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"We are not looking for anything specific yet, but thank you for your offer anyway, if we happen to find something worth purchasing, we'll graciously accept Senior Bai's generous offer"

Arthur didn't how to properly answer, so this was all he managed to come up with at the moment . Senior Bai was mysteriously kind to them, not only did he thoroughly explained various things, he also proposed to help them in that way .

Young Master Yun was still fuming with anger but after hearing Bai's warning and seeing the calm attitude of the attendant in front of him, he forcefully held back and kept his rising anger inside of him.

His handsome face turned extremely ugly and he was unsure of what to do, if he left now, it would seem like he was afraid of the Treasure Pavillon, however, if he stayed, it would be much more embarrassing.

"Since it's like this, then fine! No need to waste my money buying expensive treasures from here"

After saying that, he harrumphed and left the third floor . The old man beside him remained silent from the very beginning, his only job was to protect the Young Master .

Of course, if the Young Master was going to do something reckless, he would have stopped him as it is absolutely idiotic to provoke the Treasure Pavillon . With a sigh, the Divine Realm old man sighed and followed the young man out of the floor .

As for the attendant, she acted as if nothing happened and returned to the reception desk on the third floor, she stood there silently and didn't pay much heed to what just happened.

Situations like these rare but they are not non-existent, it is always handled by her or old attendants and usually, the angry customers behave just like Young Master Yun and leave after being warned. Very few would dare attack her or cause any trouble in here, especially on high floors.

In the Treasure Pavillon, the higher the floor the stronger the attendant . Kara was an attendant on the second floor and what just the Spirit Realm, as for this attendant, she was already in the Heavenly Realm

Perhaps the fourth floor would have a Deity Realm attendant . It sounded a bit hard to believe as although there were numerous Deity Realm people in the Underworld, who would spend their time working as an attendant .

Seeing that there are no more treasures that are worth buying, Arthur decided to head to the next floor with Lucy .

Followed by the smiling Bai Lingyue, Arthur and Lucy headed to the fourth floor . When they were in front of the stairs, two tall men were standing like pillars there without moving .

Arthur appraised them and was surprised to see that they were both 1st Grade Immortals.

"Dear Customer, you need to pay 1 Top class Spirit Red Stone to proceed to the 4th floor"

The attendant who was speaking with Young Master Yun previously came up to the couple and said that . She noticed them from the very beginning and when she ascertained that they were heading to the next floor, she told them the price to head upwards .

With a wave of his hand, a big red stone floated toward the expressionless attendant. Without reacting much, the attendant grabbed the Top Class Spirit Red Stone and stored it in her storage ring, then she shifted her gaze to Kara, who was still dazed from seeing the red stone.

Just from her gaze, it was obvious that she was telling Kara to leave and the rest of her .

The attendants working in the Treasure Pavillon were paid quite well, but there was also another method to gain money and that's by pushing the customers they serve to buy more treasures.

Arthur and Lucy already prepared two items to buy, both their prices were astronomical, so Kara would get a very small percentage of the full price.

Seeing that the other attendant was telling her to go away, Kara was very displeased, however, she didn't dare to show it, she merely nodded and planned to follow the orders.

She was an attendant of the second floor, as for this one, she worked at the 3rd floor but she appeared to have a higher position in this Treasure Pavillon, so she was considered like her boss, why would Kara dare oppose her or disobey her?

Just as she was about to remove the storage ring and pass it to the other attendant, she heard the customers she serves suddenly talk .

"She's our attendant, let her follow us to the next floor"

Even the other attendant, who was named Nongying was momentarily surprised by this, she didn't expect Arthur to say that .

Her face returned to its expressionless state after a second, she slightly bowed to Arthur and Lucy while saying

"Dear Customers, this attendant is only an attendant of the second floor, her knowledge about the treasures at the fourth floor is very limited so she would be of no help, let me serve you for the rest of your tour in our Treasure Pavillon"

"No need, we don't need her knowledge, just let her do her job and prepare the items we'll buy"

After Arthur said that, he and Lucy headed to the next floor . As for Kara, she didn't know what to do, follow them or just back off .

"As you wish, dear customers"

Nongying didn't insist anymore, she glanced at Kara and urged her with her eyes to hurry up and follow them!

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Arthur didn't know when did Bai Lingyue pay the fee but he followed them to the fourth floor . He didn't even see the man pay so it was very strange as to why he was let in without paying . Perhaps because he

is a VIP customer? If so then he and Lucy need to get the VIP thingy too or they would have to pay each time they came here .

The fourth floor was totally empty, except the attendant at the desk in the center, there were no customers here .

The treasure displayed here appeared even more amazing than the third floor . The treasures here were a bit special . In the first three floors, treasures would be pills, cultivation techniques, and most weapons . But here, there were fewer weapons and a lot of cultivation techniques coupled with weird looking treasures .

Golden-Body Strengthening technique (Volume 4)

Cost: 10 Top Class Spirit Red Stones.

The price was astronomical for all treasures, such as this one for example . 10 Top Class Spirit Red Stones are equivalent to 10 million Spirit Red Stones, it is by no means a meager number!

Seeing that Arthur was checking this cultivation technique, Bai Lingyue shook his head and said

"Friend Arthur, I advice you not to buy this body strengthening technique. It is indeed a very good one for the people in the Underworld, but it could only be considered so-so compared to other legendary techniques. The price is a bit too high and it's only the 4th volume. This technique has 7 volume in total and if you do not have the all the volumes, you will not be able to display its full potential."

Arthur read the sign of this cultivation technique and when he saw there was no description, he used his appraisal skill .

Golden-body strengthening technique (Volume 4) (Mystic ranked: 1st Grade): Effect; By practicing this skill, you can use Nether Energy to turn your body golden and increase your defense and offense by leaps and bounds, it is said that when mastered, you can use one golden palm to flatten skies and crush mountains.

'Only so-so?'

Arthur believed Bai Lingyue at first, but when he read the description of the technique, he was hesitating on whether what Azure Bai said is really true or not . Maybe the system managing the description is exaggerating things? After all, problems occurring in the system are not a rare thing for him .

"If you want, I can sell you a body-strengthening technique better than this and at a lower price, what do you say?"

Kara, who was flabbergasted by the price of the technique, was astonished when she heard Bai Lingyue said that . Not only did he belittle their treasures, he even dared to sell his own stuff in their Treasure Pavillon, it's like slapping them in the face .

Nongying, who followed the trio just to explain the things Kara wasn't able to, frowned as she didn't like the attitude of Bai Lingyue, however, she didn't warn him or even open her mouth. He was not someone she could reprimand or threaten. Her boss repeatedly told her to treat Azure Bai with the most respect and act as if he was her own boss!

"Hahaha, thank you, Senior Bai, for your offer, but I was just looking at the technique, I'm not planning to buy any cultivation technique for the time being . "

Hearing this, Bai Lingyue didn't appear displeased, he merely nodded at Arthur and kept following them . It was kind of strange as for why he was following them all around, but Arthur didn't mind nor did he say anything, as for Lucy? She couldn't care less about him, he helped her but it doesn't mean she had to pay him special attention .

All the treasures displayed here were at the least 3rd grade Spirit Ranked, and some were Mystic Rank like the body strengthening technique .

Geo Dragon's Marrow (Mystic ranked 2nd Grade); effect: By consuming this dragon marrow, one would have 0.5% of obtaining the Geo Dragonic Bloodline.

Additional effect: Clears the Zhongfu, Yunmen, and Tianfu Acupoints

cost: 100 Top Class Spirit Red Stones .

"Geo Dragon? It is not the marrow of a real Geo Dragon or else the price would be thousands of times higher . . . *sigh* what a pity"

Bai Lingyue appeared disheartened as he said that . It was truly a pity as dragons are known as majestic and legendary creatures .

What Arthur fought way back was indeed an Earth and Lightning dragons, but they were weak because they were not true dragons.

A true dragon, who has the bloodlines heritage of one of the three legendary dragon race would be born in the God Realm automatically .

They would have intelligence superior to humans and other races and their power is enormous.

The Geo dragon race is one of the three legendary dragon races, the other two are known as the Black dragon race and the Empyrian dragon race .

The three ancestors of those three dragon Races were three dragons gods, their power was monstrous as they could shatter space and wipe planets with only their physical body!

The marrow of the Geo dragon displayed here must be the marrow of a Geo Dragon who had a very limited bloodline coming from the Geo dragon race or else the effects of the marrow would not be this trivial .

But this in itself is impressive, the Geo dragon's marrow here is also very rare, not only that, the original dragon must have been at least a 5th Grade Divine Realm dragon.

"We'll take it"

Arthur said that as he looked at Kara and pointed at the crystalline dragon marrow displayed in front of them . It was 2 foot long and was green in color .

Even the expressionless Nongying was pleased when she heard that, for her Treasure Pavillon to sell such an expensive treasure is a good thing, especially for Kara, who would get a percentage of the full price .

Seeing Arthur choose the marrow, Azure Bai smirked and didn't comment, whatever the couple bought is none of his business, he was just here to advise them and help them a bit .

In a place where there was nothing but void all over, stars and planets would be seen far away and space is shattering here and there, from afar it looked like some glass was falling from this dark void but this small glass was the size of a planet!

A lone figure stood there as he gnashed his teeth, his facial features were blurry .

"Damn you Arthur, I clearly put a Spiritual Imprint on your soul! How did it get erased! It's impossible unless it's someone in the same Realm as me or a very powerful charm! No matter the case, I'll find you! I will not let my millions of years of planning to go to waste!"

'X' cursed as he was in a bad mood, it has been more than a year since Arthur disappeared and he was still searching along with his subordinates . But there was no trace of Arthur!

"Even if I wanted to! I can't recreate that orb! I was lucky enough to make it due to the war back then . . . but now, how am I supposed to create it again!"

Space began to distort and more shattering occurred as 'X"'s mood began worse.

"I know you, Arthur, that anger and rage that I helped you seal will resurface and when that happens, you'll seek revenge and there is only one place you'll head to . . . sooner or later, we'll meet Arthur I'm sure we will . "

After he said that, he turned into black smoke as he disappeared from that empty black void .

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After buying the Geo Dragon's marrow, the couple continued searching for a good weapon for Lucy.

Lucy preferences were not specific, she just wanted a good weapon that matched her Extreme Yin Body and her magic .

Speaking fo specific weapon, she leaned more towards sabers more than swords or daggers . So it would be great if they found a good saber .

Since it was the fourth floor, the treasures present were much less than the other floors, however, the quality is another level compared to the first three floors.

Each item displayed has a unique effect that attracted Arthur . There were many strengthening pills and protective charms .

Protective Charm (Spirit Rank 3rd Grade); effect: When infused with Nether Energy, can provide a temporary barrier that protects the user from incoming attacks.

Cost: 5 Top Class Spirit Red Stones.

They found 5 of these protective Charms so they decided to buy them all . In such a dangerous world, having more means to protect from strong enemies can only be something good .

If they relied too much on Charms, it would affect them negatively and they would get used to only using exterior means . But Arthur and Lucy were not buying them to use them whenever a desperate situation occurred, these charms are one of the last trump cards that will be used only in a fatal situation .

At the corner of the fourth floor, there was an area designed for weapons.

Lucy walked there as she browsed through the weapon, she was eager to buy a good saber but it didn't seem there were any good weapons, much less a saber .

As she was looking at the Mystic Ranked weapons, Lucy's steps halted as her eyes were fixed on a certain weapon .

Arthur was near her and without needing to hear her say it, he appraised the weapon.

Featherfall (Weapon: Saber) (Mystic Rank 2nd Grade): +120,000 Strength / +85,000 Agility / +25,0000 Dexterity

Unique Skill: Can produce special feathers made from wind Attribute, these feathers could be used to defend and attack and are very sharp.

Cost: 95 Top Class Spirit Red Stones.

'Wind Attribute?'

This saber was not bad, the stats and Rank were perfect for Lucy's Realm, however, Lucy specialized in Magma, Fire and more importantly, the new Unique Yin Attribute.

As for the saber, it would be well matched with a Wind Attribute user, of course, Lucy could still wield it and even its Unique Skill but she was not satisfied with the saber.

"Still no good "

Lucy mumbled as gave up on the idea of purchasing the saber . Arthur had some amazing sabers in his storage, some even added astronomical numbers of stats, yet Lucy didn't like them too and the sole reason was that she didn't they suited her!

"I see that Miss Lucy is interested in sabers?"

The one who talked was not Bai Lingyue but Nongying the attendant who has followed a small distance behind the trio and Kara .

She heard Bai Lingyue call Lucy's name earlier so she remembered it . Since they are buying a lot of expensive items, it would be a bit rude to still calm them 'Dear Customer' so she changed the way she addressed Lucy .

She had keen eyes and noticed that Lucy paid a special attention to the saber, so she concluded that this silver-haired woman was searching for good sabers .

Despite covering her head with a hood, Lucy's long silver hair was still shown, her hair was naturally long so it couldn't be fully hidden, but that was no problem for Lucy. As long as she hid her face, it would be fine.

There may be some old perverted fogies or some young masters who would be attracted by her appearances so the best choice is to hide her face.

Lucy nodded to Nongying, which made the latter confirm her gaze, so she resumed talking

"Since that's the case, please wait for a second, we have a few hidden sabers that are good in Quality, I'm sure Miss Lucy would not be disappointed"

With another bow, Nongying disappeared for the fourth floor, she headed toward the mysterious fifth floor.

In fact, the fifth floor is not like the other floors, no one can access it, even Bai Lingyue is prohibited for going there, the Treasure Pavillon kept its most amazing treasures there and would take them out for special customers.

The reason Nongying decided to bring those hidden sabers was because she confirmed that Arthur and Lucy are no ordinary and they most likely have an immense fortune, so to sell expensive treasures would benefit both parties .

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Azure Bai stood silently a bit behind Arthur and Lucy . A friendly smile was still hanging on his serene and calm face . He would sometimes glance at the treasures displayed in front of him but it appeared none interested him, it's like he was looking at trash .

For someone who lived as long as him, seeing ordinary treasures like these is not impressive, maybe a Heavenly Ranked Treasure would be a bit worth of his attention but these treasures? They are but disposable items for him.

"Oh? A scale from the Black Tortoise Shell? Hmm"

Azure Bai seemed a bit surprised as he strode toward a normal looking scale . It was two feet long and didn't exude any kind of Energy .

Arthur's curiosity was also picked when he saw Bai Lingyue react like that so he unconsciously appraised the scale .

Degenerated Scale of the Black Tortoise; Effect: Contain some leftover Energy of the legendary Black Tortoise

WARNING: Absorbing the leftover Energy would lead to a fatal backlash to the user's soul and cause his life deteriorate

'Black Tortoise?'

Arthur heard that name in the past . It was something about a calamity that happened in Astria ten thousand years ago . The Black Tortoise, Vermillion Bird, White Tiger and the Azure Dragon were mentioned .

"Senior Bai, what is the Black Tortoise"

Arthur could not help but ask as he was really curious about this topic. Only some myths and scary stories were told about the calamity that occurred in the past, but all of the stories were vague and most of them are most likely fake.

"You don't know about the Black Tortoise?"

Azure Bai furrowed his brows for a second as he seemed to be pondering about something.

"Friend Arthur, may I know how old are you and Miss Lucy?"

Arthur was expecting an answer and not a question from the azure-clothed man. He didn't know much about the age of people here, but there was one thing for certain, he is considered a Junior, whether it's him or Lucy.

He didn't dare lie as in Zodiak's books, he read that there are some techniques that powerful individuals use to ascertain the bone age of weaker people, so in front of someone like Bai Lingyue, it would be futile to lie about their age. But there was also the chance that Azure Bai couldn't use that technique, or he could but he wanted to see how Arthur would answer.

"Answering to Senior Bai, I'm 37 Years old and Lucy is 44"

Lucy was a bit older than Arthur, but the difference was just 7 years, moreover, age doesn't matter in a world like this.

Silence ruled over the fourth floor as Azure Bai's eyes widened, for the first time, he showed a surprised expression and couldn't utter a word for a dozen of swords.

"37 and 44 you say that's amazing . . . "

Kara who was standing not far away, was left speechless as she really couldn't believe what she heard.

Arthur wasn't sure on what this was about, he just stated his and Lucy's age, there was nothing to fret about, or maybe he done goofed and said something unnecessary.

"Amazing?"

Lucy was the one was uttered that, she didn't find anything particularly special or amazing about her age or Arthur's, so she was left confused .

"I-It's really amazing . . . amazing would be an understatement . . . I cannot sense Sir Arthur and Miss Lucy's Realm so you must be at least in the Heavenly Realm . . . to be at that Realm at the age of 37 is incredible . . . compared to you, I'm already 76 and I'm only at the Spirit Realm . . . "

Kara was the one who spoke as she couldn't hide her astonishment .

"Just as Miss attendant said, it's unbelievable, If I didn't see it with my own eyes, I would not have believed it . . . The peak of the Deity Realm at 37 and First Grade Immortal at 44 . . . that's something only the peak geniuses do in the sect at the higher-Realms . . . "

"What! Immortal?!"

Kara suddenly cried but she quickly covered her mouth with both of her hands, you could see a look of surprise and disbelief in her eyes .

" . . . is that so . . . "

Arthur didn't know how to react, he should've lied but it was too late to regret it now, so he could only act normal and play it cool as if he already knew he was a genius. Well, he is not a genius but it's just that his race allowed him to steal the power of whoever he possessed so it is to be expected to reach this Realm this fast.

If he said that it only took him about two or three years to climb from Level 1 to the Peak of Deity Realm, both of Azure Bai and Kara would spit blood!

It didn't take long for Azure Bai to regain his calmness, whatever Arthur and Lucy did or their origins, he didn't ask, he was very curious but he managed to hold himself back.

"*Sigh* . . . returning to the Black Tortoise topic, since you're young, you may not know but ten thousand years ago

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"... Ten thousand years ago, the four mythical beasts which are The Black Tortoise of the North, The Vermillion Bird of the South, The White Tiger of the West and last but not least the Azure Dragon of the East, these legendary beasts that are known to have died a long time ago had suddenly appeared. Not only that, but almost every world had been attacked by them at the same time. It may seem impossible but they somehow had an avatar technique that allowed them to multiply but their strength decreases a lot, albeit the decrease in strength, these four caused tremors and destruction in all the worlds. There were some worlds with strong experts that managed to barely withstand the attack but most of the worlds had been demolished.

No one knows why they did so as these beasts are known to be peaceful and tend to defend the Humans from invasion by some alien races . Even the principal Clans of the four beasts received some punishment and attacks by sect alliances, they declined a lot but they managed to defend their territories and heritage . From that year, the four legendary beasts are known as evil creatures and regarded negatively by almost everyone . "

As he spoke of the calamity, Azure Bai seemed to remember sad memories, there was no anger in his tone but only some regret and sadness .

"Why did they attack all the worlds?"

Arthur was shocked as he heard this story, he was a bit confused on why they suddenly attacked everyone .

"No one knows, they focused on destroying ancient heritages and killed everyone that tried to stop them, it was hell to fight them as their power was unimaginable, especially when they combine their powers . The only world that was almost unscathed is the main world they attacked, which is also known as the 'Divine Planet' . This main world had too many experts so thanks to combining their strength, they pushed the four beasts out of the planet and they even severely injured the Vermillion Bird . "

"What happened then, where the four beasts go? Did they get sealed or?"

Hearing this, Bai Lingyue chuckled and replied with a smile

"Sealed? It's practically impossible to seal them, especially if they're together. As for their whereabouts, no one knows, just like they suddenly appeared, they disappeared suddenly, no one could trace their location, even the legendary figures in the Divine Planet."

Arthur could not help but sigh, it seems that this calamity was a big deal, it happened at Astria too but the damage was not that bad, after all, not everyone talked about it which means the impact was not that catastrophic. Moreover, there was the clan that had a tiny portion of the White Tiger's bloodline and they were not hated, in fact, they were respected.

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Nongying finally came down from the fifth floor, unlike what they expected, she didn't hold any saber, so Arthur guessed that they the sabers are either sold or she didn't want to take them out as the manager refused to do so.

"Sorry for the wait, here's all the good quality saber we have here"

As she said that, she waved her hand and four sabers appeared from her storage, they were put on a small pillar stone not even 1 meter in height .

Lucy was excited as she saw the sabers, there was some description of them but she didn't pay it any much heed as the appraisal is way better.

Banished Gold Saber(Mystic Ranked 3rd Grade): +480,000 Strength / +185,000 Dexterity

Effect: Metal Attribute attacks deal 45% more damage

Unique Skill: Can produce a temporary golden orb that lasts for 1 hour, it can explode and deal 135% of the user's Strength.

Cost: 500 Top Class Red Spirit Stones

Bloodied Mageblade (Mystic Ranked 3rd Grade): +200,000 Intelligence / +275,000 Strength / +120,000 Wisdom.

Effect : Absorbs the victim's blood and increase the weapon's power by 0 . 5% for each blood absorption . (100 absorption MAX)

Unique Skill: Use all the blood absorbed to recover 10% of the missing Health of the user.

Cost: 850 Top Class Spirit Red Stones.

Burning Fate (Heavenly Ranked 1st Grade): +1m Strength / +1m Intelligence / +7 . 5% Nether Energy Recovery

Effect: Any fire attribute related skills or attacks have a 15% chance to deal double the damage / +5% incantation speed when using Fire related skills.

Unique Skill: Lock into an opponent and slash at him, a Fire beam will follow the target and strikes him(Cannot be avoided)

Cost: 10,000 Top Class Spirit Red Stones.

Twilight's Vow (Heavenly Ranked 1st Grade): +1m Strength / +1m Agility / +125,000 Wisdom

Effect: Water and Ice attributes deal 20% more damage

Unique Skill: Creates a saber array that slow the opponent's movement speed by 15% (1,000 Nether Energy per second)

Cost: 10,000 Top Class Spirit Red Stones.

'10,000!?'

Lucy was alarmed when she saw the prices, the last two sabers were not bad, but their prices are outrageous, it's like they put the price high purposely.

Although they could afford it, It would cost a lot, they didn't have unlimited Spirit Red Stones like the Gold so she wasn't sure in what to do .

"We'll take the last two"

Arthur calmly said, he knew the last two sabers suited her, so the moment he appraised them, he decided to buy them, moreover .

Nongying, who was hoping that they buy at least one of the first two sabers, was dumbstruck, she couldn't react as her eyes widened .

"Sir Arthur, could you please repeat what you said?"

She thought she was definitely hearing things, after all, 20,000 Top Class Spirit Red Stones are not something anyone could have .

Even the calm Azure Bai was a bit startled when he heard that.

"Friend Arthur, although these two sabers are good, it is a bit reckless to spend that much Spirit Stones on them, if you are lucky, you could find them at a lower price in an auction . "

Lucy also was unwilling to spend that much money just for a two sabers, she looked at Arthur and was about to stop him when she suddenly felt his hand patting her head, he was reassuring her and telling her it was alright, it was his usual behavior, for his wife, he would spoil her.

"Thanks for the advice Senior Bai, however, we're still going to buy the two of them"

Azure Bai kept silence when he saw that his advice didn't help at all, it was not his money that will be wasted, but he still didn't want his newly made friends to spend so much Spirit Red Stones for just two sabers .

Once Nongying heard that the couple really intended to purchase the two of them, she gasped and didn't know how to react, go prepare the weapons, or inform the manager.

As she was stuck in a dilemma, she heard an old yet excited voice.

"I presume you are Miss Lucy and Sir Arthur? Nongying told me about you two earlier."

The old man who came had a long white beard, albeit his age, he had a muscular body and you could see he was full of Vitality . He wore some strange golden tight clothes and had a thick and long sword on his back .

He assessed Arthur and Lucy, after probing them while stroking his beard, he resumed his talking.

"Emm, I see, your Realms are not high, but to be bold enough to buy these two expensive sabers, I'm intrigued about your identities, but since I can't dive into personal information, I can only speculate . . . "

Albert (Race: Human): Divine Realm 5th Grade.

This person was no doubt the manager of this 'Treasure Pavillon', Arthur guessed it immediately, after all, who else would come out from the 5th floor and have a high Realm except the manager.

"Hahaha, Senior must be joking, we just earned a bit of money so we decided to spend them on good items . "

Arthur kept a humble attitude as he faced the old man, he knew that he was probed by Albert but it was a natural thing, after him and Lucy's identities were mysterious and they were not known in the Underworld, so how did they manage to get this much Spirit Red Stones .

Only the huge Clans or Sects in the Underworld are able to spend this much money on items and not just two strangers who came out of nowhere .

"A bit of money huh? But aren't you afraid that people will target you both because of your wealth? It's a natural thing in this kind of world after all . "

Arthur kept a calm attitude as he shrugged his shoulder and responded to Albert .

"They are very welcome to try . "

Although he said that, he was a bit worried about this matter. If it's not a Divine Realm person who is after them, then there is a high chance of escaping.

"Alright, alright, since that's the case then good, so, you sure about buying the two sabers?"

Albert too was a bit startled when he saw that they decided to buy them both, but years of experience taught him to be cool and calm in a situation like such .

"Yes, along with the other items, we would like to buy these swords . . . however, I heard that it is possible to purchase with Spirit Red Stones and also trade with an item with an equal value . "

Arthur heard this accidentally, moreover, he had some good items he that is almost priceless in his storage, so why waste the limited Red Stones . It is way better to give a good item which has a value of 20,000 Top Class Spirit Stones versus the two sabers .

As he heard Arthur say that, the old man frowned as he was not pleased. To be honest, he had the right to be a bit displeased, he was expecting to receive Spirit Red Stones and not an item, the reason he's not much happy because most people who claim that they want to exchange an item for another usually take out trash treasures.

There has not been a time when he was pleased with an exchange, selling is way better and he even thought of removing this rule, but unfortunately, he didn't have the authority to remove it, he was just a manager of this branch and didn't have a high status in the Treasure Pavillon in general.

"I wonder what Sir Arthur will propose against those two sabers?"

Albeit feeling a bit displeased, Albert didn't show it on his face, he smiled and talked friend to Arthur and co .

Arthur waved his hand and a book appeared from his storage, it looked a bit dusty and didn't look like anything special. Albert was even more displeased when he saw that, his first thought was that Arthur was treating him like a fool.

The appraisal skill is obviously not available for Albert and co, so the only way to know what the book is about is by recognizing or just checking it.

Astral Body (Heavenly Ranked 2nd Grade) (Body Strengthening Technique); Volume 5

Arthur had Heavenly Ranked cultivation books, he even reserved some for him when he breakthrough to the Immortal Realm, after all using a technique to strengthen your body and increase your prowess is a common thing people at the higher-Realm do .

This body-strengthening technique is one of many that Arthur has, from the all the items he had, he picked the one who would not shock the people a lot .

In fact, in Arthur's storage, there are even items that are Godly Ranked! However, neither him or Lucy could use them, they lack too much power . From these Godly Ranked items, there were a couple of cultivation techniques that Arthur stored for himself .

Lucy picked a Heavenly cultivation technique related to Fire Attribute, but since she discovered that she had an Extreme Yin Body, she already decided to change to a Yin related cultivation.

"This is . . ?"

Albert didn't seem to recognize the book, so Arthur handed the book to him to check it whilst saying

"Senior, this is a Heavenly Ranked body-strengthening technique called Astral Body"

Bai Lingyue, who was gazing at the book, was momentarily stunned when he heard that .

"Astral body? I know it, it's a rare technique that makes the body able to control and crush stars when mastered . Friend Arthur, If I remember correctly, this technique has 6 volumes, which volume is this one?"

"It's the 5th volume"

It was Albert's turn to be shocked now, he had heard of this technique but never had seen it, moreover, it was the 5th volume! Even if it was a Mystic Ranked technique and this was the volume before the last, it would be priceless.

The old man unconsciously gulped some saliva as he checked the contents of the book . He didn't read the whole book but he just ascertained it was real .

"To have the 5th volume of Astral Body, Friend Arthur, I find you more and more interesting . "

Bai Lingyue laughed as he praised Arthur, it hasn't been long since he met Arthur but he never ceased from being surprised .

Albert suddenly took out a transparent orb the size of fist, then he immediately injected some Nether Energy while approaching the dusty book toward it .

Astral Body (Heavenly Ranked 2nd Grade)

"What! 2nd Grade?"

The old man couldn't believe what he said, he even checked the grade again to make sure he was not hallucinating.

The Heavenly Ranked items are different from the lower Ranked items, each grade upgrade is a big difference from the previous one. One could even say that the price of a second Grade Heavenly Ranked Item is worth 4 or 5 times the price of a first Grade Heavenly Ranked Item, if not more.

"Senior, are you satisfied with the item I proposed?"

"Yes, it's acceptable . "

Hearing this, Azure Bai chuckled and retorted

"Acceptable? Even the value of those 4 sabers together does not reach the 5th volume of Astral Body . "

Albert, who was holding the book as if it was already his turned a bit angry hearing this, but he didn't dare snap at Bai Lingyue as what he said couldn't be truer.

"*cough* . . . *cough*, Sir Arthur, what you proposed is indeed an extraordinary treasure, how about this, all the items you are going to buy will be exchanged against this book . "

Arthur expected the book to be enough for the two sabers, but he never did imagine that it will be much more expensive than the 4 sabers together!

"Since Senior said that, then we'll not hold back, hahaha . "

After listening to Arthur, Albert realized he said something a bit unnecessary, but it was too late to take that back, he could only helplessly smile at Arthur and stroke the dusty book.

As for Lucy and Arthur, they continued roaming the fourth floor and taking what they found interesting, after all, all of it will be exchanged for the book.

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After the exchange, Arthur found some protective charms that were not bad so he took all of them, without exception .

Each time Albert saw Arthur pick a treasure, he felt like his heart was bleeding, he would hold his breath whenever Arthur gets too close to very expensive treasure.

But what was most terrifying is Lucy, she literally held nothing back and picked anything as if it was her own shop, be it a cool looking armor, a cultivation technique or whatever it was, she would take it.

She doesn't need them of course, but she had a hobby of collecting everything, just like when killing their enemies, she would be the first to check their storage ring. She always wanted to see what the items inside Arthur's storage were but it is impossible since she can't use Black Mana. Even when injecting Nether Energy, it won't open no matter what.

From the treasures she bought, there were some that may be helpful in fights and other occasions like these ones .

Mask of Truth (Mystic Ranked 1st Grade): effect; If used, the host can change his/her facial appearances however they like .

WARNING: Can be seen through by people who have: Heavenly eyes(skill), Godly/Demon eyes(bloodline/heritage) or individuals at the Godly Realm or above can also see through the Item .

Cost: 10 Top Class Spirit Red Stones.

Eradication Bell (Heavenly Ranked 1st Grade); effect: Each time the user rings the bell, it creates a strong outburst of energy.

Each time the user rings the bell, the next ring would cost 100% more Nether Energy.

Cost: 750 Top Class Spirit Red Stones.

These were only a few of the good things they found. Albert was even about to burst out and forcefully take the items back. Although he got the rare body-strengthening technique from Arthur for all of these items, it is absolutely not worth it, however, if he does really take them treasures back, he would have gone back on his word, not only would he lose a lot of face, rumors about him deceiving his customers would be spread in the city in less than a day.

"S-Sir Arthur . . . isn't that enough? M . . M-Miss Lucy took almost all the treasures on this floor . . "

Albert's face whitened and he appeared to have aged quite a bit when he saw the emptiness of the floor . Lucy was ruthless as she didn't spare anything, the more she took the more he felt pain and anxiousness .

"Oh . . . we're almost done Senior Bai, we just need . . . a good quality Spirit Boat . "

Having gotten more than they wished for, Arthur wanted to get Spirit Boat and be done with this, he knew that taking any more would anger Albert even more and perhaps he would try to seek revenge one way or another .

Hearing that they are almost done, Albert's face bloomed, with a wave of his hand, a fist-sized Spirit Boat appeared, it was red in color and didn't have anything special about it.

"If that's the case, I'll give you this Spirit Boat, it's called Blood Curl and it is one of the best out in our Treasure Pavillon, here! Take a look at it . "

The mini-Spirit Boat floated near Arthur as Albert gave it to him to check its quality.

All it took was a simply appraise to see the Spirit Boat .

Bloood Curl (Mystic Ranked 3rd Grade): An ancient Spirit Boat that has a fast speed.

Consumes 100 Nether Energy Per second or 1 Medium Spirit Red Stones per day .

Normally, people would never waste their Nether Energy on their Spirit Boat, they would use the Spirit Red Stones to power it since it's better and less consuming for them, after all, you never know when a fight might break out in here so it is better to always have your Nether Energy full at any time.

"Indeed, as Senior Bai said, this Spirit Boat is really good quality, moreover, it's a Mystic Ranked . "

Arthur stored the Spirit Boat in his ring and patted his clothes while looking around the fourth floor. More than half of the treasures that were here have disappeared forever, they are now stored in Lucy's storage ring along with the items they were going to buy in first floors.

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Finally, after taking whatever they liked and getting what they wanted, Lucy and Arthur left the 'Treasure Pavillon' accompanied by Azure Bai who, for whatever reason followed them.

"Hahaha, it's the first time I see people taking advantage of the 'Treasure Pavillon' like this, Friend Arthur and Miss Lucy are indeed very special and interesting.

Bai Lingyue was laughing as he said that, he walked with both of them and seemed he was going to follow them to the inn .

"It's nothing special, we just did a fair exchange, isn't that right, Lucy?"

Arthur humbly replied to Azure Bai as he added Lucy in his little scheme, it was obvious he was taking advantage of Albert but he didn't want to directly say it.

Azure Bai kept laughing for some time as he elegantly walked along the duo, his eyes were fixed on both of them and sometimes he would furrow his brows or chuckle.

Lucy wore the Mask of Truth, her hair turned black and her facial appearances transformed into an average looking woman. It was not like the breath-taking beauty like earlier. In public, she would wear it but if she's alone with Arthur, then she would not wear it of course as it is not needed.

"Friend Arthur, I have long since considered you and Miss Lucy friends of me, Bai Lingyue . I do have a lot of friends but not all of them have my respect, I would be lying to say I'm not curious about you two, especially after what happened earlier, so, I would like you to come to the Grand Banquet that will be held in 2 months . You can use this token to enter it . "

As he said that, Bai handed a simple white token to Arthur before even listening to his answer, by the time caught the token that Azure Bai threw toward him, the scholarly man had long since disappeared. Even Lucy who had been focusing on him didn't know what just happened, but that's to be expected as he was at the peak of the Divine Realm, so his strength must be unfathomable.

"It doesn't seem we'll be able to go to that banquet huh?"

Arthur was going to reject Bai Lingyue's offer as they were only here to search for Saly and not have some fun .

"Maybe if we find Saly and get rid of that woman, we can go there if we have some free time ."

Surprisingly, Lucy was the one who said that, she didn't have a negative impression on Bai Lingyue, apart from the usual disgust she feels from all men, there is no loathe or dislike toward him, moreover, he helped them a lot so it would fun to a banquet with Saly.

Contrary to Lucy, Arthur was not very optimistic about this matter, he wanted to find Saly before everything else, it had been some time since she was abducted, was she tortured? Killed? Or even worse, no one knows what that woman would do to Saly, just thinking about this made him feel more anxious and worried for her.

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The couple went back to their room in the inn to prepare and to try and find some information about Saly . The problem is that finding her just by asking is too hard in a world as big as the Underworld . The only clue they had is that the woman who attacked the Ma Clan is definitely a human, or more precisely, she looked exactly like a human .

If she had been an undead or another race, Anastassia would have noticed, so the only place they could search into is a mysterious faction in the center of the Underworld and the Monster Archipelago .

Arthur handed all the cultivation techniques he had in his storage to Lucy so she could pick whatever suited her, with her two new sabers her Extreme yin Body, with an appropriate technique, her prowess will increase by leaps and bounds.

After much pondering on what to pick, she decided to go with 'Nine Star Yin Technique' . It is only a 3rd Grade Spirit Ranked technique, there was even a Yin related technique at the Heavenly Rank yet Lucy chose this one as she felt it suited her much more than all the others .

Moreover, she also planned to practice 'Liberating Heavenly Fire', it's a Mystic Ranked technique which is so-so, but just like the first technique she chose, she felt it suited her a lot.

Normally, it is impossible to practice with two cultivation techniques, much less two cultivation techniques which are the total opposite of each other yet Lucy wanted to try it.

She is considered a genius in cultivating, whether it's her bloodline or due to the soul-link with Arthur, whatever it was, it made her absorb Nether Energy faster and better, advance in her skills at an unimaginable speed and add to that her Extreme Yin Body, it made her progress unstoppable.

Lucy could use both Fire attribute and Ice attribute without receiving a backlash, but what she aimed is to use them spontaneously and even try to fuse them, the result is unknown but that made it even more exciting for her .

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Several days passed without them leaving the inn room, Lucy kept practicing in her two techniques while learning Saber Mastery from Arthur .

They did not even fight each other, she just imitated what he showed her whilst channeling her Nine Star Yin Technique .

She would use Twilight's vow with Nine Star Yin Technique and Burning Fate with Liberating Heavenly Fire Technique. Once she manages to merge the two techniques, she would try wielding dual sabers, but it is very early to do that. She just started practicing the two techniques.

Her Extreme Yin Body helped her a lot when practicing the Nine Star Yin Technique, her surroundings will freeze bit by a bit and she would emit a bone-cold chilliness then when she switches to the Liberating Heavenly Fire Technique, the surroundings would slowly become hot and purple fire would burn at the edges of her clothes . There was no contradiction between the two techniques, even the sky-blue orb in her Dantian had some purple-red strands in it .

As for Arthur, there was not much progress in his Realm, he can't absorb Nether Energy, no matter how match he wracked his brains, he couldn't breakthrough.

Seeing Lucy leaving him far behind, he started feeling a bit depressed, at this pace, he won't be able to help much in fights against people at the Divine Realm and he couldn't afford to be that weak that he can't even help or protect his wife, Lucy.

Since he couldn't forcefully absorb the Nether Energy, Arthur decided to calm down and focus on Zodiak and his powers, if he could unlock another portion of his powers, then he could possibly breakthrough.

He sat cross-legged next to the mediating Lucy and began remembering the Ancient Magic, Dark Magic, Zodiak's weird attacks and seals and so on .

He sat there for hours, Lucy didn't disturb him and kept mediating, even after five days, which was the time they agreed upon to go to the city and find some information about Saly, Arthur didn't wake up from that ethereal state .

Lucy took notice of this and didn't wake him up, this may be his chance to breakthrough, waiting a bit more would not hurt since they can't find immediate information about Saly.

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Another five days passed and by that time, a black and weird looking talisman had been conjured above Arthur, it started condensing above his head and it was about 25% done.

Although it was only 1/4 of the talisman, Lucy recognized this talisman as it resembled the ones Zodiak used at against the Holy Church Goddess .

The talisman was pure black with some black gold runes and symbols on it, what's more, is that very small black flames are burning on all of it, which made it look ominous.

Lucy didn't know what was going on, but she guessed that perhaps when the talisman is completely conjured, he would break through, but just as she was speculating on what might and might not happen, Arthur suddenly opened his eyes .

From the looks of it, it didn't seem that he broke through . Having been in a mysterious state for more than 10 days, one would naturally feel a bit of dizziness or numbness, however, Arthur felt relaxed and his mind was as calm and clear as the water .

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" . . . Astrith . . . he just died . . . I felt it . "
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Lucy was expecting him to speak about what happened these few days, when she heard him say that, her eyes widened for a second and a nervous look appeared on her usually expressionless face.

"Are you sure? Perhaps the connection between you two has been disrupted . "

Arthur nodded as he unconsciously clenched his fists.

"No . I'm definitely sure he just died, moreover, I received a message from him too . . . fortunately we came to the Underworld or else I wouldn't have received it "

Lucy kept silent as she could no longer remain calm, Astrith disappeared with Saly, they first presumed he died, but Arthur couldn't summon him so that meant he was still alive somewhere, but now, he had died. What if he died protecting Saly and she doesn't have much time left? Moreover, they don't know where he died, so that made things even more complicated.

"He only said two words . . . 'Grand Banquet' . . . "

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"Grand Banquet? Isn't that the party Azure Bai invited us to?"

This specific name was remembered by Lucy, but unlike Arthur, she would not call him Senior when he is not here, she just didn't respect him to that point, well neither did Arthur but he just got used to calling him that.

But why did Astrith only say those two words, does it mean that Saly would be there? That would be too contradictory as she is only a small girl with no status in the Underworld, the only conclusion they could come up with is that the abductor of Saly would be there .

They had a detailed description of that woman from Anastassia, so they should not miss her if she comes to the Grand Banquet .

The banquet would be held after a few months, but would Saly be safe in these 2 months? What if the woman gave up on dealing with them and had already killed Saly?

"Do we wait for the banquet or continue searching?"

Arthur didn't want to make all the decisions, he should discuss it with Lucy first as Saly is considered their daughter.

"Since it's Astrith who said that, we better trust his words, it's futile to waste time on searching for her, we better prepare for the upcoming event . "

Lucy really wanted to find Saly immediately, but it was impossible, the only thing they could rely on is what Astrith said, if they found the woman, the finding Saly would not be too hard.

Since it was decided, both of them entered closed door training, Arthur reserved the inn room for the next 5 months to not be disturbed when they are practicing.

Lucy had already broken through the Immortal Realm, but in 2 months, she could still improve further and stabilize her foundation . There is much to do in a few months, if it were old fogies that had lived for thousands of years, a few months or a couple of years are nothing, they could even pass centuries in reclusive training .

There was also a thing that surprised Arthur; it's that woman's weapon, Anastassia said that she only used a book and only at the last moment did she use it. The main point is the book, its description was rather vague but from the look of it, it looked very similar to the Book of the Damned.

In the past, he thought learned it all, but after breaking the seal of the overgod of Knowledge, he came to know that there is another part to the book and her book is most likely that part. Considering that the first part gave him [Faster Than Death], [Death Touch] and [Death Binding].

Lucy and Arthur didn't waste time roaming on the city, the stayed at their room and began training non-stop .

Lucy practiced in both her techniques and honed her saber skills, her progress was unbelievable and her Strength rose very fast, by the 12th day, she already broke through to the Immortal 2nd Grade. Her Mental power had to reach 2,000 but with her talent and fast progress, it was done rather quickly.

As for Arthur, he managed to enter the ethereal state again, the black talisman started conjuring again with a slow pace . The black flames kept burning and the black gold symbols shined even brighter when the talisman was almost finished .

After one month of this meticulous and non-stop training, the black talisman was 90% done. Arthur had his eyes closed and looked extremely serene. It's like he was sleeping and not breaking through.

Deep in his consciousness, Arthur was actually having a dream, a strange dream . It happened once before but this time it was much clearer as he could distinguish himself in the dream .

He was looking at his body from above, the him in the dream was a bit older and had a beard . He wore a simple and long white robe and didn't emit any strong pressure or chilliness .

He was holding a small baby, who didn't even open his eyes yet, he was touching the baby's nose and heartily laughing as he was teasing the baby in his hands.

It was a peaceful scene, anyone would think it's a father teasing his child. As for the surroundings, all of it was plains of grass except a small hut, it was very small and had some plants stuck in it.

As Arthur was contemplating the scene and wondering what was this about, he sensed a presence behind him so he turned his head only to be dumbstruck as Zodiak's skeleton was floating behind him.

It looked at him with its lifeless eyes and seemed to be thinking about something as it remained silent.

"Kid . . you sure have some strange past . "

"Past? . . . "

Arthur didn't understand what Zodiak was implying, these scenes never happened in his past, he didn't even know what this place was, much less who the baby is .

"Senior Zodiak, I don't think this is my past . "

Arthur didn't try to hide it as his relationship with Zodiak is not that bad, this man, who had unbelievable strength helped him more than one time, whether it's by saving his life or giving him a hand in some matters, such as the portal to the Underworld.

Zodiak's skeleton kept floating as it didn't show any emotions or gestures, after a couple of seconds, the cold and emotionless voice of Zodiak rang again in Arthur's ears.

"Not your past? You must be mistaken kid, this cannot be a dream as it is too realistic, so the only plausible possibility is that it's your past, I heard of some people practicing Fate laws but I'm sure you are not one of them so this cannot be a dream of the future . "

After pausing for a split second, Zodiak continued talking.

"Anyways, I didn't come here to learn about your past, this is only a late message I left for you when you are about to breakthrough . Since you got my corpse, then you surely have my storage ring, inside it, there is a cultivation book for you, it's named 'Dark Anguish Technique', all the volumes are there, moreover, practice the 'Dark Star Body-Strengthening Technique' it's only 1 volume but it compliments the first one . Oh! And stop using that lowly soul absorption technique, your souls is filled with impurities, that way to increase your soul power is totally wrong, either reach a high-realm or find a Godly treasure for that!

And one last thing, don't break through in a public place, find a seclusive place to breakthrough or troubles will come, especially if you're in the high-Realm . "

Just as he finished talking, Arthur found himself sitting cross-legged in the inn room with Lucy practicing her saber skills .

He didn't even thank Zodiak for his help, he was suddenly ejected from that strange dream and found himself awoken here .

"Lucy, we have to change to another place"

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In a mountain range named The Decayed Tips, approximately in the central mountains which were skyhigh. Lucy and Arthur built a cave very deep underground. It was rather easy with Arthur Advanced

mastery in Earth Attribute, his physical strength and so on . They got here using their new Spirit Boat which had an insane speed, it was much faster than Malark's .

They followed Zodiak's advice and moved to a very reclusive place, this mountain range doesn't have any strong monsters, in fact, it doesn't have any monsters and it was just a border between the Silent Graveyard and the Void Abyss.

It was the perfect place for Arthur to Breakthrough . Lucy is rapidly advancing in her saber skills and new Yin power . She managed to create that meteorite attack in just 10 seconds, not only that her attacks with Yin power are very strong and freezing . If Arthur doesn't use the Ancient Flames, he can't defend, moreover, the red flames could barely withstand the Yin power as he is weaker than Lucy .

Normally the dark red flames can burn anything, but this time, they couldn't burn Lucy's attacks which contained Yin power and that's because it had been enhanced by her special meridians and what's more is that she is using Nether Energy and he's using the meager Mana present in this space.

Arthur and Lucy sparred a few times as sometimes, the talisman would stop conjuring unless he consumes all his Mana. It is rather hard to consume it all, so he would create big and slow attacks that only cause destruction and are easily dodged, Lucy in return would try to defend with her saber skills and Yin power.

While wearing a sky-blue robe with long sleeves and with Twilight's Vow in her hand, she seemed like a fairy . Each saber strike would create an ice beam that headed straight at the enemy, it is beautiful but deadly .

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40 days passed since they received the message from Astrith and as this specific day, the black talisman was finally conjured fully, its size was of a normal talisman but it emanated an ominous aura that made others look away from it rather than staring at it.

Arthur was focusing on the black talisman and slowly, this dark flaming Talisman started melting and going inside his head all the way to his Dantian area .

He felt his body burning hot and all his clothes he was wearing were burned by the mysterious black flames . He was literally a ball of black flames and all his surroundings were engulfed in the flames .

Lucy stepped back and did not dare approach it, despite the soul-link, she still felt danger from the black flames .

As Arthur was feeling his meridians opening and the Nether Energy entering his body, a sudden black beam of light rushed from his body all the way to the sky. It was very noticeable and it started thickening by the second, even Lucy was engulfed in it but fortunately, it wasn't harmful.

ARK Race Bloodline awakening! initiating process . . .

As the black beam was thickening, Arthur's hair which was pure black and a bit long suddenly transformed to grey, but that was not the end, his veins and muscles started convulsing and you could see their greyness even from his skin. The pain was agonizing, he totally forgot about the black beam

due to the pain from the convulsion . He was closing his eyes but if he opened them, Lucy would be surprised as they too turned to grey .

All his body was pulsating and transforming. The black beam of light started decreasing in size and transformed into a huge whirlpool in the sky, this whirlpool was absorbing Nether Energy and Mana like crazy, even the decaying mountains started falling apart as their natural Nether Energy was forcefully absorbed by the Nether Energy.

All this Nether Energy and the meager Mana absorbed went to Arthur's Dantian through his meridians, just like Lucy, a jet black orb was condensed from the Energy, it continued increasing in size for some time until it reached its maximum and at that time, the whirlpool disappeared and what replaced it was just the sounds of the nearby mountains falling as they were out of energy.

The greyness in Arthur's body disappeared but his hair was still grey, it even grow a bit longer . As he was steadily breathing, Arthur felt the Nether Energy being absorbed by his Meridians and he could see the black orb in his Dantian . It had black flames all over it and a purple light was pulsating in it as if it was a heart .

He checked his body condition but there was nothing wrong, in fact, he was feeling great, he wanted to fight and unleash all the stocked up energy in his body, it's like he was a sponge filled with water.

It was fortunate that they changed location or else this would have been a serious problem, the black whirlpool was noticeable from hundreds of miles but the distance from the Undead city is not just hundreds of miles but millions of miles! So unless someone was passing from this area, no one should have seen it .

The cave they built in the underground was no long gone and what replaced it was just a very deep pit.

"Congratulations!"

The silver-haired Lucy softly smiled to Arthur, she went next to him and gave him a cloth to wear as he was naked, if it was like usual, they would have enjoyed their time as it was a joyous occasion, but now was not the time, saving Saly took priority.

"Hehe, thank you, it seems we're going to spar more often now . "

Arthur was hugely overwhelmed by her strength before breaking through, but after he grasps his techniques and stabilizes his foundation, sparring equally with her would not be a problem .

The first thing Arthur did was obviously check his status window, after all, it was the most precise thing that indicated his strength. He may have stats higher than Lucy or a Divine Realm individual but that didn't mean he is stronger because stats aren't everything, they are just numerical values, one had to rely on his wit, techniques to overcome his enemies.

TITLE: MEAT GRINDER / SEEKER OF KNOWLEDGE / ONE WITH THE SWORD / ARK???

Level: ???? Class: Dark ARK Parasite

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Realm: Immortal 1st Grade

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Strength: 72.3m

Intelligence: 63.4m

Agility: 65m

Wisdom: 45m

Vitality: 59.9m

Dexterity: 52.8m

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Health: 50m Health Regen: 29999/s

Nether Energy: 48m Nether Energy Regen: 29999/s

Mana: 35m Mana Regen 19999/s

Stamina infinite Stamina Regen ????

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Creation: 25

Attack: 95m

Defense: 65m

Magic defense: 15.5m

Enigma abilities: Telekinesis / Ancient Threads / Sixth sense / ARK??

Mental Power: 1027

Elemental Resistances:

Fire: 100% Water: 75%

Wind: 35% Earth: 75%

Light/holy: 5% Shadow 30%

Lightning 100% Ice 30%

The increase in all the stats was very obvious as all of them increased by more than 10m but that was not it, he still had a lot of corpses in his storage so without hesitation, Arthur started possessing them like crazy.

Lucy didn't disturb him and continued practicing, as for him, after possessing all of them, he fed Makaze as many swords as it could devour, it didn't devour all of the swords in storage as there were just too

many but Arthur purposely fed it the better ones so after having devoured 40 Mystic Ranked swords and 3 Heavenly Ranked Sword, it stats didn't increase anymore.

Makaze, evil wind (Heavenly Ranked 2nd Grade)

Origins: Dark Supreme World.

LVL requirements: Immortal 1st Grade or above

Stats required: 1000+ Mental Power

to equip you to need to have at least [advance sword mastery]

stats: Depends on the owner: calculation...: +2.5m Agility / +4m strength / +2m dexterity

Unique skill(passive): [Devourer]: this katana can devour any kind of sword and by doing that its stats would significantly increase, you need to know that it needs to feed to strong swords to increase its stats significantly, otherwise the increase would be very low.

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The changes that occurred to Arthur were not just inside his body and appearance. Even the items Zodiak was wearing were mysteriously upgraded. Including the Dark Flame Ring and Zodiak's robe.

dark flame ring: all your attacks will always contain black flames which increase the damage by 50%

Cursed robe of Zodiak: Casting dark magic is 75% faster / Nether Energy Regeneration is 10% faster // Nullify any curse/illusion/barrier magic cast on the user.

Unique skill(active)[Dark cloud]: you Can create a special cloud that allows the user to transform it however he likes .

250 Nether Energy/second

requirement: must be a controller of Dark Magic.

This upgrade was great for Arthur, not only his damage is greatly increased, the Dark Cloud can now be transformed however he likes, but the question is; Can he make a weapon out of it? So far, it has been only a mean of transport but it appears it isn't just meant for transport and he had been using it all wrong since the beginning?

Arthur wore the long black robe of Zodiak, since breaking through, he could feel himself bursting with power, his Meridians are constantly absorbing Nether Energy even without him focusing on doing so.

In the past, he had thought that due to his Unique Race, he would not be able to absorb Nether Energy, but it didn't appear to be the case, fortunately .

The familiar dark cloud was condensed out of thin air when Arthur wished for it. It was as strange looking as ever, it resembled a dark nebula and had a small purple luster in it, it is very hard to distinguish it if you don't focus enough.

With a mere thought, the dark cloud transformed into a sword, moreover, there was no longer the dark nebula around the sword, just as Arthur imagined, it transformed into a golden sword which was brightly shining.

Arthur kept changing its shapes several times until an idea struck him, so he tried doing it . The dark nebula transformed into a humanoid figure, it started clearing every second until this humanoid figure was exactly like Arthur, moreover, it didn't seem to be weak either .

He didn't know how strong it was compared to him but it was not weak to the point of losing to a Spirit Realm person, that's for sure. Knowing this is already more than enough, if this can be used a bait it would be great!

Next thing Arthur did was take out the two cultivation techniques Zodiak told him to practice and started checking them .

'Dark Anguish Technique' was a normal cultivation technique that made the circulation of his Nether Energy special and had a bonus power in it, just like any other technique. This technique used the Dark magic attribute as its core and if one doesn't have it, he would have a very hard time practicing it.

As for the second technique, it was only a body-strengthening technique with only one volume, but once Arthur read it, he understood why Zodiak adviced him to practice it too .

Apparently, 'Dark Star Body-Strengthening Technique' is enhancing one's body permanently by creating a layer of black magic around the whole body whilst limiting the use of Nether Energy, also, if mastered, the overall physical strength of the user would rise dramatically if he uses Dark Magic.

Basically, it feeds on Dark Magic to make the body stronger and vice versa, with the use of Dark Magic, it creates a protective layer from incoming attacks.

Arthur started practicing these two techniques without wasting any time, only a dozen of days are left and he had to at least stabilize his foundation .

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The Grand Banquet is in two days . Arthur and Lucy were sparring against each currently, the surroundings decayed mountains were long demolished by the spars and could not hold on for even a day . Craters and pits of all shapes are scattered everywhere, with some places totally frozen and others burned .

Arthur was flying at high speed while holding the flaming black sword in his hand, he didn't use the movement technique he got from the Ma Clan and instead practiced a new one .

It is a simple one called 'Slow Steps', it was a basic movement technique that anyone can practice but it is usually ignored as it was not that great .

It was mastered easily by Arthur and even with his great speed, he looked very slow yet moved at an extremely fast speed. He didn't need a movement technique that was great for the moment, with his lightning form and this simple technique, it should be enough.

As he was rushing at Lucy, she too was tip-toeing on the air, each step created an illusory Ice lotus under her feet, her speed equal to Arthur and it was very beautiful and pleasing to the eyes.

Contrary to Arthur, she left some after images after her as she was just too fast, with her ice-blue saber in hand, she swung it elegantly at the incoming Arthur.

The two blades clashed, despite Arthur's special black flames and the sword conjured from Dark Magic, it couldn't break Lucy's ice saber, the two attributes opposed each other and clashed in the air, causing small tremors and energy waves .

Arthur suddenly teleported behind Lucy and slashed down with his sword, the Dark burst was activated and an overwhelming black beam came out of his flaming sword, what's more, is that this strike contained some small green Lightning streaks in it.

He didn't just slash at Lucy, a loud clap of lightning rang out, it was deafening as it came down from the sky, it was very thick and white in color, its target was obviously Lucy.

The target in question was very calm, despite seeing the two incoming attacks, she didn't panic . An ice lotus appeared just above her, completely blocking the white streak of lightning and shattering it, but that was not the end, another Ice lotus the same size as the previous one was flying right at Arthur's incoming sword beam .

The two clashed for a split second before the black beam was shattered and the Ice lotus continued its way toward Arthur with an amazing momentum, its speed was unbelievable and it emitted a strong coldness that could freeze anyone nearby.

A black barrier was created in front of Arthur, while conjuring a dark red flaming sword, he slashed with both the swords in his hands at the incoming Ice lotus .

A cross-shaped beam which had the ancient flames and the dark magic of Arthur was launched at the incoming Ice lotus . The clash between them created a blinding light that lasted for a second, although the fight was in mid-air, that clash alone caused another mountain to fall apart .

Arthur and Lucy retreated repeatedly while gazing at the clash's location to see what attack managed to survive, but it was like usual, the Ice lotus was still floating unscathed and the cross-shaped beam disappeared.

"Tsk! I got no choice then . . "

As he said that, his two swords disappeared and what replaced them were orange swords with black flames burning on their edges . They were made from Eclipse Magic .

Seeing the two orange swords, Lucy frowned and circulated her Nether Energy to recover and defend.

2 Ice lotuses were floating around her systematically, it was the core technique of the Nine Star Yin Technique, it focused on using Ice Lotus to defend and attack. It is said that if the user creates 9 Ice lotuses then their power would be godly!

She already managed to conjure two, which is considered pretty good for a beginner like her, normal people would take years to do so yet she did it in a few months.

Arthur rushed at Lucy and at the same time, two figures identical to him rushed at her from the her left and right side. Each held two orange swords and came at fast speed. But you could notice that one was

slower than the original Arthur and the second had an average speed, probably half of Arthur's max speed .

Lucy was already prepared for this, so she focused on the original Arthur and disregarded the other two clones as they are long since dead after what she prepared .

The first clone was made from the Shadow Magic and the second was the transformed Dark Cloud which was named Dark Clone by Arthur .

A 3m flaming meteorite with a speed even faster than the Dark Clone came crushing at it, totally annihilating it and making it regain its normal nebula form but you could sense its weakening and turning hazy. As for the Shadow Clone, it couldn't react in time before a mysterious and almost illusory wave of sky-blue Energy rushed at it, freezing it at the spot and then shattering into beautiful little fragments that looked a bit shiny in the air.

The main clash has yet to happen, the two Ice lotuses appeared in front of Lucy, with an Ice saber in her hand, she tip-toed on the air as she charged at Arthur.

The two orange swords slashed at the two Ice lotuses, dark flames erupted and space distorted for a split second due to the powerful clash of two strong attacks.

The Ice lotuses were slowly spinning as they struck the two orange swords, but you could see that there were some cracks appearing on them, if this continued on, they'll shatter in no time.

"Mooo, using Void Magic is no fair . . . it easily devours my Yin Lotuses "

Lucy complained, as every time, her lotuses would get countered by the Eclipse magic which had Void Magic .

Void magic was like a devourer and it apparently is like an opposite attribute of the Yin magic, it would devour it whenever it's too close and that's why the lotuses are shattering, they were being devoured by the Void magic in the orange swords .

As she said that, Lucy concentrated on the Ice Lotuses and they both started spinning faster than usual, the cracks stopped appearing and the orange swords were pushed back by them . Snowflakes were falling from the Ice Iotuses and slowly enveloping the small area around Arthur, before he could retreat, a sphere of snowflakes had enveloped him, he started feeling a chilling coldness, even his bones were freezing and not even the protective layer managed to withstand it .

"You lost, hehehe."

As she said that, the snowflakes disappeared, so did the Ice lotuses, everything returned to normal, only Lucy was showing a victorious smile as she walked near Arthur and gave him a deep hug.

"I can't counter that attack yet . . . hahaha . but the score is 15-15, it's a tie . "

Arthur didn't care much about winning, he only sparred with Lucy to train and hone their skills with combat experience. He won many times just like her, there were no bets whatsoever, he just started calling a score when Lucy teased him and won in the first spar so wasn't willing to give up.

"Sure, but what's so point of the score? It's not like the winner gets anything special . "

Lucy was confused about this, she would always ask him this but he would not answer her, however, surprisingly, today, he finally replied .

"The loser has to do whatever the winner says . . . "

Lucy didn't seem surprised by what he said, in fact, she chuckled when she heard that .

"But you'll do anything I say just like I'll do anything you say even without winning, that's not a prize now, is it? hehehe~~"

Arthur couldn't help but scratch the back of his head as he couldn't think of some good prize. In the end, he just shrugged it off and changed the subject to avoid being teased any further.

"Anyways, the banquet is in two days, we should head out right now . . . "

"Ehhh . . but you still didn't tell me about the prize . . I want to know . "

Arthur didn't reply as he summoned the Spirit Boat and entered it in advance as he wanted to avoid that question . . .

"Come on dear, why are you not telling me . . . "

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With their new Spirit Boat, it didn't take them long to arrive at where the Grand Banquet will be held. Not only is the Spirit Boat was extremely fast, it was very comfortable too. In the Underworld and all the higher-realms, Spirit Boats are very commonly used, be it by wealthy people or rogue travelers.

The Grand Banquet will be held in the mysterious factions in the center of the Underworld . This faction was actually an Alliance of three Human clans .

Arthur didn't know what their names or any information about this faction, but at the very least, there is a strong chance that the woman who abducted Saly is from that clan, and her position must be very high as her strength is much greater than Anastassia, it could be said that she toyed with Astrith and her, apparently, she didn't fight too seriously even when Anastassia used her forbidden techniques, which meant she's at the very least a peak Grade Immortal Realm .

The Grand Banquet will not only have the important figures of the Silent Graveyard, Abyss Valley or the Void Abyss and the Monster Archipelago, ancient clans, and sects would also come over . Arthur didn't know the real reason behind the Grand Banquet, but he never thought It is just for entertainment, after all, leaders of various forces would gather there, and it surely wouldn't be just to have fun, right?

The Lich King Aborak and the leader of the Monster Race would be present too, as for the Behemoth, which is the leader of the Void Abyss, it is unknown if it would come or not.

Nobody has ever seen it for thousands of years, so it highly unlikely that it would show up, but that doesn't mean that its surbordinates will not come.

It is widely known that the Behemoth is the strongest of the three leaders of the factions, it is leagues stronger than them but it is very quiet and doesn't show up very often . Its territory is the largest and it has many strong subordinates, some are even at the God Realm .

There was a rumor saying that Aborak, the Lich King, has just broken through to the God Realm but Arthur Lucy doubted that rumor, if the Lich King is just at the God Realm first Grade, then he doesn't have the right to be a leader of a strong faction like the Undead, his true Strength must be hidden.

Moreover, a lich is deadly for its summons and not its true strength, the creatures and things it summons can be way stronger than it is, even an Immortal Realm lich can put up a fight against a Divine Realm person if it can summon some unique and powerful species .

The Summoner class and the summoning of the lich are two different things . A lich summons dead creatures with no soul, so there is never a problem in controlling them as they would over it mindlessly, as for the creatures summoned by an expert Summoner, if they are much stronger than the Summoner, they could break from their shackles and defy their master .

Arthur could also summon undead with him Necromancy skill, but they are way weaker than what the lich could summon for that the summoning needs a lot of Mental Power, as for a lich, it uses special skills and techniques coupled with Death Laws.

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Despite the Mysterious faction in the center of the Underworld having the smallest territory out of all of them, it was surprisingly flourishing, with many bustling cities and various places to cultivate or have some fun .

The cities appeared more grandiose than the Undead City Arthur and Lucy visited back then, it was surprising as despite the cities being smaller, probably the size of a normal city in Astria, they had something unique about them. Maybe because it was made by humans and not a different race?

Each race has its advantages and disadvantages, perhaps humans are a bit better in constructing cities or it's just that Arthur prefers these ones over the others . His taste may have been affected by his previous life .

When the two of them departed from the Decayed Mountain Range, Lucy broke through the Immortal Realm 3rd Grade and Arthur became a 2nd Grade Immortal . It may be surprising to others but if you practice technique that suited your body and have very high stats like them, your Realm will increase very fast to match the stats .

The Grand Banquet will be exactly held in one of the three main cities of the Human Alliance of the three ancient clans . The city is called 'The Royal Stronghold' .

The Royal Stronghold was an extremely big city, probably the only city that rivaled the Undead city, even the two other cities that belonged to the two other ancient clans weren't this big.

The reason is that the Royal Cobra Clan is the strongest out of the three, although it is said to be an alliance between the three, this clan is the one that almost always makes the decisions. The two other clans are called 'The Doom Bringer Clan' and 'The Lightning Fox Clan'.

Despite The Royal Cobra Clan holding the power over the other two, it doesn't mean they are weak, in fact, they are only slightly weaker than the Royal Cobra Clan and if they join hands, they can easily demolish it, it's just that they would never do that. The alliance was made to join their powers and stand equally with the other strong factions in the Underworld. Considering they are unwelcomed

powers that came from other Realms, they weren't very welcomed when they first came here two thousand years ago .

The Royal Stronghold has a towering 50m wall surrounding it, it is not only a huge city but also an impenetrable fortress. It also had a very strong barrier that defends it from any sudden invades.

Arthur and Lucy disembarked from their Spirit Boat as they approached the city, it was prohibited to fly inside the city even if you have a high status, only people like Aborak were allowed to fly.

The building structures inside the city strongly resembled the ones in Astria with them being grander and better looking. There were one main road and several other alleys and roads branching from it.

As the Banquet was going to be held tomorrow night, the city was bustling with all kinds of races, young masters were visiting expensive restaurants or buying some treasures from the various stalls put in the main road.

Arthur and Lucy did not come here to sightsee, they headed to an inn and booked a normal room for a few days. After paying the Spirit Red Stones to the receptionist, the two of them went to their room and readied themselves.

Unlike everyone that was going to come to the Grand Banquet, they were not going there to have fun but to find that woman and hopefully save Saly . If that woman is indeed there, they would not sit idle even if strong figures would be present .

No matter what happens, they won't let go of that woman unless they retrieve Saly safe and sound, and if something had really happened to little Saly, no one could predict what would happen.

"Hey, Arthur, do you think Saly is safe?"

As Lucy was sitting in Arthur's lap as usual, she leaned on his chest as her hair was being stroked by Arthur. She displayed a calm attitude and practiced hard for tomorrow but it's a few months are not enough for them to be able to overwhelm someone at the peak of the Divine Realm or the God Realm. She was afraid that the woman is at very high Realm, at that time, nothing could be done.

"Don't worry, I'm sure that despite being abducted by that woman and imprisoned in some dark place, she would not be crying but training hard to get stronger, she's no longer that frail girl after all . "

Arthur comforted Lucy as he remembered the cheerful Saly, after being cured of her blindness and injuries, she became very cheerful and ecstatic, every day she would train either alone or with Astrith, despite being very young, she didn't complain and only wanted to get stronger to fight with them, it was a childish but doable dream that motivated her every day.

He didn't want to accept the thought of her being hurt or even dead as he didn't know who he would react to that . . .

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At the center of the Royal Stronghold was a natural river that stretched all the long of the city and cut it into two halves. It wasn't a big river but it was very special. It had natural Spirit Water very rich with Nether Energy and beneficial to every person who practiced near it on in it. The Cobra Clan specialized

in Water attribute techniques with some techniques related to Wind Attribute, so this river could be considered a blessing to them .

At the center of the city, just near the river was a small tower and wide garden decorated with special magic lanterns that made the place look breathtaking, especially at night.

The garden which was decorated with the lanterns and beautiful plants was where the Grand Banquet was held. There were tables everywhere, they weren't crude tables but special ones made from rare wood materials. Not only that, very expensive and rare food that helps one's constitution was served on the tables, coupled with ancient and delicious wine, the feast was grandiose and deserving of this occasion.

Many important figures were enjoying the food or the wine whilst sitting and chatting with each other . The garden was separated in two parts, one for Juniors and the other for older generation people, like clan masters and so on .

Just near the river, there was a small stage where seven empty chairs, these were where the most strong and important guests of the banquet would sit. People like Aborak and co were the ones allowed to sit there and held the highest position in the Grand Banquet. Although the factions were considered sort of enemies, that didn't mean they had to treat each other with hate in such events, they were neither archenemies or at a war.

The night has just begun and the important figures had yet to arrive, not even all guests had come . At a time like this, Arthur and Lucy finally entered this place . Lucy changed her appearance to a normal-looking black-haired woman and wore a beautiful green robe, she didn't look very beautiful, in fact, her appearance was only average, but despite that, she emanated a serene and fairy-like atmosphere around her .

As for Arthur, he possessed a male body from his storage, he didn't know if the woman would recognize him if he came with his real appearance but better be safe than be sorry . To enter the banquet, he showed the token he got from Azure Bai to the guards outside, apparently, that token allowed him and Lucy to sit amongst the important figures of the older generation, so he and Lucy casually took a sit in an empty table far at the corner .

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Since the two of them sat a table for the important figures of the older generation, many people threw curious gazes at both of them . Some even thought that these two didn't know the rules and just sat there randomly .

They wanted to go and mock both of them in front of everybody but there was some part of them that stopped them from doing so as there is also a chance that these two strangers do indeed have a high status. But if that's the case then why does everyone know them?

No one went to greet them or chat with them which indicated that no one knows them or they are enemies with all of them .

Back at where the juniors sat, Malark and a group of Undead Generals sat at a corner discussing what's going to happen, they are generals but still considered young as their Realm was too low, so was their ages .

If Arthur and Lucy didn't change their appearances, he may have recognized them, but now he just threw a couple of glances at them before continuing to talk with the others . He didn't have good friends but that didn't mean he was a complete loner .

Not only was there Undead Generals, there were also Monster Generals and some youths from various sects and clans that were either quarreling about who's better or enjoying the feast. It is common for juniors to fight in events like these, but now it was too early, they would fight to entertain the strong figures and perhaps impress them to gain favors from or to build a good impression.

Arthur wasn't going to participate in this useless fights, he needs to spot the woman and attack, quite simple but very hard to do . Attacking wouldn't allow him to find where Saly is, but if he successfully takes the woman with him and Lucy, he would be able to get Saly's location from her, for someone who was brutally tortured, he didn't lack ways to make her talk .

He remained calm on the outside, but he and Lucy were anxious, if people like Aborak and co got involved and try to stop them then it'll be very troublesome.

As they were waiting for the important figures, Lucy didn't hold back as she ate whatever she liked, even Arthur ate ravenously as if he was a beggar who didn't eat for years. Well, the food is not going to eat itself so why not benefit from this and eat whatever is displayed? It's not like it's prohibited.

Time passed slowly as it was quite boring for a banquet . After an hour or so, one of the powerhouses finally came, it was a middle-aged man with a long red hair, he had a sturdy body and scars on face and neck . From the description he heard from people, he knew that it's the clan master of the Doom Bringer Clan .

Two old men and a youth followed him, the two old men were probably elders of the clan, as for the youth, it was his son Tyga. The boy had a red hair just like his father and had a long red two-handed sword on his back. He emitted strong killing intent and thick blood sent.

"I'm welcome everyone to this Grand Banquet, I hope you can enjoy your time here . "

The clan master said that with a deadpan face, he didn't seem like the guy who loves to talk, he only said this because he was one of the hosts and simply ignoring everyone is disrespectful.

After saying that, Meyzu, the clan master sat at one of the 7 seats on the stage, he looked a bit bored as he checked the guests one by one .

As for the youth, he went to a random chair in the juniors area and sat there silently, he didn't seem to have any friends and no one mocked him or wanted to pick a fight with him.

Followed by Meyzu were the rest of the powerful figures, they arrived just after him. There was a bearded old man with a black robe, he sat at the central chair. As for the clan master of the Lightning fox clan, it was a blond old woman with wrinkles all over her face, despite her old age, her eyes were sharp even though she was displaying a friendly smile.

Arthur felt his body being probed several times by them, clearly, they didn't know him or Lucy, so they were curious about him, after all, someone who sits at such an area without them knowing his identity if a bit shameful for them. They didn't dare straight out ask them so they just kept staring at him, especially the clan master of the Royal Cobra Clan and the old woman.

As they were checking the guests and elders of the three powerful clans, Lucy's eyes constricted when her gaze landed on a black-dressed woman, she was sitting with the elders of the Royal Cobra Clan and enjoying some Spirit Wine .

"Arthur, it's her, I'm sure of it!"

Lucy didn't even bother to confirm her guess, the description they got from Anastassia is very precise, with a black long hair and a mysterious tattoo that could barely be seen in her neck. She was very pretty and albeit not seeing the book that Anastassia mentioned, Lucy had a strong feeling that it's her.

Lissandra (Race: Human): God Realm 2nd Grade.

'What! God Realm?'

When Arthur appraised her, he was seriously shocked, her being at the God Realm make things hundreds if not thousands of times more difficult. Being appraised by Arthur wasn't noticed by her obviously as the appraisal is a unique skill and it's not like the probing the strong figures do.

If he tried to probe her through Nether Energy, because she's stronger than him, she would instantly know, even if she is weaker, she would still feel it, so Appraisal could be said to be very beneficial.

Lucy's fists were clenched as she wanted to jump on Lissandra immediately, she knew she wasn't her match but she just couldn't stay still, after all, this woman killed almost all the Ma Clan and hurt Saly, a person who she(Lucy) considered as her daughter!

"Calm down, it's not the time yet . "

Arthur held Lucy's hands and calmed her down, he too was angry and enraged but he knew it would be suicidal, especially when Lissandra is in the God Realm . Not only was she in the God Realm, there were elders from the Royal Cobra Realm in the God Realm too .

As for the clan masters, each and every one of them was at least at the 4th Grade God Realm .

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After a couple more minutes, a crude-looking Spirit Boat that had some cracks and dust all over it flew above the huge garden. From it descended an illusory-looking figure. It was the Lich King Aborak.

He looked like a reaper, with a long black robe and skeletal hands, he looked very creepy and terrifying, as for his face, it was blurry and you could only distinguish a somewhat skull face with two purple beams in its eye sockets.

The Lich King Aborak (Race: Undead): God Realm 8th Grade.

Arthur gasped as he saw that, he knew that the difference between one grade in the God Realm is just too big, much less a difference of two or three . The strongest person the in the alliance of the three

clans was the clan master Jizung of the Royal Cobra Clan who was at the God Realm 6th Grade, but he still was far weaker than Aborak .

What followed Aborak was a luxurious looking Spirit Boat that stretched for more than a mile! It had many decorations and a big symbol on it . Several figures descended from it .

Arthur guessed that they were the Monster Race. The one leading was a white-haired male, he looked very young, probably in his twenties. With a golden robe and a pale white skin, he was waving his hand friendly at the people in the banquet while displaying a very angelic smile.

"I thank you dear friends for inviting me to this banquet . "

He slowly descended from his Spirit Boat and sat next to Aborak . He seemed like the talkative type as he started engaging in conversations with Meyzu, who only grunted and nodded in the process .

"Kilan, As friendly and forceful as ever, huh?"

The red-haired Meyzu was an old friend of this white-haired man so despite Kilan never ceasing to talk with him, he didn't appear disgusted or irritated.

"Oh come on don't say that, I was very happy to come here you know, it's been centuries since we met . "

This man was called Kilan, the current leader of the Monster Race and a person at the God Realm 8th Grade too . Many Monster generals and elders came with him too and sat a corner like the others too .

Only the Abyss Valley people didn't come, no one did expect them to come anyways but that didn't mean they were afraid, it was the strongest faction and the most mysterious one, no one would be brave enough to belittle it or pick a fight with it.

It is said that the Void Behemoth had long since transcended the God Realm, so people like Aborak and Kilan are no match for him even if they joined hands.

Aborak didn't seem to mind that Lucy was wearing a mask, with his Realm, it was very easy to see her real appearance but he didn't bother to dig further.

As for Kilan, he frowned as he inspected Lucy then Arthur, they were only at the Immortal Realm and weren't special or strong enough to sit where they were sitting, so he was kind of curious.

"Hey Meyzu, who's those two over there?"

As he said that, he pointed at the two of them with his eyes. The red-haired Meyzu glanced at them but didn't seem interested or curious like Kilan, after looking at them for a couple of seconds, he shook his head whilst replying

"I don't know, probably some people from one of those reclusive sects, they are like flies after all, why are you so interested . . . "

Kilan slapped Meyzu's shoulder while chuckling, he didn't reply to that question, no one knows what he was thinking at that moment .

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Arthur obviously knew he was probed by Kilan more than one time but he wasn't worried much as someone such as Kilan wouldn't dare act in here .

Lucy's gaze never left Lissandra, who was enjoying the banquet to its fullest, she would talk with some of the elders or gaze at the guests with a seductive smile on her face .

She was considered a god to the people in Astria and she was indeed at the God Realm, she only stumbled upon Astria by chance and made a small organization there as she found a portion of Zodiak's power there, so she instructed people to look for more but apart from 2 portions in the Demon Continent and 1 portion in the Western Continent, there nothing in the rest of the world.

The Grand Banquet livened up as Juniors began showcasing their skills and techniques in front of the elders, whether to display their power or entertain the older generation.

"We proceed as planned, begin preparing . "

Arthur reminded Lucy so as she would not lose focus because of her anger, things need to be done according to the plan, It's true Lissandra is in the God Realm but they would still follow their plan.

All 6 of the 7 seats were now full, there was only one seat left empty, many people wondered who that person was, maybe it was for the leader of the Abyss Valley? But the behemoth's body is way bigger than the whole garden so it left them curious about the identity of this mysterious person .

As the atmosphere was as its peak, a floating figure appeared in the night sky. It was an azure-clothed middle-aged man, he had a serene and calm face and showed a friendly smile as he was coming down.

"Excuse me for being late . "

Bai Lingyue apologized as he descended on the stage.

"Hahaha, no need for Senior Bai to apologize, the banquet had just begun ."

The one who spoke was the old man from the Royal Cobra Clan, he wasn't offended by the lateness of Azure Bai and welcomed him to sit in the chair right next to him.

Bai Lingyue just nodded and sat next to the old man, just as he sat, he began chatting with old Li, who was the clan master old man of the Royal Cobra Clan .

Their relationship couldn't be considered great, they were just being respectful to him because his position was rather high . Although he was only at the Peak of the Divine Realm, he was respected by all the three clans masters .

As for Aborak, he remained silent since he got here, only lifelessly staring at the riven just below.

Kilan was opposite to Aborak, he wanted to build a good relationship with Azure Bai so he butted in and tried to give a good impression .

"I see that the juniors are exchanging pointers, good good, I heard that there are some amazing talents in here . "

Bai Lingyue said that as he gazed at the stage that was put in the center of the garden, it was meant for the juniors to fight each other and learn from each other.

His gaze passed Lucy and Arthur for a second before he stared back at them again; Arthur had a completely different aura to him, he also broke through to the Immortal Realm, so no matter how much he thought, Bai Lingyue couldn't guess who the person next to Lucy was .

As for her, he just nodded at her while smiling, he was very curious about why Arthur is not here and who the person next to her is, but he didn't go and ask. No matter was he thought, the idea of the male near Lucy being Arthur never crossed his mind.

He had unfathomable strength and could see through Lucy's mask, so he probed Arthur's current 'body' and couldn't find even a strand of Arthur's presence, for someone as talented as him, that only meant one thing and that it's not Arthur but a different person, too bad he is totally wrong and that Arthur had a special race .

The fighting that occurred from the start was considered just a beginning, the real show will begin only when all-powerful figures are present and paying attention, with that in mind the talent youths readied themselves to begin and show their awesomeness and improvement to their elders.

Arthur circulated the two techniques he practices and absorbed Nether Energy to ready himself.

"It's time to begin "

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The plan was simple for Arthur, he was going to participate in the junior fights . They were meant to just exchange pointers and learn from each other, however, everybody knew that it was not that but it's just for the powerful factions to flaunt their powers and see who from their juniors is better, after all, the younger generation is the future of these factions .

The real appearance of Arthur was of a handsome middle-aged man, with his hear turning grey and his breakthrough, it changed his appearance. Anyone from his previous life would certainly not recognize him if he saw him now.

As for the body he possessed, he purposely chose a young body of a youth, it looked like a 19-20-year-old young man with short black hair and an average facial features . He maintained a deadpan expression as he sat next to Lucy .

There plan was thought after thinking for a long time, it wasn't just the usual 'win all these fights' and try to impress the older generation or claim for a good reward or even try to frighten the enemy with his power. No, their plan began the moment all the strong figures appeared, Lucy began channeling her Nine Yin Star Technique and preparing her skill.

As for Arthur, he first sat next to her and when all of the powerful experts arrived, he walked to the area where the juniors gathered and sat randomly at an empty table.

There was a middle-sized arena in the middle of the garden, which was meant for the youths to battle, an array was layed there to prevent the after-effects or the explosion from the fights to reach the spectators .

"Ha ha ha, thank you all for coming to this Grand Banquet, as all of you know, there has been a lot of spatial turbulences these past years, so it is very likely to be a lost world that has been directly or indirectly connected to our world, I wonder what are your thoughts about this?"

Jizung, who is the main host of this banquet, finally spoke to the 6 figures sitting next to him, his voice was not very loud but even the people sitting below could clearly hear his old but spirited voice.

"Old Jizung is right, it is quite strange for this many turbulences to occur, it is precisely why I came to the Underworld . The appearance of a lost world may bring a lot of benefits to whoever enters it . "

Azure Bai spoke his opinion as he was speculating about this world, the turbulences were only part of the reason he came here, but he was not planning to tell the full truth to these people, on the outside they may be his friends, but only the granny from the Lightning Fox clan was a dear friend of his.

"Senior Bai is right, an opportunity like this cannot be missed . "

Kilan, being the clever and ass-kisser that he is, started agreeing with Bai Lingyue right away, it was very apparent that he wanted to build a friendly relationship with Bai but it didn't appear that the latter was impressed or pleased with this Monster Race leader .

"It is not yet confirmed that it's a lost world, and even if it was, do you think it'll be easy to access it? Just the location of these Spatial turbulences is very troublesome!"

The red-haired Meyzu was not in the mood for banquet or chitchatting, he wanted to just finish talking and get done with this banquet sooner than later .

"Hmpf! Obviously, we know, or why else would we have gathered here?"

The granny, who appeared to be so old that she would die at any second, snorted and sarcastically replied to Meyzu . Despite her appearance, she was the clan master of the Lightning Fox and her strength was no lower than Meyzu, it could even be said that she's stronger despite being in the same Realm and Grade as she was way older than him, so whether it's her wisdom, knowledge or fighting strength, she is beyond him .

Meyzu had an angry look on his face but he didn't dare retort, he just stayed silent and waited to hear the other opinions .

All people have talked beside Aborak, who remained since he came here . He was the most reclusive and strange out of all of them, despite the Undead Race having some small wars with the other factions, his name is not widely spread as never participates in these things . Even when the Race is offended or provoked, he would sit still and ignore what happened .

It may sound surprising, but except Kilan, no one saw Aborak fight, however, just by the fact that Kilan didn't provoke or talk to Aborak, one could know that he is not someone to mess with . The Monster Race and the Undead Race had long since been enemies, they would wage wars for small lands or simple treasures, Kilan was someone very tricky and annoying yet he didn't directly provoke Aborak, so the others were wondering how powerful this skeleton Lich King really is .

Everyone shifted their gaze to Aborak, as he is the one who had yet to speak his thoughts . His face was still blurry with two purple lights emanating from his lifeless eyes, no one would deny his creepy and ominous atmosphere around him .

"The location of the turbulence is deep into the Abyss Valley, I and my Race will neither help you or get involved, you simply don't know what you guys are doing by dividing deep into the Behemoth's territory, it's simply seeking death!"

With a cold and piercing voice, Aborak voiced his thoughts, he was not optimistic about this matter, he just wanted to clear things out and separate himself from this bunch.

After pausing a second, Aborak continued talking

"You think only the Behemoth is worthy for you to be on guard but you are strongly mistaken . . . I'm just saying this so you bunch don't get obliterated and cause other forces to invade the Underworld . "

Just as he finished speaking, his lifeless eyes stared at the three clans leaders, he never liked them as they came here and established a base and even took a territory, of course, he wasn't reckless to start a fight with them, but it doesn't mean he'll keep silent and welcome them with open arms. For him, if they perish it doesn't matter, but Kilan must at least so they could keep the balance.

The Underworld could be said to be a dead and mysterious world, no one knew much about it except it's ruled by the ancient Hades, so none were brave enough to proudly claim its lands, but that didn't mean they can't come and slowly make a faction in here, like the three clans.

"Ha ha ha, Sir Aborak is indeed right, but isn't Sir Aborak underestimating us? If we combine forces, especially with Senior Bai here, fighting the ancient beasts lurking in these won't be much of a problem . "

Jizung didn't seem bothered by Aborak's remark and kept a friendly attitude, he didn't hold Aborak's words too much in heart as he was overconfident, especially with Azure Bai with them.

"Underestimating you? Ha! Don't make me laugh, it's you who are underestimating the Abyss Valley, a bunch of old fogies at the God Realm wanting to dive deep in there? You're overestimating your strength too much, even if you were at the Sovereign Realm you would still perish. I said what I had to say, it's up to you to decide, I'm not going to beg you to not go there but remember carefully Kilan, you should know what's there, right? Never forget that overconfidence leads to Death! You should have learned that the hard way."

Aborak's tone was full of mocking as he seemed to enjoy seeing Jizung's confident and hearing his honest words, but it was simply too unrealistic for them to even get close to those Spatial Turbulences . In fact, they were only able to know of these turbulences because they were too big and could be seen from afar if not, they would never have known .

When Kilan heard this, his smile froze for a second as he seemed to remember something, he didn't retort to Aborak and remained silent while showing a somewhat forceful smile.

"Anyways, it's still the beginning of the banquet, let's see how our younger generation is, after all, they are our future and they would benefit a lot from the lost world if we access it. I'm not trying to boast but my Royal Cobra Clan has some talented youths."

Jizung still didn't directly reply to what Aborak said, he kept his confident look and from his words, you could tell that the lost world was already in his hands. He switched the subject as he gazed at the youths from the Royal Cobra Clan near the arena.

"Old Jizung is right, it's not time to discuss such serious matters . Speaking of our juniors, ou clan's young Miss is not bad too . . . she awakened the bloodline with a nearly perfect bloodline . "

Granny Shishu, the clan master of the Lightning Fox was full of smiles as she said that, her wrinkled face had a wide smile hanging on it as she lovingly looked at a green-haired girl sitting on a table with a few youths next to her . The girl had a calm demeanor and wore a stunning short purple dress . She was considered a fairy with her appearance and gentleness .

Each faction had a genius or two they relied on, whether it was the Undead Race, the Monster Race or the three clans .

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The fights that will occur in the arena will not be like a tournament or a championship, it'll be completely random and whoever wants to challenge someone will jump on it(arena).

Currently, a wolf-looking person stepped on the stone arena. He was from the Monster Race and looked a bit similar to a werewolf except he was not tall and he looked creepier.

"Excuse me for stepping first . This lowly one only wants to exchange some pointers with a friend, what do you say, Brother Junki?"

His gaze was directed at a Ghoul from the Undead Race, the male Ghoul was sitting with the other Undead and when the wolf-looking monster stepped on the stage, he knew he would be called .

They knew each other since long as they always fought when they met in caves or dungeons . Slovar, the wolf-looking monster would always try to steal his treasures or cause troubles, they enmity never ceased, whether it's mocking, robbing or harassing, the two races did all kinds of things to each other, just like what happened to Malark when he stole a treasure from the Monster generals .

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The ghoul-looking person who was named Junki stepped on the arena when Slovar called him, it would be too embarrassing to forfeit or ignore him, all the elders were looking at him so how could he refuse.

Although he knew he was weaker then Slovar, he walked to the arena and faced the wolf-looking monster . His weapon was a sword . Ghouls were a bit similar to zombie yet had their small differences too, such as they were not as smelly or disgusting as them .

All ghouls had a soul and a consciousness, moreover, they are a level stronger than normal skeletons. They have powerful physics and can only be killed when you damage their soul, otherwise, it's useless to harm their body. They do not have an infinite Stamina and they could feel pain like normal humans. You could say that they are mutated humans and corrupted by Death Laws after their death.

Slovar didn't take any weapon as he grinned at Junki, he was looking forward to this since a long time ago . Junki would always run if they ever meet outside but currently, there is no place to run to .

No referee was present, they just had to say they are ready and begin.

"Brother Junki, I presume you're ready? . . . unless you want to forfeit?"

Junki's face became ugly as he knew Slovar was mocking him, clearly, he wasn't taking him seriously.

"Who do you think you are?"

Junki was someone easily provoked, after hearing the mocking of Slovar, he could not hold himself back and charged at him whilst wielding his sword and using several sword skills.

Three consecutive sword beams were launched at Slovar, but the wolf-looking monster blocked them easily with his bare hands. His thick brown fur withstood the powerful beams as if they were nothing.

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Arthur who was watching from afar, focused on the battle to analyze what he should do, until now, nothing was very interesting. Both the parties were at the middle stages of the Deity Realm but one was way stronger than the others. For him, he just needs one attack to finish them both but that's to be expected after seeing his stats and Realm.

The fight continued but it was one-sided and no matter what Junki did, it was useless, Slovar wasn't even serious and only blocked the incoming attacks while continuing to mock and sneer at ghoul.

Back at the stage near the river, where the seven were sitting, Kilan grimaced and casually said

"Yo Aborak, seems the youths from your side are still lacking huh?"

The creepy looking Aborak didn't seem to mind what Kilan said, he was not someone who is interested by these fights or wants the younger generation of his Race to win as it was useless. So what if they won? There may be some rewards from each one of the 7 people to the strongest Junior, but that's it, for someone as old as him, rewards like that are not needed and he won't be the one to get the reward.

He is considered a selfish person, but he didn't completely disregard his Race, it's just that he had goals he had to achieve and simply winning this little competition won't do him any progress, so after hearing Kilan mock the youths of his Race, he remained silent and acted as if he didn't hear anything.

Kilan and Aborak were old friends, but they were enemies too, it's a complicated and strange relationship, Kilan may be mocking him but he was not provoking him, it's just having fun as Kilan's personality was always like this.

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The fight lasted for 15 minutes before Junki was forcefully thrown out of the arena, he was dead but he was injured all over his body, from bruises to claw slashes, he was in a terrible state. All the people from Undead Race were looking angrily at Slovar, who kept sneering and grinning.

"What? If you want revenge then come on up on the stage . "

The wolf-looking Slovar crossed his long arms and gazed at the juniors from the Undead Race . It would be a lie to say he was confident to beat them all, after all, like any other Race, the Undead Race had

some strong youths too . Malark could more or less be considered a youth but he won't be participating as it would be losing face rather than gaining it .

He was a couple of centuries old and these juniors were at most 100 years old, so fighting someone much younger than you is a disgrace even though he can beat them and if by chance he loses, it would be more embarrassing.

Another Undead youth jumped on the arena after hearing the infuriating mocking of Slovar, he was a ghoul too but unlike Junki, he was at the Peak of the Deity Realm . Normally, one would be embarrassed to fight against some lower Realm than him but this ghoul didn't care as his junior brother was injured so much whilst he couldn't do anything but watch from the side .

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"So it's brother Bija, aren't you ashamed to fight someone at the middle-stages of the Deity Realm?"

With an ugly face, Bija took out a long silver halberd and retorted

"Cut the crap, I'm attacking!"

While wielding his halberd, Bija rushed at the sneering Slovar, who still wasn't anxious about fighting someone stronger than him .

The fight was exciting to weak people but couldn't be more boring than it already is for strong figures . For them, such slow movements and weak attacks are not worth paying attention to . At the end, Slovar managed to hold for 10 minutes before he and Bija were out of the arena . Although the ghoul won, he didn't have any face remaining to stand on the arena and challenge anyone else, so after throwing Slovar out, he walked out of the arena with a lowered head .

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Fights between Deity Realm juniors continued for about an hour or so before the quality of the fights finally changed . From Deity Realm to Immortal Realm .

No more Deity Realm dared to step on the arena as it was practically impossible to beat anyone in the Immortal Realm, geniuses could leapfrog a few grades or sometimes a whole Realm but that was for the Immortal and Divine Realm, or the Heavenly and Deity Realm but to leapfrog from the Deity Realm to the Immortal Realm is considered absolute non-sense.

The difference between the two Realms is just too huge, just like the Divine Realm and the God Realm and that's exactly why Arthur felt a bit worried when he saw the Realm of the person they were going to attack.

A black-haired youth from the Doom Bringer Clan stepped on the arena, he was at the Immortal Realm and had a saber sheathed on his waist. He stood erect on the arena and gazed at the youths sitting on the junior area, with an expressionless face he said

"My name is Buo Bing, I welcome anyone who wants to challenge me . "

What he said may sound arrogant but everyone knew he had the power to back his words, he was one of the geniuses of the Doom Bringer Clan and someone not to be underestimated.

'Finally!'

Arthur felt ecstatic when he heard that, he didn't want to challenge anyone or it would bring suspicion, if he challenged any person from a clan, it would cause troubles as the clan would target him, however, if someone in return said he would challenge anyone who dares, he would immediately join as then it looks like he just took up the offer that was proposed.

Just as he was going to stand up and jump on the arena, someone already appeared in the opposite direction if Buo Bing.

It was also a handsome looking youth, he appeared to be in his mid-twenties, he had blonde hair and was holding a fan in his hand. He displayed a calm attitude and a broad smile was hanging on his face.

"Since brother Buo said so, then I'll graciously accept your offer, it's been a long time since I fought seriously after all . "

Coneli, the blondie spoke proudly as he gazed at the expressionless Buo, he was not fearful or worried about the incoming fights and kept fanning himself with a calm attitude.

As for Buo, he didn't say anything and simply unsheathed his saber, he knew Coneli since a long time as he was from the Lightning Fox Clan, their two clans have an alliance, so it's to be expected that the geniuses from each clan know each other.

They didn't need to say outloud that they are ready, just from their actions one could know.

"The real fights are finally starting, ha ha ha"

Granny Shishu chuckled as she saw the two youths preparing themselves, she was not worried about who might win and had already placed all her hopes on the green-haired girl from earlier . Of course, she didn't give up on the other geniuses from her clan, it's just that she held the most confidence on that girl .

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The Doom Bringer Class practiced the mysterious Blood Magic, it is one of the most powerful but dangerous attributes, it is used by the ancient Vampire Race and very few humans use it as it is lethal to them, if one is reckless and use it in the wrong way, he will surely die a miserable death.

There is many special techniques and attributes in the world, the normal ones could be practiced by whoever has a good affinity with them, but some could be practiced even without having a good affinity with them and such ones are the Blood Magic .

There is also Spatial Magic which taken from the Void Magic, so if you could use Void Magic then mastering the Spatial Magic is only a matter of time . There was also the Death and Life Laws, the Yin and Yang Attributes and so on .

After Buo unsheathed his saber, the weapon started reeking of blood and thick killing intent emanated from him . His eyes were very sharp as they intensely gazed at the Blondie, who kept fanning himself and ignored the changes that happened to Buo .

"As repulsive and aggressive as ever, huh? Men must be delicate you know?"

As he said that, purple lightning began twirling around his fan and legs. Sparks would explode near him and none did any damage to the arena or the surroundings. The moment he stopped fanning himself, his white robe transformed into a purple lightning coat and his fan was like a sharp lightning weapon.

The pressure around him increased by several folds but his face remained calm. The two youths charged at each other, one waving the saber and the other gently waving the fan at his enemy.

A mysterious looking blood wave was created from the saber edges, its target was the incoming blondie, the attack didn't damage the arena but spectators could feel the strong power of the blood wave.

Coneli didn't try to dodge the blood wave but instead, he waved his fan at the blood wave, creating a spheric purple lightning ball that clashed with the blood wave.

The wind became erratic and the two sides backed off, none of the two attacks managed to overcome the others and the only result was a small crater under the clashing place.

If it were not for the strong protective array placed inside the arena and around it, the clash would have destroyed it whole .

For the rest of the fight, the arena transformed into a river of blood and a purple lightning storm, it was an amazing sight, even the elders enjoyed the fight unlike the other weak and unentertaining fights .

The winner was the blood user Buo Bing, who managed to win with great effort. Coneli was someone to underestimate, his lightning attacks are powerful and fast, even with his Blood Magic, he barely emerged victorious.

Coneli walked out of the arena with a not-so-good appearance, his heard was disheveled hair and tattered clothes with a lot of blood stains on them . He lost but he pushed Buo to use a lot of effort to win, despite losing, their strength's difference is meager .

It's just that Blood Magic is too mysterious and dangerous, if he gets hit his blood would get sucked and it would heal Bui in return, so getting hit is equal to losing against people from the Doom Bringer Clan.

Seeing that Buo Bing was not going down from arena despite being injured by Coneli and panting heavily, Arthur was confused on whether this youth couldn't move or was planning to still fight until he lost?

Either way was fine for him, Buo was at the Immortal Realm 4th Grade but he had absolute confidence in winning, he was planning to fight the strong figures and juniors are nothing to him. He had a lot planned with Lucy, it's not some youth who is going to ruin it all.

Buo Bing kept stabilizing his breathing and took a red colored potion from his storage . Arthur didn't know what that but he knew it was going to help him, he was not in a hurry, Lucy was still preparing so the longer it took the better .

Without minding the amazed and envious eyes of the youths while staring Buo Bing, Arthur walked to the arena casually .

His appearance was average, he wore Zodiak's black robe and some black tight clothes under it when he went to the junior's area .

The good thing about the new dark cloud is that it could create an avatar of him, it would take the appearance of whoever he is possessing so it's useful.

Seeing that an unknown youth walked toward him, Buo Bing frowned as he didn't who is the black-robed young man was, of course, he was not planning to kick him to mock him, he welcomed any challengers, so his identity didn't matter.

Moreover, for this youth to challenge meant he was not weak, or else he would be coming down to the arena to embarrass himself and get injured .

With a simple probe, Buo came to know that Arthur was an Immortal 2nd Grade which made him furrow his brows for a second . It was okay for a genius from one of the clan to challenge with him whilst being in the same Realm as him or a Grade lower, but for an unknown person with two Grades lower than him to dare come and fight him made him a bit displeased .

Even the people sitting on the stage were curious about his identity, Meyzu was even angry that a weak youth like him dared to come and fight Buo Bing, who was considered one of the geniuses of his clan.

"Who's this brat? Why don't I know him?"

Meyzu spoke with a displeased tone as he sharply gazed at Arthur while probing him .

Kilan shook his gaze to Meyzu indicating that he didn't know the black-robed youth's identity. Seeing that even Kilan didn't know, Meyzu was a bit surprised, his gaze shifted to Granny Shishu and the others but all of them had a strange look, it was apparent that they didn't know either.

"What's with this, if no one invited him then what the hell is he doing here? Someone kick him out!"

Meyzu didn't like the idea of some frail youth fighting Buo, it would lower his self-esteem, so he immediately ordered to kick Arthur out but before any person could head toward him(Arthur), a calm voice rang out from the stage .

"No need, that person along with the black-haired woman wearing a mask are guests I invited, they are friends ."

Azure Bai was still curious about who the identity of the black-robed youth was, but since he was with Lucy then he was a friend so why be harsh toward him?

What he said surprised the five of them, Meyzu had a strange look as he was feeling uncomfortable, for Bai Lingyue to invite them they must be quite special.

"Oh! If it's people Senior Bai invited then they're welcome to stay, please excuse our rude behavior, we didn't know . "

Jizung stroked his beard as he displayed an apologetic look to Bai, he didn't want to create a bad relationship with him and simply apologizing is nothing to him if could gain the favor of a character such as Bai Lingyue.

"Oh!! Since it's people Senior Bai invited then they must be special, especially that junior, what does Senior Bai think, will he be able to resist Buo Bing?"

It was Kilan who spoke, he was very curious about Arthur and Lucy, especially when he came to know that Lucy had an Extreme Yin Body . God knows how he managed to know but nonetheless, he did so he was interested in them the moment he discovered that .

Azure Bai just shrugged his shoulders and replied to Kilan

"We shall see in a moment, ha ha ha . "

Although he didn't know who the youth Arthur was possessing was, he was sure he was not some weakling, after all, everything about Lucy and Arthur is mysterious, be it their bodies, fortune or background.