

## Chapter 1442 I'm Not Here To Make Things Difficult For You

"If the challenged party prevails against the challenger, they will naturally receive a reward. The reward includes all the mission points and special points currently held by the challenger. Additionally, if the challenged party is of lower strength and still prevails, then for the next hundred years, ten percent of all points the challenger earns, regardless of the method, will be transferred to the challenged party. How about that? It's a generous reward, isn't it?"

Joseph flashed a smug look at Liam after his explanation. He was confident that he wouldn't lose to Liam.

Liam, hearing about the substantial rewards for a weaker party's victory, was a bit surprised.

However, Liam didn't arrogantly assume he would definitely win against Joseph. At the same time, he wasn't so self-doubting as to believe he would definitely lose.

The true outcome would only be determined by the duel.

Liam considered the challenge token a troublesome artifact.

Once invoked, it forced the recipient to accept the challenge, giving a clear advantage to the challenger. As long as the challenger clearly understood the power difference, they were naturally in an unbeatable position.

While Liam accumulated points swiftly, that didn't mean everyone else did, too.

He knew the pain of losing hard-earned points could be too much, potentially worse than death for some.



Despite winning through the challenge token, the points acquired couldn't be used to upgrade one's clearance level. Regardless of whether they were mission points or special points taken from others, upon winning, all would be converted into special points.

Liam had initially thought to increase his mission points through challenges, but that plan was impractical.

Nonetheless, the rewards for victory were indeed substantial.

Liam pondered why the peace-promoting Human Clan would sanction such a contentious device as the challenge token.

He knew that competition was a key driver of progress. The challenge token also provided a legal avenue to resolve disputes within the Human Clan.

Yet, he remained unconvinced about the merit of such a mechanism.

Suddenly, Joseph said, "I'm not here to make things difficult for you. Just lend me the artifact that shields against the death aura, and I won't need to invoke the challenge token against you."

Liam frowned, giving Joseph a piercing look.

He could clearly see that Joseph's true objective was the artifact he had mentioned.

Moreover, he had no faith that Joseph would honor his promises.

Even if he possessed such an artifact, once it was handed over, there was no chance Joseph would return it.

Furthermore, the so-called "artifact" was actually Liam's Death Power domain. Even if Liam wanted to give it to Joseph, he was unable to do that.

Observing Liam's sudden silence, Joseph mistakenly thought he was hesitating. His eyes sparkled with greed as he quickly said, "Liam, rest assured, I will keep my word. If you give me the artifact, I swear I won't

use the challenge token against you."

Joseph was convinced that a miraculous treasure must be hidden within the gray zone.

Otherwise, such an immense concentration of death aura would not be present.

He also surmised that this treasure might be related to the law power of death.

Seeing Liam unaffected by the death aura, he had decided to leverage the challenge token to coerce Liam into surrendering the thing that made him unaffected by the death aura.

Joseph was confident in his superior strength and the coercive power of the challenge token.

After all, his strength far surpassed Liam's. Once he issued the challenge, it seemed inevitable that Liam would lose.

Losing half of one's points would be a severe penalty for anyone.

He had never thought about returning the artifact to Liam, though.

Once he had it in his possession, why would he give it back to Liam?

However, just as Joseph thought he had Liam cornered, Liam suddenly sneered.

"It's not impossible for you to get the artifact. But first, you must duel me," he said.

Facing such blatant greed, Liam had no inclination to yield.

