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Zheng Yan had originally only planned to check out the site where they had previously been robbed by an Angel, but he hadn't expected to actually encounter the robbing Angel there.

"Oh, so you mean to say you're here to deliver a message. Speak, then—what are your terms?" Tian Xin looked at Zheng Yan with a smirk that was not quite a smile.

"How could I dare make demands in the presence of an Angel, Lord?" Zheng Yan said with the utmost respect.

"Don't worry, if you guide me, then we are friends, and friends naturally help each other out and share in wealth and honor. Speak, what are your terms, or rather, what do you want?" The smile on Tian Xin's face grew even more pronounced.

"I purely wish to make friends with the Angel, Lord, without any other requests. If the Angel, Lord, harvests too much and cannot carry it all, I would be forever grateful if you would bestow the leftovers upon me," Zheng Yan said, bowing his head.

"I do enjoy making friends with people like you. Rest assured that if what you say is true, you will certainly not lack rewards," Tian Xin promised.

"I am most grateful, then," Zheng Yan responded with an affected air of being flattered and continued, "Angel, Lord, we can remain friends forever, can't we?"

"Of course."

"In that case, I beseech the Angel, Lord, not to reveal our relationship, or else I will no longer be able to provide you with intelligence, which would be a betrayal of our long-lasting friendship," Zheng Yan said.

"Haha." Tian Xin laughed heartily. "Rest easy. You leave on your own first, and I will surreptitiously follow. Once we arrive, simply signal to me, and don't worry about anything else."

“Thank you for your favor, Angel, Lord. In this life and the next, I am your friend,” Zheng Yan said, bending at the waist and bowing deeply until he touched the ground.

Zheng Yan thought he had covered his tracks flawlessly, not realizing that his despicable behavior had already been scorned by people across the world.

Because of the lack of information, Zheng Yan couldn't deduce the current situation as accurately as Lin Shen had; he assumed that the so-called Observers must definitely be extraterrestrials.

What did it matter to him if the extraterrestrials saw what he was doing? It had no impact on him whatsoever.

He never imagined that the Realm King Cultivation Device had accidentally fallen and that there were, in fact, no Observers left.

Of course, even Lin Shen had not anticipated that their images would be broadcasted worldwide; much less could Zheng Yan have considered it.

Zheng Yan even suspected that the supposed Observer was none other than this Angel; making a deal with the Angel was like dealing with the Observer.

Zheng Yan had calculated well, but he didn't anticipate that his vile face had already been witnessed by countless people around the world, and the Lu Family's reaction to his actions was one of extreme displeasure.

Zheng Yan hadn't expected his plan to go so smoothly. Originally, he had thought of luring the Angel alone to rob Lin Shen, without alerting Lu Qing and the others.

But now that he had already made arrangements with the Angel, he thought that if he returned alone, people might suspect something, so it was better to come up with an excuse to go back with Lu Qing and the others.

He could avoid suspicion for leading the robbing Angel to them and also allow Lu Qing to witness Lin Shen's distress from being robbed.

With this in mind, Zheng Yan exchanged a few more words with Tian Xin and then left on his own.

As he approached the area where Lu Qing and the others were hunting, Zheng Yan pretended to be panicked and said in a hushed tone, “Lu Qing, we must leave this place quickly. There is a very terrifying Base Variant Creature nearby, and if we startle it, none of us will survive.”

After Xu Tiange and Lu Qing took their leave, Lin Shen and Wei Wufu sat down under a tree to rest.

Feeling a bit hungry, Lin Shen took out the water bag containing the Mutant Sea Demon God General Base Mutation Fluid and gulped down two mouthfuls.

Simply to stave off hunger, ordinary Base Mutation Fluid would suffice. Logically, given Lin Shen's current condition, the Mutated Base Mutation Fluid should not be of much use.

Unfortunately, Lin Shen had a habit, whenever he ate, he always started with the best stuff—whatever tasted good, he ate first; whatever he liked, he ate first.

Because of this habit, he had been scolded by his eldest sister when he was younger.

At that time, Lin Shen had given his sister an example, and after that, she never again criticised him for this habit.

The story Lin Shen told was actually quite ordinary; it was about an elderly man who, after buying apples, would always eat those with some defects first. As a result, the good apples that were left ended up being stored for too long, and after a while, some of them would start to spoil.

Therefore, the old man only ever got to eat the flawed apples and never got to taste the best and freshest ones.

Of course, the example was different from Lin Shen's current situation, but it didn't stop him from drinking the best Base Mutation Fluid.

After ingesting two mouthfuls of Base Mutation Fluid, Lin Shen immediately felt as if two fireballs had slid down his throat to his stomach and then spread throughout his body.

Lin Shen suddenly felt as if there was a furnace burning inside him; his sweat drenched his clothes in an instant.

He was only at Steel Level, and the energy contained in the Mutated Crystal Base Base Mutation Fluid was simply too overwhelming, making him feel as if he could hardly bear it.

Fortunately, Evolution Theory kicked in once again, using the energy from the Mutated Base Mutation Fluid to constantly refine his flesh, strengthening and mutating it until he was soon able to adapt to the scorching sensation.

“Absorbing Mutant Sea Demon God General Base Mutation Fluid... Base Mutation Rate +1...”

The message that vibrated on his watch made Lin Shen pause momentarily. Search the website to access chapters of novels early and in the highest quality.

He had originally thought that he would need to find a Super-Base Creature to increase his Base Mutation Fluid, but it seemed that was not the case.

He checked the information on his watch, and indeed, his Base Mutation Rate had become 1%.

“I’ve used Mutated Base Mutation Fluid before, so why didn’t my Base Mutation Rate increase then? Could it be that I wasn’t at a high enough level and needed the Mutated Crystal Base Base Mutation Fluid?” Lin Shen couldn’t figure it out for the moment.

An increase in the Base Mutation Rate was, after all, a good thing, so Lin Shen continued to drink the Mutant Sea Demon God General’s Base Mutation Fluid mouthful after mouthful.

Initially, his Base Mutation Rate did increase somewhat, but the increase in Base Mutation Fluid slowed down more and more. Eventually, after the Base Mutation Fluid he consumed no longer caused a burning sensation in his body, it ceased to increase his Base Mutation Rate altogether.

Lin Shen checked and found that his Base Mutation Rate had reached 5%, and the remaining Mutant Sea Demon God General Base Mutation Fluid was less than one-tenth.

Lin Shen decided to gulp down the rest, but it still did not increase his Base Mutation Rate at all.

“Could it be that my Base Mutation Rate was able to increase because it’s linked to the effects of Evolution Theory? Otherwise, why would my Base Mutation Rate stop increasing once Evolution Theory ceased to function?” Lin Shen took out some Gold Armored Sea Demon Base Mutation Fluid to test his theory.

It was possibly because the Gold Armored Sea Demon Base Mutation Fluid was the same Attribute as the Mutant Sea Demon God General’s Base Mutation Fluid, completely unable to stimulate Lin Shen’s body to activate Evolution Theory anymore.

Lin Shen then remembered the Poison Mushroom Beast Base Mutation Fluid he had collected before; he didn’t know if it was mutated or not, but he decided to try drinking it first.

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Lin Shen took out the Poison Mushroom Beast's Base Mutation Fluid and directly gulped down a big mouthful. He had already developed a certain resistance to the Poison Mushroom's Base Mutation Fluid, but previously he had only come into skin contact with some and hadn't ingested it directly like this. This gulp did indeed provoke some reaction.

Lin Shen felt an itching sensation in his body and saw undressed little fairies flying before his eyes.

Evolution Theory activated once again, continuously operating.

Soon, the hallucinations and the itchiness were fading away, but his watch prompted: "Absorbed Mutated Poison Mushroom Beast Base Mutation Fluid, base mutation rate +0."

Dissatisfied, Lin Shen continued to drink the Poison Mushroom Base Mutation Fluid, exacerbating the symptoms of poisoning in his body.

Finally, when he was about to finish the Mutated Poison Mushroom Beast's Base Mutation Fluid, his watch informed him that his base mutation rate increased by +1, reaching 6 percent.

By then, Lin Shen roughly understood; it seemed that not only Mutated Crystal Base could increase his base mutation rate, but likely any variety of mutated base mutation fluid could as well, as long as they were different types. The same type of base mutation fluid, after being used frequently, would not increase the base mutation rate any longer.

The key lay in Evolution Theory. Without Evolution Theory, using mutated base mutation fluid would not increase the base mutation rate. That was the main point.

With this discovery, Lin Shen was greatly excited. He could finally increase his base mutation rate, and his advancement to Alloy-level was within reach.

Although it was slightly more difficult, as he needed to find different types of mutated base mutation fluid to increase his base mutation rate, this was still better than no progress at all.

Based on his past experiences, Lin Shen guessed that the higher the level of the mutated base mutation fluid, the more it would increase the base mutation rate. For example, a Mutant Sea Demon God General could increase his rate by five points, while a Mutant Poison Mushroom only by one point. .

By this logic, if he could find 19 more types of Mutated Crystal-based Creatures, he would be able to reach a 100 percent base mutation rate. If it were Mutant Steel Creatures, then he would need 94 different species.

Considering this, it really wasn't easy. It was definitely not achievable back home, but on this planet, it shouldn't be too difficult.

"Should I continue to stay here after the countdown ends?" Lin Shen pondered over this issue.

If he didn't stay, it would be hard for him to advance outside, but to stay and take down Mutated Crystal-based Creatures was no easy task either, as it required risking his life.

He didn't have many trump cards in his hand. The Angel Revolver counted as one, Fei Zai (Fatty) as another, and if the Death Powder could complete its evolution, it would also count as one.

The problem was that these three trump cards weren't the kind that could provide stable output.

The Angel Revolver needed high-level capsules to function, which Lin Shen currently didn't have; he only had one bullet made of Death Powder.

It was uncertain how strong Fei Zai really was. If it wasn't strong, how could it suppress the Black-Capped Mushroom Beast?

Yet if it was strong, why hadn't it killed the Black-Capped Mushroom Beast?

Moreover, although the Black-Capped Mushroom Beast was intelligent and capable, it was still just a mutated alloy; its intelligence and the multitude of underlings were its strongest attributes, not its level.

The actual effectiveness of Fei Zai against Mutated Crystal-based Creatures remained an unknown.

It was also unclear when the Death Powder would complete its evolution. For now, it could only be used as a bullet.

In fact, Lin Shen had another trump card, but it required too many deaths, and he did not rely on it.

As Lin Shen was considering this, he suddenly saw Wei Wufu approach him. Wei's strong hands grabbed his shoulders, gazing at him with deep emotion.

"Wei... What are you doing..." Lin Shen tried to back away, but the tree trunk was right behind him, leaving him with nowhere to go.

“Hurt feelings, anesthesia, useless, cheer up, man up, only then will she have a change of heart,” Wei spoke as if he was more articulate than before.

Lin Shen immediately realized that Wei had noticed something between him and Lu Qing and mistakenly thought that he was still hung up on Lu Qing, using the Poison Mushroom Beast’s Base Mutation Fluid to numb himself.

“Brother, I get it, can you let me go first?” Lin Shen said with a bittersweet smile.

“It’s tough, but practicing the blade technique, it’s useful.” Wei Wufu let go of Lin Shen and handed him his alloy blade, saying with a resolute expression.

Lin Shen didn’t really want to take it, but seeing Wei Wufu’s demeanor, he still took the blade.

It was rare for Wei Wufu to offer comfort; Lin Shen felt that if he didn’t cooperate, it would seem kind of unfair to Wei Wufu.

Once Lin Shen had taken the blade, Wei Wufu began to demonstrate the blade technique to him.

Wei Wufu’s blade technique was truly powerful; even just the demonstration dazzled Lin Shen.

The variations in the blade technique and movement were so numerous and complex that Lin Shen, who had a rather average memory, would forget the latter moves as he remembered the earlier ones, and vice versa. He had to practice multiple times to remember them.

“Wei, isn’t there a simpler blade technique?” Lin Shen sighed, he really felt like giving up.

“Simple, one day, learn it,” Wei Wufu stated.

Hearing this made Lin Shen even less inclined to learn. “Your sister, learn it in one day? I’ve been studying for so many days, and I still haven’t memorized all the variations. It really is maddening to compare oneself with others.”

“Wei, don’t you find this way of practicing the blade tedious and boring?” Lin Shen put the blade aside and sat down with a huff.

“No, it’s interesting,” Wei Wufu shook his head.

“Alright, you’re not normal. For such monotonous practice to be interesting to you is also quite expected. But I’m just a normal person, this type of practice is way too boring for me, and it’s pointless. Even if I did learn it, I wouldn’t be able to keep practicing. Without

practice, I can't perfect it, and imperfection leads to flaws. Flaws make it easy for someone to kill me..."

"Get to the point," Wei Wufu interrupted Lin Shen.

"Have you ever thought about teaching me in a different way?" Lin Shen squinted his eyes and proposed.

"Change? The way?" Wei Wufu asked, puzzled.

"Look, for example..." Lin Shen got excited, stood up, and, with both hands, picked up the heavy golden crystal trident beside Wei Wufu, walking over to a large tree.

Then, using the trident, he etched one circle after another into the tree, big circles encapsulating small circles, much like tree rings.

After laboriously drawing a good number of circles, Lin Shen stepped back with satisfaction and then, gripping the hilt of the alloy blade, he aimed at the circles he drew and threw the blade with force.

The alloy blade stuck in the tree trunk, right within one of the circles.

"See... the largest outer circle is worth one point, then this smaller part here is worth two points... three points... four points... and the center is worth ten points," Lin Shen explained on the side.

People watching Lin Shen's video feed were stunned. This wasn't blade practice that Lin Shen was doing; it was more like a game of darts.

Even though Wei Wufu had only demonstrated a few blade techniques, those with a bit of understanding could tell that his proficiency might have reached the level of a master.

There were countless people who desired to learn from Wei Wufu but could not, and even a few pointers from him would have been incredibly beneficial.

And here was Lin Shen, being personally taught by such a master, yet he was reluctant to learn, complaining that it was too troublesome, and even concocting some knife-throwing game. This was practically an insult to Wei Wufu, the master of the blade technique.

Many could only lament that rich people can be so willful and playboys will be playboys, amazed at the audacity of his idea.

"That's possible," Wei Wufu wasn't bothered at all and actually nodded in agreement with Lin Shen.

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“Too easy... no good...” Wei Wufu walked over, pulled the Alloy Blade from the trunk, and sheathed it.

He reached out to take the trident from Lin Shen’s hand, stood at a distance exactly one trident throw plus an arm’s length from the large tree, gripped the end of the trident with one hand, and suddenly began to stab rapidly.

The trident, like a machine gun firing, lightning-fast thrusts back and forth, pierced countless times in an instant, each time accurately hitting the very center.

“Ten strikes... ten points...” Wei Wufu stepped back after finishing, handing the trident back to Lin Shen.

“Somewhat interesting.” Lin Shen accepted the trident and then moved to the spot where Wei Wufu had just stood, imitating his posture, he held the end with one hand, and suddenly exerted his strength, thrusting the trident toward the circular target on the tree.

As a result, this stab hit only seven points, and the blade did not even penetrate.

Lin Shen hitting seven points didn’t mean he had the ability of seven points, it was because he couldn’t control the landing spot of the blade, which randomly pierced the seven-point area.

For Lin Shen, this trident was too heavy, and with the strong gravity of this planet, he could manage wielding the trident with both hands, barely cope with holding the middle, but holding the end like this was a bit beyond his control and strength.

That stab was already down to an explosive release of strength, not to mention control.

Whether he could strike ten times in a row like Wei Wufu was not something Lin Shen could guarantee, let alone with such speed and accuracy.

“This is really interesting.” Lin Shen tried to stab a few more times but couldn’t control where the blade fell at all, one time he used too much force and slid off to one side, not only failing to score but also missing the tree entirely.

Lin Shen's performance had the crowd outside laughing.

Everyone thought that someone like Lin Shen, who couldn't endure hardship, would probably give up soon, and later they would see what excuse he would come up with for not practicing.

Indeed, it wasn't long before Lin Shen set the trident aside and sat down, ceasing to practice.

Contrary to what they thought, he wasn't lacking in patience and didn't want to practice; rather, his wrist and arm were so sore that he couldn't exert any more effort and couldn't continue practicing.

Although he was no longer practicing, Lin Shen didn't say he wouldn't practice anymore as he had done in the past. Instead, he was thinking in his heart about how he could control the trident.

What he most lacked now was definitely strength; without sufficient strength, he couldn't steadily control the trident, but thinking back on Wei Wufu's movements and the way he exerted force, it seemed that controlling the trident didn't depend on sheer strength but rather involved a clever use of power.

Closing his eyes, Lin Shen repeatedly recalled Wei Wufu's movements, feeling more and more certain there was a cleverness to it, and that strength was not everything.

While circulating Evolution Theory, pondering all the while, Evolution Theory effectively alleviated the soreness in his arms, and when he felt somewhat better,

Lin Shen stood up to try again, but the result was still unsatisfactory; this time, his success rate with hitting the tree had fallen even lower than before.

He stabbed five times in total, and three of those didn't hit the tree at all.

"It seems Mr. Tian is fair after all, playboys may have everything, but talent is something innate that money can't buy."

"What do you guess, when will he give up this time?"

"It should be about time, he'll likely give up very soon."

"I'm really curious, what excuse will he come up with later."

"Actually, I think the move Wei Wufu pulled off is really not easy, if it were us, we'd probably be much the same as Lin Shen."

A few good friends gathered to watch the sky projection and casually discuss the performance of those involved, which seemed to have become a part of many people's daily routine.

Lin Shen sat down to rest again. He looked even worse than before because he had tried to imitate Wei Wufu's techniques, but unfortunately, it wasn't that easy. His control got even poorer before he could master the skills.

However, Lin Shen had no intention of giving up; he was actually quite patient with things that interested him.

After resting for a while, just as Lin Shen was about to give it another try, he saw a figure approaching from a distance.

Both men stood up to look and recognized the arrivals as Lu Qing and the Lu Family's people.

Wei Wufu and Lin Shen both felt it was strange; they had left only a few hours ago, so why had they returned so quickly? Could something have happened?

Sure enough, it wasn't long before Lu Qing and the others had run up close, many of them gasping for breath.

"What happened?" Lin Shen asked, noting their condition and the lack of any wounds, which didn't suggest an attack. .

"We encountered a Crystal-based Creature that looked very strong on the other side. We were afraid of disturbing it, so we came back first," Zheng Yan explained hastily.

"Very strong? How strong?" Lin Shen frowned as he asked; Zheng Yan's description seemed odd to him.

"It was tremendously huge," Zheng Yan said offhandedly.

As Zheng Yan's explanation was hazy, Lin Shen wanted to inquire more when suddenly, he saw a figure flying in from the sky in the distance.

Realizing that Lin Shen and Wei Wufu's expressions were off, everyone turned to look and immediately saw a blurry figure in the far sky speeding towards them.

Because of the distance, they couldn't make out the features of the figure, but from the pair of Angel's Wings and the white robe, they could already confirm his identity.

"A robber Angel!" someone called out, trembling, likely recalling the fear of being dominated by such a robber Angel.

By then, people all over the world watching were in uproar, and many hot-tempered ones were cursing Zheng Yan for his shamelessness.

Having been robbed by an Angel himself, he couldn't stand to see others fare well and went so far as to betray his own teammates—a true scumbag and disgrace.

Ye Yuzhen watched with a clenched heart, her palms sweaty from gripping tightly.

Most people were unaware of what a Tian Xin was, but Ye Yuzhen knew that Tian Xin wasn't an Angel at all but a rather famous member of the Celestial Race in the universe.

Celestials are born of Crystal Base, and even without ascending, the combat prowess of an adult member of the Celestial Race is incomparable to that of a regular Crystal-based Creature.

Lin Shen's Pet Capsule Launcher was also something Ye Yuzhen recognized; from her perspective, it was indeed a good piece. However, its success in killing the Mutant Sea Demon God General had involved some luck and the advantage of a surprise attack.

To use that Pet Capsule Launcher to kill an adult Celestial would be much more difficult than killing the Mutant Sea Demon God General.

After all, every member of the Celestial Race had a Pet Capsule Launcher and were more adept with it than humans, making it unlikely that Lin Shen would get another chance to surprise an opponent, nor would a Celestial just stand there like the Mutant Sea Demon God and let him shoot.

What's more, Lin Shen no longer had the Gold Crystal Horned Cow and the Red Jade Lion to distract the enemy, whereas the Celestial had snatched many human pets, including one of Zheng Yan's Red Jade Lions.

"How are you going to deal with this?" Bai Shenfei stood in front of the railing on the rooftop, watching Lin Shen's screen with interest.

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The Angel descends!

Tian Xin slowly landed in front of the large tree, his pristine wings, golden curls, and white robe all appearing so sacred in the sunlight, truly resembling an untouched Angel.

As he descended, his gaze gradually moved past the dense canopy and saw the face of the person standing under the tree.

“This face...” Tian Xin’s pupils shrank as he immediately recognized Lin Shen, and then his eyes fell on Wei Wufu.

Rage surged up in an instant, uncontrollable anger in his heart, “You two bastards, daring to show up, today if I don’t strip you down to your underwear, I’m not Tian Xin.”

As he was silently seething, Tian Xin caught a glimpse of the corpse of the Mutant Sea Demon God General from the corner of his eye, causing a shiver to run through his heart.

Having been here for so long, he had seen the Mutant Sea Demon God General before. He had wanted to hunt the Mutant Sea Demon God General, but unfortunately, he couldn’t take advantage in the sea.

The battle capabilities of the Mutant Sea Demon God General in the sea were not inferior to those of the Giant Sea Python he had killed before, and it could even be said to be more difficult to deal with.

Tian Xin didn’t know whether Lin Shen and his group had killed him after the Mutant Sea Demon God General had come ashore, and he immediately felt conflicted.

Looking at the hole in the head of the Mutant Sea Demon God General, his heart skipped a beat again.

It was clear that aside from the forehead, there were no other injuries on the body of the Mutant Sea Demon God General, indicating that it was killed by a single blow.

The strength required to kill the Mutant Sea Demon God General in one hit was, of course, greatly feared by Tian Xin.

No matter what, he was still at the Crystal Base Level. Although he was among the top in this level, stronger than most Mutated Crystal-based Creatures, he was not strong enough to completely overpower them, nor was it possible to kill the Mutant Sea Demon God General with a single strike.

As his eyes returned to Lin Shen, Tian Xin recalled Lin Shen’s bizarre ability to immobilize him with a casual flick, and his mind was again ruled by fear. Lin Shen’s image seemed to grow taller, shrouded in a vague mist.

In a daze, he thought he saw a faint smile playing at the corner of Lin Shen’s mouth.

“This guy is no ordinary Human, he didn’t kill me before, and now he’s returned, surely he is fully prepared. The Mutant Sea Demon God General was killed in a single blow, which shows how vicious the method he prepared must be, maybe he’s just waiting for me to deliver myself to him for another robbery...”

Upon this realization, Tian Xin suddenly saw the light, his mind coming to an understanding, “No wonder that damned Human betrayed his companions to tip me off, how could there be such a person, this must all be a conspiracy, those two bastards still want to rob me...”

Tian Xin gave Zheng Yan a cold glance, cursing his ancestors in his heart and swearing to make him wish for death if he ever got the chance.

“Robbing an Angel... split up and escape... Lu Qing, you go first... I’ll cover the rear...” Zheng Yan’s acting was truly exceptional, his face a picture of terror as he grabbed Lu Qing and ran, not forgetting to shout and remind his companions.

Those watching from the outside couldn’t help but praise Zheng Yan’s acting skills, sensing just how sly this person truly was.

If it weren’t for seeing Zheng Yan’s actions from a god’s-eye view, perhaps they would have been moved by him now.

“This guy really is shameless to the core.” Even Wang Tian’er couldn’t help but exclaim.

“That person is indeed very boring, but if it means we can get rid of Lin Shen, it might not be such a bad thing,” said Qi Shuheng. “It all depends on whether Lin Shen will obediently let himself be robbed. Although his handgun is formidable, it’s probably no match for robbing an Angel. Based on the Angel’s performance, if Lin Shen becomes arrogant enough to refuse the robbery, then he’s as good as dead.”

Wang Tian’er looked at Qi Shuheng, his expression complex, and said, “Lin Shen’s death might not be to our advantage.”

“How can it not be to our advantage? Did you not see the power of his gun? If we let him return alive, just with that gun, he would be a huge threat to both our families,” argued Qi Shuheng.

“Do you really think he’s a threat to us?” asked Wang Tian’er.

“Why wouldn’t he be?” Qi Shuheng felt that Wang Tian’er was speaking strangely today.

“Let’s put it this way, among the Qi, Wang, and Lin families, why have our two families gotten along better?” Wang Tian’er sighed before Qi Shuheng could speak, continued, “Although we are reluctant to admit it, we know deep down that we can’t beat those brothers from the Lin Family. We couldn’t beat them when Mr. Lin Zongzheng was

around, and even now that he's gone, we still can't. Because we know in our hearts that the Lin Family has the capability to annihilate us, we subconsciously want to stick together for warmth. We couldn't handle the third and fourth brothers before, and now the fifth brother is quickly becoming a threat. But so what? If the fifth brother dies, are we suddenly going to be able to beat the Lin Family? Have you forgotten about the person we met at Giant Mountain?"

Qi Shuheng fell silent after this speech. Although he didn't want to admit it, he knew Wang Tian'er was right.

"Now the secret of Gourd Mountain can't be kept any longer, and it's only a matter of time before people from the big families arrive. At this point, our three families should really be on the same side, comrades in arms. If the three families unite, we have a better chance of gaining the most benefits from those big families. After all, having lived together in one base for so many years, we both know well what kind of people the Lin Family is. They're not the type to completely eradicate others; otherwise, our two families wouldn't be in the situation we are now," continued Wang Tian'er.

After a long silence, Qi Shuheng sighed lightly and said, "I was hoping that place could be our big opportunity, but now it's all gone."

Above the Alien World, those who had been robbed from the Lu Family scattered and fled in all directions, with no one wanting to be robbed again.

They had just managed to save up a little property, and if it were taken away again, they would really have nothing left.

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"Go," urged Lu Qing, gritting her teeth. She didn't flee but rather shook off Zheng Yan's hand and ran to Lin Shen's side instead.

Zheng Yan's face turned ugly, but in such a moment, he couldn't say much.

Lin Shen looked at Lu Qing in surprise, not expecting her to do this.

Seeing Lin Shen looking at her, Lu Qing tried to appear nonchalant and said, "Don't get me wrong, I just figured I couldn't escape anyway, so I didn't want to waste the effort."

Lin Shen looked at Lu Qing, thinking to himself, "Lu Qing is really a good person, it's just that fate is too difficult to fathom."

Lu Qing turned her head away, unable to meet Lin Shen's gaze, and looked at the Angel who had landed on the ground opposite them, thinking that if she was going to be robbed, she didn't want to leave Lin Shen alone again.

All eyes were focused on the Angel, waiting for his familiar opener, waiting for him to utter the phrase, "Let's be friends."

How Lin Shen would choose was also a point of curiosity for everyone. Would the playboy obediently allow himself to be robbed, or would he use that miraculous handgun to fight the Angel?

Not many were optimistic about his chances; after all, Lin Shen's own level was too low. If a fight really broke out, he might not even have the chance to fire his gun.

After all, firing a gun still takes time, and without the opportunity for a surprise shot, the Angel would not give him the chance to fire.

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The eagerly awaited Tian Xin now really wanted to turn around and leave; he regretted not having checked who was here before running over so boldly.

He thought about leaving, but he was afraid to show his back to Lin Shen, lest Lin Shen catch him off guard.

He had witnessed Lin Shen's speed; though merely a Steel Level, Lin Shen moved faster than he did, which was rather unscientific.

Tian Xin pretended to be calm and poised, yet he refused to move another step forward, revealing an elegant smile as he looked at Lin Shen and said, "It's a pleasure to have friends come from afar. My dear friend, it seems you've been doing quite well recently."

Everyone was expecting Tian Xin to say his signature catchphrase about robbing and making friends, but when he opened his mouth, it was different from what they had anticipated and he even threw in a classical Chinese phrase, leaving everyone bewildered. .

An angel, and you're already surprising enough speaking Mandarin, but now you're using classical Chinese—what kind of rhythm is this?

"Little Tian Xin, is that you? Come here, come here," Lin Shen said with a smile, waving to Tian Xin.

Wei Wufu knew Lin Shen was calling Tian Xin, but others didn't, so to them it sounded like: Little sweetheart, is that you? Come here, come here.

This statement baffled everyone who was already a bit confused.

“What the heck? Little sweetheart?”

“Gosh, what's the playboy implying? Does he know this angel?”

“Not just acquainted—'little sweetheart' has been called. This is no ordinary relationship; there must be something fishy going on.”

“The playboy's awesome, not even sparing an angel. But is the angel a man or a woman?”

Lin Shen's words had confused everyone in the world, and even Lu Qing beside him was wide-eyed, looking back and forth between Lin Shen and Tian Xin. She also wondered, “This angel looks totally male, right? What did Lin Shen just call him? It hasn't been long since they separated; how did Lin Shen acquire this... preference... Ugh, what am I thinking... It's definitely not like that...”

Seeing Lin Shen's behavior only made Tian Xin more convinced that Lin Shen was setting him up; he wouldn't dare go closer and would hate not to have an extra pair of wings to double his flying speed and leave this place.

“Friend, I still have important matters to attend to today, so I won't catch up with you right now. Let's have a good chat another day,” Tian Xin said, not daring to turn and leave even after finishing his words, as Lin Shen's gaze bore into him. With a thought, he pulled out two items and tossed them towards Lin Shen, “It delights my heart to encounter a good friend. It was just that I came out in a hurry today and didn't expect to meet a good friend. I didn't bring anything valuable; these are some personal collectibles of mine, consider them gifts for our meeting, and may our friendship last forever.”

While Tian Xin's words sounded nice, the subtext was: Brother came out in a rush today, didn't bring anything valuable, so robbing me is useless; the only things of value I have on me are these items, just take them and stop bothering me.

Tian Xin threw them a bit high, and as the two items spread left and right, Lin Shen looked up, gauged them, caught them with his hands, and when he looked up again, Tian Xin had already soared away into the distance.

Seeing Tian Xin far off, Lin Shen looked down at the items in his hands, which turned out to be a pet capsule resembling a red jade and a key made of the same material, similar to the Red Jade Lion he had seen with Lu Qing.

After pocketing the items, Lin Shen had no intention of chasing after him; he couldn't fly and had no hope of catching up.

"The Celestial Race's advantage of being able to fly is really too great."

Not having gone far, Zheng Yan, who had been waiting in the distance and expecting Lin Shen to be robbed, saw what had happened. It felt as if he had received a powerful blow to the chest—a 'Black Tiger Steals Heart'—and his heart hurt as if it would almost stop.

Why is this development completely different from what he had expected? Both calling him a friend, the Angel stole all his Pet Capsules but ended up giving the Red Jade Lion he stole to Lin Shen. What the hell?

Lu Qing was just as stunned, watching Lin Shen and the item in his hand. The rumored thieving Angel, who had made his way to Lin Shen, not only didn't rob him but gave him a Red Jade Lion as a welcome gift.

The Angel who was supposed to rob, instead gave gifts, a change that people found hard to accept.

Everyone felt that Lin Shen's background must be unimaginably powerful; they had thought he had some connections, but never predicted it to be to this extent.

When the thieving Angel met Lin Shen, he not only didn't rob him, but also gave him the things he'd stolen, just like a mouse encountering a cat.

For a moment, everyone was speculating about Lin Shen's real identity and which family he came from. Even those from major families that had ventured into the universe were taken aback and guessing which prominent family Lin Shen belonged to.

Members from the major families had already started to investigate Lin Shen's background in earnest.

But communication between bases was difficult, and Dark Bird Base, being a remote outpost, had little contact with the large bases. Lin Shen had never left Dark Bird Base before, so it was hard to trace this back to him directly. To get to him, the first step would be to investigate the Lu and Xu families.

The reputation of being a playboy was becoming increasingly prominent; Lin Shen was now seen by the common people as the top scion of a wealthy family. Now, if someone claimed that Lin Shen's family was a universe-level powerhouse, plenty of people would believe it.

Since none of the known Super-Base families had the Lin surname, rumors started spreading that Lin Shen was the son of a hidden and powerful family, in comparison to which the famous families were insignificant and not even on the same level.

Lin Shen himself was oblivious to the extent of the background he had seemingly acquired, and even if he knew, he wouldn't care about it.

He carefully examined the information on the red capsule; it was indeed the Red Jade Lion, a small treasure of Crystal Base Level with stats all above thirty-eight and three skills.

Upon summoning it, the Red Jade Lion stood majestically, unscathed and oozing battle power, far surpassing the injured Red Jade Lion that Lu Qing had.

"Lin, that Red Jade Lion was robbed from me by the Angel. Only the Lu Family has the Red Jade Lion, and Lu Qing can attest to that. If you would be willing to return it, it would give us some leverage for survival here, and I could ensure Lu Qing's safety. The entire Lu Family would be eternally grateful to you, Lin, and you would be handsomely rewarded in the future," Zheng Yan had the audacity to come back and try to morally coerce Lin Shen, bringing up Lu Qing, in an effort to reclaim his Red Jade Lion.

"Son of a bitch, what a despicable person."

"I've never seen someone so disgusting."

"This guy is really the worst, reeking of foulness all over."

Even the onlookers couldn't bear to watch anymore; if it were possible, Zheng Yan would probably have been verbally attacked to death by a barrage of comments.

"Get lost." Lin Shen was not swayed by Zheng Yan's act and, after coldly dismissing him without even a glance, pocketed the Red Jade Lion and went back to rest by the tree.

He had already sensed that something was off with Zheng Yan and was planning how to deal with him. Killing him openly wasn't a good option, and he also wanted to confirm his suspicions through what Zheng Yan might reveal.

Zheng Yan was secretly clenching his teeth in anger, but his face showed a look of aggrivement as he turned to Lu Qing.

Lu Qing simply turned his face away, pretending not to see.

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After Tian Xin left, the Mutators of the Lu Family ran back one after another and decided to wait here for the countdown to end.

They were not Lin Shen; if they encountered Tian Xin again, they would only be able to offer gifts upon meeting. They didn't want the Base Mutation Eggs and materials they had just harvested to be stolen again, so they decided to stay on Lin Shen's side.

Of course, this was also partly due to Zheng Yan stirring the pot, for he feared the Angel would come looking for trouble after he left.

Although he didn't know why the Angel not only refrained from robbing Lin Shen but instead gave him a Red Jade Lion, it was clearly not a good sign and was very disadvantageous to him.

Lin Shen merely watched coldly and said nothing.

He had already decided to go out and search for Mutant creatures, but since he had promised to help guard the body of the Sea Demon God General and Xu Tiange had not yet returned, it was inconvenient for him to leave now.

Luckily, there were not many hours left until the countdown ended, and Xu Tiange should be back soon.

Lin Shen didn't mind the wait, and after the countdown, he didn't plan to return just yet.

Since the plains here were relatively safe, and after the countdown ended he could teleport back at will, there was nothing to worry about.

Safe hunting of Mutants to obtain Base Mutation rates was what Lin Shen needed to do at the moment.

At Steel Level, he was still too weak, currently relying on external forces to resolve battles. If he didn't enhance his own strength, it would ultimately remain unsafe.

After resting for a few hours, Xu Tiange finally returned with his group. Their harvest was quite impressive, and they even obtained two Mutated Steel Eggs, something previously unimaginable.

Some people live their whole lives without ever seeing a Mutant creature, let alone Mutant Eggs.

Checking the time, Lin Shen saw that it was almost due, with less than an hour remaining. He casually chatted with Xu Tiange and his group, inquiring about where they had gone and what they had encountered.

In a place like this, the more information one knew, the better.

Lin Shen planned to wait until Lu Qing and Xu Tiange and their group left before going to search for Mutant creatures.

Time passed quickly, and at the moment the countdown ended, something unexpected happened.

Previously, the black wristwatch Teleporter allowed for a choice to return or not, but this white wristwatch Teleporter had no options and, without their consent, teleported them back as soon as the countdown ended.

Lin Shen only felt a severe spinning sensation, and by the time he came to his senses, he was already submerged in water.

“I can’t swim!” Lin Shen immediately held his breath and desperately flailed his arms and legs, trying to make himself float.

After all these years, he had never gone into the water and had no idea how to swim. Without moving his limbs, it was fine, but as soon as he started flailing, he sank even further down.

“Wei, hurry and save me!” Lin Shen could only hope for Wei to rescue him, but then he realized that Wei probably wasn’t much of a swimmer either.

Wei was doing a little better than Lin Shen, if not by much. He knew a bit of doggy paddle, but was still unskilled, and was struggling desperately in the water, trying to reach Lin Shen. He churned the water into waves over a meter high, but his body just wouldn’t move forward.

At the critical moment, a figure came swimming over like a mermaid, reached Lin Shen’s side, and pulled him upwards.

Before long, the two surfaced. Lin Shen gasped for air; he had almost suffocated.

“Don’t rush. I’m here, breathe slowly, stay still, stay relaxed, and leave the rest to me,” a familiar voice sounded in his ear.

Lin Shen knew it was Lu Qing. Without saying a word, he did as she suggested, staying relaxed and letting her swim with him.

There were boats on the lake surface, and people from both the Lu Family and Xu Family came over for the rescue, pulling everyone onto the boats.

After being pulled onto the boat, Lin Shen looked at Lu Qing sitting beside him, drenched from head to toe, and said “thank you.”

Lu Qing gave him a sidelong glance and chided, “What kind of relationship do we have that you’re still being so formal with me?”

Having said that, she realized it didn’t sound right and her cheeks turned slightly red as she hastily explained, “When we were on that planet, you took care of me the whole time, so now we’re even.”

“Okay,” Lin Shen nodded slightly.

People from both the Lu and Xu families were unusually polite to Lin Shen, which puzzled Lu Qing and the others. Zheng Yan’s expression was not too good, as if he thought of something, yet he wasn’t sure about it.

From the way the people of the Lu Family looked at him, he realized something was amiss.

He glanced in the direction of the Realm King Cultivation Device and found that it was the same as when it was first discovered, without the slightest bit of activity.

After they teleported out, the projection of the Realm King Cultivation Device had already ended, so Lin Shen and the others didn’t see the projection.

After reaching the shore, Lin Shen and Wei Wufu said goodbye to Lu Qing and Xu Tiange and went straight back to Yashen Base.

All the way there, the two of them felt rather strange, as everyone they passed by seemed to look at them oddly.

Young ladies and wives smiled at them, which Lin Shen could understand—who wouldn’t if you looked pale, clean-cut, and decent?

But what was with those grown men grinning foolishly at them? That left Lin Shen somewhat speechless.

Lin Shen roughly guessed what was going on and hurried towards the Ye Family’s castle.

“Mr. Lin Shen, Mr. Lin Shen, you still know to come back, huh?” Lin Shen hadn’t yet reached the castle gates when he saw Ye Yuzhen standing at the entrance, smiling somewhat maliciously.

“Why wouldn’t I know to come back?” Lin Shen asked, blinking.

“Hero saves the beauty, the beauty protects the hero, mutual feelings, reignited passion—I thought you decided to go back home with your old flame,” Ye Yuzhen said, her words dripping with a tinge of sourness.

Lin Shen thought to himself, “Sure enough, our image from the inside must have been seen by others. It seems the Realm King Cultivation Device’s broadcast must have been played nearby. Hasn’t everyone at Yashen Base seen it?” .

“How could that be? A good horse doesn’t eat the grass behind it. Besides, I’m related to the grass—we’re both meant to be eaten,” Lin Shen said with a sly smile as he stepped forward and lightly hugged Ye Yuzhen’s slender waist.

“What kind of grass are you?” Ye Yuzhen dodged Lin Shen’s hands with a twist of her waist and asked curiously.

“I’m not grass, I’m cabbage—your exclusive cabbage. I won’t let anybody else ‘turn the soil’ but you,” Lin Shen said with a serious face.

“Cabbage?” Ye Yuzhen was taken aback at first, then quickly caught on and went to pinch him, “Who are you calling a pig... You’re the pig...”

Back in the castle, Lin Shen asked Ye Yuzhen for an update on the situation, and after she gave him a brief overview, Lin Shen was dumbfounded.

“A projection of the void... doesn’t that mean every move we made was seen by the whole world?” Lin Shen said with a strange expression.

“That’s probably the case. That projection was really odd. I heard on the channels that the image, just like the atmosphere, enveloped the entire planet. It could be seen from anywhere,” Ye Yuzhen said with a laugh, “You guys are now famous figures throughout the world.”

“What kind of title?” Lin Shen asked curiously.

“Wei Wufu is revered as War God Wei, and as for you, you’re now everyone’s most respected, strongest... playboy,” Ye Yuzhen said, grinning.

Chapter 87 - 87 Death Powder Evolution Complete

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Lin Shen was indifferent to his nickname of being a playboy; how others viewed him had no impact on him whatsoever. Search the website to access chapters of novels early and in the highest quality.

The whole world knew about Zheng Yan's actions, which made Lin Shen very curious about how the Lu family would deal with him.

However, that wasn't very important. Whether the Lu family dealt with Zheng Yan or not, he wouldn't give Zheng Yan a second chance. Even if the Lu family protected him, he would still take Zheng Yan's life.

What concerned Lin Shen now was the increasing number of Mushroom Beasts in the Blue Tree Sea. Even near the Yashen Base, Mushroom Beasts could be seen everywhere.

Scouts sent by the Lu and Xu families had discovered a huge Purple Crystal Mushroom Beast, large as a small hill and emanating purple poisonous gas, probably of the Crystal Base Level.

The Yashen Base was making efforts to clear the nearby Mushroom Beasts, but the more they killed, the more seemed to appear, like an unending stream.

Many people had obtained Base Mutation Eggs from the Mushroom Beasts, and quite a few had hatched them. Now, almost everyone had a Mushroom Beast pet.

The appearance of Crystal Base Mushroom Beasts, coupled with their vast numbers, made the situation at Yashen Base look very grim.

According to Ye Yuzhen, there were more than twenty Crystal Base Powerhouses at Yashen Base, and a conservative estimate put the number of Crystal Base Level pets at forty to fifty.

If there weren't too many Crystal Base Level Mushroom Beasts, they should still be able to hold the line. However, it would be difficult to cover the entire base, and when the time came, a large influx of Mushroom Beasts penetrating the base leading to inevitable urban warfare was likely.

If there were too many Crystal Base Level Mushroom Beasts, then there would be real trouble.

"Why not take the initiative to attack? Don't give those Mushroom Beasts a chance to breed, and just charge into the Blue Tree Sea to annihilate them," Lin Shen asked with some doubt.

"You think the Lu and Xu families don't want to do that? The key issue is that the Blue Tree Sea, in some outer areas, can be entered and exited, but deeper regions have a

Base Mutation Point. There are many Crystal-based Creatures inside, and with the manpower available to Yashen Base, I'm afraid they won't be able to capture it," Ye Yuzhen paused and said after some thought.

Lin Shen felt that the situation was quite serious. There was actually a Base Mutation Point inside the Blue Tree Sea. If anything went wrong, Yashen Base might not hold.

"You don't have to worry too much. I heard that the Lu and Xu families have already spread the news about the Realm King Cultivation System here through their channels," Ye Yuzhen added.

Upon hearing this, Lin Shen understood, "The Lu and Xu families can really let go. To give away such a great opportunity so readily."

"It's just a matter of time. Rather than being robbed later on, it's better to gain some immediate benefits now. I believe it won't take long before a large group of Mutators arrive, including powerful members of major families. Even if there are any accidents in the Blue Tree Sea, there shouldn't be too much trouble," Ye Yuzhen smiled and glanced at Lin Shen, "You should be careful though. Those guys from the major families might take a great interest in you."

"You'll protect me, right?" Lin Shen asked Ye Yuzhen with a smile.

"How shameless you are, asking me that. Go to Lu Qing for protection. What relation do I have with you that I should protect you?" Ye Yuzhen feigned anger.

"Forget it then. I'll go and ask Lu Qing later. I'm tired; I'm going to take a nap," Lin Shen said and headed to the guest room on the second floor.

"You..." Ye Yuzhen was dumbfounded.

Halfway up the stairs, Lin Shen seemed to remember something, turned his head, and said, "Lend me your incubation chamber."

Since the whole world had seen his actions on that planet, there was no point in hiding anything. He might as well hatch the two Mutant Sea Demon God Generals first. When the beast tide came, they would be his main force in combat.

In the future, when he returned to that planet, having two Mutant Crystal Base pets, he could practically do as he pleased.

Ye Yuzhen guessed he wanted to hatch the Mutant Sea Demon God Generals and didn't say much, leading him to her private incubation chamber.

Lin Shen placed the two Mutant Sea Demon God Generals and Mushroom Beast eggs inside, hoping they would hatch soon.

Ye Yuzhen's hatching chamber was quite obviously a high-end model, much more advanced than Lin Shen's; I'd bet the hatching time can be significantly reduced as well.

"Don't worry, this hatching chamber is only used by me. Apart from me, nobody else can get in here, so you don't have to worry," Ye Yuzhen made a point to say.

"What's there to worry about? What's mine is yours, and what's yours is mine. If you want to use it, just take it. We're family, after all. It doesn't matter whose place it is," Lin Shen said with a laugh.

He didn't have much choice, either. He couldn't wait until after the beast tide to start hatching, could he? The beast tide was his biggest threat; he had to hatch before it struck, and the best option he had now was to do it at the Ye family's place.

"You talk a good talk, but who knows what you're really thinking," Ye Yuzhen said, though he couldn't suppress a smile at the corner of his mouth.

Back in the guest room, just as Lin Shen had lain down on the bed intending to rest, he felt something moving in his pocket.

"Damn it, when I need you, you don't show up, and now when there's no need, you finish evolving? Are you messing with me?" Lin Shen saw something that looked like a red string wriggling out of his pocket. It crawled along his body and he realized it was Death Powder.

Lin Shen grabbed Death Powder and pulled it out. This creature had become even more delicate after evolving, resembling a semi-transparent dark red beef tendon string about three to four meters long. Its head was smooth and round, and its tail was thin and sharp. It had become much heavier than before, and while it wasn't as heavy as a trident, it was still quite heavy for an ordinary person.

"Did it ascend to Crystal Base level?" Lin Shen was pleased and quickly checked its attributes.

Mutated Death Shredder: Super-Base Alloy Creature (can evolve).

Strength: 21.

Speed: 21.

Hardness: 21.

Toughness: 21.

Base Mutation Talent: Super-Base Devouring, Super-Base Evolution, Super-Base Armor-Piercing Spike, Super-Base Instantaneous Speed, Super-Base Hundred Refinements, Super-Base Solidification.

“Huh, it didn’t ascend to Crystal Base level but mutated into Super-Base?” Lin Shen was somewhat surprised.

The environment hadn’t changed, but all the innate skills had acquired the Super-Base prefix, and a new skill, Super-Base Solidification, was added.

Lin Shen wondered how he could test how much these talents had enhanced. On a whim, he flicked it, and Death Powder, previously limp like a rope, suddenly stiffened into a straight line, turning into something akin to a large javelin with the tail acting as the spearhead.

Lin Shen was startled at first, but then quickly realized this must be Death Powder’s Super-Base Hundred Refinements talent.

He swung it a couple of times and found it quite convenient, albeit slightly heavy—just a bit lighter than a trident.

“It’s not bad for practicing spear technique in normal times.” Lin Shen flicked the spear, and the tip of the spear turned into a blur, unbelievably fast.

“Super-Base Instantaneous Speed has improved a lot compared to the enhanced instantaneous speed from before!” Lin Shen was delighted. This wasn’t a slight improvement; with the speed of alloy and the use of Super-Base Instantaneous Speed, it could almost match the speed of a Crystal Base.

He couldn’t test Super-Base Devouring or Super-Base Evolution yet, and he couldn’t discern the effect of Super-Base Solidification either. Lin Shen guessed that Super-Base Solidification might be related to that ability of the Mutated Poison Thorn Turtle that can make a person’s body solidify.

If that were the case, then Death Powder really had become formidable. Anybody wounded by it would essentially be done for.

“If I use Death Powder’s Super-Base Solidification to pierce myself, could it trigger a strengthening mutation according to Evolution Theory?” Lin Shen pondered quietly.

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Chapter 88 - 88 The Advantages of Gourd Mountain

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Lin Shen merely thought about it; he wasn't crazy enough to put his own life at risk for experimentation. It was better to test things out on Base Variant Creatures first before making any plans.

Lying in bed, Lin Shen pondered deeply, especially about the Mysterious Planet.

His path to advancement would inevitably be tied to that planet.

However, the Lu and Xu families had already spread the word about the Realm King Cultivation Device, making it less convenient to use it for entry in the future.

Moreover, the Realm King Cultivation Device would broadcast the entire process live, and Lin Shen was not someone who liked to show off. Therefore, unless absolutely necessary, he would not use the Realm King Cultivation Device for entry again.

"I need to find a way to take back Dark Bird from Wang Tian'er and Qi Shuheng. Entering through Gourd Mountain is the best choice," Lin Shen started strategizing how to retrieve the Dark Bird.

Using Gourd Mountain had two huge advantages: first, entering through Gourd Mountain wouldn't be broadcast live, which was beneficial since Lin Shen had many secrets that were not suitable for public exposure.

Second, there was no time limit after entering through Gourd Mountain. There would be no forced teleportation after the three-day time limit expired.

This was a significant advantage. It meant Lin Shen could hunt Base Variant Creatures on the planet indefinitely, without having to compete with others for the three-day window.

More importantly, once the three-day countdown of the black watch teleporter expired, he could teleport out at any time.

What did this mean? It was akin to having an extra life. If he encountered a Base Variant Creature he couldn't beat, or a situation with certain death, he could just teleport back. Was there a stronger life-saving artifact than this?

So, after much consideration, Lin Shen knew he must get his hands on Dark Bird, and it would be best to also silence the Qi and Wang families, keeping the entrance at Gourd Mountain a secret. This required careful planning.

Lin Shen planned to return to Dark Bird Base immediately after the beast tide ended to settle this matter, to avoid any future complications. However, before he left, he had to

deal with Zheng Yan, the scoundrel. If the Lu Family didn't make a move, he had already decided to act during the beast tide.

"With two Mutant Sea Demon God Generals in hand, plus Fei Zai and Death Powder for protection, and the Crystal Base Level Red Jade Lion, what part of that planet is not accessible? Base Variant Creatures will be at my mercy, not to mention advancing to Alloy, even advancing to Crystal Base is just a matter of time." Lin Shen slept exceptionally well that night.

He had an excellent sleep, and in the morning, he was woken up by Wei Wufu.

"It's not even dawn yet, what are you waking me up for so early? Has the beast tide breached the base?" Lin Shen stretched and yawned, feeling like he hadn't gotten enough sleep.

"Training," Wei Wufu said curtly.

"Training doesn't necessarily have to be in the morning. The air quality is poor in the morning, and the blood's viscosity is at its highest of the day, which is not suitable for training..." Lin Shen was speaking when he tried to lie down on the bed again.

"Let's go," Wei Wufu insisted, pulling Lin Shen out regardless.

"Don't rush; at least let me wash up first," Lin Shen said helplessly.

Only then did Wei Wufu let him go. After Lin Shen had freshened up, he wanted to have breakfast, but Wei Wufu rejected the idea. Search the website to access chapters of novels early and in the highest quality.

Reluctantly, Lin Shen had to go train on an empty stomach.

The Ye Family's castle didn't even have a garden, but it did have several indoor training grounds, including a private small one for Ye Yuzhen.

Lin Shen and Wei Wufu used this small training ground. When they arrived, Ye Yuzhen had already started her practice.

"Huh!" Lin Shen, who had been lethargic just moments ago, perked up immediately upon entering the small training ground and seeing Ye Yuzhen.

Now Lin Shen understood why Ye Yuzhen needed a private personal training ground. If she used the public ones, it could easily lead to criminal activity.

"Big sister, you're supposed to be practicing martial arts, not dancing. What's with the white lace?" Lin Shen swallowed hard, walking in with an air of righteous indignation.

Today, Ye Yuzhen wasn't dressed in her usual athletic wear. Instead, she wore sporty shorts and a tank top, complemented by a pair of lace-trimmed stockings. The lace trim formed a visually pleasing "absolute territory" between the hem of her shorts and her knees. Her round, shapely legs were a sight that one couldn't look away from.

One could argue that her outfit wasn't suitable for martial arts practice, yet it seemed quite sporty.

On the other hand, it seemed a bit off for martial arts practice as well.

"I'll wear what I want to wear. It's not like I asked you to look. If you don't like it, then don't look," Ye Yuzhen shot Lin Shen a glare and continued practicing.

Lin Shen thought to himself, "How can I not like to look? All men love to look."

After watching for a while, Lin Shen couldn't help but applaud and say, "The practice is just too good. I've never seen such stunning boxing. May I ask, what is the name of this style, heroine?"

"Beat the Pervert Fist," Ye Yuzhen replied as she swung a hook punch in Lin Shen's direction.

Lin Shen stepped back to dodge, thinking, "That should be called the Thug Excitement Fist, actually."

"Practice," Wei Wufu brought over a target and pulled Lin Shen over by his collar.

Lin Shen was full of resignation, internally complaining, "What matters more than finding a partner in life? You're ruining my chances of continuing the family line!"

Wei Wufu dragged Lin Shen in front of the target and tossed the trident to him.

Lin Shen caught it with both hands but then tossed the trident back to Wei Wufu, saying with a smile, "I'll use my own."

"Too light, useless," Wei Wufu wanted to say that ordinary weapons were too light to be of much use in practice.

"Not light," Lin Shen said, taking out a Death Powder Capsule and directly transforming it into its pet state in his hand.

"Useful?" Wei Wufu looked at the limp rope in Lin Shen's hand, frowning in disbelief.

Ye Yuzhen was also curious as she looked at the Death Powder in Lin Shen's hand. She wondered what Lin Shen was doing with such a pet, as they were supposed to be practicing stabbing techniques. How could a rope-like pet be used for stabbing practice?

“Of course, it’s useful. Why would I bring it out if it wasn’t?” Lin Shen flicked his wrist casually, and the formerly limp Death Powder instantly became rigid.

Lin Shen initially wanted to swing it around a bit, but he found that the Death Powder seemed much heavier than the day before. What felt significantly lighter than the trident now seemed almost as heavy.

“What is that thing? It was so soft a moment ago, how did it suddenly become so hard?” Ye Yuzhen, having seen much in her time, was nonetheless unfamiliar with such a pet.

“I won’t tell you. This is my secret weapon,” Lin Shen said, with the serious demeanor of guarding a state secret.

“Who cares,” Ye Yuzhen said dismissively, turning away to continue practicing her boxing technique.

“Heavy enough?” Wei Wufu asked again.

“Try it yourself,” Lin Shen tossed the Death Powder to Wei Wufu.

Wei Wufu caught it and weighed it in his hands. It felt quite hefty, not much lighter than the trident, and he was quite satisfied. He threw the Death Powder back to Lin Shen, “Practice.”

Lin Shen caught the Death Powder and started practicing the “stab,” a skill Wei Wufu had taught him.

It was a simple stab move, but it was the essence of cold weapon techniques.

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Chapter 89 - 89: Strength Beyond Levels (Five more chapters, please subscribe)

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The saying goes, “the shorter the weapon, the greater the danger,” and ancient assassins most commonly used stabbing techniques, even naming them after such moves.

In close combat, the effect of stabbing or thrusting is far greater than that of slashing or chopping, which might look fierce.

And indeed, “the longer, the stronger.” Among ancient military units, Spearmen were the most famous and practical.

With just a little training and learning a stabbing technique, Spearmen could go to battle. By using their length and the advantage of group fighting, enemies with swords and other weapons couldn’t even get close, and a chaotic barrage of spears would turn them into a hornet’s nest.

Therefore, aside from specialized troops like archers, shield-sword soldiers, and Cavalry, the stab of a Spearman was the main melody of melee combat on the Cold Weapons battlefield.

Even in the early stages of firearms, there was the bayonet, a weapon combining the advantages of both daggers and guns.

Hence, stabbing techniques are the most practical and the most ruthless skills.

This skill is not difficult to pick up, but very difficult to master.

Lin Shen tried over and over again, but his success rate was not high.

Fortunately, the targets provided by Wei Wufu were marked with scoring lines like a dartboard, and Lin Shen treated the practice like a game, never finding it boring.

As he kept practicing, Lin Shen began to feel something strange.

Previously, the more he practiced, the heavier it felt, and soon his arms would become so sore that he couldn’t lift them.

But today was different, he felt as if it was getting lighter with more practice. The formerly heavy Death Powder now felt like it was decreasing in weight in his hands, becoming lighter and making his training easier.

“Is the Death Powder causing this?” At first, Lin Shen thought it was an issue with the Death Powder, but he soon realized that wasn’t the case.

Lin Shen suddenly remembered that the Boundless Strength Contract he signed was with the Death Powder; as long as he had the Death Powder with him, his strength would increase as the weight of the Death Powder increased.

“That explains it,” Lin Shen realized the Boundless Strength Contract was taking effect. The weight of the Death Powder had increased, so his own strength had also improved. That’s why the Death Powder felt lighter in his hands, and it wasn’t behaving oddly.

To test his theory, Lin Shen reached for Wei Wufu’s trident. The weight of the trident was similar to that of the Death Powder, maybe a bit heavier, but not much.

Now holding the trident, Lin Shen felt much more at ease than before. It didn't feel so heavy; he easily lifted it with one hand gripping the end of the Death Powder.

"This Boundless Strength Contract is great. Exactly how much strength did it add? Definitely more than 11 points, right?" Lin Shen was thrilled.

If the Death Powder could keep increasing in weight, then his strength could also keep increasing indefinitely. Maybe by the time he reached Steel Level, he could possess strength comparable to a Crystal-based Creature.

Just thinking about being at Steel Level and crushing the skulls of Crystal-based Creatures with a punch filled Lin Shen with exhilaration.

Of course, that was just Lin Shen's imagination, and he had no idea if the Death Powder could continue to grow and increase its weight.

With such formidable strength, Lin Shen found his training much easier.

However, he didn't dare to show it. For one, he didn't want others to know about this BUG-like ability and become a target of interest.

Secondly, he was afraid that Wei Wufu would increase his training intensity. His current strength already far exceeded his level, and there was no need to train strength further; practicing his technique was enough.

Seeing Wei Wufu concentrating on practicing Base Mutation on the other side, and not looking his way, Lin Shen put down the trident and continued to practice stabbing with the Death Powder.

He didn't use his strength to forcibly control accuracy, still purely practicing technique, using explosive strength and inertia to repeatedly aim for the center of the target.

Lu Family.

"Uncle Li, how is the investigation I asked you to do?" Lu Qing was somewhat anxious, wanting to know where Lin Shen had gone.

"I have found out..." Uncle Li hesitated a bit.

"Did something happen to Lin Shen?" Seeing Uncle Li's expression, Lu Qing's first thought was that something had happened to Lin Shen, and she felt uneasy.

"No, Lin Shen is fine. He's right here in our base," Uncle Li said.

"Where is he staying now?" Lu Qing asked impatiently.

“He’s currently living at the Ye Family,” Li sighed.

“The Ye Family? Which Ye Family?” Lu Qing didn’t immediately grasp what he was saying because it had never crossed her mind that Lin Shen would be staying at Ye Yuzhen’s home. Search* The website to access chapters of novels early and in the highest quality.

“It’s Miss Ye’s house.”

“Miss Ye? You mean Ye Yuzhen?” Lu Qing found it hard to believe and couldn’t help but widen her eyes.

“Yes.”

“How is that possible? How could Lin Shen possibly be staying at Ye Yuzhen’s house? Why would he be there?” Lu Qing still found it unbelievable.

Li sighed, “I’ve already had someone check, and it’s confirmed that Lin Shen is indeed living at the Ye Family’s place, and it’s not just recently. Before you went to that planet, he had already been living at the Ye Family’s house. Some people even saw him and Miss Ye getting quite close, their relationship seems to be rather unusual.”

“Lin Shen... Ye Yuzhen...” Lu Qing could only feel her mind exploding with the force of a thunderclap, leaving her dazed for a long while.

Scenes from the past flashed through Lu Qing’s mind like scenes in a movie.

“What’s so good about Lin Shen? He’s over twenty and hasn’t even completed his Base Mutation. You won’t have to protect him in the future, will you?”

“Look at him, idling his life away with eating, drinking, and merrymaking, neglecting proper endeavors. Do you really want to spend your lifetime with someone like that? Even if you’re willing, would your family agree?”

“He hasn’t come to see you since you’ve been back for so long, has he? Don’t be foolish. If he cared about you, how could he not have come to find you after such a long time?”

Thinking of the things Ye Yuzhen used to say, Lu Qing felt her blood rushing to her head, causing a dizzy spell.

“The nerve of you, Ye Yuzhen, I treated you as my best friend, and you did this to me. Are you even human?” Lu Qing felt like she was about to explode with rage.

She couldn’t stand Ye Yuzhen’s betrayal and was even more unable to accept that she had been deceived so thoroughly.

“Miss, are you alright?” Li, seeing that Lu Qing had turned extremely pale and appeared somewhat out of it, asked worriedly.

“I’m fine, Uncle Li, please go back. I need to go out for a bit.” Grinding her teeth, Lu Qing dashed out. She had to find Ye Yuzhen and ask why she had done this to her, where she had gone wrong.

In the small martial arts training yard, after having finished her boxing practice, Ye Yuzhen was drinking water and resting on the side, yet her eyes frequently glanced towards Lin Shen.

She had met Lin Shen at the same time as Lu Qing when they went to Dark Bird Base together, and her impression of him was now very different from what it was back then.

Back then, Lin Shen never took anything seriously. When chasing Lu Qing, he took them both to enjoy all sorts of pleasures, but he just didn’t like to practice martial arts and had never been seen taking his cultivation this seriously.

Suddenly, Lin Shen, who was practicing his spear techniques, stopped and walked straight towards her.

Ye Yuzhen’s heart fluttered in a panic, feeling like a little girl caught peeking at something forbidden, unable to meet Lin Shen’s eyes, she averted her gaze to the side and pretended to drink water.

But Lin Shen kept walking until he was right in front of Ye Yuzhen, almost face to face, and yet showed no sign of stopping.

“What are you doing?” Ye Yuzhen used her hand to press against Lin Shen’s chest to stop him from getting closer, her voice a mixture of panic and confusion.

However, Lin Shen brought his lips close to her ear and said with a teasing smile, “If you keep looking at me like that, you’ll make me think you’re already so infatuated with me that you can’t extricate yourself and you can’t fit anyone else in your eyes but me.”

“Pfft, infatuated with you? Don’t flatter yourself,” Ye Yuzhen, flustered and annoyed, tried to push Lin Shen away.

But she felt a tightening around her waist as strong arms wrapped around it, forcing her body to lean forward and bringing their bodies intimately close.

Face to face, they could clearly feel each other’s breath, their gazes intimately communicating, the atmosphere becoming charged with an unusual sense of intimacy.

Ye Yuzhen’s heart raced, her cheeks flushed with color, and her breathing became rapid and uneasy.

“Bang!” The doors to the training yard suddenly swung open with a loud crash. Lu Qing stormed in, glaring angrily at the two, her beautiful eyes nearly shooting flames.

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“Ye Yuzhen, I really never expected you to be this kind of person,” Lu Qing gritted her teeth, she hadn’t even been this angry when she and Lin Shen broke up.

“Lu Qing, it’s not what you think...” Ye Yuzhen hastily pushed Lin Shen away, wanting to explain to Lu Qing.

“You’ve already gone this far, what’s there to explain? I must have been blind to have treated you like a sister. When I was with Lin Shen, did I make you so jealous? You did everything you could to ruin our relationship, how many bad things about Lin Shen did you say to my face, all the while scheming to break us up, and now you’ve finally gotten your wish to climb up the ladder, congratulations to you,” Lu Qing said coldly, the words meant as much for Ye Yuzhen as they were for Lin Shen.

She wanted to make Lin Shen realize that Ye Yuzhen was no good person, and that their breakup was all because of Ye Yuzhen.

Ye Yuzhen, who was originally intending to explain, became angry upon hearing what Lu Qing said.

“Lu Qing, if that’s what you think, then let’s talk things out right now. What bad things did I say about Lin Shen? Tell me clearly, one by one!” Ye Yuzhen was also fired up.

“You don’t know the bad things you said? Do I have to spell them out for you?”

“I really don’t know, tell me.”

“Alright, I’ll tell you, you said Lin Shen was all about eating, drinking, and having fun, and not serious about life, that was what you said, wasn’t it?”

“That was what I said.”

“You said he was over twenty and still hadn’t gone through Base Mutation, what future could he have, do you admit it?”

“I admit it.”

“You said he came from a low background, and my family would definitely not approve of him, you said that too, didn’t you?”

“Yes, I said it.”

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Lin Shen and Wei Wufu watched the two women locked in a fierce confrontation, the tension so palpable it was almost explosive; they didn’t dare interrupt, only watching from the side.

The war between women was even more terrifying than the battles fought by men, even Wufu felt helpless.

“Lin Shen, you’ve heard everything, now you see her true face clearly, now you know what kind of woman she is, right?” After saying this, Lu Qing turned to Lin Shen.

Lin Shen certainly knew, in fact, he had known all along, but what did that matter? He only wanted to find a suitable woman to carry on the Lin Family line, and Ye Yuzhen was the most suitable choice right now.

Lin Shen was about to say something, but Ye Yuzhen spoke first, “Yes, I did say Lin Shen was only interested in indulging himself and not serious about his affairs, I said he lacked ambition, I said his background was humble, and that your family would definitely not agree to you two being together. I said all of those things, but who told me about them? How many times have I met Lin Shen before? Why would I know what kind of person he is? Who told me these things?”

“Lu Qing, you think you’re noble and you’re the good person. You don’t want to say the words yourself, so you made me say them, made me be the villain. Now you’re turning it around and blaming me for breaking you two up. Fine, I’m the bad person, I’m despicable and shameless, I don’t deserve to be your sister. From now on, you take your sunshine path, and I’ll cross my log bridge; we will have nothing to do with each other anymore.” As she spoke, Ye Yuzhen walked to the door, opened it, and said, “Leave, you’re not welcome here.”

“Damn, the counterattack!” Lin Shen and Wei Wufu were both stunned, the showdown between the two women was even more dazzling than a duel between martial artists, the back and forth was just too damn spectacular.

“You...” For a moment, Lu Qing was at a loss for words, seemingly completely defeated.

“Please,” Ye Yuzhen said coolly, making a gesture for Lu Qing to leave.

“Lin Shen, do you believe me or her?” Lu Qing still hadn’t given up and looked at Lin Shen to ask.

“Let bygones be bygones.” Lu Qing was not a bad person, but Lin Shen was not one to retrace his steps. From the moment they broke up, it became impossible for him to have any relationship with Lu Qing again.

Lu Qing’s spirits plummeted, and without saying anything more, he left the training ground in a daze, feeling blocked and uncomfortable inside. .

After Lu Qing left, Ye Yuzhen turned to face Lin Shen, “Now you know what kind of person I am, why are you still standing here?”

“Ye Yuzhen, there’s something I’m really curious about.” Lin Shen’s gaze was fixed on Ye Yuzhen, his expression somewhat complex.

“What is it? Just say it. It’s all out in the open now, there’s nothing that can’t be said. I’ll tell you whatever you want to know,” Ye Yuzhen started to act recklessly.

“Back at the market, I could hear your secret; you did that on purpose, didn’t you?” Lin Shen asked.

“Yes, it was arranged by me on purpose.”

“What about the matchmaking?”

“That too was my arrangement. I knew you were going to the matchmaking event, so I went to find the chubby proprietress. What can I say, I’m just that kind of scheming, green tea bitch, are you satisfied now?”

“Then I don’t understand. You know my situation very well, only interested in eating, drinking, and merrymaking without any real work, with no ambition. To others, I might be considered a rich second generation, but compared to your family background, my little fortune really doesn’t amount to much; standing next to you, it wouldn’t be too much to call me underprivileged. Why would you go to such lengths for someone like me?” Lin Shen was genuinely curious about what Ye Yuzhen was thinking—did she simply want to snatch her best friend’s boyfriend? Did she have that kind of hobby?

Ye Yuzhen hesitated for a moment, but given the state of things, her emotions at a peak, she blurted out carelessly, “You might be irresponsible and lack ambition, and your family might be average, and you’re never serious about anything, but so what? I’m just cheap and I like someone like you, is it wrong for me to want to have you? Those issues might be problems for others, but they are not problems for me. You have nothing, I have everything, you like to play, then play, do whatever you love, I come from a wealthy family, what’s wrong with me supporting you?”

Lin Shen stared at Ye Yuzhen, momentarily at a loss for words, only able to think this woman was incredibly audacious.

“But let’s make one thing clear, when you were with Lu Qing, I never did anything to betray him. Is it my fault if she doesn’t want you and I do? Now that you seem better off, you want to go back, why should I give him up...” Ye Yuzhen was completely throwing caution to the wind today.

Before Ye Yuzhen could finish speaking, she was suddenly wrapped in Lin Shen’s strong arms.

Lin Shen’s lips kissed Ye Yuzhen’s forehead, feeling that this woman was not like what he had previously thought, and he actually, genuinely started to like her a little bit.

“Could it be that I’m also a scoundrel, or why else would I find a scheming woman somewhat cute?”

“Indecent, ignore.” Wei Wufu turned his head away silently.

Ye Yuzhen trembled all over, her cheeks flushed, her mind a blank, and it took a long time before she regained enough sanity to push Lin Shen away.

“Do you really not mind?” Ye Yuzhen looked up at Lin Shen, her eyes and eyebrows softened like a spring breeze.

“Mind what?” Lin Shen asked knowingly.

“I really didn’t mean to belittle you, none of those things are faults to me. I didn’t mean to insult you either; before, I thought your lack of ambition was no problem—I could support you. But now I see that you don’t need me at all...”

“No, no, no, don’t think that way; I have a sensitive stomach, the doctor said I can’t eat food that’s too hard, I have to eat something soft...” Lin Shen hurriedly interrupted Ye Yuzhen, scared of being misunderstood.

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