

## Chapter 1523 Raise The Stakes

Caden's brows furrowed just a bit, but he understood that once Liam had given his word, he wouldn't go back on it. All Caden could do was shoot Hilliard a cold, reproachful look.

It seemed that the younger members of the Human Clan in the Rosefinch Galaxy were growing more unfriendly lately.

Caden was sure that Liam hadn't done anything to provoke Hilliard's clear hostility.

After all, he knew Liam's true nature, and there was no way he could have caused something like this.

With that in mind, Caden decided that, in the future, he would need to discipline the young talents of the Rosefinch Galaxy from now on.

These individuals, despite their talents, would often act recklessly within their own planetary system.

He had been aware of all this from the start, but he had chosen not to interfere too much.

Competition, after all, was what pushed people to improve.

But ever since Liam reached the Cosmic realm, he had faced countless challenges from people of his own kind.

Among all the incidents, the one with Jason was the most severe.

Caden was determined not to let Liam lose trust in the Rosefinch Galaxy, so he decided to take matters into his own hands and deal with these negative influences.



Just then, Cataleya stepped closer to Liam, her expression filled with concern. She gently asked, "Liam, do you really believe you can win? Hilliard may be arrogant, but he is indeed skilled."

Liam was caught off guard by her words. Before he could respond, Winfred chuckled lightly.

The others glanced at Winfred, puzzled by his reaction. With a casual wave, he dismissed their confusion, signaling that it wasn't important.

If it weren't for the fact that he was worried Hilliard might learn of Liam's true strength and cancel the duel, he would definitely have told everyone about Liam personally slaughtering hundreds of thousands of Dremer soldiers and severely wounding a Four-winged Demon.

Facing a peak-level ninth-tier Primogem Expert would be nothing more than a walk in the park for Liam.

Caden, visibly annoyed, shot a sharp glare at Winfred after hearing his chuckle.

Winfred, sensing the tension, quickly wiped the smile off his face and returned to a more serious demeanor.

He could sense the anger radiating from Caden since Hilliard had insulted Liam. He didn't want Caden to lash out at him.

Liam casually turned his gaze toward Hilliard and asked, "About the bet —are we sticking with the points we discussed before?"

Hilliard gave a cold, mocking smile and nodded. "What's wrong? Are you afraid, you loser?"

Winfred couldn't hide his irritation when he heard Hilliard call Liam "loser" once again.

Hilliard truly had no sense of when to draw the line.

Winfred was certain that, given how highly Caden regarded Liam, Caden



was already thinking about how to punish Hilliard.

Winfred smirked and shook his head, enjoying the scene. He muttered to himself, "Hilliard is really digging his own grave."

Liam, unfazed by Hilliard's taunts, let out a mocking laugh. "Afraid? I just think it wouldn't be nice for me to take all your points after I win."

Hilliard scoffed, unconvinced that Liam could actually win. Intrigued by Liam's confidence, he quickly suggested, "Liam, don't you think betting just points is too boring? Let's raise the stakes and wager something more interesting."

Liam raised an eyebrow, caught off guard by Hilliard's boldness.

But since Hilliard was practically handing him the chance to exploit the situation, there was no way Liam would hold back.

Liam smirked and replied, "Alright."

Hilliard smirked and said, "Didn't we just earn some free cultivation time from this mission? Let's put all of it on the line."

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