

Paradise 631

Chapter 631: The Three of Them Are Here for Your Breakfast

When it was almost 9 a.m., they started queuing up a few minutes beforehand to have their tickets checked. Surprisingly, when they formed two lines, there were a total of 167 of them.

Lin Huang took a glance at the queues and realized that two teams were going on a trip!

The leaders of both of the teams were the immortal-levels, and he guessed that they were on the rank-3 or rank-4. Both of them were holding red flags with white words printed — A day trip to the Abyss Brink.

The holy fire-level young men that followed them were chatting with each other.

‘How could they develop the tourism industry in the forbidden land? The people in the core zone are really geniuses...’ Lin Huang thought to himself.

Looking at the time, it was already 8.57 a.m. He then put the cup down and slowly made his way towards the queue.

A young man was queuing up in front of Lin Huang. Because he saw that Lin Huang had lined up behind him, he asked curiously, “Bro, are you from our group? Why didn’t I see you just now?”

The man was one of the team members on the trip.

“No, I’m going on my own.” Lin Huang shook his head.

“You’re just on crimson flame-level, yet you have the guts to enter the Abyss Brink on your own? You’re kind of brave, aren’t you?!” He exclaimed. In fact, he felt that Lin Huang was eager to die. However, he was not close to Lin Huang and felt that if he were too direct, he would undoubtedly offend him.

“Is it safe to go on a trip in a group?” Lin Huang was curious.

“It’s quite safe. Although it’s a vacation, we actually follow the tour guide and walk along the safe route for only half a day. We’ll take photos and kill two monsters in the Abyss Brink so that we can experience how it feels like to hunt monsters in the forbidden land. After we return, we can share the photos on our social networks,” the man explained honestly.

“Can’t you guys stay overnight?” Lin Huang asked.

“Of course we can’t. Doing so is dangerous. The monsters will be rather active at night compared to during the daytime. Most of the predators are active at night.” The man explained further, “However, there’s also an overnight package which costs a lot more and signing a waiver is necessary. If anything happens, the tour company and the tour guide aren’t going to bear the responsibility. It’s less likely for anyone to sign up for that tour package. They can’t even get a single business transaction for that package in a month. Most of the day trip tour guides are immortal-level rank-3 or rank-4. As for the tour guides of the overnight trip, they are immortal-levels of higher ranks, possibly immortal-level rank-6 or rank-7.”

“Is there any limit on the combat strength of the people who join the travel program?” Lin Huang made a guess as he noticed that none of the holy fire-levels joined the team.

“They must be at least on white flame-level. Also, they must’ve completed building their flying forcefield so that they can master the flying skills. Otherwise, they won’t be able to escape if anything happens.”

“It sounds interesting.” Lin Huang felt that the person who came up with the idea of the tour program was intelligent. “I suppose it’s not cheap to go for a trip like this, is it?”

“It’s quite expensive! It costs 3,000 Life Crystals, and there’s no refund or transfer allowed. We have to pay for everything that we prepare for the trip as well as the traveling tickets through the dimensional portal.” The man looked upset. “I regretted right after paying for the tour program. Oh well, since I’ve already paid for it, it’ll go to waste if I don’t go.”

“This is considered the cheapest package among all. There’s the overnight package, the three-day trip, and the seven-day trip. The overnight trip costs more than 10,000 Life Crystals. As for the three-day trip, it costs 50,000 Life Crystals, and the seven-day trip costs 100,000 Life Crystals.”

After chatting for a while, the portal was activated. Both of them then stopped talking.

Soon, both of the teams entered after scanning their entrance tickets.

Lin Huang was the last one to enter the portal. After he stepped into the portal, the door gradually closed.

A few moments later, the crowd cautiously strode out of the dimensional portal and appeared at the border of the deep entrance.

“Right through this entrance is the Abyss Brink. Please fly according to the white dotted line drawn on the cliff and make sure that you don’t stray from the flight path as you’ll get lost easily over here. If you’re flying off track, you might accidentally wander into places that you shouldn’t enter, and you’ll have to bear the responsibility.” After explaining, the staff summoned his dimensional relic and left.

Lin Huang set the location in his dimensional relic as well so that he could come the next time again.

Many of them jumped into the entrance.

“Good luck, bro.” The man who had chatted with Lin Huang patted his shoulder, then followed his team and entered. He wondered if Lin Huang would survive.

Many of them had left. Lan Yao, the girl who had talked to him earlier, was there as well. He did not bother about her and took a leap towards the entrance.

“I’d like to see if the guy is actually going to the second layer!” Yao Lan hesitated for a while when she saw Lin Huang leap towards the entrance. Still, she chose to follow after him.

After Yao Lan had left, three of the men exchanged glances with each other.

“She’s so pretty!”

“But she has small boobs.”

“What’s wrong with having small boobs? She’s still pretty! Do you want her? If you don’t, she’ll belong to both of us.”

“Yes, I do. Of course, I do!”

The three of them entered as well.

As Lin Huang flew along the white dotted line, he saw many other black ripples that might possibly be the entrance to the other parts of the Abyss Brink. Some of them allowed direct access deep into the Abyss Brink whereas some of them were temporary entrances that nobody knew when would close. If anybody happened to enter the Abyss Brink through those, it would be difficult for them to leave.

After moving down for about five minutes, Lin Huang finally arrived at the end of the dotted line. There was a giant arrow pointing downward at a large, blue-black ripple.

It was the actual entrance to the Abyss Brink which would lead them to the periphery of the first layer.

Seeing that the people in front of him had entered, Lin Huang followed after them as well.

As he passed through the blue-black ripple, he could see a yellowish sky that looked somewhat like the weather during a sandstorm in the city on Earth.

They could not see the Sun although it was now daytime. Only the sound of the wind howling could be heard.

The ground had become desolate with a few clumps of withered grass. The place did not look like it had entered spring at all. Apparently, the weather over here was different from the outside.

Not far away from Lin Huang, two of the small teams rested for a while, and soon, they left with the four immortal-level leaders acting as their guide.

The rest of them left in groups of at least three.

Only a minority of them left on their own, and they were on immortal-level.

Just as Lin Huang was about to leave, he was blocked by four people. The four of them were on gold flame-level.

“Little brat, give us your Emperor’s Heart Ring, and you may leave,” one of them threatened.

Still, Lin Huang placed both of his hands in his pockets and said, “Why don’t the four of you give me your Emperor’s Heart Rings and leave?”

“I hate those who’re weak but arrogant.” A flicker of fury flashed through his eyes, and he snarled, “I’ve changed my mind. I want to kill you and cut you into 18 pieces to feed my pet monster.”

“I hate those who’re weak but arrogant too.” Lin Huang grinned at the man. “Therefore, I’ve also changed my mind, and I want to kill all of you.”

Yao Lan, who had just passed through the entrance, saw this. She grinned as she stood nearby and watched what had just happened. From her sister, she knew that Lin Huang was strong. It would be easy

for Lin Huang to defeat the four gold flame-levels that were trying to get him into trouble. However, she wanted to know how strong Lin Huang exactly was.

Right at that moment, the three men, who had followed her, approached her.

“Hey girl, let’s have some fun.”

Yao Lan rolled her eyes at the three of them. Soon after, a snake the size of her thumb appeared on her palm.

“A Braineater Serpent?” Their eyes flashed with fear. “Sister, it’s our fault...”

“Green Scale, the three of them are here for your breakfast.”

A second later after Yao Lan finished her words, a sage green glow streaked across the sky and penetrated through their heads. Their bodies immediately became limp and collapsed.

After Yao Lan recalled her little snake, there were already four dead bodies in front of Lin Huang, and he was searching through the body of the corpses rather rudely.

Chapter 632: The Second Layer of the Abyss Brink

After rifling through the four dead bodies, Lin Huang then stood up and looked behind him. He vaguely heard people growling in pain earlier.

However, as he turned his head around, he could only see three dead bodies. The assailant was no longer there.

Still, he noticed that the Emperor’s Heart Rings on the three bodies were still intact. He then sized up the surroundings and concluded that there was no one else there. He walked towards the corpses.

At about ten meters away from the corpses, Lin Huang stopped advancing forward. The men had been killed in the same way. There was a thumb-sized hole on their temples as if they had been pierced through forcefully by a finger. However, Lin Huang felt that it was strange as there were no traces of blood splatter.

Lin Huang did not investigate any further. To avoid having to make contact with the dead bodies and risking his safety, he extracted the three rings by using his psychic skill.

After storing the three Emperor’s Heart Rings in his storage space, he took out the map provided by the black market. Upon confirming his location and the location of the entrance to the second layer, he set the next destination in his dimensional relic. He then summoned Thunder and rode on its back.

“Let’s depart!” Lin Huang pointed towards the direction of the entrance to the second layer.

Thunder fluttered its wings and flew into the sky. Soon, it disappeared from the sky...

After Lin Huang had left, a woman gradually appeared from the cliff. Impressively, it was Yao Lan who had just killed the three men who had harassed her.

“He’s an Imperial Censor?!” Yao Lan was shocked as Yao Huanhuan had never told her about that. She raised her head, looking in the direction where Lin Huang had just disappeared. She frowned. “That direction... It seems like he’s really going to the second layer...”

Sitting on Thunder’s back, Lin Huang fixed his gaze upon the ground.

Though barren, the land was not wholly dead. One could still see one to two dying trees with a few leaves occasionally.

After a short while, Lin Huang could see the group of people that had left the entrance not long ago following a low-level flight.

Seeing Thunder fly over them, some of them that were flying in the same direction as Lin Huang switched their paths to another direction.

Lin Huang spotted the two small teams that were going on a trip. As soon as they detected Thunder, they did not flee. However, they brought the passengers to land on the ground. They were preparing to defend themselves.

“It’s an immortal-level rank-1 Viridescent Thunderhawk. Hide behind us!” The four leaders shouted at the crowd.

“An immortal-level rank-1! He should be easy to handle, shouldn’t he?” Some of them asked.

“Although the Viridescent Thunderhawk is merely a double mutated monster, it’s one of the best predators. The sky is their playground. An immortal-level rank-2 might not be able to take advantage of it. Even if immortal-levels rank-3 and rank-4 like us fail to kill it in a single hit and it attempts to escape, we won’t be able to catch up with it. Once it’s offended, we’ll be in great trouble if we attract a flock of bird monsters. Most of them hold grudges,” one of the leaders explained. “However, it seems like they’re just passing by. As long as we don’t block their way, we won’t be their target.”

“It seems like a person is sitting on its back!” A young man with 20/20 eyesight shouted.

“Yes, there’s someone sitting on its back! I just noticed that.” One of the leaders smiled, nodding his head. He saw that there was a figure sitting on the back of the Viridescent Thunderhawk. However, he could not identify who that was, and he was unsure of the person’s combat strength. “It’s actually not strange for an immortal-level to have an immortal-level monster as a flying mount. Even if he’s not an Imperial Censor, they can buy the pet monster that’s been tamed from many of the large-scale auctions. The only downside is that it’s quite expensive.”

They felt envious of the rider when they heard that. They wished that they could get to immortal-level as soon as possible so that they could buy an immortal-level pet monster as a flying mount.

Of course, Lin Huang did not know that the people were daydreaming enviously of his luck as he passed by.

After having sat on Thunder’s back for more than seven hours, Lin Huang finally arrived at the entrance to the second layer.

On their way there, many of the monsters had avoided Thunder. They were afraid that they would become Thunder’s hunting target.

Aside from encountering attacks by immortal-level monsters thrice, Lin Huang managed to go all the way to straight to his destination. As for the three of the immortal-level monsters that had attacked him, they were killed by Lin Huang in a blow. The carcasses were then stored in Lin Huang's storage space.

Lin Huang knew that he had reached the entrance to the second layer as soon as he saw the crack on the ground from afar that looked very much like a gaping mouth. He then patted Thunder's back and said, "Let's land next to the crack in the ground."

When Thunder heard that, it retracted its wings a little and descended towards the crack on the ground.

After a few moments, Thunder flapped its wings and landed gracefully next to the crack.

Lin Huang leaped down from Thunder's back. He patted its wings, and soon, it was recalled back into its card form.

Because Thunder was a double mutated monster, it could not be summoned on the second layer of the Abyss Brink. With its abilities, it would end up at the bottom of the food chain where most of the monsters were eager to hunt it for food.

The entrance to the second layer of the Abyss Brink looked like a wide-opened mouth when studied from an aerial view in the sky. In fact, it was actually a vast fissure towards the underground. It was a few kilometers long with a width of more than 500 meters.

Somewhere near the crack, there was a massive stone table that measured about ten meters tall.

A phrase was engraved on the stone tablet: "The crack is the entrance to the second layer of the Abyss Brink. Please do not enter if you're any lower than immortal-level rank-3. Otherwise, you'll certainly die!"

As soon as he saw the engraving on the stone tablet, the first thought that came to his mind was, "None of them actually commented on this?"

He took a few steps forward with his hand extended and touched the stone tablet. He then discovered that there was a faint white glow being emitted which blocked him from contacting the stone tablet. Apparently, it was a protective measure taken by the predecessors to prevent humans or monsters from damaging the stone tablet. The tablet must have existed for a long time. So many years had passed, but the power of the protective layer was still there. It must have surpassed the skill of a demigod.

"It's not because nothing is engraved on it. There's a protective layer, and nobody can carve it," Lin Huang laughed.

He then retracted his hand from the stone tablet and stood at the border of the crack. Looking down into the Abyss Brink, it seemed to be bottomless. Without a moment's hesitation, he took a deep breath and leaped into the Abyss Brink.

He continued moving forward and soon, Lin Huang discovered that the world beneath the fissure was like a bottle. It became wider as he moved downward.

After a minute of passing through clouds, Lin Huang finally reached its bottom.

Lin Huang was startled upon realizing that the ground under his feet was grassy.

The second layer of the Abyss Brink was utterly different from the scenery of the first layer where the plants were all dying. Instead, it looked like the outside world with spring in the air. Lin Huang had a temporary illusion as if he was back at the grassland in Division 7.

What made Lin Huang feel strange was that he could no longer see cliffs or the entrance that looked like a gaping mouth above him. Instead, above him was a blue sky with the bright sun hanging in the air...

Chapter 633: Bai's Ability

After familiarizing himself with the environment, Lin Huang could feel an aura approaching him swiftly.

He raised his head and looked ahead. A blue bird was flying towards him. As it extended its wings, he noticed that they were more than ten meters long.

"It's an immortal-level rank-2 Blue Sparrow... Does it see me as prey?"

Lin Huang frowned, and the next moment, a snake the size of his middle finger with crimson patterns over its body appeared in his hand. It was the imperial-level Eclipse Boa that he had encountered in the ruins previously. However, after being transformed into its card form, its abilities were restricted by Lin Huang's combat strength. Therefore, its capabilities had been lowered to immortal-level rank-1.

Nevertheless, the triple mutated Eclipse Boa had been a boss in the past. One could definitely not afford to offend it.

Seeing the Blue Sparrow in the air pouncing towards him, the Eclipse Boa's red eyes flashed with a trace of fury. The next moment, it opened its small mouth and swept the entire area with its terrifying power.

It was too late when the Blue Sparrow realized that something was wrong. As it frantically flapped its wings and attempted to flee, its efforts were in vain. It was being drawn in by the fierce wind. After letting out a growl, it was drawn into the Eclipse Boa's mouth which was even smaller than the size of a palm.

The Blue Sparrow was rather pitiful. Even though it was an immortal-level rank-2 monster, it was easily defeated by the Eclipse Boa that had gone through its third mutation. It was killed within seconds.

However, the Eclipse Boa did not actually eat its prey. Instead, it extracted the soul of its prey. The soul was then crushed and absorbed as it stored the carcass in an independent space within its body. It could disgorge its prey in its complete form when necessary.

Lin Huang knew this, and that was the reason why he had chosen to summon it. Otherwise, if it digested the entire immortal-level carcass, Lin Huang would suffer a significant loss as he would not be able to sell the carcasses. Each of the immortal-level carcasses would earn him at least 10,000 Life Crystals.

After swallowing the Blue Sparrow, the Eclipse Boa shook its head at Lin Huang as if it wanted to butter up to him since it was the first time Lin Huang released it after it became a monster card. For the sake of its freedom, it chose to fawn over its master.

Lin Huang touched the Eclipse Boa's head and said, "Hide in my right sleeve."

He did not recall the Eclipse Boa. Since it was small in size and convenient to bring along, plus the fact that it was quite powerful and capable of defeating monsters that attempted to attack him quickly without leaving any traces, he decided to leave it out.

The Eclipse Boa nodded its head slightly and slipped into his right sleeve.

After it went up into his sleeve, Lin Huang took out his dimensional relic again and set the next location. He then put his dimensional relic away, projecting the map of the second layer of the abyss which had been provided by the black market.

Seeing the symbol of the Devil's Psykid shown on the map, he frowned. "It's so far away. It's at least 20,000 kilometers away from my current location..."

At Lin Huang's current flying speed, even if he activated his single acceleration, he had to fly for ten continuous hours to arrive at his destination. Although it would be faster to ride on Thunder, they would quickly become the target of the other monsters. As for his double acceleration, it would consume a significant amount of his Life Power. In dangerous places, it would be imperative for him to conserve his Life Power. That was why Lin Huang strategized to clear all the monsters that attempted to attack him with his summoning monsters.

"The sky will possibly turn dark in two hours. If we resume our journey, the probability of encountering monsters will increase. We have to look for a suitable place for our stay tonight before the sky turns dark. We shall depart when the sun rises tomorrow morning." Lin Huang immediately activated his single acceleration and quickly headed towards the direction where the Devil's Psykid was.

He maintained a low-level flight for almost half an hour, and none of the monsters blocked him. Although the monsters on the ground often attempted to attack him, he managed to dodge all those attacks. He did not waste any time and did not bug them either. Although a few of the monsters tried to chase after him, Lin Huang activated his double acceleration for a short while, and soon, he managed to get rid of them.

This proved that Lin Huang was like a delicious dish to all the monsters on the second layer of the abyss which all of them would like to taste.

If he were to kill all the monsters, he wondered if he could reach the place where the Devil's Psykid was at in a week, let alone arrive tomorrow afternoon.

It was almost six o'clock in the evening. Seeing that the sun was about to set as he fixed his gaze upon the sky, he made his way through a forest and summoned Bloody.

Bloody then transformed into a purple snake and twisted around Lin Huang's left arm.

"Bloody, please check if there are any places that I can hide in. It's fine even if it's a monster's lair."

Upon receiving Lin Huang's instruction, clear Leech Pods were released by Bloody, spreading everywhere.

Lin Huang waited patiently at his original position for the result of the investigation.

After more than ten minutes, he received the information from Bloody which had found three places. They were monster caves. Fortunately, the three monsters were not that strong as they were merely immortal-level rank-3 and immortal-level rank-4.

Lin Huang chose the one that was nearer to the location of the Devil's Psykid.

After several minutes, Lin Huang then appeared at the entrance of the monster lair. The master of the monster lair was only an immortal-level rank-4 Cavernous Ursa.

Although it was only a double mutated monster, it had rather strong defensive abilities and strength. Its skills could be compared to some of the immortal-level rank-5 monsters.

However, encountering such a monster like that, Lin Huang still did not fight but summoned Bai instead.

Right after Bai entered the monster lair, furious roars were heard coming from the cave. In less than 20 seconds, the roars faded into groans. The cave then ended in silence within the next ten seconds.

After several moments, Bai walked out of the cave, nodding its head at Lin Huang.

As Lin Huang walked into the monster lair, he saw that the Cavernous Ursa that was more than ten meters tall had been entirely mummified. The monster was supposed to be extremely strong. However, it looked very skinny at the moment as if it was suffering from hunger.

Aside from a few of the wounds that were visible on its body, there was only a gash on its neck. However, there was no blood dripping out of its injuries. Neither were there any blood stains on the ground or the wall.

Lin Huang had never underestimated Bai's ability. Each time when it was summoned during a fight, its performance was often out of his expectations.

Lin Huang thought that it would be a fierce battle for Bai. However, from the marks left in the cave, he could see that it was an easy fight and it seemed like it had managed to pin its enemy down easily.

"Could a triple mutated God's Blood be this strong? Perhaps it's on par with a supreme genius..." Seeing the situation of the battle, Lin Huang had to re-evaluate Bai's ability. Although it was only an immortal-level rank-1, its ability might be comparable to the immortal-level rank-6. It was a leap that spanned five ranks and was definitely something the supreme genius could achieve.

The Eclipse Boa secretly peered at the Cavernous Ursa's dead body through Lin Huang's sleeve. A flicker of fear then flashed through its eyes.

After putting the Cavernous Ursa's carcass away, Lin Huang did not recall Bai into its card form. Bai was then instructed to keep watch at night.

With Bai's assistance, Lin Huang would not have to worry that they would be distracted by the monsters at night. He had to be prepared for the extraction of the tinder the next day as well.

Chapter 634: Ashenplume Falcon

That night, Lin Huang could sleep soundly as not a single monster roar was heard.

The next morning, after washing up, Lin Huang then noticed four carcasses outside the cave when he walked out. The weakest monster was an immortal-level rank-3 whereas the strongest one was an immortal-level rank-5.

All four of the carcasses were killed in a blow, and their heads were chopped off. There were no other wounds on their body. All the corpses appeared to be mummified, and no blood stains could be found at all.

After storing the four carcasses, Lin Huang knew that he had made the right decision by asking Bai to keep watch at night. If the Eclipse Boa had been assigned instead, he would not have gotten to sleep until the early morning.

After having some snacks, Lin Huang recalled Bai to its card form before 7 a.m. Along with Bloody and Eclipse Boa, they departed. The reason why he did not bring Bai along was if he encountered a monster attack, it would be inconvenient to activate his double acceleration. Bai's flying speed was slower than his double acceleration. As opposed to Bai, Bloody and Eclipse Boa would sit on him like passengers.

It took him more than eight hours to arrive at his destination from the monster lair that he had stayed at for the night. He intended to find the Devil's Psykid before sunset and complete the kill. If he was attacked by monsters during the journey, it was less likely that he could reach his destination before the sky turned dark.

Although the exact location had been provided to him by the black market source, the probability of the Devil's Psykid staying at the same place was low. After he arrived, he might probably have to search through the area with the help of Bloody. Taking all sorts of possibilities into consideration, Lin Huang departed early in the morning.

He maintained a low-level flight and the situation was similar to what had happened yesterday. Many of the monsters attempted to launch ranged attacks, and some of them even chased after him.

Just like what he did the day before, Lin Huang accelerated to get rid of them. He had been using this skill for more than five hours, and everything went smoothly. However, at about noon, Lin Huang got into trouble.

An immortal-level rank-5 triple mutated monster was staring at Lin Huang from high in the sky.

"An Ashenplume Falcon..." At that very moment, Lin Huang sensed that he had become the monster's target and he could recognize it in mid-air.

Lin Huang chose to maintain a low-level flight to avoid encountering such monsters.

Apart from that, there was often an outbreak of groups of monsters in the sky. There was also the occasional lonely monster that was extremely strong.

The reason why he did not want to offend such monsters was that most of them possessed terrifying flying abilities. Their speed could surpass Lin Huang's double acceleration easily. He would not be able to get rid of them if he bumped into them in the sky and could only kill them. It was fine if such an encounter happened only once or twice. However, if that happened all throughout their journey, it would be a waste of time.

Despite having chosen a low-level flight, he was still targeted by the Ashenplume Falcon. He felt helpless.

The Ashenplume Falcon was a triple mutated monster. It had the blood of an ancient monster, the Bloodcrow Falcon, in its body and it was one of the top predators in the sky.

The position of Thunder or the Viridescent Thunderhawk in the food chain was much lower than the Ashenplume Falcon. They were of different levels regardless of the number of times of mutations, the strength of their blood, and their combat level.

Lin Huang did not want to waste any more time. As soon as he discovered that he was being targeted by the monster, he immediately activated his double acceleration and attempted to get rid of it.

Unexpectedly, the Ashenplume Falcon did not give up chasing after him. It did not pounce on Lin Huang. Instead, it kept trailing after him as if they were playing hide and seek.

Soon, Lin Huang did not bother as it did not attempt to attack him. He then proceeded on his journey at his initial speed.

Since the Ashenplume Falcon was following him, many of the monsters fled as they were afraid that they would become its prey. They did not even attack him. Lin Huang wondered if he should laugh or cry seeing the “side effects” of the appearance of Ashenplume Falcon. “I didn’t expect that I can take advantage of it this round.”

However, Lin Huang’s happiness did not last long. About ten minutes later, the Ashenplume Falcon seemed to have sensed that the prey below it was actually not afraid of it. It lost its patience and immediately pounced on Lin Huang.

“I’m waiting for you to attack!” Seeing that the Ashenplume Falcon was diving towards him, Lin Huang was not shocked. Instead, he felt a thrill. A black battle sword instantly appeared in his hand.

Seeing Lin Huang whip out his weapon, the Ashenplume Falcon’s eyes flashed with a trace of egotistical fury.

How dare the human the size of an ant attack me?!

Chirp!

A screeching bird cry was heard as the Ashenplume Falcon pulsated its wings up and down. Wind gusts were formed out of nowhere, creating ripples in the air and heading towards Lin Huang.

“Its skill is quite impressive.” Lin Huang grinned. The Ashenplume Falcon unleashed its ultimate skill in its first hit. If the attack struck an immortal-level rank-5, they might probably die on the spot.

However, Lin Huang showed no terror on his face. He picked up his long sword and simply thrust his sword forward.

A crimson glow could be seen on the blade of his sword as it flashed into the sky in the form of a bloody crescent. At that instant, it collided with the gust of wind.

The next moment after he collided with the gust, which managed to kill an immortal-level rank-5, was cut into half like tofu.

In mid-air after performing the cut, the bloody crescent sliced through the neck of the Ashenplume Falcon without slowing down.

The screeching of the Ashenplume Falcon immediately stopped. After several moments, purple blood streams dripped out of its neck. Soon after, its head was detached from its body, and its purple blood started oozing out of its neck.

At this moment, a bloody glow appeared from Lin Huang's sleeve. The Eclipse Boa then flew into mid-air, opening its small mouth and swallowing the Ashenplume Falcon's head and body that still had blood oozing out of it.

The Ashenplume Falcon actually had strong abilities. Even if it were on the second layer of the Abyss Brink, if it encountered any monster that it was unable to defeat, it would still manage to escape. Unfortunately, it was easily killed by Lin Huang in one hit because it had underestimated its enemy. Another reason was that Lin Huang was extremely strong.

If this had happened before Mr. Fu's special training, Lin Huang might have taken some time to kill the Ashenplume Falcon. However, after undergoing the rigorous training, he was now a changed man. His ability was incomparable to the past.

The Ashenplume Falcon's appearance only caused him a little delay on his journey and did not create that big a trouble for him.

The remaining three hours after that was much more peaceful. Lin Huang did not encounter any more bird monsters. By using the skill that he used the day before, he managed to reach the location at about 3.30 p.m.

He sized up his surroundings. However, he did not discover any traces of the Devil's Psykid. He gradually landed on the ground, observing around but still, he found nothing.

"Bloody, I'm counting on you." Lin Huang knew that he could only rely on Bloody at the moment. "Please get me the location of the Devil's Psykid!"

Chapter 635: Rakshasa Mother

The transparent Life Power pods were spreading out in all directions, and Bloody started combing through the surrounding area.

10 kilometers, 20 kilometers... 50 kilometers, 100 kilometers...

Time had passed, but still, he did not receive any news from Bloody regarding the Devil's Psykid.

"Could it be fake news?" Lin Huang frowned but soon, he shook his head and excluded the possibility. He had made three trades with the woman from the black market that day. They even agreed for him to sell her monster carcasses after that. The woman could not possibly fool him with fake news.

As he thought about it carefully, the woman had gotten the information about the location from someone else more than two months ago. Perhaps the Devil's Psykid had been attacked within the two months and was forced to leave. It might even have been killed by other monsters or humans.

If it were the former one, it would take him some time to find it again. However, if it were the latter, his efforts to go into the Abyss Brink were in vain.

"Please don't be killed by the others..." Lin Huang thought to himself as he did not want to go home empty-handed. It was not easy for him to choose a suitable Life Fire monster. If he could not find it, he would have to select another one again. If there were no other suitable monster, he would have to wait for the latest news of the monster up to a few months.

"I've found it!" After about an hour, Bloody's voice was suddenly heard.

"Is it far from here?" Lin Huang immediately asked.

"It's not too far. It is approximately 1,500 kilometers away," Bloody answered. "However, it's not easy to kill it."

"Has it leveled up?" Lin Huang immediately asked. According to the information he had, the Devil's Psykid was originally an immortal-level rank-6. If it were now an immortal-level rank-7, it would be beyond Lin Huang's capabilities. He would have to use the Transformation Card to increase his combat strength.

"It's not about its combat strength, but it's been captured by a Rakshasa Mother." Bloody sounded helpless.

"A Rakshasa Mother?!" It was not Lin Huang's first time coming across this monster name.

The Rakshasa Mother was a fiend. It was a humanoid monster which was born an immortal-level. As it grew up, it would upgrade to imperial-level. The Rakshasa Mother liked kids, especially boys. It was said that if it happened to bump into boys aged below 16 years old, it would catch them to its lair and raise them. Due to its maternal instincts, it would treat them as its own child. However, as they grew up and became an adult, they would then be killed. Therefore, some of the monsters that looked like kids would surrender to it so that they would be protected for their whole life.

Of course, Lin Huang had only heard of such legendary monsters before. There was just a brief description of this monster in the monster guide as it was not clearly recorded. He had never expected to encounter one on his own.

"Does it really catch monsters that look like kids?" Lin Huang asked curiously.

"I guess it does," Bloody said while projecting a picture that it had managed to capture through its Leech Pods.

It was a building with dim lights. Not only did Lin Huang see the Devil's Psykid that he wanted to kill, but there were also two other monsters that looked like kids and a monster that looked like a baby.

However, it seemed like the Rakshasa Mother was not present.

"It seems like we're in big trouble..." Lin Huang never expected this to happen.

The Devil's Psykid had been adopted by the Rakshasa Mother which made killing it much more difficult.

"Bloody, do you have any good ideas?" Lin Huang felt that he had a slight headache.

"There are three ways to kill the Devil's Psykid," Bloody suggested, "First, kill the Rakshasa Mother. Secondly, sneak into the building when the Rakshasa Mother isn't there and kill the Devil's Psykid. Thirdly, try to lure the Devil's Psykid out and destroy it.

"The first way will prevent any future trouble, but that costs us too much. As for the second way, it's difficult to ensure that we won't be discovered by the Rakshasa Mother while sneaking in. It must've set up some monitoring systems in the building. The third way will be the safest one, but we have to think of a way to lure the Devil's Psykid out."

Lin Huang then shook his head slightly. "If the Rakshasa Mother is only an imperial-level of black- or crimson gold-rank, I might be able to win the battle with my cards. However, if its combat strength is on yellow- or white gold-rank, I'm simply seeking for death. Moreover, it's not worth wasting a card that can protect my life for the sake of obtaining tinder. As for the second method, it's too risky to sneak in. We know nothing about the Rakshasa Mother's abilities. If it possesses abilities like dimensional travel and I'm detected by its monitoring skill, it'll probably kill me in the next second. Let's follow the third suggestion and find a way to lure the Devil's Psykid out."

"If you were to choose the third way, we might possibly have to stay in the Abyss Brink for a few more days," Bloody answered. "I'll need a few days to monitor their activities so that I can come up with a plan."

"Sure. Let's stay here for another few days." Lin Huang nodded in agreement. "Let's look for somewhere to stay."

"There's a Humanoid Spider in a cave that's 120 kilometers away. The Humanoid Spider is only an immortal-level rank-3." Bloody extended its antenna, pointing towards the two o'clock direction.

After several minutes, Lin Huang appeared outside of the cave as directed by Bloody.

Before Lin Huang could even instruct it, the Eclipse Boa then transformed into a bloody glow and entered the cave. A moment later, it returned victoriously.

Lin Huang cleaned up the cave and set up his tent. Since he was going to stay there for several days, he had to make sure that the environment was conducive.

After cleaning up and setting up his tent, it was about 6 p.m. The sky was turning dark.

Lin Huang then summoned Bai and Lancelot, and they had their snacks together in the cave.

As usual, Lancelot was in love with its vegetables whereas Bai was drinking its fruit juice that was bright red in color. It did not bother to eat any of the solid foods. Bloody was munching on sweets happily whereas the Eclipse Boa was taking a small bite of the dried meat.

Lin Huang and his summoning monsters lived peacefully in the following few days.

Although they were on the second layer of the Abyss Brink which dangerous, he could still live a happy life.

There were no strong monsters in the place where he was living. The strongest monster would be an immortal-level rank-5 or rank-6. After he had occupied the cave of the Humanoid Spider, Bai and Lancelot fought an immortal-level rank-6 invader on that day itself. After that, the both of them had risen up to become one of the bosses in the area as they had gained considerable prestige. Many of the monsters did not dare to approach the cave where Lin Huang was.

Lin Huang was afraid that they would be discovered by the Rakshasa Mother which was more than 1,000 kilometers away. Otherwise, he would have organized a barbecue party each night. He had been eating snacks in the past few days and was soon bored with the food.

Something that Lin Huang did not know was that Yao Huanhuan who was at Sweep City had created trouble for her parents.

“Daddy, it has been a few days. Do you have news about Lin Xie?” After knowing that her sister had gone to the Abyss Brink to get Lin Huang into trouble, Yao Huanhuan had been asking for permission to go to the Abyss Brink every day.

Of course, her parents would not let their daughter take the risk. They could only help her ask about Lin Huang.

“He hasn’t gotten out after so many days. Did Sister kill him?”

“Huanhuan, your sister has her limits.” Father Yao was speechless.

“Could he have been eaten by monsters?” Yao Huanhuan asked again.

“I’m not sure about that since it is the Abyss Brink...” Before Father Yao could finish his words, Mother Yao stared at him and said, “He might be able to survive.”

“Even if one day isn’t enough, he can definitely hunt for tinder in two days. Why hasn’t he got out of the Abyss Brink?”

Father Yao wanted to reply, “He has most probably died there.” However, seeing his wife, who was standing next to him glaring at him, he dared not say that.

“Something might have slowed him down. Your sister is still there. Let’s ask her when she comes back. Perhaps she has met Lin Xie there.” Mother Yao comforted her again.

After consoling her, Father Yao and Mother Yao frowned. They were not worried about Lin Huang but about Yao Lan instead.

Yao Lan had gone into the Abyss Brink for three days, but she had not come back yet. If it were a hunting mission, she would have completed it in a day or two. However, it was already the third day.

As for the young man called Lin Xie, they did not care at all. For a crimson flame-level young man, who had not returned after entering the Abyss Brink for three days, her parents considered him dead.

Chapter 636: The Devil’s Psykid’s Secret

Lin Huang had been staying in the Abyss Brink for six days.

Other than the first two days, he practiced the Army Attack Tactics in the next four days.

One of the reasons that he did so was Mr. Fu had advised him to before. Another reason was that his Sword Dao was stuck. He had to find a way to improve his abilities via other methods.

Lin Huang achieved level eight in his Army Attack Tactics two years ago. However, he had neglected it since then. It rotated on its own with the use of his Life Power. He would use it occasionally during a fight to increase the speed of releasing his Life Power.

It would require 810,000 card pieces to level up to level nine. However, he had only managed to collect 600,000 pieces over the past two years.

When he activated his Life Power at full speed, he could complete a skill rotation cycle in a second. On the first day of his training, he managed to collect more than 50,000 card pieces in about ten hours.

He did not do anything else in the next few days. Other than eating and sleeping, he spent almost 15 hours practicing Army Attack Tactics. Four days later, he finally collected 810,000 card pieces, and a notification from Xiao Hei arrived.

“810,000 Army Attack Tactics card pieces detected. You have fulfilled the requirement to level up. Would you like to use 810,000 Army Attack Tactics card pieces to level up?”

“Yes!” Lin Huang decided without a moment of hesitation.

“Using Army Attack Tactics card pieces x810,000... Army Attack Tactics is being leveled up...”

“Congratulations, Army Attack Tactics has leveled up to level nine!”

“You’re required to collect 10 million Army Attack Tactics card pieces for the next level!”

“Eh, 10 million? I can finally understand why there are so few of them who practiced this in the past.” Lin Huang was speechless right after he saw the figure.

Even he, who had a Goldfinger, would need 10 million card pieces to level up to Army Attack Tactics level 10. It was the standard to become a cultivator. However, to gather 10 million card pieces, even if he did not do anything else and just trained Army Attack Tactics for 15 hours a day, he would need 200 days to complete the collection, let alone ordinary people that had no Goldfinger. They could not obtain the complete skill set just by collecting card pieces. Forget leveling up from level one to level nine, to upgrade from level nine to level ten alone, they would not be able to achieve it without practicing for several years.

In Army Attack Tactics, for every six levels there would be a low threshold, and for every eight levels, there would be a high threshold. From the ninth level to the tenth, it was a bottomless pit. Anyone without talent, ability, and determination would have given up halfway through. However, by achieving level 10, only then they could practice The Twisted Fate Scripture and become a true cultivator. This was the reason why there were so few cultivators in the old epoch.

However, there would not be much improvement in Lin Huang’s ability when he leveled up to level nine. The only difference was that the speed of his recovery of Life Power was a few times faster than before, which enabled Lin Huang to have better control over his Life Power.

In the afternoon of the sixth day, Lin Huang gradually opened his eyes after leveling up to Army Attack Tactics level nine.

“Master, I’ve found a chance to kill the Devil’s Psykid.” Sensing that Lin Huang had regained his consciousness, Bloody spoke, “Tomorrow is when the Rakshasa Mother gives the kids free time. Free time is only given to them once a month. That’s the only day when the Devil’s Psykid and the rest of the monsters will leave the Rakshasa Mother’s lair.”

“Tomorrow? I shall quickly think of a way to kill it,” Lin Huang said. The news came at the right time as he had just completed his upgrade in the Army Attack Tactics.

“The Rakshasa Mother will leave its lair early in the morning. So, it’s a workable plan. However, their bodies may be monitored,” Bloody reminded.

“Therefore, right after I’ve completed the kill, I’ll have to leave immediately with the carcass. I can’t extract its tinder first.” Lin Huang nodded.

After the monster died, the Life Fire in its body would go through a slow process of collapsing. He had an hour to extract the tinder. After an hour, when the Life Fire had disappeared entirely, he would have no way of obtaining it. Lin Huang did not have much time.

“Yes, since we have no idea how strong the Rakshasa Mother is, we’ll have to be prepared for the worst and assume that she can perform dimensional travel,” Bloody confirmed. “Therefore, you have to leave right after you’ve completed the kill.”

After communicating with Bloody, they then confirmed their murder strategy. At about 1 a.m, Lin Huang went to bed.

Early in the morning, before 6 a.m, Lin Huang was awake.

After waiting for so many days, he finally had the chance to extract the tinder.

Lin Huang then recalled Bai, Lancelot, and the Eclipse Boa into their card forms after having his breakfast. Bloody was not recalled as he needed its guidance.

Sitting at the entrance of the cave, he waited patiently for the chance to strike.

At slightly after eight o’clock in the morning, as shown in Bloody’s monitoring screen, the Rakshasa Mother carried a monster that looked like a baby and left.

In just a short while, a few of the monsters that it had adopted were released from the building. Lin Huang’s target, the Devil’s Psykid, was the last one to be released.

The monsters soon headed in their own directions. The Devil’s Psykid sized up the surroundings, then it flew in a random direction of its choice. It seemed like it was flying towards where Lin Huang was.

“Why is it coming towards our direction?” Lin Huang asked curiously.

“It’s not coming after us. Perhaps it’s going back to its own lair,” Bloody guessed.

“It’s going back to its lair? Does it miss home?” Lin Huang felt that only humans had emotions, but he was unsure if a triple mutated monster would be emotional.

"I don't think so. Most of the monsters have different ways of thinking compared to humans. They know nothing about home. Their lair is just a temporary habitat to them. The concept is the same as humans' short-term tenancy, and they won't miss home. It chooses to go back to its own lair probably because there's something it cares for over there."

"Something that's caught a triple mutated monster's attention? It must be something valuable!" Lin Huang laughed, "Can you confirm the exact location of its lair?"

"I confirmed it two days ago. Other than the cave that we've been staying in, there's only another cave around us that's vacant."

"Let's wait for it at its lair!" Lin Huang grinned wryly.

A few minutes later, Lin Huang and Bloody appeared outside the lair.

"Here it is. Are we going in?" Bloody asked. "It'll need more than half an hour to arrive. Although I found nothing inside its lair by using my Leech Pods, we can still search."

"There's no need to do so. Let's wait outside." Lin Huang shook his head. They then hid in the forest nearby, restraining their aura.

In fact, the Devil's Psykid was indeed heading back to its lair. It appeared outside its den after about half an hour. It stopped for a moment and looked around before entering the cave.

After the Devil's Psykid entered the cave, Bloody projected the situation inside the cave immediately.

The Devil's Psykid went deep into the cave. Before reaching the wall, it pressed a portion of it. A few moments later, the wall started cracking and becoming stone chips. Black crevasses that looked like strands of hair appeared. The cracks were like vines forming all over the wall. Countless small fissures started extending slowly.

Black mist was gushing out of the wall, entering the Devil's Psykid's nose and mouth...

Chapter 637: Attacked by an Imperial-Level

"What's that?!"

Lin Huang frowned at what just happened in the cave. It was strange.

"If I'm not mistaken, it must be the Abyssal Mist. However, I've no idea why it is being released from the wall," Bloody answered cluelessly.

Right at that moment, a strand of mist that looked like a long whip came out of the wall, heading for Bloody's monitoring Leech Pods.

Bloody was caught unprepared, and soon, its Leech Pods were covered by the mist.

A few moments later, Bloody screamed in shock. Soon after, there was a blackout on the monitoring screen.

"Bloody, what happened?" Lin Huang immediately asked.

“The Abyssal Mist is kind of evil. It’s capable of capturing the aura of any living beings. By touching my Leech Pods, it can contaminate my body...” Bloody murmured in shock. “Fortunately, I managed to destroy my Leech Pods in time.”

Lin Huang knew that the Abyssal Mist was capable of contaminating bodies with a soul to demonize them.

To most humans and non-fiends, the Abyssal Mist was the source of contamination. However, it was a supplement to the fiends and demons. The Abyssal Mist was a holistic medicine to most of the monsters in the Abyss Brink. That was the reason why the Devil’s Psykid hid it there. The wall that released the Abyssal Mist could be intimidating to the imperial-level Rakshasa Mother.

Of course, there were grades for the contamination power of the Abyssal Mist. The demonizing effect of the grade-1 Abyssal Mist could only work on ordinary people or monsters with no Life Power in their bodies. The grade-2 Abyssal Mist could contaminate any humans or monsters of any levels lower than transcendent. The grade-3 Abyssal Mist could complete the demonizing process swiftly on those of a level lower than transcendent. It could also affect holy fire-levels and immortal-levels. The grade-4 Abyssal Mist could slowly contaminate those on imperial-level. As for the grade-5 Abyssal Mist, even demigods would avoid it if they happened to encounter it.

Lin Huang and Bloody had never heard of an Abyssal Mist that seemed to possess self-consciousness before. Both of them were shocked by the scene they saw when the Abyssal Mist attack Bloody’s Leech Pods.

“Since you’re an immortal-level and it has an effect on you through your Leech Pods, the Abyssal Mist being released from the wall must be at least on grade-4. It shouldn’t exist on the second layer of the Abyss Brink,” Lin Huang analyzed in a deep voice.

“The monitoring screen has been destroyed. I’ll release another Leech Pods so that we can monitor at a further distance,” Bloody suggested.

“There’s no need to do so. Let’s just wait here.” Lin Huang shook his head. “Since it’s here to inhale the Abyssal Mist, it’ll definitely get out of its lair after it’s done with that. We’ll kill it by then.”

Bloody did not refute him. It was still filled with intense fear due to the demonizing power coming from its Leech Pods.

The reason why Lin Huang no longer needed to monitor the situation inside the lair was that with his Territory, he could roughly investigate the situation inside the cave. Although it looked like an infrared image at night, he could still clearly see everything that happened inside the cave. He would not have to worry about the Devil’s Psykid running away.

Outside the cave, time passed. Lin Huang and Bloody waited patiently for the Devil’s Psykid to finish inhaling the Abyssal Mist.

After about two hours, Lin Huang could finally detect that the Devil’s Psykid had stopped inhaling the Abyssal Mist with his Territory skill. It spent another half an hour digesting the Abyssal Mist in its body. Soon after, the Devil’s Psykid pressed the wall again. Controlled by its mind, the surrounding stone chips

quickly turned into a layer of a wall, returning to its original state where the cracks on the wall were completely sealed.

The Devil's Psykid then stepped out of the cave after doing all this.

When it stepped out of the cave, Lin Huang appeared in front of it in a flash. He did not show any mercy as he unleashed Thunder Eclipse in his first hit.

Transforming his black sword into purple lightning, he slashed his sword at the Devil's Psykid.

A flicker of fury flashed through the Devil's Psykid's eyes. It could not dodge the attack in time. A layer of a crystal-clear shield was immediately formed in front of it with its Telekinesis powers.

Purple lightning hit the shield at almost the same time when it was formed.

The transparent shield immediately cracked, and the purple blade of the sword penetrated through the Devil's Psykid's body without any hindrance.

Seeing its body collapsing, the Devil's Psykid was shocked. It thought that with the Abyssal Mist in the cave, as long as it had sufficient time, it would soon become one of the bosses in the Abyss Brink. However, it never expected that it would not have the chance to enjoy the treasure that he had found.

Relying on a sneak attack, the Devil's Psykid was caught unprepared and was killed within seconds. The level of difficulty of the fight was totally out of Lin Huang's imagination.

He initially thought that if his first attack failed, he would summon Bai and the rest, and fight it together. He had to complete the kill as fast as he could.

Seeing that the Devil's Psykid had died, Lin Huang then stored it in his storage space without any delay.

He then turned around and summoned his dimensional relic. Just when he was about to enter, a woman approached him.

Lin Huang caught a glimpse of the woman. He initially did not bother to entertain her and was about to leave. However, he realized that she was the one who had flirted with him at the coffee shop a few days ago. He immediately stopped in his tracks.

"It's you?!" Obviously, Lan Yao could recognize him as well and landed in front of him. "Why are you here?!"

"I don't have time to explain. Let's go!" Lin Huang immediately grabbed Yao Lan's wrist.

"What are you doing?!" As Yao Lan struggled, she sensed the sky suddenly turning dark.

"Follow me if you don't want to die!" Lin Huang immediately tugged Yao Lan into his dimensional relic.

Right then, a demonic face in the form of dark clouds appeared in the sky. The rumbling sound of thunder was heard.

"Little brat, you killed my children! Do you think that you can run away?!"

"It's an imperial-level..." Yao Lan was terrified.

At almost the same time when its voice was heard, the dimensional relic closed. Both of them then disappeared from their original positions.

The next second after they disappeared, a blue ripple was formed not far away. A woman in black robes who was carrying a baby walked out of the ripple.

“Damned human! I must kill you today!” As it shouted, its hand swept across the sky, and a blue ripple was formed again. It then walked into it.

Stepping out of the Dimensional Portal, Lin Huang and Yao Lan appeared at the entrance of the second layer of the Abyss Brink.

“Let’s go!”

Lin Huang immediately put away his dimensional relic. Again, he grabbed Yao Lan’s wrist and dragged her towards the exit.

“Get your hands off me!” Yao Lan shoved Lin Huang angrily. “Why are you bringing me along with you when you’re being attacked by an imperial-level monster? Do you want me to die?”

“If I didn’t bring you along, you’d have died,” Lin Huang answered simply.

Yao Lan then realized that it had been an imperial-level monster. If Lin Huang had not dragged her along, she would have undoubtedly become the monster’s target to vent its anger.

At that moment, Lin Huang saw a blue ripple rapidly forming. Again, he grabbed Yao Lan’s wrist and dragged her to the passageway of the exit before she could react.

Chapter 638: Being Born into the Same Family

Lin Huang was slightly relieved as he rushed out of the exit.

The imperial-level would be unable to enter the crack that could lead them to the first layer. This was also the reason why there were no imperial-level monsters on the first layer of the Abyss Brink.

In fact, be it the entrance or the exit on the first layer, the intrusion by any imperial-level was prohibited as they would be restricted by a unique kind of power. Even a Virtual God would not be able to break the rule.

Aside from imperial-level monsters, even human imperial-levels were not allowed to enter the first layer of the Abyss Brink. They could only enter the second or the third layer of the Abyss Brink through another channel.

“What are you doing? I haven’t completed my mission, and I can’t leave the Abyss Brink now!” Yao Lan struggled again as she was being dragged to the first layer of the Abyss Brink.

“Don’t give a damn about that mission! The imperial-level monster is chasing you. Do you want to go back to seek for death?” Lin Huang swore.

Yao Lan immediately kept quiet.

A few moments later, Lin Huang realized that what he said sounded rude. He then calmed himself down and pleaded, "Please give up on that mission. Our presence is being targeted by the imperial-level monster. If you were to go to the second layer of the Abyss Brink again, it'd sense your aura right away. In addition to that, she possesses the ability of dimensional travel."

"Why did you save me?" Yao Lan suddenly asked after keeping quiet for a while.

"There's no reason behind what I do. I simply wanted to," Lin Huang thought to himself for a while and said. He had not contemplated much at that moment. Seeing the Rakshasa Mother chasing after them, he had just dragged her into the dimensional relic.

Lin Huang's reply was beyond Yao Lan's expectations.

Right just as they were in that awkward situation, a figure suddenly emerged from the ground. To their utter horror, it was the Rakshasa Mother.

"Human, do you think that the channel can stop me from chasing after you?!" At the same time when the Rakshasa Mother's voice boomed, it appeared in front of both of them in a flash.

"Aren't imperial-levels not allowed to enter?" Yao Lan was shocked as despair overcame her.

"This is just a clone. It's only an imperial-level rank-9!" Lin Huang was startled when he saw the appearance of the Rakshasa Mother. However, it suddenly dawned on him that something was wrong with its combat strength.

"You're quite intelligent. I can't chase after you but my clone can. An imperial-level rank-9 is more than enough to kill the both of you!" The Rakshasa Mother cackled, proud of herself. As it was approaching them, it imagined Lin Huang's head being used to commemorate its child.

"An imperial-level rank-9..." Yao Lan bit her lip. She was an immortal-level rank-3. Since she was a supreme genius, she could defeat most immortal-level rank-8s. She managed to fight immortal-level rank-9s as well. However, the humanoid monster that appeared in front of her had apparently gone through its third mutation. Moreover, because its true body was on imperial-level, she would have a low chance of winning the battle.

"Lin Xie, leave first. I'll be able to defend against it for a while!" After a moment of hesitation, Yao Lan finally came up with a firm decision. It was not because she liked Lin Huang. Instead, she felt that because Lin Huang had saved her life twice, she did indeed owe him a favor. If she were not going to return the favor, Lin Huang would probably die there. Although she was incapable of defeating the monster, she could buy him some time at the very least. In addition to having skills that could protect her life, she could still escape if she could not fight the monster.

"I didn't know that you were so generous." Listening to Yao Lan's order, Lin Huang grinned. "It's fine. Since it's just an immortal-level rank-9 clone, it's far from capable of killing me."

"Stop bullshitting at this moment. Leave now. I'm capable of protecting myself." Yao Lan frowned. Still, she felt that Lin Huang was letting his ego speak over his rationale.

"Do you like firecrackers?" Lin Huang asked mischievously.

Yao Lan did not answer his question. Instead, she looked at him as if she was looking at an idiot.

“Alright, ignore me then.” Lin Huang rubbed his nose and took out the God Crasher from his storage space. He then placed it on his shoulder.

Yao Lan was stunned when she saw the God Crasher. She could identify what it was at first glance and immediately understood why Lin Huang had no fear at all.

The Rakshasa Mother had been staying in the Abyss Brink all the time. Despite living for so many years, it had never seen a God Crasher before. It thought that Lin Huang was just taking out a strange-looking weapon and it shouted at him, “Even if you were to use a demigod-level relic, it can do no harm to me!”

“Let’s see what’ll happen then. Even if your real body were here, you wouldn’t be able to survive this, let alone your immortal-level rank-9 clone!” Lin Huang grinned as he took aim at the Rakshasa Mother with his God Crasher.

The next moment, a golden flare zipped through the air abruptly along with a loud explosive sound.

The Rakshasa Mother’s clone could not dodge the attack in time, and it could only look on as it was engulfed by the flare.

Soon after, the bright light faded and the clone had disappeared as well.

At the second layer entrance, the real body of the Rakshasa Mother spat a mouthful of blood out and glared at the exit on top of it. It let out a furious growl and said, “Human, I’ll remember you!”

After putting his God Crasher away, Lin Huang and Yao Lan passed through the passageway, reaching the first layer of the Abyss Brink.

“I still have something to deal with. Let’s go home on our own.” Lin Huang was in a hurry as he wanted to extract the Life Fire tinder. The Life Fire inside the Devil’s Psykid’s body would only exist for an hour at the most.

“Do you hate me?” Yao Lan felt that he was trying to get rid of her.

“No, I don’t. I’ve only met you twice, and I don’t know much about you. Of course, I won’t hate you.” Lin Huang shook his head. “You managed to hide your combat strength well. You even fooled me. I’ve no idea why you’re trying to approach me, but I’m not interested though. Regardless of what your actual combat strength is, please don’t get me into trouble anymore. Otherwise, you’ll regret what you’ve done to me.”

“My name is Yao Lan. I’m Yao Huanhuan’s sister.” From what Lin Huang said, Yao Lan knew that she had to be frank with him. “One of the reasons that I’m looking for you is because of the mission. I have to go into the Abyss Brink. Another reason is that I’ve seen the news about you going on a date with my sister.”

“No wonder...” Lin Huang then noticed that Yao Lan and Yao Huanhuan looked alike. However, it had not crossed his mind previously. He then explained, “Don’t get me wrong. We were just eating together, but it wasn’t a date. You don’t have to worry about me snatching your sister away.”

“Aren’t you worry that what you said will make Huanhuan feel sad?” Yao Lan asked with a smile.

“Do you mean that you wished there’d be something between your sister and me?” Lin Huang asked.

“Go to hell!” Yao Lan scoffed angrily.

“Stop fooling around. I really have something to deal with urgently.” Lin Huang turned to leave.

“What’s more important than talking to a beautiful girl like me?” Yao Lan stared at him.

“What’s the use of being pretty? I can look but I can’t f*ck,” Lin Huang thought to himself. However, he just politely replied, “Sis, I’m looking for a place for extracting tinder. I don’t have much time left.”

“Okay.” Yao Lan then understood why Lin Huang was so nervous. “I can stand guard while you do what you have to.”

“There’s no need to. Go and look for a place to have fun,” Lin Huang rejected.

“What does that mean? Don’t you want an immortal-level rank-3 supreme genius to guard you?” Yao Lan rolled her eyes at Lin Huang.

“I’m afraid that you’ll attack me while I’m extracting the tinder,” Lin Huang told her the truth.

“You’re just a crimson flame-level. If I were to attack you, would a sneak attack truly be required?” Yao Lan sneered annoyedly. However, she soon recalled the God Crasher that Lin Huang owned. If she were to fight him, she might be killed. She instantly felt guilty. “Whether you want it or not, it’s no longer important as I’m going to do it for you no matter what. Unless you’re not going to extract the tinder.”

“What do you want from me? I didn’t even offend you.” Lin Huang was speechless.

“You’ve saved my life twice. I owe you two favors. I’ll only feel better after returning you the favor,” Yao Lan said as-a-matter-of-factly.

“I can finally believe that Yao Huanhuan is your sister now.” Lin Huang smacked his hand to his forehead as he recalled how Yao Huanhuan insisted on returning his favor earlier. She had been so attached to him then like a wad of chewing gum. What Yao Lan was doing was exactly the same as what Yao Huanhuan did. Naturally, they were born into the same family.

Chapter 639: Getting Chewing Gum Stuck to the Sole of His Shoe

Yao Lan followed after Lin Huang, asking various questions. She was like a sticky candy that he could not get rid of. After confirming her relationship with Yao Huanhuan, Lin Huang could not chase her away. He had no choice but to let her follow after him.

“What’s the imperial-level monster that wanted to attack you?”

“The Rakshasa Mother.”

“The Rakshasa Mother is a legend. Does it really exist?!” Yao Lan was shocked and stared at Lin Huang with a strange expression on her face. “You’re kind of brave. How dare you offend an imperial-level monster that has gone through its third mutation? Don’t you know that you’re only on crimson flame-level?”

"I didn't provoke it. It's because the Life Fire monster that I've chosen had been adopted by it. I only knew after entering the second layer of the Abyss Brink," Lin Huang said helplessly. Although he had quite a number of trump cards, he wanted to keep them for an emergency. He undoubtedly would not have intentionally provoked an imperial-level monster. If the Rakshasa Mother had not adopted the Devil's Psykid, he would have avoided the imperial-level monster. Since those cards were consumables, he would have a card less whenever he used one. Even the God Crasher could only be used once. Moreover, he was not a person that would simply offend others.

"What's the Life Fire monster that you've chosen?" Yao Lan was curious.

"The Devil's Psykid." Lin Huang knew that he could not hide this from her. Even if he were not going to tell her now, she would definitely steal a glance later as Yao Huanhuan, and she had the same behavior which was being over-friendly.

"The Devil's Psykid. That's good. It's a triple mutated immortal-level monster. Its tinder inherits its Telekinesis." Yao Lan acted as if she was a senior and commented, "Such tinder can indeed improve minor skills. However, I'd suggest you consider attack-based tinder as strengthening your abilities is essential. Telekinesis is just a minor skill..."

"The demigod Qi Muxiong, demigod Coulaux, demigod Cyclone... Didn't you inherit their Telekinesis?" Lin Huang reeled off a few names. They were demigods with extremely powerful Telekinesis that existed in the battle that had happened more than 800 years ago. Each of them had abilities that were almost on par with the Virtual God.

Yao Lan then realized that she had been boasting and quickly retorted, "They are different... You obtained the Telekinesis from the monsters. It can't be compared to those who are born with Telekinesis."

Lin Huang did not want to talk about that with Yao Lan anymore. He had chosen the Devil's Psykid as his Life Fire monster not because he wanted to obtain its Telekinesis. Instead, it was because of the experience it had in developing and using its Telekinesis.

Ten minutes later, under the guidance of Bloody, Lin Huang found a monster lair.

After killing the resident monster, Lin Huang made it the site for his tinder extraction.

Yao Lan then guarded the outside of the cave and did not follow after him.

Despite confirming that Yao Lan would not attack him, still, Lin Huang had to be careful. He summoned Bai and Lancelot to protect him.

The extraction of tinder was completed in an instant as Xiao Hei turned it into a card. The training went smoothly after that.

After inserting the new tinder into his body, Lin Huang could feel that his body had gained immense strength. The two-leaved Life Fire flame he initially had in his body had now become a three-leaved Life Fire flame. However, the third leaf was as small as a sesame seed compared to the other two leaves.

After about three hours, Lin Huang had finally leveled up from crimson flame-level to blue flame-level. The Life Fire and Life Power in his body had turned from flaming red color to a deep blue color.

Not only did the Telekinesis inherited by the tinder further improve Lin Huang's Divine Telekinesis, but the experience that the Devil's Psykid had in the development of Telekinesis had also instantly been integrated into his body.

Although he would still need some time to completely master it, Lin Huang could obviously sense that the control he had over his Telekinesis had been upgraded. If his skill was equated to being on kindergarten level previously, he was now at least on high school level now. It would not be a problem for him at all achieve university level after practicing for a specified period of time.

After leveling up, Lin Huang immediately recalled Bai that had leveled up to immortal-level rank-2 and Lancelot into their card forms. He then walked out of the cave.

"You've completed it in less than three hours. That's fast enough." Seeing Lin Huang walk out of the cave, Yao Lan, who was sitting in a rocking chair, glanced at the time and got up from the chair. She could sense that Lin Huang's aura had been upgraded to blue flame-level.

Under normal circumstances, the higher the level of the tinder, the higher the difficulty level of extraction. Therefore, the time taken to train it would be longer. Normally, a double mutated rank-2 tinder would require one to two hours for the extraction and the training of tinder. As for a triple mutated monster, one would need more than five hours to do the same for a rank-3 tinder. The faster he managed to extract and train the tinder, the higher the compatibility between them. He could also master the inheritance of the tinder more quickly.

Lin Huang had completed the process of extraction and training in three hours. Other than Xiao Hei saving him some time during the extraction of the tinder, his training speed was indeed faster than an average person's.

"You've leveled up to blue flame-level. What's your plan? Going home to absorb Life Crystal to strengthen your combat strength?" Yao Lan asked.

"I'm going to stay in the Abyss Brink for a period. I've accepted an order for monster carcasses before I came. I'll only leave after my Emperor's Heart Ring has been fully loaded. I can then focus on my training as well." Lin Huang gave an excuse to stay. In fact, he wanted to train his third Fire Flame to its maximum height by killing monsters.

"I'll stay here and assist you then. Since I have nothing to do and my mission has failed, I have to vent my frustration."

"Sis, are you in need of sex?" When he heard that Yao Lan wanted to vent her frustration, Lin Huang thought to himself. Of course, he dared not say that out loud. "Since you've failed your mission, you should go back and report to them so that others can take over. Staying here isn't a solution."

"That's your fault. Perhaps I'd have successfully completed the investigation without you!" Yao Lan fumed as she recalled this. "I've never failed any mission in the past."

"What was your mission anyway?" Lin Huang hesitated for a while before asking. He actually did not want to care so much. However, as he thought about it carefully, if he could help her complete the mission so that she could leave the Abyss Brink earlier, he could stop her from bugging him.

“An unusual energy wave appeared on the second layer of the Abyss Brink. I wanted to investigate what caused this to happen.” Yao Lan did not hide what her mission was about. “In the past few months, many people have accepted the mission, but none of them managed to figure out the reason behind this. A few days ago, I had something to do at the Abyss Brink, which was why I accepted the mission.”

Yao Lan did not tell him what she wanted to do was actually to see who Lin Xie was as her sister had often praised him.

However, Lin Huang did not bother much about that. He frowned and asked, “Can’t unusual energy waves be easily detected by an energy detection shell? Although the second layer Abyss Brink isn’t that small an area, how is it possible that it can’t be detected even after a few days?”

“Don’t you think the others never thought of this before? I’ve no idea how many times have people searched through the Abyss Brink over the past few months.” Yao Lan rolled her eyes at Lin Huang. “However, before encountering you today, I did actually get a strange alarm from my detection shell. It’s somewhere near the area where you were. However, can’t understand it. I was at the area two days ago, but my detection shell picked up nothing...”

After listening to what Yao Lan said, Lin Huang suddenly thought of the Abyssal Mist.

“I roughly know what triggered your detection shell.”

Lin Huang then told her about the Devil’s Psykid immersing itself in the Abyssal Mist at the cave.

The truth dawned on Yao Lan when she heard his explanation. “No wonder so many of them can’t figure out where the unusual energy wave came from. It’s possibly due to this reason that the Abyssal Mist remained hidden as it had been sealed by the Devil’s Psykid. That’s why the unusual energy appeared only once a month, and each time it’d only appear for several hours. No wonder everybody couldn’t find it!”

“It seems like I didn’t fail my mission. Do you have any photos as evidence? I’ll have to inform Adventurer’s Paradise regarding this.” Yao Lan was excited. However, she suddenly thought of the fact that it was Lin Huang who had discovered it. “Don’t worry, the credits will be given to you. I’ll only ask for the reward points from Adventurer’s Paradise.”

“There’s no need to do so. Take a photo of this and report to them earlier.” Lin Huang projected the image taken by Bloody. The communication function of the Emperor’s Heart Ring could not be used where they were, so Yao Lan could only snap a photo of it.

After taking the picture, Yao Lan then patted Lin Huang on the shoulder happily. “I owe you a favor again! I’ll have to leave first and treat you to a meal later.”

“As you like.”

Lin Huang nodded with a smile. He recalled the food that Yao Huanhuan had treated him to at the Sweep Gourmet tasting sumptuous, so he did not reject her offer. Of course, the main reason was that he knew that if he were to refuse Yao Huanhuan, the consequences would be... It would feel like there was a wad of chewing gum stuck to the sole of his shoe...

Chapter 640: Returning to Sweep City

After Yao Lan left, in the following days, Lin Huang started clearing the immortal-level monsters on the first layer of the Abyss Brink according to the map provided by the black market.

Lancelot attacked the monsters, and the battle was basically a one-sided slaughter. He was continually collecting monster carcasses. The third tinder in Lin Huang's body had grown to a maximum height of 50 meters in less than two days due to the massive amount of Life Power having been inserted into his body.

At first, one of the leaves was taller than the other. Now, he had finally managed to make the three leaves evolve into one tall leaf and two short leaves. Lin Huang felt pleased just looking at it.

Bloody led him to spend another two days killing ten immortal-level rank-7 monsters on his own. Due to the effects of the Double Reward Card, he obtained 600 reward cards.

Over the past four days, almost two-thirds of the immortal-level monsters on the first layer of the Abyss Brink were killed by Lin Huang. The weakest monster was an immortal-level rank-1, and the strongest monster was an immortal-level rank-7. There were three triple mutated monsters. Lin Huang had stored the carcasses so that they could be used as Bloody's puppets.

When he got out of the Abyss Brink, he returned to Sweep City immediately.

Since he had come to an agreement to work with Sweep City, he would comply with what they agreed on and sell the carcasses to them.

After checking in to Sweep City, he returned to the black market right away.

The woman from the black market was called Hu Lu, and she welcomed him back.

"Mr. Lin, you've been staying at the Abyss Brink for many days. It seems like you've gained a lot over there." Hu Lu observed that Lin Huang's combat strength had upgraded to blue flame-level at first glance.

"I've indeed gained a lot over there. However, I was almost fooled by the information that you gave to me." Lin Huang raised his eyebrow.

"How could that be? I've provided you a list of the triple mutated monsters. I've checked it, and there isn't any problem." Hu Lu felt that it was strange. "Mr. Lin, which Life Fire monster did you choose?"

"It's fine. Let's don't mention it." Lin Huang did not want to reveal his actual abilities, so he just grumbled and changed the topic. "If there's any information regarding triple mutated monsters in the future, I hope that you will inform me in the first place."

"That's for sure. We're working together." A smile immediately stretched across Hu Lu's face. She was an intelligent lady and knew that Lin Huang would not spread lies to ruin the reputation of her business. She could also guess the reason why Lin Huang was reluctant to tell her what the Life Fire monster he had chosen was. Since Lin Huang did not look into it, it was to her advantage.

Lowering her head and taking a sip of her tea, Hu Lu smirked and looked at Lin Huang as if she was not nervous at all.

“Oh yeah, I need you to buy an item for me,” Lin Huang then said as the lady remained calm.

“What do you want, Mr. Lin?” Hu Lu was not really interested in a single item order. However, she did not reveal her impatience, and she still sounded laid-back.

“It’s a psychic weapon that has to be at least a supreme relic. Of course, it’d be best if you could get me an original relic,” Lin Huang requested.

When Hu Lu heard that, a trace of shock flashed in her eyes. Based on the previous information, she could not tell if Lin Huang was a psychiatrist, but she quickly erased any tell-tale signs from her expression.

“Mr. Lin, the psychic weapon is much more expensive than the ordinary weapon and armor. The cheapest supreme relic costs more than 150,000 Life Crystals. Exclusively made relics or supreme relics with a special request can possibly cost up to millions of Life Crystals. However, as for the psychic weapon, any of the supreme relics will cost more than five million Life Crystals, and they’ll possibly cost more than 10 million Life Crystals. If the original psychic weapon is sold at any of the auctions in Division 3, they’ll be the best item to be sold off on the last day of the auction. One won’t be qualified to place the bid without hundreds of millions of Life Crystals.”

“If there really is an original psychic relic, I want it regardless of the price.” Lin Huang was not surprised by the extremely high price.

Before leaving Division 7, Lin Huang along with Yi Yeyu and the rest had gone to the grade-5 ruins. They had earned a total of more than eight billion Life Crystals. After deducting 10% from the total Life Crystals they had as payment for Mr. Fu’s contact to unlock the Emperor’s Heart Ring, each of them received 1.5 billion Life Crystals. Their wealth was comparable to a poor demigod’s. They were indeed rich people.

Although Hu Lu knew that Lin Huang did not lack money, she did not expect him to be that rich. He did not care despite the item costing billions of Life Crystals and firmly said, “I want it regardless of the price.”

Of course, Hu Lu did not think that Lin Huang owned that many Life Crystals. She felt that it was the organization backing up him that provided the financial support to train him. However, she was unsure which organization Lin Huang was from.

“Alright, let’s now talk about something serious.” Lin Huang sized up the surroundings and said, “Where shall I put the monster carcasses? This place can’t store that many of them.”

“We have an underground warehouse.” Hu Lu then stood up and said, “I’ll bring you there. The staff over there will manage the inventory.”

Hu Lu brought him to the underground warehouse. The underground space was made of the shell of the Idler Snail. Its capacity was thousands of times bigger than the actual area of the warehouse.

The Idler Snail was an imperial-level monster with dimensional abilities. Not only could it perform dimensional travel, but the shell on its back was also capable of compressing the dimension. It was only tens of meters tall. As a matter of fact, it could actually occupy an entire mountain.

An immortal-level rank-9 elder guarded the warehouse. Lin Huang was shocked to see that he was an immortal-level rank-9. The organization that supported Hu Lu was much stronger than he expected. However, since they were partners, it benefitted him.

Guided by the guard, Lin Huang took out all the monster carcasses in an open space. He stacked up thousands of monster carcasses like a few small mountains.

The warehouse guard did not waste much of his time. He scanned it with his mind and soon, he retrieved the statistics.

“233 immortal-level rank-1 carcasses, 197 immortal-level rank-2 carcasses, 161 immortal-level rank-3 carcasses... 27 immortal-level rank-6 carcasses. All the carcasses are well stored. Most of them were killed in one blow, and none of them are damaged...”

The data was accurate. Lin Huang had not taken out the ten immortal-level rank-7 carcasses that he had killed. He wanted to avoid the others from noticing that he majored in swordsmanship.

“Send me the details of the data. I’ll leave with the client,” Hu Lu said and led Lin Huang to her office.

“Mr. Lin, you surprise me. I thought that you’d only be able to provide me immortal-level rank-2 or rank-3 monster carcasses. It seems like I’ve underestimated you. Regardless of the number or the quality of the monster carcasses, they’re beyond my expectations.”

“I’ve told you that we’ll make purchases at the market price. An immortal-level rank-1 carcass costs 10,000 Life Crystals, an immortal-level rank-2 carcass costs 20,000 Life Crystals, an immortal-level rank-3 carcass costs 40,000 Life Crystals, an immortal-level rank-4 carcass costs 80,000 Life Crystals, an immortal-level rank-5 carcass costs 160,000 Life Crystals, and an immortal-level rank-6 carcass costs 320,000 Life Crystals. As for the unique monster carcasses, you’ll be paid a premium price,” Hu Lu told him the price list.

After a few moments, Hu Lu projected a figure on the calculating sheet of paper in front of Lin Huang.

“Is the figure correct?” Hu Lu knew that Lin Huang must have gauged the number.

“Yes, it is.” Lin Huang smiled, nodding his head.

Approved by Lin Huang, Hu Lu transferred the amount of money into his account without hesitation.

Before Lin Huang left, she suddenly asked, “Mr. Lin, are you sure that you want us to buy the psychic weapon for you? You aren’t going to stand us up, are you?”

“Don’t worry. I’m not that bored. If there’s an original relic, I want both the original and the supreme relic,” Lin Huang said before he left.