at least with me . "

She stopped talking for a bit as her ruby pupils focused on Arthur . "Let's talk about you instead..." She licked her lips in a seductive manner .

"I would love to spend some quality time with you... your scent is making poor old me go crazy . "