

Starchild 31

Chapter 31: Turtle Catching

The dark forest, the sleeping beauty, and their kiss!

How could they possibly remember it?!

Stars! Couldn't you erase their memories more cleanly? Now, he was really in a big trouble!

Yun Xi heard the whisper of the twin witches with sweat covering his face. He found that he underestimated the impact of the stars' trial.

No matter if it was Hua Huo or the pair of saintess, once he was to be exposed, he would have to face a miserable end.

"Don't think so much. I won't agree with you falling in love with anyone."

"Tempering our strength and becoming stronger so that finally, no one can control our fate. This is the only thing we should focus on."

"Love is just a kind of temporary illusion," Red Lotus firmly denied her sister's dream of love.

They were the pair of twin witches who were doomed to be the passeur of the treasure of The White Lotus Sword Domain. They had no time to play love games.

“You’re wrong, sister. Love always comes suddenly, just as you didn’t expect that you would have such a romantic dream, right?” White Lotus reached out her hands and pressed her chest.

“Till now, my heart’s still pounding.”

“This feeling is so strong, it must be the so called ‘love at the first sight. My prince, he appeared.’”

“Even so, it’s just your imagination. Loving a person in a dream at the first sight? I don’t know how to appraise your mind.” Red Lotus said with a grumpy tone as she looked at her sister falling into an illusion.

What was going on? It was just an ambiguous and absurd dream, but her sister suddenly fell in it, as if she was being possessed.

After waking up from that dream, she always talked about the prince in her dream and even vowed that she would have a wonderful meeting with her dreamy prince.

My sister, you are too naive! She worries that if she didn’t take care of her, her innocent sister would be beguiled by some malicious people in the blink of an eye.

“But, if I’m in love, won’t sister be lonely?” White Lotus winked her big innocent eyes, worrying about her sister, whose personality was so strong that she couldn’t possible to fall in love with anyone.

“If you fall in love with someone... if that’s true... I will be in a big trouble...” As she slightly imagined what would happen if someone cheated her sister and made her fall in love, Red Lotus was thrilled, as she then looked at their joined hands with a mixed feeling...

They were a pair of twins linked together by fate.

In the meanwhile, they were also a pair of cursed twins.

Since they were born, they were joined together.

Hand and hand, both halves of their body, they were linked together by incredible “lines”.

They had these invisible lines since their birth, it gave them superior talents and made them Hero Rank warriors while they were still 14-years-old.

Equally, these invisible lines also bound them together. It made them unable to leave each other.

Their breathing, heartbeat, and cultivation methods were all closely linked to these lines. Even at the time the overlord paid attention to them, she also clearly told them that they couldn’t cut off the lines.

If they used brute-force to cut off these lines, both White Lotus and her would die.

Because their souls, the source of their life, were closely linked together through the lines.

They shared the same fate—they would live and die together. They were the eternal twins; they were the cursed twins.

Theoretically, humans couldn't reach Hero Rank before 16-years-old because their immature bodies couldn't bear the power of the Hero Rank.

But they could because they shared each other's strength and could merge each other's different properties of power.

They were like the great way of Yin and Yang. Red Lotus was "Yang" and her sister White Lotus was "Yin".

As a pair of twins, their cultivating speed was not only twice, but overwhelmed other people's practicing speed by more than ten times.

This ability made them the presumptive master of The White Lotus Sword Domain in the future, though they were only 14-year-old juveniles. In the meanwhile, it also brought them giant pains.

Once others knew that they were a pair of cursed twins, though they wouldn't expose their mind on their faces, but their eyes would subconsciously become weird.

In face of a thing they didn't understand and wasn't able to control, people were always dismayed, disturbed, or even frightened.

Long, long ago, she had understood that she had to become strong, far stronger than anyone else.

In that case, she could protect her innocent sister's clear eyes away from the dark side of the world.

But now, there was a serious problem.

Her cute, innocent, and carefree sister fell in love with a ridiculous, non-existent dream person!

Oh, gods, what was wrong with her?!

She regretted that she had such a shameless and ridiculous dream.

What a bad effect the dream brought to her sister!

"I think that you should pay more attention to this little dog. At any rate, it's better than the non-existent dream prince."

"I will take a break." Now, Red Lotus was glad she caught the little golden dog, at least she could use it to divert her sister's attention.

The dream prince, go to hell ten thousand times!

You are not even worth one of this little golden dog's hair!

After washing Yun Xi clean and handing him to her sister, Red Lotus closed her eyes and entered a dormant-like state.

This was a tacit understanding between the twins. Because their bodies were linked together through the invisible lines, they couldn't leave each other. In that case, only when one side of them entered the dormant state, could the other side have a short amount of free time.

In the daytime, most of the time, Red Lotus took hold of their actions. In the night, she would temporarily sleep for a while to let her sister move freely and play games.

"Ok, little golden dog, come here." White Lotus adroitly stood up and held Yun Xi in her arms, who was still in a stunned state.

Red Lotus's body naturally followed White Lotus, floating like a ghost by her side.

Their tacit understanding was already deeply in their souls.

"I don't know why, but my first glance had told me that we are destined."

"Little golden dog, do you want to live with me from now on?" White Lotus lifted up Yun Xi's body and gave him a gentle kiss.

The twin witches' white, fragrant and soft bodies had been seen by Yun Xi from top to bottom. But he swore that it wasn't on purpose.

“Right, sister said that there is a turtle, let’s go to catch it, would you like that?” Yun Xi still didn’t recover from shyness, but when he heard White Lotus, he almost scared his nerves out.

Turtle? Turtle!

Chapter 32: Let Go of the Turtle

“No, no!”

“Don’t look at that place!”

Yun Xi desperately controlled Mei’er’s body, trying to stop the girl.

Unfortunately, it was obvious that Mei’er’s poor body had no strength to stop her.

One step, two steps, White Lotus was nearly walking on the water, slowly getting close to Yun Xi’s sleeping place.

Bad, really bad!

He would be found by the apostle’s alternate of his ex-girlfriend, get caught by her, and sent to one of his ex-girlfriends and forced to do various shameless things...

Yun Xi closed his eyes and waited for the judgment of fate.

“Turtle, where’s the turtle...” As Yun Xi hopelessly waited, White Lotus hummed a happy tune, walking to the location where Yun Xi hid his true body.

Inside the water’s mist, Yun Xi’s body was sinking in the hot spring. His breathing was nearly zero and his life force was also imperceptible. Because of that, Red Lotus thought that he was just a turtle.

However, it was just a special breathing method, not sneaking nor cloaking.

The hot spring wasn’t deep, even if he had sunk to the bottom of the water, everyone would find the so-called turtle’s true face if they came closer.

“Gee?” Yun Xi heard that White Lotus let out a cry of surprise, and a fantastic spirit wave spread out.

No chance. Yun Xi was regarded as a turtle by Red Lotus, now he exposed himself.

She found him! He was found.

Yun Xi felt that the world faded and his life had come to an end.

Should he resist?

He was just a 1st Rank Swordsman. In the face of one of the twin witches, who were at the Hero Rank, even though she was the slightly weak one, he knew he couldn’t win.

“Ah?” White Lotus sounded a little shy and seemed that it also contained some other meanings. Her seemingly turbulent spirit wave immediately subsided.

“What happened? Am I alive?”

Yun Xi quietly opened his eyes and peeped at White Lotus, who was hugging his current body—the little golden dog—tightly, by using one hand and covering her mouth by using another hand. She looked pretty shy.

It seems that because Red Lotus was in dormant mode, White Lotus’s left hand was tightly bound to hers, but now it had a certain freedom. She could move her left hand within one meter.

Her small hand covered her pink lips, and her eyes moved. Her expression looked as if she wanted to look at him, but didn’t dare to look, which was ineffable cute.

Yun Xi turned around, and not surprisingly, he saw his sleeping body under the water.

Through the misty surface of the water, he could see his own quiet eyes, perfect-proportioned legs and arms, and his intangible rhythm of breathing.

Why didn’t she kill him?

Oh right, she didn’t know that he was the wanted Starchild!

The twin witches had received the decree, but they didn't know the age and appearance of the wanted Starchild. So, in the eyes of White Lotus, she just suddenly found an unknown man in the hot spring.

Then why didn't she kill him? For an instant, he'd felt the fleeting spirit wave.

What made her stop?

"..." White Lotus was observing Yun Xi's body again and again. Every few moments, she wouldn't be able to stand the shame and turned her red face away, but after a little while, she would peep at him again.

"There... and there..." On her fingertips gathered a group of mists. They slowly formed into a misty human shape.

"Contrasting the first character: 100% perfect."

"Contrasting the second character: 100% perfect."

"Substituting, judging and locking on all the elements!"

Yun Xi looked at the changing, modifying human shape. He thought that it looked familiar.

Oh right, it was himself.

After White Lotus's small hands seized and modified the mist-made human, it looked more and more like Yun Xi.

"Could it be..." A ridiculous idea appeared in Yun Xi's heart.

"Completed. Verify the model!" White Lotus's eyes showed that she was serious. Unlike her sister Red Lotus, she was good at deduction and magic spells.

As the "Yin" side of the twin witches, she had a unique talent with math and deduction. It wouldn't be an exaggeration even if you said that she was the number one in the entire White Lotus Sword Domain.

Red Lotus's power was biased toward "battle", while her power was biased toward "assistance". So, when the twin witches teamed up together, they could burst out a really inconceivable battling force.

Now, she was trying her best to deduce and instantiate the person who was at first nebulous, inside her memory.

At first, she couldn't do it simply by using the data she obtained from her dream.

However, except for the inorganic data, she had a bug-like tool named "the instinct of a girl in love".

At the first glance, as she saw the person, her heart beat unreasonably as countless messy data appeared in her mind.

The girl's instinct told her not to use a magic spell but to instantly deduce the data, build a model, and then try to calculate the result.

"The possibility is near 100%!"

"No, it's 100%!"

"My presentiment is right!"

"Someday you will come to me like a gift dropped from the sky!"

"Just like the story goes on, you're my own prince." Hugging Yun Xi's body, White Lotus blushed like a sunset cloud in the summer.

"I found you."

"You are mine. My dream, the number one prince in the world!"

Too bad, she found about that! Yun Xi sighed about his bad luck as he choked due to the girl's "two white mountains".

It was just a dream made by the stars! And the stars had blurred his face in the dream. Girl, why are you so incredible? How could you figure out that the damn turtle was your prince simply by calculating the data of my body shape?

Apparently, they only met each other once in the dream of sleeping beauty's kiss!

"Hoo... ha..." It was hard to imagine that as a Hero Ranked twin witch, she was so nervous to the extent that it troubled her breathing. Being hugged in front of her chest, Yun Xi could hear her strong heartbeat.

"Sister, I'm sorry. But only this, I can't give you!"

"Because I found him first. Even if you are my sister, I want to take an advance on you!"

"Sister, didn't you say that you hated the prince? So, you won't mind I take one step first, right?"

The girl cheered for herself, then with a fearless expression, she hugged Yun Xi in her arms, walking up to his body step by step.

"Bang! Bang!" The girl's heartbeat echoed aside Yun Xi's ears shy, but soaring, firm, and excited.

Wait, what were you going to do to the sleeping me?

Why do you look so nervous, excited, as if you are preparing to commit a crime?

Let go of the turtle!

Chapter 33: Love of the Stars

Inside the pervasive water mist, White Lotus carefully, as if she was afraid of walking up the sleeping body, walked toward Yun Xi, who was mistaken as a “turtle” by Red Lotus.

“My... prince.”

“My destined... lover!”

No, you are mistaken!

Yun Xi tried to weep, but failed to shed a tear. He looked at the saintess, who reached her hands towards his body, with a bad feeling rising up in his heart.

Why? We just touched once in the star’s trial, perhaps it was only a few seconds, why is it that you can recognize me?!

“Eh?” As his sleeping body felt his soul’s emotional turmoil, it slightly moved.

This is bad, he was waking up! Though his soul was still inside Mei’er’s body, but he could clearly feel that his integration with the gold dog would face the end.

This time, his enlightenment had already perfectly finished. Even if the twin witches didn't come here, it wouldn't have been long before his self-awakening.

This timing was extremely bad!

Dimly, the bright light of the stars softly stroked Yun Xi's soul to take him back to his own body.

Yun Xi woke up.

Soon after, he opened his eyes and before he could do anything, his lips were gently blocked by some soft stuff.

The taste of white lotus was a familiar one. However, this time, it wasn't the prince waking up the sleeping beauty with a kiss, but the younger sister of the twin witches waking her prince by her kiss.

Everything was reversed.

The girl kissed Yun Xi's lips. Inside the diffused water mist, Yun Xi clearly felt the fragrance of White Lotus's lips and her virgin breath. (PR: Do breaths have virginity?)

"Eh..." Though this was the first time she did this kind of thing, but White Lotus had read hundreds of romantic novels from the Western God's Domains. Naturally, she made it to the next step.

Her soft small tongue easily broke through Yun Xi's teeth. She sucked his tongue, tightly tangling their tongues together.

Yun Xi just finished his state of integration with nature; his body was in its most sensitive state. White Lotus's teasing immediately made him fall into a passionate kiss.

Compared to their kiss in the dark forest, the kiss now was hotter. She didn't seem shy at all; such an impassioned girl.

"Gee..." When White Lotus found that Yun Xi had woken up, remembering what a shameless thing she was doing, her entire small face turned to red.

No, that wasn't the worst, because she finally recognized her appearance in Yun Xi's eyes.

"Eehh!" With her snow-white small hands, she hurriedly waved. Thousands of silver silk threads flew in the air, weaving into her holy and inviolable White Lotus Vestment.

However, White Lotus forgot to weave her sister's vestment. Red Lotus was still silently floating beside her sister, nude like a newborn baby, not knowing that her wonderful body had been seen by Yun Xi from top to bottom.

"Ah... well..." After been awakened by White Lotus's kiss, Yun Xi felt as if there was heat flowing through his entire body. It was absolutely not the heat from the hot spring.

"Prince... ah... sister!" White Lotus covered her small lips with surprise and happiness on her face, then realized that her sister was still naked. She hurriedly helped her sister put on her Red Lotus Vestment.

You saw it? You saw it! White Lotus gazed at Yun Xi with a crying-like pitiful look. She had no more words.

“In fact... I came here first.” Yun Xi guiltily raised up his hands. He wasn’t a pervert who would peep on girls bathing.

“I... I know... prince...” White Lotus shyly pinched her fingers, not daring to look at Yun Xi’s face.

Just now, she gathered all her nerve to kiss her prince.

She didn’t expect that the sleeping prince woke up due that, just like the fairy tales said!

It must be decreed by fate!

In her dream, the prince’s kiss woke her up. However, in the real world, her kiss woke up the prince.

Right now, what should her expression be?

In fairy tales, after being awakened by the prince’s kiss, the princess would fall in love with the prince.

In the real world, after awakened by her kiss, would it be the same for the prince?

Too much anxiety made her heart almost jump out from her chest.

Was this the so-called love?

Shyness, anxiety, excitement, and thrill. Various emotions mixed together, her head almost broke.

She could even measure the orbit of stars, but couldn't even find a date or formula to deduce her current mood.

What should she do? What expression should she show?!

Now, her expression must be very, very ugly. Wee-wee-wee-wee!

"Eh, sorry, I'm not a prince." Yun Xi sighed and shook his head. He felt lucky that it was the younger sister of the twins that found him.

If the terrible elder sister found him, Yun Xi slightly imagined the scene and couldn't stop himself from trembling.

The elder sister Red Lotus hated love and didn't mind anything. If she were to find him, the "turtle"...

After mincing the turtle, would she steam, braise, or stew him?

"No, you're my prince!" White Lotus raised up her head as persistent lights shined inside of her eyes.

“You don’t know this, but I have seen you in my dream before.”

“It was you, kissing us to awake us from the infinite darkness.”

“Even though I know nothing of true love, I know it’s our fate.”

“You’re the prince of my sister and me.”

Yun Xi dumbly looked at the White Lotus Saint, who was so innocent to believe that the dream meant destiny.

He couldn’t say the truth. He couldn’t force it out of his mouth!

The dream was the trial the stars arranged for him. You, the green hippo, and his childhood sweetheart—Hua Huo—were involved in his dream by the stars. How was it possible to tell her this truth!

Should he tell her, the young sister of the twin witches, one of the apostles’ candidate, that he was the starchild who was wanted by the four overlords?

Even if he wanted to die, it wasn’t an acceptable choice.

So, he couldn’t explain, couldn’t say, that the girl’s dream of a lover was just a by-product of a trial.

The great stars, why?!?!

“I- I’m just an ordinary person. It’s true.”

“Look, I live here, a small town. I’m a 3rd Rank Baker and 1st Rank Swordsman.”

“You must be mistaken. I’m not your prince.” Now, Yun Xi had to firmly deny her words.

“Ah, you live in this small town! I knew it was fate!” White Lotus’s eyes sparkled as if there were stars shining in them.

They must be the lovely stars named “love”.

Chapter 34: Confession

This time, he could never wash himself clean!

Looking at White Lotus’s persistent eyes, Yun Xi found that she was serious. She really thought that he was her dreamed prince.

The power of the stars was too fantastic. They could actually draw unrelated people in their trial and cause this misunderstanding.

However, he absolutely couldn't tell her the existence of the stars.

"Prince, what's your name?"

"Nice to meet you. I'm a saint from the sharp end area of the White Lotus Sword Domain, the titled Holy Virgin of the White Lotus Sword Domain."

"Sister and I are a pair of doomed twins. I'm White Lotus, my sister is Red Lotus." White Lotus politely greeted Yun Xi. Her etiquette was so genteel, it's hard to imagine that she was a girl who could wake Yun Xi up with such a fierce kiss.

"Yun Xi. Yun means cloud and Xi meaning silent." Yun Xi didn't know what to do in the face of White Lotus's good manners.

She was a Holy Virgin of the White Lotus Sword Domain and was one of the twin saintess, a real Hero Ranked female warrior!

Moreover, she had another hidden identity — she was an apostle candidate of an overlord (his ex-girlfriend).

According to Mei'er's explanation, not everyone was entitled to be an apostle alternate of his ex-girlfriends.

Talent, strength, potential, and even beauty were all there. If you were at the 7th Rank, but ugly, you still wouldn't qualify to be their candidate.

Anyone who could become an “apostle” of the four overlords was obviously a special person, a genius above geniuses, a special presence who was far stronger than any person at the same rank.

Now, as a dangerous presence to Yun Xi, the unknown apostle who was searching for him in the Sky Sword God’s Domain was an apostle of the 7th Rank.

According to Mei’er’s judgment, as the weakest among all the apostles, she should have obtained her position not long ago.

Well, less powerful when compared to some more old and stronger apostles. At any rate, a 7th Rank was a horrible presence, it wouldn’t be difficult for them to destroy the entire White Lotus Sword Domain.

Even if all the 1st Rank like Yun Xi together reached a billion or tens of billions, in the face of a 7th Rank, they were nothing, but just a number.

The presence of a 7th Rank had already reached the level of a master in the starry sky. If it was a small realm, it wouldn’t even survive a full attack of someone of this rank.

For the small town, a 3rd Rank girl like Hua Huo was already the strongest person. As for the twin witches who were at the Hero Rank, they were legendary people!

Now, one of them, White Lotus, was smiling sweetly and shyly in front of him. Her big black eyes were filled with love.

In the end, what went wrong?

“Yun Xi, what a nice name.”

“In the end, my prince is beside me, at the place I’m supposed to be at.”

“Ah, What a fantastic destiny! Thank fate, it guided me to meet with you.”

“So, when can we talk about our wedding?” White Lotus looked at Yun Xi in ecstasy.

No, it wasn’t fate! It was the stars’ fault! Yun Xi wanted to tell her the truth, but he forced himself to stop.

Weird. It was too weird. He had never met such a girl like White Lotus.

She was so innocent, enthusiastic, and pure, as if she was a princess that came out from a fairy tale.

It seemed that all the darkness and dirty stuff in the world didn’t exist in her eyes. She was like the most beautiful flower that bloomed in a greenhouse: snow white and spotless.

How did such a girl grow up?

Didn’t she know that the world had a lot of bad, dirty, and dark stuff?

It was just a kiss in the dream, she'd thought that he was her dreamed prince. She even started to design their wedding!

The process was too fast.

"Cough... Your Honorable Holy Virgin, please stop mocking me."

"I'm not a guy who deserves your love."

Yun Xi said the truth seriously and nervously.

"Why?" White Lotus looked at Yun Xi with a puzzled and doubtful look.

"Because I'm just a baker, and you're a Holy Virgin of the White Lotus Sword Domain!" Yun Xi tried to point out the differences between their identities by using a simple method.

"Anything wrong?" White Lotus cocked her face with an expression of "I don't know what you are talking about!".

"It means that the gap between our identities is too wide. We can't live together." Yun Xi looked at the innocent White Lotus, trying to weep.

What was she taught? Wasn't she taken care of too well?

“What’s the matter? I like prince, and prince just needs to marry me.” White Lotus didn’t understand because she never needed to understand these kinds of things before.

Since her childhood, she could almost get everything she wanted.

Her sister and she were born as the best witches in the White Lotus Sword Domain. From her childhood, she didn’t need to worry about food or clothes and everyone took good care of her.

Her fate made her focus on reading books, deduce, and to be her sister’s supplementary. She was already the perfect White Lotus Holy Virgin in other people’s eyes.

She didn’t understand because her life was so perfect.

Under her sister Red Lotus’s protection, she grew up innocent and pure. She believed the fantastic fairy tale stories and dreamed of a dreamy love

In reality, due to her sister Red Lotus, no man dared to reach their hands toward the twin witches.

Because her sister Red Lotus had a slight case of androphobia, she never allowed others to get close to them casually.

Until that day. Her sister and she had the same dream.

It was a fantastic dream, just like her favorite fairy tale story said: 'The prince came from a far away kingdom, broke through brambles and thorns to find the princess who was sleeping in the dark forest, and woke her up with a kiss.'

In the dream, her sister and her were awake the whole time. She even vaguely felt that the prince tore the brambles away from them and finally met with her.

The kiss was the first kiss for White Lotus and Red Lotus both.

Love at first sight, it must be like that. When she opened her eyes, for the first time she stayed in the same body with her sister, she saw her prince.

At that time, she'd understood that this was the so-called destiny.

She finally encountered her prince, as dramatic as the fairy tale stories.

Prince! Her prince!

"Identity, race, circumstances of birth, and strength aren't problems. I believe that we can overcome all difficulties to stay together!"

"My prince, trust me, my heart will link up together with yours forever. No matter whoever comes to stand in our way, my heart will never change."

"Even if that means that I have to fight against the whole world!"

“I love you. Please marry me, prince.”

Oh, that was not the problem. Yun Xi wanted to cry.

You are an apostle candidate. You are my enemy, Your Honorable White Lotus Holy Virgin!

Chapter 35: Love Letters

You wanted to marry me just because of a kiss? Your Honorable White Lotus Holy Virgin, how pure and naive you are!

Please don't confuse fairy tale stories with reality!

Let's suppose that you were the pure, innocent, and beautiful princess in the fairy tale story. However, I wasn't the prince who rode on a white horse to greet you!

You and I were natural enemies!

“I... I can't accept your love...” At any rate, Yun Xi had to refuse the exalted White Lotus Holy Virgin's love.

Even though he felt a little regret in his heart, but as a boy who was born in a small town, Yun Xi knew that it was impossible to accept White Lotus's love.

For them, the gap between their identities and strengths made it impossible to go on.

In Yun Xi's dream about his future, maybe he would marry one of those girls in his town. He even slightly imagined the possibility of marrying Hua Huo.

However, a female like White Lotus wasn't within his choice.

Illusion should have its limits. Moreover, the pair of twin witches were two terrible presences. Like his natural enemies.

"You can't? Why?" White Lotus seemed very shocked. Her innocent eyes almost welled up in tears.

"No means no. We are two different people.

"Besides, today I just meet you for the first time."

If before he awakened his blood as the starchild, if such a beautiful, cute, and pure girl said that she liked him, maybe he couldn't wait to accept her.

"Ah... but... you're my prince!" White Lotus's eyes were filled with love. It seemed that even if Yun Xi refused her, she had no intention to give up.

"Tell me, prince. What should I do to stay with you?"

“No matter what I have to do, I will try my best.”

“Except you, no one can obtain my love.”

Pressure. It was a great pressure. Yun Xi's forehead began to drop with big beads of sweat.

She was a perfect girlfriend! She only cared about him; she didn't even want any other male except him. She was like the most tender and beautiful flower in the greenhouse.

Dammit! How nice would it be if she wasn't the White Lotus Holy Virgin and the terrible apostle alternate, but a ordinary girl in the town.

It wasn't easy to meet such a girl who would show her true heart to him, but she was his natural enemy. Stars, are you mocking me?

“Then... then... let's first be friends, ok?”

It was just a plot to gain more time because there was no other way. No matter if it was Hua Huo or White Lotus, soon after they would leave this small town. By that time, the problem would be solved naturally.

“It's too weird to begin with a wedding. You're still young, you need time to teach you what true love is.” After wiping the sweat away from his forehead, Yun Xi tried to give her advice by using the best euphemistic method.

“Ah... so that...” White Lotus understood.

“We need time to brew our love, and the marriage contract also needs time to be prepared. Prince, you considered our future well.”

“So, give me a love token!”

“You don’t understand it at all, my Honorable Holy Virgin!”

Yun Xi looked at White Lotus, who smiled innocently, with an expression of “Why are you so naive?”.

There was actually a girl who was like the princesses in the fairy tales.

She smiled at him just because of his one kiss. She didn’t mind the identity and strength of the person she loved, but reached her hand to him without hesitation.

Compared to her innocence, Yun Xi felt like he was a mortal who had sank into the dirty world. How could he deserve such a fairytale princess!

“Gift... gift...” Yun Xi looked around, but unfortunately, he came here to take a bath. He didn’t bring anything that could be used as a gift to the girl.

Luckily, it was a hot springs area. Yun Xi remembered that there was a speciality here. It was the associated product of the volcano, and many people came to pick some to make ornaments.

Yun Xi saw one. He took several steps forward, put his hand into one of the stone wall's corner, and drew out a fiery-red stone.

Yun Xi slightly pinched, then found a irregularly shaped micalex.

It was a very common mineral in the mountain areas, especially at a hot spring. You could find them anywhere on the cliff.

In this hot springs area, there was a kind of beautiful micalex. Yun Xi found them by accident in his childhood while playing here with Hua Huo.

Unlike most of micalexs that looked green, white, or red, the micalexs in this hot spring had a rare golden-red colour. It was a beautiful colour, just like the setting sun ensanguined behind the clouds.

"I hope you are worth of my choice." After carefully wiping off the stone chips from the surface of the micalex, bit by bit, Yun Xi predictably saw the beautiful golden-red colour.

He was so poor that he could only present White Lotus such a crummy gift.

As the future master of the White Lotus Sword Domain and the highest witch, White Lotus probably wouldn't take a fancy in this kind of common rough stone.

Gold, treasure, pearls, or corals were nothing to her. She was like a beautiful princess in the fairy tale story, naturally having everything.

As an ordinary person, the semitransparent golden-red micaalex was the only gift he could find here for her.

“This... I can only find this...” Yun Xi looked at the irregular shaped stone in his hand and felt embarrassed because it was just a rough stone, good for nothing except for its good-looking colour.

“What a beautiful gem...” White Lotus’s eyes sparkled, behaving like she was a little girl who had just first tasted the sweetness of candy.

“Eh... but... It’s just a common micaalex.” Yun Xi looked at the delighted White Lotus in surprise.

As the White Lotus Holy Virgin, you should have seen countless more valuable and beautiful gems, right? Even if you wanted to build a gem palace, it wouldn’t be any more difficult than overturning your palm, right?

“I know it’s a micaalex. But it’s your love token, the proof of our love.” White Lotus blissfully took the golden-red micaalex from Yun Xi’s hand, though it hadn’t been sanded yet and looked rough.

“Today, this micaalex is just a common stone in the eyes of other people.

“But from now on, it’s the first gift my lover gave me.

“In the future, it will be the gift my husband first presented to me, and gradually will become a priceless and irreplaceable treasure in my life.

“I don’t mind other people’s ideas, but for me, it’s the most beautiful and glitzy gem from my prince.

“I witness it here, your present is the most valuable gift to me, to complete our eternal contract.

“Maybe I indeed don’t know what true love is, but I swear to this gem.

“I will love you forever.”

Chapter 36: Moon and Star Ring

“I should go!” The longer Yun Xi stayed with White Lotus, the dirtier he felt. It was like writing messy and ugly letters on a pure white paper.

The gap between their worlds was too wide.

Maybe a prince and princess would have a perfect end.

But this princess and himself? Was it a joke? Besides, they were natural enemies.

“Oh right, Mei’er.” Finally, Yun Xi remembered that his star fairy was still looking at them curiously.

My fairy, why are you looking worried about nothing right now?

“Ah, is this little golden dog your pet?” White Lotus looked at Mei’er jumping into Yun Xi’s arms in surprise.

“En, she is my pet.” Yun Xi hugged Mei’er — he didn’t know why, but she was excited — and suddenly turned his face red.

He remembered the scene he saw just now through Mei’er’s eyes, and the soft, sweet feeling he felt through Mei’er’s body. No matter if it was the elder sister or the young sister... Woohoo, it wasn’t his fault, it wasn’t his fault!

“Sure enough, we can understand each other, this is an arrangement of fate.” White Lotus smiled and waved her hand to Mei’er. She looked very happy.

They could meet each other under the starry sky, at this time in the world where there was only the two of them.

The god of fate, thank you for presenting to me the best prince in the world!

“No... in fact, that’s...” For White Lotus, it was her luck. But for Yun Xi, it was definitely bad luck.

He was just a 1st Rank Swordsman now, but the apostle candidate of his ex-girlfriend had found him. Was he cursed by the god of fate? (PR: Yes, since she is one of your ex-girlfriends...)

“Then, good-bye!” Yun Xi thought that if he stayed here any longer, he would have a heart attack.

“We will see each other soon after, my prince.” White Lotus looked at Yun Xi leaving with Mei’er, smiling sweetly.

In her palm, the golden-red gem Yun Xi presented to her was shining extraordinarily bright. It was due to the blessing White Lotus casted on the gem.

At midnight, inside the foggy hot spring, Red Lotus opened her eyes and stretched herself comfortably.

She felt that she was in her best state. Inside of her body, her spirit qi quickly flowed like a waterfall. Even the essence of the sun and moon also responded to her twin witch blood, dropping from the sky incessantly.

Peace of mind. The world was reflected in Red Lotus’ heart. She could even clearly hear a flapping sound from several miles away.

It was pretty weird. Wasn’t her state too good?

In Red Lotus’s memory, she had only temporarily reached this kind of realm once. That happened when she and her sister broke together the wailing barrier of mortals and reached the Hero Rank.

Enlightenment, god’s thinking, or unity between heaven and man. Different god’s domains had different words to describe it, but they all meant the state of forgetting oneself.

Red Lotus didn't enter that realm after that.

Red Lotus leaned over her body and saw that her sister had an expression she had never seen before.

There was an irregular shaped golden-red mineral in her hands, which she had focused her cultivation power into.

What was she doing?

Red Lotus mainly practiced sword skills and unique skills like Void Mudra, so she didn't understand what White Lotus was doing.

Though she didn't understand it, but from White Lotus's eyes, she could see that she had forgotten everything and sank into the God's thinking realm; she was trying her best to cast a special magic.

Together with the moonlight and starlight dropping down, it slowly crushed and eliminated all impurities from the golden-red mineral, and only left behind the most beautiful and pure part.

At first, the mineral was still a little rough and had some debris on its edges. However, after White Lotus refined it, it shined bright and beautifully.

"Hiss!" Under Red Lotus's surprised eyes, White Lotus bit the tip of her finger and dropped blood beads on it one by one.

The Contract of Blood! Red Lotus didn't believe what she saw. It was a forbidden magic, and normally people only used it when they were making a supreme spirit weapon or artifact.

Once one person's blood was linked to other stuff, it wouldn't be an easy thing to discharge it.

One person could only link a certain number of blood contracts, and once the stuff he used to make the contract was destroyed, the person would suffer a heavy damage.

As the Red Lotus Holy Virgin, she had only one blood contracted weapon now. That was her inherited sword—the Red Lotus Holy Sword.

As for White Lotus, there was also an artifact waiting for her blood contract. But because she wasn't old enough, the ceremony was still being prepared.

Why? Was this golden-red mineral a special treasure? Why did White Lotus use her precious blood contract?

"You're... my sun..."

"I'm willing... to be the moon and the star... rotating around you..."

"The sun, the star and the moon will never be apart from each other."

“I name you as ‘Moon and Star Ring’.”

Red Lotus looked as White Lotus cast an occult art, which she didn’t understand at all, to soak her essence and blood into the gem, which already turned into a beautiful golden-red rhombic jewel.

The blood of White Lotus was the “Yin” part of the twin witches. It had a special power.

She paid far more attention to the refined gem than her sister Red Lotus’s imagination.

Now, the occult art White Lotus cast was a mystic spell she found from an ancient book by using her incredible deducing and decoding abilities.

If a girl of the pair of lovers wanted to prove her love, she could mold an artifact by using this occult art to mix her blood with her lover’s love token.

This occult art could refine common stuff into an artifact, which was able to link her soul and make it nearly immortal.

However, in order to do it, it needed the girl’s side to pay a heavy price. It was an occult art that only the imperial family members of the Eastern God’s Domain were qualified to use.

The last step of the occult art was to give the refined artifact its “true name”.

The Moon and Star Ring. This was the name White Lotus gave to the love token of Yun Xi and her.

Once she made it, it would become her own treasure and no one could rob it.

Yun Xi didn't expect how serious the innocent White Lotus Holy Virgin would take her first love. She didn't even hesitate to use the occult art, which would hurt her essence and blood, to make a common micalex a unique artifact.

Now, no one would think that the rhombic golden-red gem was a micalex.

A golden-red light point shone in the core of the gem, with stars rotating around it one after another.

Another silver moon essence dropped and stayed around the golden-red light points.

"You're the sun, I'm the star, and sister is the moon." Looking at the Moon and Star Ring, White Lotus smiled sweetly.

Tonight, the world was so fantastic for the girl in love...

Chapter 37: Regression

"White Lotus, what's happened?" After White Lotus finished casting her secret spell, Red Lotus asked her sister. She didn't know what put her sister in such a good mood.

Something must've happened. As the elder sister of the twins, Red Lotus never saw her sister so excited.

Her sweet smile, focused eyes, and the golden-red gem in her hands, everything told her that something had happened.

“Eh, I met with my prince.” White Lotus had no secrecy awareness. Her sister took good care of her, which caused her have no idea about what was “lie”.

Pure love and a pure heart, her first love was forever to her. White Lotus was a single-minded princess.

“Prince? You had the dream again.” Red Lotus couldn’t help but laugh. The prince was just a virtual character, but for her, he was simply a nightmare.

‘Oh, I shouldn’t let my sister read too many fairy tale books from the Western God’s Domain’, thought Red Lotus. She had a far too irrational dream about love.

Red Lotus knew if they didn’t have the strength as Hero Ranked warriors, plus them being twin witches, there would be far more dirty eyes peeping at them.

Fortunately, she had enough power to protect her sister. She didn’t even let her sister find these dirty people in the shadows, and had solved most of them in secret.

She never allowed any dirty man to get close to her sister. It would be fine to let White Lotus live like a princess from those fairy tale stories, just like now.

Ha ha, she remembered that her sister still thought that little children were delivered to their parents by immortal cranes.

“It wasn’t a dream. This is a love token from my prince.” White Lotus proudly held up the Star and Moon Ring.

It was limited to her power. Though it was named the “Star and Moon Ring’, it was just the first step in making an artifact, which meant that she just made the outline of its core.

In Eastern God’s Domain, the forging method of making an artifact of royal love token needed ten years, a hundred years, or longer to make the love token an artifact.

During this period, if the lovers betrayed each other, or just broke up, the forging method would mean nothing, as the person who made it on her own initiative, the bride’s side, would suffer a great blow and never recover after that.

In that case, without a huge courage, determination, and excellent talent, it wasn’t possible to forge an artifact using this method. Gradually, the secret method nearly disappeared in the Eastern God’s Domain.

According to the ancient books that White Lotus read, most of the girls who tried to use this forging method were the bride’s side of a pair of childhood sweethearts, and the successfully finished artifacts would be counted on one person’s hands.

Childhood sweethearts would be the doomed losers, but she wouldn’t, because she was the prince’s princess!

“Is this the micalex you dug out from that place?” Through the outline of the mineral she saw, plus the trace on the rock not far away, Red Lotus immediately guessed the source of the so-called ‘Star and Moon Ring’.

Her sister was too frivolous. She dug out a beautiful mineral casually, felt it likable, and used one of the quotas of the blood contract.

You should know, normally an ordinary person had only one quota that could be used to make a blood contract. When they chose the treasure to make the blood contract, they would choose them carefully and think again and again.

However, they were different. Because they were cursed twin witches, they could make blood contract several times more than ordinary people.

Even if White Lotus used one of the quotas, she had other quotas to make blood contract with other treasures.

They had the qualification and talent to pamper themselves.

“Ha ha, sister, you found it?” White Lotus looked pretty happy.

“Yes, this is the love token my prince dug out from that place and handed over to me personally. It’s my treasure.”

Red Lotus covered her own forehead.

Too bad, her sister slid into a reverie which was named “love”. How was it possible for that prince to walk into the real world from a dream.

Even if the prince really existed, he would never get through the warning line she made. There was no creature in the hot spring beside themselves and the turtle.

Eh, where was the turtle? Had it left?

“All right, all right, the prince is the best. We should go.” After stretching her snow white body and feeling the last moments of “harmony of heaven and human”, Red Lotus stood up.

The transparent water drops slipped down from her jade-like beautiful breasts and dropped into the hot spring, rippling alluring ripples.

“En. I want to make the Star and Moon Ring as quickly as possible. Let’s go, sister.” Looking at the golden-red gem shining in her hands, White Lotus’s eyes burned.

She wanted to make the gem her prince presented to her into the most beautiful ring in the world.

“Yawn!” Holding Mei’er in his arms, Yun Xi trembled after running back to the door of his home. He felt as if he ignored something.

“Little Xi, tell me the truth. Where were you last night?”

She was here! The girl he ignored!

His childhood sweetheart, whose jealous radar never made a mistake and was 100% accurate — Hua Huo!

In the darkness, Hua Huo put her right hand on the sword scabbard, staring at Yun Xi as if she was a wife who found her husband backing from a secret date.

Her sword hadn't been drawn out, but her killing intent was already rising in the air.

Once she found the truth that Yun Xi moved his love to any other girl, the only thing he would see was her lightning sword.

"I-I just went to the mountain to take a bath in the hot spring." Yun Xi honestly said.

"Eh... eh..." Hua Huo stepped forward and smelled the odor on Yun Xi's body.

Fortunately, Yun Xi kept soaking in the hot spring, so Hua Huo smelled nothing. In addition to Mei'er's special odor, he escaped from the probable disaster.

"It's weird. Your body indeed have only Mei'er's odor, but why did I felt ill at ease during my practice and made mistakes several times?"

"Ha ha, it must be your illusion. I was just going to the hot spring!"

Yes, he didn't lie.

He just met his natural enemies when he was at the hot spring, and the sister, White Lotus, showed her love to him. Of course, he wouldn't say it out, even if she tore off his mouth!

"Oh right, Hua Huo, do you know what I saw? I saw a real big scene beside the river. Some real big shots came to our town!" Yun Xi immediately tried to change the topic.

"I know, they are the strongest people in White Lotus Sword Domain, the twin saintesses." Hua Huo's eyes turned serious, it seemed that she had heard of them before.

"Elder sister Red Lotus and young sister White Lotus. Even in the Western God's Domain, you can hear their names.

"Yun Xi, you should be careful. They're cursed twins, you should never get close to them.

"It says that they hate males. They never allow men to walk within ten meters of them.

"Many people have died because they'd made this mistake."

Yun Xi sweated.

Yun Xi sweated like a trooper.

Sweat streamed down Yun Xi's face!

Ten meters? Oh god, the distance between the White Lotus Holy Virgin and himself was almost a 'negative' number!

Chapter 38: Flocked

"Little Xi, never, ever get close to the twins of fate." This was the first time Yun Xi saw his childhood sweetheart look so serious.

"They're a thousand times more dangerous than Milei, El'Phyllis and Ye Li."

"If they take an interest in you, you would have a miserable end."

Ah? Aren't you being too sensitive, Hua Huo? And who did you think I am?!

Do I look like a guy who would get in trouble with the pair of twins... No, this must be the stars' fault! Wu wu, I didn't expect that!

"They are here, so this small town will get in trouble soon after." Hua Huo suspiciously looked at Yun Xi, who was in a trance now, and felt that something was wrong.

"Yeah, they're really some big trouble." Yun Xi smiled bitterly. He had no choice, but to suffer in silence. He didn't dare to tell her the truth.

If his childhood sweetheart, Hua Huo, was a summer storm, then the pair of twin witches, White Lotus and Red Lotus, were a pair of unexpected calamities!

The next day, Yun Xi got up early and quickly understood what was the trouble Hua Huo meant.

The small town's narrow street was filled with strange creatures which were obviously from other towns.

Rhinoceroses, red hares, yellow claws, flying lightning, and unicorns. Usually, you would never see so many cursorial mounts, but now, they were everywhere.

There were even some rare flying mounts which you wouldn't see many times in such a common small town.

The specialty of Eastern God's Domains—the Manned Roc birds.

The specialty of Western God's Domains—the powerful and magnificent Griffins.

Yun Xi even saw, in the air, a flying carriage which was pulled by three flying horses and shrouded by clouds and mist...

Young boys wearing various well-crafted clothes were seemingly in high and vigorous spirits. They excitedly gathered together, talking with eloquence.

Among them, many people were wearing white two-leaves sword-shaped emblems, which meant that they were 2nd Rank swordsmen, the best of the best.

Yun Xi even saw a few of them wearing three-leaves sword-shaped emblems. It meant that they were standing at the top of mortals and known as matchless geniuses.

Of course, these geniuses weren't the local people of the small town.

Some of them were from nearby towns, and some of them were nobles or men of good families, riding on rare flying mounts and coming from thousands of miles away.

The swordsmen who had had three-leaves emblems were certainly candidates who would join the Sword Palace. And the geniuses like Hua Huo didn't even need to take the exam, they could join the Sword Palace directly.

The young boys, girls, and their servants and relatives who came from faraway areas made the narrow road of the small town more crowded, and they were here for only one reason.

The coming of the twin witches, the future masters of White Lotus Sword Domain—Red Lotus and White Lotus.

If it was a common admission, it wouldn't draw so many people's attention. The only reason it aroused such a storm was the appearance of the twin witches.

The clouds were rolling on with full force. Perhaps this was the best description of this scene.

“Dong! Dong!” At the entrance of Yun Xi’s bakeshop, it was ringing with hasty knocking sounds.

Yun Xi went down the stairs and opened the door, seeing a crowd of travel-stained servants.

“Hey, young master, do you want to sell your house? I’m from Xiyuan town and the representative of Childe Ling, I want to buy your house, ten times the price!”

“Wait, I’m from Donghe town. Childe Xiao. I can pay fifteen times the price!”

“Thirty times the price! We, Yun He City, want your house!”

Yun Xi looked at the servants gathering together in front of his shop’s door and felt flabbergasted. Since when did the houses of this small town become so expensive?

He looked carefully. It wasn’t only his bakeshop. There were also many servants gathering together in front of the other shops; nearly all the shops on the street.

“Sorry, but I won’t sell my shop. Temporarily closed.” Yun Xi couldn’t bear the noise and directly closed the door. After thinking for a while, he posted a paper on the door, which was written—“My shop will be temporarily closed, and it’s NOT for sale”.

“The twin witches are here. It means that the small town will get in trouble soon after.” Yun Xi finally understood the words his childhood sweetheart told him.

The future masters of White Lotus Sword Domain, the twin witches, were more valued than his imagination.

White Lotus was a princess, but she had a higher status than real princesses.

They were cursed and doomed twins, who became unmatched Hero Ranked sword maidens at the age of 14.

It was like Hua Huo had said. As a man who was loved and was confessed her love to by the White Lotus Holy Virgin, he was in a big trouble!

Outside the small town, at the riverside camp, the twin witches were there.

Rarer flying mounts were flying from faraway places and landing beside the river; they were placed in the open space.

More young talents who had family backgrounds and strength were led by their elder family members, waiting to be summoned by the legendary twin witches.

“What a bother. Fortunately, White Lotus had gone to bed. Otherwise, their dirty eyes would make her have a nightmare.” Sitting on the holy chair, as White Lotus impatiently received one after another so called ‘young talents’, she grumbled to her maidservant.

“Qiu Lan, why should I waste my life on this kind of meaningless things?”

“Lady Red Lotus, please lower your voice. The number one heir of Yun He City is waiting for you.” The beautiful maidservant, who was named Qiu Lan, smiled and covered her small mouth.

Twenty metres away from the holy chair, Childe Yun He half kneeled on the ground and heard a different voice.

“Not bad. I hope you can keep trying to take part in the exam.”

“Yes!” After obtaining Red Lotus’s recognition, Childe Yun He vigorously patted his chest and looked pretty excited.

This was a recognition from one of the twin witches, which was equal to the recognition of the Sky Sword God’s Domain itself.

Why didn’t he hesitate to catch a chill in the night, but still rushed to here by riding on his family’s flying horse? Undoubtedly, it was for the sake of this opportunity!

There were also exams of the Sword Palace in other places, but these exams were presided by common instructors. How could they deserve to be compared with the exam which was presided over by the twin saintesses?

Taking part in the exams which were presided over by the twin witches was equal to getting the opportunity to have a direct link with the future masters of White Lotus Sword Domain!

He wasn't the only one who thought so. He believed that every man of every good family who took the exam was thinking so.

As the old saying went, "The near water balcony gets a month first". He could come so fast because the remote small town wasn't too far away from Yun He City. After he heard the news that they were here, he was the first man of a top-level family to arrive here.

Conceivably, after this news spread around, the next several days, more and more young geniuses whose age was between 16 and 18 would use various methods to come here.

This small town was doomed to be the center of attention.

The twin witches were such two mystic and special presences. They were worth all the men of good families in White Lotus Sword Domain paying attention to them.

Their every movement would affect the whole White Lotus Sword Domain's situation.

Due to their coming, even such a border small town, which was carelessly marked on the map, became the focus of every noble family's eyes.

Chapter 39: Limit Practice

Two days. Within just two days, the peaceful small town had completely changed in appearance.

One after another, temporary bamboo houses raised straight from the ground, with writings of each aristocratic family's name on each of them. Geniuses came from all directions. They gave up their opportunity to take the exam in their hometowns, but took part in the exam of the Sword Palace in this small town.

For a time, clouds gathered, driven by the wind. The history of the small town opened onto a new page.

However, it had temporarily no relationship to Yun Xi.

After getting the premonition that some big trouble would happen in the small town, he had no hesitation in directly picking up camping tools and food, hiding with Mei'er in a secret location of the hill.

Here was also a location he had found once when he was playing games with his childhood sweetheart. It was a hiding spot in the small secret valley.

In the end of the valley, there was a big beautiful tree. On the tree, there was a clumsy, but cute umbrella-shaped mark. On one side, it was Yun Xi's name, and on another side, it was Hua Huo's name.

"Yun Xi and Hua Huo will stay together forever." Looking at the handwriting he wrote when he and Hua Huo both were still young, Yun Xi wasn't able to stifle a laugh.

At that time, Hua Huo and he were still naive. They never realized how wide was the gap between their identities.

Children's feelings were always so pure and innocent.

"Ok, let me start limit practice from now on!" After putting up the tent under the tree, Yun Xi drew out his long sword, which he specially bought from the blacksmith's shop in the town.

By imitating the sword Hua Huo used, this sword was as much as possible like the elite-level longsword of the White Lotus Sword Palace. However, it was just a good product sold in the blacksmith's shop, after all. It wasn't possible for it to be as sharp as Hua Huo's sword.

However, it didn't matter. Because Yun Xi wasn't going to use the sword to fight.

He wanted to train in the Limit Practice that he learned from Hua Huo's seed.

Push-ups for 1000 times, sit-ups for 1000 times, squat for 1000 times, run a hundred miles, and brandish his sword for 10,000 times.

Based on this, it was a circle. Over and over!

It was totally a challenge to the limit of the human body. You could even say that the human physique itself had made it clear that it was an impossible practice.

It was said that long ago, a man kept practicing himself like this for three years and became an invincible warrior. However, as the price, he became a baldy... (The baldy -> Saitama, from One Punch Man)

Ok, Yun Xi didn't think that he could overdraw his life to keep practicing this limit practice for three years. The man who could do it must have a monster-like physique.

He was just a 1st Ranked swordsman. Even the three basic trainings were impossible for him. The Mortal-rank swordsmen were just flesh and blood, even if they had all sorts of magic-like methods just like Hero-rank warriors.

Now, Yun Xi had only come into contact with two Hero-rank warriors. However, the twin witches weren't at the same level as ordinary Hero-rank warriors.

Because Yun Xi chose the wrong referents, he had a great misunderstanding about the gap between mortals and Hero-rank warriors, and had an illusion that his strength was extremely insignificant.

That was the reason why he was here, preparing to challenge the limit practice. Which in his memory, Hua Huo didn't even finish when she was still at the 1st Rank.

"The first, is push-ups for 1000 times." Sticking the long sword in front of himself, and standing under the tree he made the promise with Hua Huo, Yun Xi started to challenge the inhuman limit practice.

One, two, three, four... relying on his 1st rank limit of physical fitness after absorbing the green hippo's soul, Yun Xi kept to it, doing 500 push-ups. Then, he couldn't hold up and laid on the ground.

"Sure enough, my 1st rank body can't handle this." Yun Xi's eyes were covered by his own sweat. It was his strong will that supported him to hold on to his limit.

And the fact also proved that as just a 1st Ranked swordsman, no matter how strong willed he was and how perfect he could save his physical strength, it was impossible to finish 1000 push-ups.

It wasn't like common push-ups. No matter the posture, height, or the position to support the body, it had a extremely high demand on all aspects. Ordinary people would go into convulsions, toppling down to the ground before they did a hundred push-ups.

"Release the seed's power." At the beginning, when Yun Xi just obtained the green hippo's blood seed, he had a guess. And now it was the time to verify it.

He wasn't going to release all the blood power from the seed just like what he did in the battle, but slowly released out the blood power from the seed, using it to help his practice.

With the help of the tremendous blood power of the green hippo's seed, he could do what he wasn't able to do in the past, and successfully finished the seemingly impossible limit practice.

A little warmth appeared inside Yun Xi's body, and then spread to his four limbs.

Yes, this was the feeling!

Like this, he could go beyond the limit of his mortal body!

It was deserving to be the fierce green hippo's seed. Yun Xi even felt a little pity.

Ashen, do you have more hippos?

By using the green hippo's blood seed, Yun Xi broke through his body limit. He did 1000 push-ups, 1000 sit-ups, 1000 squats, and run for a hundred kilometers.

"Heee!" With the flashing light of his sword, he started to practice the last part, and it was also the part that needed the most attention —brandishing his sword ten thousand times.

Keeping the speed steady, brandishing his sword stably and powerfully. Making sure that it wasn't beyond his limit. This was the most important and core part, he had to do this after he finished the previous part of the limit practice.

As he kept his eyes and heart focused on the same line, Yun Xi stood under the big tree, brandishing his sword methodically and focusedly.

Sweat continuously flowed down from his forehead, but it couldn't affect his concentration.

Again, Hua Huo's sword seed grew slowly.

In this nameless small valley, Yun Xi took the first and most important step in his life.

"Done!"

In the encampment of the twin witches, White Lotus happily lifted up the Star and Moon Ring.

Around her, there were the craftsmen who were hurriedly called from the White Lotus Sword Palace. They looked at the artifact's shining golden-red light of sun, silvery-white light of full moon, and the bright light of stars in White Lotus's hands, showing a relieved expression.

After working hard for three days and nights, she finally made the perfect fruit.

From now on, the White Lotus Sword Palace had another legendary artifact.

The Star and Moon Ring, the secret artifact which was forged by the White Lotus Holy Virgin personally.

Look! Its golden-red halo was so bright and as holy as the sun.

"It's beautiful." Red Lotus looked at the finished artifact, the Star and Moon Ring, in surprise. If she didn't know its origin, she wouldn't believe that it was made of a micalex.

"Because this is the miracle of love." White Lotus put the Star and Moon Ring on her finger and smiled sweetly.

"He's my sun."

Chapter 40: Exit

"9996!"

“9997!”

“9998!”

“9999!”

“10,000!”

After brandishing his sword ten thousand times, Yun Xi finished his first round of limit training. He felt dizzy and empty of all his strength, collapsing under the big tree.

So tired, so painful, so sad.

Was this the feeling of continuously going over his own limit?

No wonder even Hua Huo couldn't finish this challenge when she was at the 1st rank.

Vaguely, Yun Xi felt that his consciousness was fading, and his body twitched with pain.

His muscle, bones, and nerves all screamed badly, suing his grievous limitation training.

The beat of his heart became fast, then slow. Its rhythm was completely messed up.

“Woo woo!” When Yun Xi felt that he was dying, he heard a familiar voice.

Opening his eyes, Yun Xi saw that his star fairy was biting a big piece of rolled leaf and running to him.

“Swish!” Cold water drops dropped on Yun Xi’s exhausted body, bringing him a little vitality.

Mei’er’s healing power had been already exhausted when Yun Xi brandished his sword three thousand times.

She was so tiny. The only thing she could do for Yun Xi was use these kinds of leaves to bring cold and clear water from the stream outside of the valley, to cool down Yun Xi’s overheated body.

“You... are such a good girl...” Yun Xi smiled as he looked at Mei’er’s expression of worry.

As he looked at Mei’er, he felt that he could still keep on training.

Several days passed very quickly. Soon after, it was the day before the exam of the Sword Palace.

From all corners of the White Lotus Sword Domain, the geniuses and people of good families, as many as there were qualified to take the exam, all came to this small town which was, on the map, an inconspicuous area of the sword handle.

Not only so, there were also many geniuses from other sword domains.

Among all of them, three of them were above all the geniuses as the three strongest people accepted by everyone at the Sword Palace exams.

Childe Yun He, he was the first in succession to the famous Yun He City in the White Lotus Sword Domain. He was 18-years-old, a 3rd Ranked swordsman, the master of the famous twin swords Crane Wings. He was handsome, generous, and graceful, known as the famous sword genius within ten thousand kilometers.

When he was 16-years-old, as a 2nd ranked swordsman, he was already able to join the Sword Palace, but he didn't. Due to some unknown reason, he waited till he became a 3rd ranked swordsman. And now, he was taking part in the exam of the Sword Palace.

Childe Si Nian, he was from the middle part of White Lotus Sword Domain, Sinian City. He was a genius with mixed blood from the Western God's Domain. He used a two-handed broadsword, which was rare in the Sky Sword God's Domain. He was a 3rd ranked swordsman, too.

Unlike traditional swordmen in Sky Sword God's Domain, his career was a Heavy Swordsman. He was over two metres tall, strong and powerful, and looked pretty exotic.

The last genius came to the small town later. It was said that he was the strongest genius who came from a high-level sword domain of the Sky Sword God's Domain.

He was Childe San Quan, a real great genius. He was a swordsman, but also a taoist priest and an alchemist. In the meanwhile, he frighteningly practiced the three to the 3rd rank at the same time.

His strength already earned him a pre-approved quote of White Lotus Sword Palace; however, he refused the pre-approved quote to take the exam personally.

Yun He, San Quan, Si Nian. They appeared as three geniuses who had inherited the name of their cities. Many people exclaimed that they would create a new history for the exam of the White Lotus Sword Palace.

Hence, they were also regarded as three hot candidates of the exam, and also had the same likes and dislikes. So, they built a small group and took the strongest one, Childe San Quan, as their leader.

Nearly all the people here naturally thought that the first three places of the exam of the Sword Palace had been decided before it started.

For the three geniuses, they had reached the 3rd rank at the age of 18, and they were the strongest ones amongst them. Childe San Quan had reached the 3rd rank in three different careers.

The only question was who was the number one, two, and three among the three geniuses.

If judging from their personal strengths, obviously as a genius who came from a high-level sword domain, Childe San Quan was the number one. However, Childe Yun He had his heirloom, the famous twin swords, Crane Wings. And Childe Si Nian was born with superhuman strength and had the strongest attack amongst the three.

In the end, among the three geniuses, who would be the number one in the exam which was conducted by the twin witches?

These people came from everywhere in the White Lotus Sword Domain, and had made various bets. Everyone was expecting the start of this unusual exam of the Sword Palace.

No one noticed that from the mountains, a ragged boy with clear eyes was walking out from the valley.

In the bright sun, the boy's body looked more firm and concentrated compared to when he first went into the valley.

Especially his big eyes. Inside his black pupils, you could see a vague sword spirit flying in them. It meant that he had engraved sword skills into his blood and touched the edge of the realm of Psychic Communion.

Starting from the beginning of the star's trial, he stumbled blindly to find the rules; to his 120 deathful battles with the green hippo. Till he killed the green hippo in the real world. In just two days, the boy had experienced too much and obtained power which was already beyond his imagination.

After practicing for several days and nights in the valley, the boy continuously overdrew himself and used the seed of the green hippo to help train himself. Now, the boy finally cleared up what he had obtained.

And then, he naturally reached the 2nd rank.

The understandings and experiences of Hua Huo's seed brought him to a door of a new world. It helped him understand the world in the eyes of his childhood sweetheart.

The seed of the green hippo and his experience of death 120 times, helped him overcome his limits, and obtain the perfect state of mind to stay calm even when he was facing death itself.

The Limit Training came from Hua Huo's memories. It helped him unify his essence, energy, and spirit, reaching the limit which countless geniuses couldn't reach when they were still mortals — Psychic Communion.

The boy who walked out of the valley, Yun Xi, indeed became stronger.

Not only his body, but also his persistent heart. Overcoming his limit again and again brought him an incredible self-confidence.

You could say that at the time he fought against the green hippo, he was still a newbie who just learned parts of Hua Huo's talent and still needed the help of the environment to win his battles.

But now, he had already mastered the true key, and opened the realm of warriors. The door to a great future had been opened for him.

Much, much later, when Yun Xi recalled his naive period, he finally understood that, when he stayed in the valley to hone himself, what a great change the Limit Training brought him.

However, at this moment, he still didn't know that his fate had been changed due to the twin witches.