

The Charm of Soul Pets

Chapter 26: Lethal Moonlight

A violent gust brushed past, stirring countless auburn leaves and caused them to constantly flutter around Mo Xie!

Mo Xie's silver fur waved frenzily in the wind. A radiance appeared near her fur. As if it was growing, the silver whiskers became even brighter and more beautiful!

After Pitiful Appearance was removed, with a slender body, powerful limbs, noble fur, and a cold glare, not only did Mo Xie become more beautiful, but she also obtained a hint of severity, like that of a royal cold beauty who rejects people from afar, with eyes full of calculated killing intent!

As a stage nine Moonlight Fox, when she released her aura, the Hunting Wolf immediately showed signs of panic, with his eyes fixated on Mo Xie, recognizing her as a major enemy!

"Free the wildness within you!"

Mo Xie arrogantly raised her head, and let loose a frigid cry that penetrated the forest!

"Awoo!!!" The Hunting Wolf immediately retaliated with his own howl.

The Hunting Wolf acted as if he was against an immense enemy, and Zhou Shengmo's forehead similarly dripped with cold sweat. This Chu Mu seriously hid it too well. If not for today's constant battling that made him notice the Moonlight Fox's peculiarities, Zhou Shengmo would never have realized that Chu Mu's Moonlight Fox had always been using Pitiful Appearance. If they had met a few days later in the competition, this disguise would have definitely been fatal!

"Today, only one of us will leave here alive!" Zhou Shengmo clenched his teeth, knowing that he had to get rid of Chu Mu, especially since Chu Mu was already a Spirit Soldier. Once his Nightmare could battle, Zhou Shengmo would have no chance winning against Chu Mu!

With her final stage claws, after removing Pitiful Appearance, Mo Xie's claws were definitely not inferior to that of the Hunting Wolf's. Even when fighting claw to claw, she wouldn't fall into a disadvantage!

However, the Hunting Wolf still had a clear advantage in power, so Chu Mu would never let Mo Xie confront the Hunting Wolf head to head. Instead he chose to rely on an advantage in speed to attack the Hunting Wolf!

Once Pitiful Appearance was removed, Mo Xie's speed could be fully taken advantage of. The stage eight Hunting Wolf couldn't even catch Mo Xie's shadow!

"Dark Assault!"

"Shua!!"

The late stage fur of the Hunting Wolf couldn't stop Mo Xie's final stage claws at all. With the speed from Dark Assault, this hit still deeply wounded the Hunting Wolf's foreleg, even without using Ripping Claw,!

Four gashes had already appeared on the Hunting Wolf's body. Breathing heavily and with eyes full of anger, he constantly bared his fangs, wanting to break Mo Xie's neck. Yet, the Hunting Wolf could never find a good opportunity to deliver a fatal hit to Mo Xie.

"Mo Xie, Charm!" Seeing Mo Xie pull away from the Hunting Wolf, Chu Mu immediately ordered.

Mo Xie's stage nine Charm had a certain effect already. Although it couldn't stun a Steel Teeth completely like when Chu Mu casted it, it could still momentarily faze the Hunting Wolf.

Mo Xie's silver pupils swirled again, sending rays of light to pierce the Hunting Wolf's eyes. The Hunting Wolf immediately covered its eyes with its front paws. Clearly Zhou Shengmo had guessed Chu Mu's purposes beforehand.

"Heng, don't think that your soul pet is the only one with special powers. This ability is useless against my soul pet!" Zhou Shengmo twitched the corner of his mouth. Eyeing his own Hunting Wolf, he laughed coldly and said, "I'll let you see a Hunting Wolf's true brutality!"

"Hunting Wolf, Blood Yearning!"

Just as Zhou Shengmo finished, the Hunting Wolf abruptly rose its head, emitting a shocking howl into the forest sky!

Both the Steel Teeth and Tang Xian's corpse were flowing with blood. The Hunting Wolf itself was bleeding as well. The scent of blood had already permeated throughout the forest, and just when the Hunting Wolf howled, the bloody scent started aggregating around the Hunting Wolf as if it was being controlled!

Chu Mu furrowed his brows. Blood Thirst was the most difficult to handle out of a Hunting Wolf's abilities.

Dark Assault!

After the Hunting Wolf casted Blood Thirst, its speed grew substantially. A blur flew forwards and quickly reached Mo Xie, with claws suddenly swiping towards Mo Xie's head!

Mo Xie immediately casted Moon Shadow to evade the Hunting Wolf's ruthless strike, but the Hunting Wolf's fighting strength suddenly became terrifying. Once Dark Assault was finished, it immediately casted Violent Wolf's Demonic Strike, swiping six times in quick succession!!

"Shua Shua Shua Shua Shua Shua!!"

Six claws swiped past, hitting Mo Xie at least twice. Two criss-crossing wounds immediately appeared on Mo Xie's back, drenching her silver fur in crimson blood!

"Now, Ripping Claw !" Zhou Shengmo smiled cruelly, giving no chance for Mo Xie to take a breath.

"Shua Shua!!"

Mo Xie, though wounded, did not slow down. Quickly leaping to a tree and bouncing up, she put some distance between the Hunting Wolf and herself.

"Hide, hide! No matter how you hide, you'll still die!" Zhou Shengmo laughed, suddenly ordering the Hunting Wolf to pounce at Chu Mu.

Seeing the Hunting Wolf pounce towards Chu Mu, Mo Xie's eyes immediately became frigid and she dashed towards the Hunting Wolf.

"A death wish?" Zhou Shengmo laughed coldly, as if expecting Chu Mu's Moonlight Fox, he suddenly commanded the Hunting Wolf to turn around and swipe!

Mo Xie didn't evade in time, and suffered another bloody wound to her body. She lost her balance while moving, staggering to a fall beside Chu Mu.

Seeing Mo Xie deeply wounded, Chu Mu's heart trembled. Seeing the Hunting Wolf lunge forward, he threw his dagger towards it without the slightest hesitation!

After using Blood Thirst, the Hunting Wolf became very frightening. Facing Chu Mu's dagger, it let the dagger impale his shoulder and continued to leap towards Chu Mu.

"Sila" (TL note: sound of stuff ripping) Chu Mu put up his hands to defend, but both hands were immediately ripped bloody with gashes. He fell backwards from the Hunting Wolf's pounce.

"Huhuhu"

“Die!” Zhou Shengmo shouted.

Even when exposed to the Hunting Wolf’s teeth, Chu Mu was still very cool-headed, balling up to stop the Hunting Wolf from tearing his throat apart. He then glanced at Mo Xie.

The cold wind blew past, blowing apart the canopy, along with the clouds. A few rays of ghostly moonlight fell onto the forest, making the bloodied forest seem even more desolate.

“Mo Xie, Moonlight!!!”

“Wuu” Mo Xie lifted her head, and allowed the serene moonlight to splash across her silver fur, the radiance covering her like a luxurious set of armor. The shallower wounds on her body miraculously started to show signs of healing!

Chapter 27: Duo Type Soul Crystal

Silver moonlight, silver fur flowing in the wind, silver pupils shining coldly!

Watching the crescent that cast the moonlight, Zhou Shengmo suddenly realized something and shuddered, shouting out, “Shit!”

Moon Essence!

The Species Ability, Moon Essence!

This ability only worked under moonlight, so for most battle scenarios and settings, it was hard to utilize.

However, once bathed in moonlight, not only would the soul pet’s fighting strength recover quickly, the other attributes would also be improved as well!

“Mo Xie, Charm!”

Chu Mu, while still fending off the Hunting Wolf’s snapping jaw, yelled towards Mo Xie!

Mo Xie was already shrouded in moonlight. Charming rays suddenly blossomed out of her beautiful pupils, and pierced the Hunting Wolf’s eyes like daggers. Regardless of where the Hunting Wolf was looking, it couldn’t resist this mental attack!

The Hunting Wolf’s gaze immediately blanked and its attacks stopped. It became motionless, as if its soul was stolen.

Dark Assault!

After collapsing the Hunting Wolf's mind, Mo Xie rushed forward under the moonlight!

Mo Xie's running speed was naturally fast. Dark Assault made her even faster, and with the addition of Moon Essence, her speed was raised to a new limit. Her body flew past the Hunting Wolf like a silver lightning bolt, unstoppable!

Ripping Claw!

Silver claws ripped through the murky night, dragging a cold glint through the dark, slashing right across the Hunting Wolf's head!

"Puchi"

A shocking amount of blood suddenly spurted out. As Ripping Claw passed through, the Hunting Wolf's head was brutally split from its neck!

Viscous blood poured out of its neck. The Hunting Wolf went rigid after a few seconds and, along with the dismembered head, slowly fell to the ground.

The bloody wolf head kept on rolling until it finally came to a stop at Zhou Shengmo's feet. Seeing this frightening scene, Zhou Shengmo momentarily forgot to flee!

"Kill him, don't let him escape!" Chu Mu kicked the Hunting Wolf's corpse aside and gave a command to Mo Xie.

Only then did Zhou Shengmo suddenly realize that his death was imminent. His face blanched with fear and, without caring about the severed soul pact, he haphazardly ran deeper into the forest!

Without a soul pet and with an inability to cast any soul technique, how could Zhou Shengmo escape Mo Xie's vicious attempts for his life?

Chu Mu propped himself up with great difficulty. His arm was badly mangled by the Hunting Wolf. Not even his face was spared, which was scarred with a deep claw wound.

"AHH!!"

A blood-curdling scream suddenly echoed through the silent forest, startling a group of birds, who left their perch flapping frantically, adding panicked bird calls to the mix.

Chu Mu stared into the pitch black forest. From within, a pair of silver white eyes gradually came into view, slowly approaching him.

These eyes showed a severe cold and apathy, but when they neared Chu Mu, they slowly softened, finally becoming docile.

“Wuwuwu~~” Mo Xie’s eyes twinkled and she started to lightly lick at Chu Mu’s bloodied arm.

“I’m fine, are you ok?” Chu Mu stroked little Mo Xie’s fluffy fur and let out a pent up breath.

“Wuwu~~”

“Come over, I’ll help you treat your wounds...It’s fine, it’s fine, you were the one doing all the fighting, these scratches of mine won’t be a hindrance.” Chu Mu slowly smeared the last of the healing herb onto Mo Xie’s wounds.....

“Wuwu~Wu~~” Mo Xie laid down in Chu Mu’s embrace, the comfortable warmth from the healing herb slowly made Mo Xie slightly tired.

Battling continuously, Mo Xie was indeed exhausted. Though the Moon Essence had a certain healing effect, Mo Xie was still covered in wounds. Without a few days, it would be difficult to recover completely.

Chu Mu slowly treated every wound on Mo Xie. After dressing the wounds, Chu Mu muttered the incantation to withdraw Mo Xie into his soul pet space.

Soul pet spaces also had a recovering effect. Mo Xie could get better rest in it.

After he finished handling Mo Xie, Chu Mu carelessly dressed the gashes on his arm with cloth strips. To Chu Mu, these wounds were nothing. As long as he wasn’t dead, he could keep fighting.

Chu Mu retrieved his dagger and walked to the Hunting Wolf’s corpse. Cutting open the body, he extracted its soul core.

The Eighth Stage Beast Type soul core would be enough to allow Mo Xie’s fur to reach final stage. Then, Mo Xie’s resistance could be improved. Chu Mu decided to feed it to Mo Xie when she woke up.

Finished with the Hunting Wolf’s corpse, Chu Mu’s gaze fell on the Ninth Stage Flametail.

The Flametail had died from loss of blood not long ago when Chu Mu was battling Zhou Shengmo, so Chu Mu naturally couldn’t let this resource go to waste.

“Poor thing, but honestly, even dying is better than following that beast of a person.” Chu Mu said while crouched beside the Flametail. Only after caressing its head did Chu Mu slowly pull out his dagger and start dissecting the body.

Chu Mu's wounds did not hit any major artery, so they weren't severe. He dissected the body fluidly, and the process was swift.

Soul cores were usually located where a soul pet's heart was. When Chu Mu opened up the Flametail's chest cavity, he quickly found the energy-filled organ.

"Strange, this soul core seems to be a bit different." When Chu Mu ripped aside the Flametail's ribcage, he suddenly discovered that the soul core was distinctly brighter than the Hunting Wolf's, with a different shape as well.

The soul cores of the soul pets of the Beast World were, in reality, their hearts. Because energy was gathered there, special changes happened to the heart, causing it to have energy.

However, the Flametail's heart was unlike all others Chu Mu had seen. This Flametail's soul core was like an asymmetrical crystal, more akin to a beautiful work of art than an organ.

Chu Mu carefully extracted it and wiped the blood off of it using his clothes. The crystal-like soul core promptly glimmered with a beautiful halo under the moonlight.

A brown one and a red one, two halos faintly undulated around the crystal-like soul core, moving exquisitely.

"Soul core.....no, this is.....this is a soul crystal!!"

"Don't tell me this is the soul crystal that can directly alter and strengthen a soul pet's type before it enters its next phase!! Brown and red, it's a Beast and Fire Duo Type soul crystal!!" Chu Mu, holding this sparkling thing, couldn't help but cry out in surprise!

Chapter 28: Devil Crying in the Night

Soul Pet Trainers cared a lot about their Soul Pet's nurturing. For example, between Chu Mu and Mo Xie, unless he absolutely had to, he wouldn't let Mo Xie eat a non-beast or demon type Soul Core.

Although nurturing a Soul Core didn't display very visible results, if a Soul Pet was slowly nurtured from an early stage, when the Soul Pet reached an extremely high stage, this subtle influence would then become extremely prominent.

Moreover, if one were to say that Soul Cores needed a long period of time to accumulate and nurture before it would undergo a change, then Soul Crystals would definitely make a Soul Pet's attribute stronger- so much so, in fact, that it could completely change a Soul Pet's attribute as well as amplify one of the Soul Pet's attribute.

Chu Mu's Moonlight Fox was a combination of beast and demon types, and could be said to have both a beast and demon attribute. Zhou Shengmo's Hunting Wolf was pure beast type, or in other words, solely a beast attribute. As for the Flame Tail, it was a beast type and had a natural beast attribute, but also had an auxiliary attribute of fire.

Mo Xie's attacks were very one dimensional; demon abilities could only confuse the opponent, and her only attack skill was Ripping Claw. This was usually a common problem of Soul Pets with low race rankings. In order to make Mo Xie stronger, amplifying her attribute was of extreme importance!

Fire attribute was one that Chu Mu was extremely pleased with. If it was able to become Mo Xie's auxiliary attribute, her battle strength would definitely increase a level. Moreover, Mo Xie's future mutated race would most likely head towards a mutated race with a fire attribute.

Chu Mu broke out into a smile. During these continuous battles not only did he completely annihilate his most problematic opponent, but he also obtained this enormous benefit. It was definitely worth it!

"When Mo Xie finishes recovering, I can start her training. In the future, Mo Xie's food will mainly be demon attributed, beast attributed, or fire attributed. This Soul Crystal is only at the first grade. Later, if I am able to obtain these sorts of dual-attributed Soul Crystals, I can make her attribute's innate skill even stronger."

This sort of a dual-attributed Soul Crystal had two uses. The first was to change Mo Xie's character and raise her beast attribute's innate skill to a higher level. In the future, during her growing period, her strength, speed and defense would then grow at an exponential rate. The second was to let Mo Xie obtain the fire attribute.

This time, after using the Soul Crystal to train, Mo Xie's strength would definitely increase a level!

Carefully putting away the Soul Crystal, Chu Mu slowly walked to the center of the thick forest and found Zhou Shengmo's corpse.

Mo Xie clearly harbored a large amount of resentment towards Zhou Shengmo. His neck, back, and even the back of his skull were full of shocking claw marks, making him completely mutilated. His death was an extremely plaintive sight.

Chu Mu coming here naturally wasn't to beat the corpse, but to instead see if this person had any valuable items on him to take away.

"A few Soul Cores, he has absolutely nothing..." Chu Mu searched for a long while, but could only find a few items for Mo Xie's dessert. He didn't find anything else.

Zhou Shengmo's Soul Cores on him were all of the beast attribute. It was evident that they were used for raising his Hunting Wolf. In total, there were three pieces, and their quality wasn't bad. They complied with Chu Mu's standards for raising Mo Xie, and adding on the Steel Teeth and Hunting Wolf's Soul Cores, Chu Mu now had a total of five beast attributed Soul Cores.

After recovering a bit of his Soul Power, Chu Mu was able to use his Soul Power to fuse the five beast attributed Soul Cores into one high quality Soul Core. This was the equivalent of giving Mo Xie the most delicious food.

Amidst the rapidly falling night, the thick forest grew even more eerie and frightening, and yet Chu Mu walked alone.

Chu Mu didn't plan on returning to his wooden house. Both he and Mo Xie were currently in a weak state, and if they returned to the camp, there was a high probability that someone else would make a move against them.

He continued to walk towards the outside of the forest and arrived at the precipice where he was calmly reflecting at before. In front of him stretched the black ocean...

The black clouds were like the ocean water and quickly rolled through in the sky. The silver, cold moon stood alone high in the clouds, occasionally shedding its radiance, which dispersed over Chu Mu's body.

"It seems like the time has almost come... this devil..." Chu Mu lowered his head and gazed at the rushing ocean water as he muttered to himself.

Under the onslaught of the ice-cold sea breeze, Chu Mu closed his eyes and entered a quiet cultivation state. He prepared to make a stand against the devil in his body.

The White Nightmare's quantity of food was extremely large. Chu Mu had to feed his Nightmare once every two days. Furthermore, every time he did so, it seemed to consume all of his Soul Power.

It took two days for Chu Mu's Soul Force to be fully replenished from a depleted state. One could say that between this terrifying life and death equilibrium that Chu Mu was maintaining with this devil, if Chu Mu wasted even a tiny bit of his Soul Power one day or if the White Nightmare advanced a stage one day, then this life and death equilibrium would be shattered.

The silver moonlight showered over Chu Mu's body making him seem as if he was draped in a hazy silver muslin.

If one were to carefully look, he or she would discover that within the moonlight's silver muslin, an indistinct black specter was enveloping Chu Mu's body. This specter was in

the midst of absorbing Chu Mu's Soul Power incessantly, frantically sucking on it like a hungry infant and even more so like a avaricious devil!

"Nie!!!"

Suddenly, a plaintive and terrified shout rang out from Chu Mu's body. This palpitating ululation forged through the rumbling ocean waves, piercing through the mist and unceasingly reverberated across the ocean surface.

"How repulsive! Feeding you slightly less Soul Power will kill you!?" Chu Mu reprimanded. His was at the moment, incomparably pale and his entire body was clearly in exceptional pain.

"Nie!!" The Nightmare's cry once again rang out!

When Chu Mu used the Soul Skill Chong Mei, he expended one-quarter of his Soul Force. However, this White Nightmare's quantity of food each time was ninety percent of Chu Mu's Soul Force!

"Nie!!" A piercing cry rang out once more. With each devil's cry, it was like a mental needle was stabbing at Chu Mu's spirit, causing him have a splitting headache!

"Nie!!" The cacophonous sound once again nearly caused Chu Mu to go mad!

"You wretch, shut up for your elder! If you don't let me quietly cultivate, how can I give you Soul Power!!" Chu Mu let out an indignant cry amidst the pain!

While in sharp pain, Chu Mu's cry was extremely resonant, masking the ocean's torrential noise. As for this indignant roar, it truly did have an effect. The starving White Nightmare suddenly quieted down and didn't exert any more pressure on Chu Mu.

Seizing this opportunity when the White Nightmare was quiet, Chu Mu immediately concentrated his mind and entered a quiet cultivation state, causing his Soul Power to quickly recover.

His Soul Power recovery was relatively slow and, generally speaking, after completely depleting it, he needed two days to completely recover. However, if he were to enter a quiet cultivation state, he only needed a day.

Cold sweat trickled down his back, and his heart was palpitating. Just now, Chu Mu had already felt the White Nightmare's angry thought to devour his soul. If it weren't for the indignant roar somewhat subduing this fellow just now, there was a high chance Chu Mu would have had to bear a surge of soul devouring attacks. That sort of pain was simply unbearable!

Chapter 29: The Foremens Anger

At the advent of dawn, Chu Mu finally suppressed the hungry state of the Nightmare.

Worthy of celebration, Chu Mu's own power had, through the countless battles and the Nightmare's torturing, finally improved to Third Remembrance Spirit Soldier.

Very soon, however, Chu Mu didn't know whether to laugh or to cry. He had struggled so hard to get to the Third Remembrance, but the Nightmare unexpectedly also levelled up, reaching Ninth Stage!

"Looks like without a good gap in strength between the Nightmare and I, I'll have to keep hiding behind my soul pets when I fight." Chu Mu said, feeling helpless.

"Let's see what this guy's appetite is like after reaching the Ninth Stage. Hopefully it isn't too excessive. At least leave enough power for me to use one soul technique..."

Chu Mu's own Remembrance was a lot higher than the soul pet trainers on Nightmare Island, but the White Nightmare inside him lowered him to the same level as the rest.....

"Cyan Nightmares can start fighting when they enter phase two. I'm not sure how much the White Nightmare needs to be fed to start fighting though."

Chu Mu sighed. If he could wait for the White Nightmare to battle, Chu Mu's power would undoubtedly increase substantially. It was a pity that the White Nightmare was even more special than the Cyan Nightmare. It wouldn't be able to enter battles any time soon.

Only when dawn arrived did Chu Mu slowly return to the camp.

"Yi, how did you get hurt?" Ding Yu asked, surprised at the wounds on Chu Mu's face and arm.

"It's nothing, I just need to rub some medicine on it." Chu Mu said while taking out some medicine.

"Let me help you....." Ding Yu took the medicine and said to Chu Mu.

Chu Mu nodded, turning the inside of his arm towards Ding Yu for her to treat.

"How did you get hurt? Don't tell me you went to the inner island!" Ding Yu continued asking.

"I wasn't paying attention in battle. and got ambushed by a soul pet. It was nothing serious." Chu Mu said.

“You sure are bold. It’s almost a battle of life and death and you still went ventured out. Can your little Mo Xie still fight?”

“En.” Chu Mu just nodded.

In reality, after the continuous fighting, Mo Xie didn’t have much fighting power left. Without a special recovering medicine, it would take at least five days for her to recover from her wound riddled state.

As for the Soul Crystal training, Chu Mu had to wait until Mo Xie completely recovered before carrying it out. The energy from the soul crystal would cause soul pets to enter into a hibernation state. As for how long it would last, even Chu Mu couldn’t guarantee it.

So, the most important thing Chu Mu needed to do was to let Mo Xie recover her fighting strength within the next four days. Without entering the top ten, Chu Mu would be eliminated!

“Weird, what’s up with the commotion outside?” Once Ding Yu finished wrapping Chu Mu’s wounds, clamorous sounds could be heard from outside.

Chu Mu looked out the window, vaguely hearing within the commotion that apparently a few of the early rising kids found many corpses in the forest.

“I’ll go check it out. You seem tired, so rest first.” Ding Yu was quite interested, so she quickly left the wooden room.

Chu Mu was indeed tired. Once his wounds were treated, he went to his bed and lay down, but not before tucking the little cyan bug inside his clothes on the bedside.

“Sleep well, timid little guy.” Chu Mu patted the little bug and fell asleep on his bed.

Chu Mu slept soundly, falling asleep almost the instant he lay down. However, not long after, he felt a sharp pain in his toes, waking him up suddenly!

“The foremen want us to gather up, get up quickly……” Ding Yu’s voice instantly sounded near his ear.

Chu Mu grabbed the little cyan bug on the bedside on the way and went to wash his face with cold water.

“Sii!!!”(TL: sound of pain) Chu Mu sucked in a breath, just realizing that he still had a gash on his face. When the water splashed it, it felt as if he got cut again!

These past three months, the foremen had always been in their base, taking little notice of the kids, and gave everyone a somewhat free environment.

However, those were just appearances; the foremen were constantly observing every soul pet trainer on the island. Which soul pet trainer was how strong, how many soul pets everyone had – they knew everything.

The Nightmare Palace's true purpose was definitely not to slaughter for fun. It was to raise and pick out, within the cruel environment, potential candidates to serve them.

Thus, the foremen strictly prohibited any mutual killing before the battle of life and death. After all, most soul pet trainers on the island had only one soul pet, so life and death battles could be decided by many non-strength related factors as well.

Zhou Shengmo captured a High ranking Hunting Wolf and became the first person on the island to become a High Remembrance Spirit Disciple, so naturally he was followed very closely. To the foremen, he was a very valuable, potential candidate.

As a matter of fact, the foremen had already made an approximate ranking list, with Zhou Shengmo at first place. People like Feng Gu, Tang Xian, Ding Yu, Ge Qin, and Luo Cheng were also on the list. Even before the battle of life and death began, the foremen could foresee these people on the top ten list.

However, as the final battle neared, the closely watched Zhou Shengmo died suddenly inside the forest!

Not only that, but the decently ranked Tang Xian and Luo Chen also died in the same place. This meant that three good candidates on the foremen's list were instantly erased!

When they heard of the news that morning, Cao Yi, the head of the foremen, was absolutely livid and cursed vigorously at every single foreman on the island. Finally, he ordered for all the enslaved children to group up. He had to fully understand the situation!

"Boss Cao, the death of those two don't matter. Zhou Shengmo, Tang Xian and Luo Chen were of decent quality, so their deaths will be hard to explain....."

Cao Yi's face was still gloomy. In this part of the Eternal Ocean, there were many islands similar to their Cyan Nightmare Island. All these islands were totally isolated from the rest of the world. According to the Nightmare Palace's system, every island would hold these elimination competitions.

If the islands could help the Nightmare Palace to obtain many potentially highly talented members, said island's leader and foremen would all get the appropriate benefits like wealth, power, rewards.....

It could be said that the island's foremen all rely on these young soul pet trainers to obtain benefits. Cao Yi and his foremen thought that the young trainers on their island

were all of decent quality, and that they could get quite some benefits. Who could have thought that something like this would happen?

Chapter 30: Death Notice: The Decisive Battle Has Been Shifted Forward

“You guys sure have a lot of courage. Over these past three months, without any of our restrictions, you guys think that you’re completely free!” Cao Yi’s fierce looking face trembled. His eyes swept across the young Soul Pet Trainers. A threatening cold air. Even if he hadn’t summoned a Soul Pet, he still gave the others a form of fear.

“Yesterday night, five people died in the thick forest. Amongst them were Zhou Shengmo, Tang Xian and Luo Chen. Hmph, as long as we can still kill you, your lives are completely within our control . However, there was someone who didn’t listen and surprisingly violated our wishes...”

After listening to Cao Yi, an expression of shock appeared on all of the young Soul Pet Trainers’ faces!

Five people being killed definitely meant that their Soul Pets were also killed. Even if two of them weren’t very strong, simply Zhou Shengmo himself was someone that no one on the island could contend against. Moreover, amongst the dead were Tang Xian and Luo Chen, who were unanimously ranked within the top ten people!

The strength of these three people was very obvious, but within one night they were all killed within the outer island. This was simply too inconceivable!

The foremen all had strength that could kill these three people, but this was something the foremen simply couldn’t be bothered to do. Moreover, there was no reason to call everyone together and criticize them after their deaths!

For a moment, the young Soul Pet Trainers looked at each other trying to figure out just who possessed such an incredible ability to kill these three people!

To the side, when Ting Yu heard this news, her first reaction was to look over in shock at Chu Mu who looked like he had experienced a large battle.

Ting Yu remembered that Chu Mu said that he was going to the thick forest when he left yesterday. As for this morning, the spread of such shocking news was too coincidental!

Chu Mu felt Ting Yu’s gaze, but blankly shook his head and pretended that he knew nothing.

“Right now, you will each walk to the hut adjacent to us and summon your Soul Pets!” Cao Yi coldly said. He clearly had to make clear of the situation!

If the person who managed to kill five people in one night was one of these Soul Pet Trainers, then that meant that he was an absolute threat to these foremen and consequently had to be found!

The young Soul Pet Trainers were individually called to the hut for interrogation. Each person had a pale face when entering. After all, they had all witnessed the foremen's ruthlessness. As for those that exited, they all let out a large sigh of relief as if they had escaped a calamity.

Soon, it was Chu Mu's turn. He maintained his calm as he entered the hut.

Sitting in the main seat was the island foreman head, Cao Yi. To his side were Gu Lei and the red-haired Zeng Ze.

When the red haired Zeng Ze saw Chu Mu enter, the corner of his mouth twitched and he softly said to the adjacent Gu Lei: "This brat truly has a firm grip on life. Even now, his soul hasn't been devoured by the devil."

"It truly is strange, but Master Xia has given instructions..."

Cao Yi's gaze coldly swept over these two, indicating they should quiet down. His eyes then fixed onto Chu Mu. Using a completely apathetic voice, he asked: "Yesterday, where did you go? Summon your Soul Pet."

"My Soul Pet has sustained an injury and cannot be summoned right now. Yesterday I was on the outer island fighting with a few Soul Pets." Chu Mu responded

Cao Yi immediately creased his eyebrows. Recounting his suspicion that the target naturally wasn't in the camp last night and that his Soul Pet no longer had battle strength or had sustained an injury, Chu Mu's situation moderately conformed to such suspicions.

"Brat, you truly are audacious. Do you believe that what you do can escape our monitoring?!! If you speak another word of lies, I will immediately throw you into the sea to feed the Hunting Sharks!!" Cao Yi abruptly stood up. His entire body was like a savage beast!

Chu Mu's heart violently throbbed as he wondered if he left some sort of fatal evidence in the thick forest!

Soon after, he discovered Cao Yi's strange expression and suddenly understood that Cao Yi was evidently putting on a false bravado in order to make the murderer confess. He immediately flusteredly retreated a few steps and said: "I... I didn't do anything... I truly only sustained an injury after fighting with a Hundred Eyed Palm last night..."

Seeing Chu Mu's flustered reaction, Chu Mu's fiendish expression immediately disappeared and he returned to his original sitting position.

"Senior Cao, this brat has always kept to himself. His Soul Pet is merely a Moonlight Fox. It's fundamentally impossible for him to kill those five people." Zeng Ze softly said to Senior Cao.

"That's right, that's right..." Gu Lei said. However, this foreman with vicious intent didn't say so in order to exonerate Chu Mu. In truth, he felt that questioning Chu Mu intensely was simply a waste of time. Someone raising a Moonlight Fox Soul Pet had absolutely no way of killing Zhou Shengmo.

In truth, the foremen didn't believe that someone did it. They believed that it was most likely a certain group of people that suddenly launched a sneak attack on Zhou Shengmo at night in order to increase their survival chance.

"Scram!" Cao Yi harrumphed towards Chu Mu.

Chu Mu immediately withdrew and as he turned around, his flustered face immediately darkened and his eyes became a bit more sinister. In his heart, he said: "When my strength is enough, I will definitely exterminate you!"

Chu Mu hid his strength very well and didn't excessively handle Zhou Shengmo's corpse, so it was normal that the foremen didn't suspect him.

Very soon, all the interrogations finished and the foremen clearly hadn't found the killer. Ting Yu and Ge Qing's respective groups were relatively disciplined and were quite peaceful the previous night...

Ultimately, the foremen could only conclude that it may have been someone outside of Nightmare Island. However, the addition of this type of uncertain factor caused the foremen to heighten their alertness while simultaneously issuing a new decision.

"A person of unknown identity has infiltrated the island. In order to prevent more issues from occurring, the life and death battle will start tomorrow. The top ten places will leave this island with us and the others..."

After finishing the interrogations, Cao Yi announced this decision to everyone.

"Scram back to your dens to rest. Tomorrow, you either live or die!" Cao Yi coldly said!

Hearing this news, Chu Mu's face immediately changed. Moving the life and death battle forward clearly didn't give Mo Xie enough time to recover her battle strength!

With only one day, Mo Xie could at most recover forty percent of her original state. Moreover, the wounds on her body wouldn't heal immediately. Fighting in this sort of a

situation, and needing to win against two consecutive opponents to obtain a top ten spot was extremely difficult.

“Since it’s been moved forward, you’ve lost a few days to live. Truly unfortunate, Chu Mu.” An adjacent, not too friendly voice resounded.

Chu Mu creased his eyebrows as he glanced at Ge Qing.??His expression was clearly quite gloomy.

If it was the past, Chu Mu would have desired to run into Ge Qing and get rid of this fellow who kept trying to start something with him, so as to not feel annoyed.

However, currently, Chu Mu didn’t wish to encounter this fellow. Ge Qing’s stage seven scaled snake was truly a bit troublesome to deal with.