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Chapter 356.1: Adventure, Adventure

Just as countless thoughts flitted through Jiang Nannan's mind, the wheel started to spin once again! As they all stared at the weird symbols on the wheel, everyone wore an ugly expression on their faces. They prayed that for their Adventure round, the task would not be too perverted.

Everyone's breathing started to become more and more tense. As they stared intently at the spinning wheel, they all knew that they could be next.

A ray of golden light shone. This time, it lit up underneath Jiang Nannan's feet. This meant that she was up next.

She had still not gotten over her shock at Bei Bei and Xu Sanshi's predicament. Instantly, the color drained from her face as she stared at the wheel in shock.

The wheel started to slow down. A different symbol appeared in front of Jiang Nannan.

This symbol looked weird. There were three fists on it, one of which was larger than the other two.

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The wheel turned golden. This time, two rays of light started to spin rapidly.

One versus two??While this 'Adventure' was not as perverted as Xu Sanshi's, it was still extremely difficult! Among everyone here, who was weak? Furthermore, everyone in the Tang Sect had good ties with each other. How could she possibly fight them?

The two rays of light stopped. When she saw where they stopped, Jiang Nannan sighed in relief. This was the best possible outcome.

The two rays of light stopped at Ning Tian and Wu Feng, the odd 'couple'. They flashed, and then the two of them entered the arena. The three women in the arena faced off against each other.

Wu Feng and Ning Tian exchanged gazes. Both of them had an odd look in their eyes.

Jiang Nannan did not know what they had experienced in the first round. Neither did she know that they had feelings for one another. However, Jiang Nannan had no psychological baggage fighting them.

This place was like a round stage. While it was big relative to the wheel, it was not big enough for soul masters to fight.

Five soul rings rose simultaneously from underneath Jiang Nannan's feet. At the same time, her second and third soul rings lit up.

Wu Feng and Ning Tian felt themselves getting heavy, and only then did they realize that something was amiss. They recovered quickly from their awkwardness, just in time to see Jiang Nannan appear suddenly behind Ning Tian and reach out to grab Ning Tian's shoulder.

This was Jiang Nannan's second soul skill, Gravity Control, and her third soul skill, Instant Teleportation!

While Ning Tian was an auxiliary-type soul master, she placed a great emphasis on protecting herself because she had no way of fighting someone directly.

A layer of light suddenly shone from her body. This was a Class 5 protective soul barrier. At the same time, she moved her body forward, and a shuttle-type soul tool appeared underneath her feet, propelling her forward and away.

However, while she took defensive steps, how could Jiang Nannan not have made offensive preparations?

As a close-combat soul master, Jiang Nannan's fighting style and techniques could only be unleashed when she was close to her opponent. The appearance of soul tools was able to check her battling style. Hence, as one of Shrek's Seven Monsters, Jiang Nannan had made a special request to the Academy for a set of close-combat soul tools.

In the tournament earlier, she did not have many chances to fight. Furthermore, as they faced extremely powerful opponents in the group round, she was unable to use her close-combat soul tools. Now, however, she got her chance.

Two silver rings started to shine on both her middle fingers. A set of silver gloves appeared on her long arms.

A silver, suction cup-shaped pattern appeared on the palms of her gloves. The suction-cup patterns instantly released rays of light that violently drew Ning Tian's soul barrier towards them. She had no chance of escaping.

Not only that, but five sharp knives also sprang out of the fingertips of Jiang Nannan's gloves. Like a hot knife cutting through butter, they slashed through the protective soul barrier and went straight for Ning Tian's shoulder.

However, they were not mortal enemies. They were all from Shrek Academy, and the moment Jiang Nannan's hands touched Ning Tian's shoulders, she retracted the knives immediately. All she did was squeeze Tian's shoulder with her palm.

All of Jiang Nannan's soul skills were meant for close-combat. If one thought that she was weak, they would be deeply mistaken. The moment she got close to a target whose strength did not surpass hers, the fight was over.

Ning Tian lost all feeling in her shoulder after Jiang Nannan grabbed it. Her entire body felt weak, as if her blood vessels had been sealed. It became more difficult to circulate soul power through her body. The protective soul barrier that Jiang Nannan had broken though disappeared. She felt the world around her swirl as Jiang Nannan picked her up.

This all happened in an instant. By the time Wu Feng rushed over, Jiang Nannan had already lifted Ning Tian off the ground.

An angry dragon roar could be heard. Wu Feng's entire body blazed with a fiery light, and fiery red dragon scales appeared on her. By lifting Ning Tian, Jiang Nannan knew that she was completely

exposed in front of Wu Feng. Wu Feng did not lack fighting experience. She reached forward with her dragon claws, and her fourth soul ring started to shine. To save Ning Tian, she used her most powerful soul skill.

Wu Feng's body disappeared. The fiery-red light turned into the shape of a huge dragon that bounded into the air, barreling straight toward Jiang Nannan. This was her fourth soul skill, Dragonflight!

However, Jiang Nannan's fourth soul ring started to shine too. As a layer of golden light flashed, Wu Feng landed a direct hit on her.

Bang!

Boom!

Jiang Nannan threw Ning Tian down onto the ground ferociously, instantly dazing her. When her body touched the ground, Ning Tian finally realized how terrifying Jiang Nannan was. She felt her body was almost tenfold heavier. When Jiang Nannan let go, a suffocating power came from her hands, causing her soul power to dissipate. Just like that, she crashed hard against the ground.

Even though Ning Tian wore a protective layer of soft armor, such a hard landing knocked her out cold. Her entire body felt like a fragile, collapsing structure.

The boom afterward came from Wu Feng crashing into Jiang Nannan. With her fourth soul skill, Invincible Golden Body, Jiang Nannan was unscathed. Wu Feng, however, was bounced away.

Jiang Nannan smiled. Having taken care of Ning Tian, she became more confident. Without the Seven Treasures Glazed Pagoda's augmentation, Wu Feng was no match for her alone.

Her small frame flashed, and Jiang Nannan rushed toward Wu Feng, who had taken up her human form again.

From an outsider's perspective, Jiang Nannan was the weak link among Shrek's Seven Monsters. However, when they actually faced her, both Wu Feng and Ning Tian finally realized how terrifying this beauty could be.

Her jade-like legs suddenly increased in strength. Instantly, Jiang Nannan's speed reached Wang Qiu'er's level. However, her body was much more flexible. She was not as violent as Wang Qiu'er.

Over such a short distance, Wu Feng was unable to see Jiang Nannan clearly after she increased her speed. Jiang Nannan was right on top of her almost instantly. Wu Feng grunted, and the second and third soul rings on her body lit up.

Dragonfury, Dragonburst!

An intense red light shone from Wu Feng's body. Everything within a 1.5-meter radius appeared to have exploded.

Jiang Nannan's body suddenly stopped three meters in front of Wu Feng. This sudden stop, which went against all physics, was just enough to let her dodge Wu Feng's burst.

Not only that, but Jiang Nannan's hands turned as bright and spotless as jade. This was one of the Tang Sect's Secret Techniques, Mysterious Jade Hands.

Huo Yuhao had mastered the Purple Demon Eyes better than anyone else. However, Jiang Nannan, who specialized in close-combat, had spent a lot of time effort refining the Mysterious Jade Hands!

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Jade-colored light swirled, and Jiang Nannan reached out with her hands before separating them.

At the same time, the power of Dragonburst reached its peak. Dragonfury still blazed, but as Jiang Nannan pushed with her hands, this intense heat was forcibly and quickly parted.

Tang Sect Secret Technique, Controlling Crane Capturing Dragon!

Jiang Nannan body twisted to the side, and just like that, she was able to move toward Wu Feng in this odd fashion. The tips of her toes lightly touched the ground, and her entire body charged toward Wu Feng in this weird position.

Wu Feng was not afraid. Her first soul ring lit up, and Dragonfire rose. Her dragon claws slashed toward Jiang Nannan.

She did not believe that with her martial soul, a Fire Dragon, she would fare worse than Jiang Nannan in a head-on clash. They were both five-ringed Soul Kings. Even though her soul power might be stronger, how much stronger could it be?

Indeed, in terms of the strength of their martial souls, Jiang Nannan did not surpass Wu Feng by that much. However, her fighting style was the perfect counter to Wu Feng.

As her martial soul was a Fire Dragon, her fighting style focused on maintaining a medium-to-close range with her opponent. In a wide enough arena, she would be able to demonstrate her mid-range fighting style to the best of her abilities. There, it would be difficult for Jiang Nannan to win.

However, this 'arena' was way too small. This was an advantage for those who fought at close range. At this close range, Jiang Nannan had an absolute advantage.

Jiang Nannan's response to Wu Feng's dragon claws completely shocked the latter.

Her body fell forward swiftly, something most people could not do. However, Jiang Nannan pulled this feat off with her control over gravity.

Her judgment was perfect, and just like that, Wu Feng's dragon claws slashed nothing but thin air, passing over her body.

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"Oh no." Wu Feng sensed that something was amiss. However, she had no intention of retreating. Instead, her right leg flew into the air like a bolt of lightning as she tried to kick Jiang Nannan.

Horizontal roll! Jiang Nannan was able to grab Wu Feng's right leg with her hands from a sideways position.

Had it been anyone else, they would be burnt by the Dragonfire that blazed on Wu Feng's right leg. However, Jiang Nannan was immune to it. With the power of her Mysterious Jade Hands, she had no such fear. On the other hand, when Wu Feng felt Jiang Nannan's hands squeeze the bottom of her knee, she noticed that her right calf lost all sensation.

Wu Feng had always been strong. Faced with this situation, she showed no sign of weakness. Instead, she kicked out at Jiang Nannan, who was grabbing onto her right leg, with her left leg. At the same time, the fifth soul ring on her body lit up.

She turned into a red dragon once again and unleashed her most powerful soul skill, Dragon Cloudpierce. She not only used this soul skill to break free from Jiang Nannan, but she also relied on it to turn the tables on her.

However, at this time, Jiang Nannan's fifth soul ring lit up as well.

Even though their power was the same, how could Jiang Nannan be known as one of Shrek's Seven Monsters if she gave her opponent any chance at retaliation at such a close distance?

Golden light flashed, and Jiang Nannan grabbed Wu Feng's left leg too. Then, before Wu Feng could fully unleash her fifth soul skill, a layer of golden light started to creep up her legs. Everywhere it touched, Wu Feng could feel her lower limbs going numb. When the golden light reached her navel, she felt her soul power drain from her body. Her soul skill, which she was in the midst of using, was forcibly halted. She collapsed onto the ground.

Jiang Nannan's figure could be seen in the golden light once more. This was her fifth soul skill, Soft Bone Lock. Wu Feng's soul power and body were completely sealed. She lost all abilities to fight. Naturally, under this condition, Jiang Nannan could not continue to attack. However, for a soul master like her, it was enough. As long as she released Soft Bone Lock, she would regain her abilities much quicker than Wu Feng.

"Jiang Nannan wins. She passes the second round, Adventure." A few rays of light shone simultaneously. Wu Feng and Ning Tian returned to where they were. They recovered fully from their fight with Jiang Nannan. At this moment, Jiang Nannan disappeared from where she was too. No one knew where she went.

Undoubtedly, Jiang Nannan was the first person to pass the second round based on her own merits, other than the three who were exempted. At the same time, she showed Wu Feng, Ning Tian, Zhu Lu and Dai Huabin the difference in their abilities. This was due to a disparity in strength. Jiang Nannan, viewed as the weakest among Shrek's Seven Monsters, was able to defeat a combination of the strongest auxiliary-type martial soul, Ning Tian and her Seven Treasure Glazed Pagoda, and Wu Feng, who possessed the Fire Dragon.

Even though the small arena was to Jiang Nannan's advantage, it was clear that her strength was superior to both Wu Feng and Ning Tian.

Six out of the original thirteen were gone. Only seven were left.

Huo Yuhao, Wang Dong'er, Wang Qiu'er, Wu Feng, Zhu Lu, Ning Tian, and Dai Huabin.

The wheel appeared once more, and a golden light shone, attracting everyone's attention. This time, Dai Huabin was the one who was chosen for the wheel's 'Adventure'.

The wheel spun, and this time, it stopped rather quickly. The symbol that appeared in front of Dai Huabin was a pair of swords.

"Defeat your opponent, and you shall pass this round. If your opponent beats you, they'll pass this round. The loser will be sent to the Deep Adventure round."

The moment the voice stopped speaking, a ray of golden light shot out. This time, it did not even spin. Instead, it landed directly on Zhu Lu.

This was an 'Adventure' indeed! However, it was not one of strength, but one of the heart.

Despite Dai Huabin's strong personality, when he saw that it was Zhu Lu who was chosen by the light, a bitter look crossed his face.

The golden light flashed, and Zhu Lu appeared in front of Dai Huabin. The two of them looked at each other. Both of them had complicated looks in their eyes.

Zhu Lu, in particular, looked at Dai Huabin as tears streamed down her face. Her lips trembled, but she did not say anything.

Dai Huabin sighed and said softly, "Lulu, I'm sorry, it's all my fault. I've never thought about my deepest thoughts. I'm wrong. There's nothing else to say. If we can leave this place alive, I'll love you and you alone with all my heart. No one else shall have my heart. I concede defeat for this round. I choose the Deep Adventure."

After he finished this sentence, tears fell from Dai Huabin's eyes.

"No!" Zhu Lu shouted hysterically. However, it was too late. The golden light flashed, and Dai Huabin disappeared.

"Dai Huabin admits defeat. Zhu Lu successfully passes this round."

"Wait a moment, I don't want to pass this round. I want to go with him to the Deep Adventure round. Let me go, let me go..." Zhu Lu cried. Her voice choked, and she no longer sounded human. The moment Dai Huabin conceded defeat and risked it all to go into the Deep Adventure round, all of the unhappiness in her heart disappeared.

"Are you sure you want to choose the Deep Adventure? If you and Dai Huabin take part in Deep Adventure together, it'll be even more difficult!"

"I choose the Deep Adventure. Even if I die, I want to die with him."

"Alright, I shall satisfy your request. Zhu Lu shall progress to the Deep Adventure round." The golden light flashed, and Zhu Lu disappeared.

Silence. The wheel fell into a deathly silence. The mysterious existence appeared to have disappeared. For a long while, there was no sound.

Everyone had seen what had happened, including Huo Yuhao. While he did not know what had happened between Zhu Lu and Dai Huabin, he felt his heart wrench when he saw Dai Huabin choose the Deep Adventure without any hesitation so that Zhu Lu could pass this round.

In his heart, Dai Huabin had always been his enemy, his foe. He was the murderer who had killed his mother. However, when he personally witnessed Dai Huabin reveal his emotional side, he felt even more anguish.

If Dai Huabin were a cruel and selfish person, he would have no qualms about seeking revenge in the future. However, he now realized that through his interactions with his peers, his ever-deepening love for Dong'er, and his personal experiences of worldly affairs, the hatred in his heart seemed to have faded.

No! I must have my revenge on him and his mother. If not for them, how could mother have died?

This touched the most sensitive part of his heart. Huo Yuhao reacted to this pain unknowingly. He clenched his fists tightly.

However, even though he was determined to have his revenge, Dai Huabin's actions just now were seared into his mind.

The golden light appeared once more. This time, it landed on Wang Qiu'er. The wheel spun, and Huo Yuhao's turbulent emotions were calmed in the face of the golden light. He could subtly feel that regardless of what Wang Qiu'er got, it would have something to do with him.

The golden light stopped, and the symbol that appeared underneath Wang Qiu'er's feet was the one that had appeared in front of Jiang Nannan earlier on. It was the one with the three fists.

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Two rays of golden light, without even spinning, fell onto Huo Yuhao and Wang Dong'er. Then they flashed, and three of them were facing each other in the center of the stage.

The three of them looked at each other. All of them felt strange.

Wang Qiu'er's gaze stared intently at Huo Yuhao as she said, "Bring it on, the two of you. Don't concede defeat, because that will be an underestimation of my abilities. I've waited for this for a long time. I didn't get my chance in the tournament, so let me have it now."

Huo Yuhao sighed and said, "Qiu'er, what are you doing this for?"

Wang Qiu'er said, "I'm sure I can beat you."

In her resolute eyes, Huo Yuhao appeared to have seen his own intense hate. His heart softened, and he said, "Alright, since you want to fight me so badly, bring it on. However, this shall be a fight between the two of us. For fairness' sake, and for my own glory, Dong'er shall not take part. This shall just a fight between you and me, alright?"

Wang Qiu'er looked at Huo Yuhao's human-shaped soul tool, and she said coldly, "Are you that confident?"

Huo Yuhao smiled and said, "Have you forgotten how Yan Feng died at my hands? Dong'er." As he said that, he turned to look at her.

They exchanged glances and Wang Dong'er smiled slightly and nodded. While she did not know what Huo Yuhao wanted to do, she had to support her man at this moment. She too could sense the determination in Wang Qiu'er's heart. Where does this determination come from? From your own unresolved feelings?

Regardless of whether she wins or loses, let her have this chance. At the very least, she would not actually injure Huo Yuhao. Wang Dong'er was sure of this. She turned and stepped back to watch the battle from the side.

Wang Qiu'er looked at Huo Yuhao, and her gaze turned cold as she said, "I never expected to fight you under these circumstances. I'll do my best, and I won't hold back."

"You know me. I won't regret my words. I hope you'll do your best too, as a sign of respect to me."

Huo Yuhao looked at her seriously, then nodded. His human-shaped soul tool sealed shut, enveloping his body within.

Even with the human-shaped soul tool, no one thought that Huo Yuhao had an unfair advantage. He was immobile, and he could not unleash the power in his legs. He was nowhere near as agile as he normally would be.

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With the current development of human-shaped soul tools, it would be difficult for Huo Yuhao to be stronger and better than he normally was without it. Furthermore, this was designed and made at the last minute, with absolutely no add-ons.

Wang Qiu'er lifted her hand, and a golden light started to shine. She gripped her Golden Dragon Spear tightly in her hands.

When she saw the bright-golden spear appear, a look of worry crossed Wang Dong'er's face as she watched from afar. Weapons had no eyes. This was different from a bare-handed brawl. Why was Qiu'er so serious?

"Are you ready?" As Wang Qiu'er raised her Golden Dragon Spear, a layer of golden fog started to waft from her body. The air started to shine with a golden layer of light. A powerful soul power surged forth from her body and targeted Huo Yuhao, coming toward him with the force of a tidal wave.

Faced with this suppression, Huo Yuhao controlled his human-shaped soul tool with his spiritual power. He stepped out with his left leg and squatted slightly with his body. He raised both hands in a defensive gesture in front of him. At the same time, a layer of golden light shone from his body. This was the energy of his Sovereign's Descent. Following that, a golden figure floated behind his back. This was his unique skill, Goddess of Light.

Faced with an opponent like Wang Qiu'er, Huo Yuhao did not dare to hold back at all. He knew that Wang Qiu'er was able to improve even more from this tournament. All aspects of her power showed improvement, and her abilities were even stronger than before. Furthermore, he was rather immobile; he could only move with the help of his human-shaped soul tool. In a one-on-one fight, it would be difficult to beat her.

However, he had to be careful. Huo Yuhao did not care so much as to whether he would win or lose to her. There was nothing shameful about losing to Wang Qiu'er. All he wanted was to not lose too badly.

"Bring it on!" Huo Yuhao cried out.

Wang Qiu'er narrowed her eyes. The look in her eyes became razor-sharp. She bent forward slightly, then charged. Almost instantly, she appeared in front of Huo Yuhao. She stabbed at Huo Yuhao's chest with her Golden Dragon Spear.

An emerald light flashed, and a thick emerald-green pillar about the size of Huo Yuhao's chest shot out. It met Wang Qiu'er's attack head-on.

Huo Yuhao understood Wang Qiu'er's strength too well. This tyrannical woman loved to charge straight ahead when she fought. At such a close distance, he would rather use his own judgment than depend on Spiritual Detection.

Hence, the moment he shouted 'bring it on', Huo Yuhao had already activated his Ice Empress' Wrath.

Ultimate Ice took the shape of an emerald-green pillar, which crashed straight into Wang Qiu'er. She was like a moth that flew straight into the fire.

An intense golden light shone from Wang Qiu'er's body. The golden fog protected her, and it was able to resist against Ice Empress' Wrath. Furthermore, an umbrella-like light shone from the Golden Dragon Spear in her hands. While Huo Yuhao managed to stop her, he could not push her back.

Among the two yellow, two purple, and two black soul rings on Wang Qiu'er's body, two of them lit up together. The strength of her first soul skill, Golden Dragon Body, and her second soul skill, Dragon's Strength, were both activated. She roared and, basking in the power of her two soul skills, continued to pierce through Ice Empress' Wrath. Her target was Huo Yuhao's chest.

However, as the Ice Empress' Wrath helped to block her, Huo Yuhao was able to resolve his speed and agility problems. Borrowing the light of Ultimate Ice from the Ice Empress' Wrath, he took a few steps back. The golden figure behind him turned into a ball of intense light as he met Wang Qiu'er's attack.

An intense energy burst forth on top of the wheel. It rose high up into the air like a tornado.

At this moment, the spectators not only included Wang Dong'er, but also Wu Feng and Ning Tian. While they could not sense the power, they could still watch. As they watched, their faces changed.

We're all of the same age, so why are they so powerful? It's understandable for the captain, as she's almost 20 years old. However, Huo Yuhao is only 17, but he's so powerful! He can even match the captain and... and he has the advantage right now...

That was right. Huo Yuhao had the advantage in this clash!

An intense explosion rang through the air, and energy surged upward. Both Huo Yuhao and Wang Qiu'er had neglected something, and that was the fact that they were fighting in a rather small area. When such a strong soul power kicked in, the strength of the rebound made the entire area around them vibrate. Neither of them could stand straight as they both hurriedly retreated.

At this moment, Huo Yuhao's advantage became clear. He had used the Ice Empress' Wrath to slow Wang Qiu'er, and then fought her with the Goddess of Light. Hence, he was only affected by the power of the rebound, while Wang Qiu'er had to contend with the strength of the Goddess of Light as well. Furthermore, she also had to deal with the coldness of Huo Yuhao's Ultimate Ice. She retreated quickly, and only steadied herself near the edge of the battlefield.

Wang Qiu'er had improved, but so had Huo Yuhao. His greatest advantage lay in the fact that he had more soul skills than an ordinary soul master. Hence, with more soul skills, he had more options as he fought. The main problem he faced was how he should combine his soul skills. As he gained more experience, he became more confident in his own mastery of his various powers. To him, all he had to ensure while he unleashed his soul skills was that he had enough soul power.

His spiritual power had also continued to increase, which allowed Huo Yuhao to be more precise as he used his soul power to activate his soul skills. This reduced soul power wastage, just like his Ice Empress' Wrath just now.

The moment Goddess of Light touched Wang Qiu'er, he was able to stop Ice Empress' Wrath with his strong controlling abilities. He did not unleash the full strength of this attack.

An immense soul power tore through the air, and Wang Qiu'er did not wait for it to stop. She raised her right leg and stepped on the edge of this strange world. Then, she pushed herself forward as her Golden Dragon Spear dazzled with light. She charged straight toward Huo Yuhao. This time, she was strengthened by her first and second soul skills. In terms of strength, she was much stronger and faster than before.

It was not realistic to try and hide in such a small space. Huo Yuhao did not try that. A deep-blue figure appeared behind him and instantly grew larger. Her expression was icy-cold, and she wielded absolute power over ice and snow. It was the Snow Empress.

The Snow Empress' figure entered Huo Yuhao's body instantly. He raised his right arm, and a dark-blue sword light formed, which turned into a shockingly long ray of light that slashed down vertically. The spear light, which encompassed a wide area, appeared insignificant next to this. Looking at its shape, it seemed capable of splitting heaven and earth.

Unparalleled Chill, Empress' Sword.

This was the most powerful sword from the perfect fusion of Huo Yuhao and the Snow Empress.

The vast amount of spear light was concentrated into one stalk. It tapped the edge of the deep-blue light, and a faint 'ding' could be heard. Then, the deep-blue Empress' Sword bounced into the air and disappeared into nothing. However, the Golden Dragon Spear stopped too. A deep-blue light started to spread from the tip of the spear. It crept halfway down the spear before it was forcibly stopped by the golden-yellow light. However, Wang Qiu'er, who gripped the spear tightly, appeared to be covered by a layer of ice.

His Ultimate Ice had become even purer! Wang Qiu'er could sense her entire body freezing up. She could not help but gasp in shock. She had never expected Huo Yuhao to fight her head-on. Could he really pull it off?

At this moment, Huo Yuhao, who had been on the defensive since the start of the battle, started to go on the offensive. Light shone from his back once more and, propelled by his soul thruster, he soon appeared in front of Wang Qiu'er. An odd scene appeared. The armor of his human-shaped soul tool above his hand opened, and his bare palm was revealed. He pushed out with this palm and hit Wang Qiu'er's right shoulder.

When she saw Huo Yuhao's palm, which shone with an odd deep-blue light, Wang Qiu'er's face soured. Despite her fierce fighting style, she did not dare to come into contact with Huo Yuhao. Her body flashed and, pivoting on her Golden Dragon Spear, she swiftly retreated.

Huo Yuhao was familiar with her powers, so how could she not be familiar with his? When he struck with his left hand, this was evidently Huo Yuhao's most powerful Snowless Glacier.

This supreme coldness was something that even Wang Qiu'er could not deal with. Had it been anyone else, she would have taken the blow and counter-attacked. But once this coldness entered her body, it would be game over for her.

Wang Qiu'er retreated in a flash, but Huo Yuhao showed no sign of abating his attack. He struck out with his left palm once more, and then switched to his right fist, which was armor-clad. A golden light flashed, and Goddess of Light appeared behind Huo Yuhao once more. Undoubtedly, this punch was imbued with the power of his ability.

Wang Qiu'er already had a bone to pick with Huo Yuhao. Now, as he attacked relentlessly, she became even more enraged. A dragon roar resonated in the air as she raised her hands. Her left hand struck Huo Yuhao's right fist, while she tried to grab Huo Yuhao's head with her right hand.

She feared Huo Yuhao's Spiritual Shock most. To him, this was the best chance to unleash that powerful attack. As his spiritual power increased, Huo Yuhao's Spiritual Shock became more powerful as well. Wang Qiu'er was confident that she could take it, but if she did, her body would surely be injured. Furthermore, once she was injured, she would move much slower. Hence, as she struck, she first tried to take care of Huo Yuhao's head by using her immense aura to suppress him.

She was confident that if Huo Yuhao used Spiritual Shock now, she would lose control of her soul, but her attack would not cease. At the very least, she would not be at a disadvantage.

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Wang Qiu'er's predicted Spiritual Shock did not come. Instead, Huo Yuhao continued to punch at her with all his strength.

Using strength against me?? Just as this thought rose in Wang Qiu'er's mind, Huo Yuhao struck her with his fist.

According to her original calculations and her understanding of Huo Yuhao, she could easily swat his right fist to the side with a palm-strike. If Huo Yuhao did not use his Spiritual Shock, with his strength, there was no way he could resist the strength of her right hand.

However, this judgment was based on Wang Qiu'er's past understanding of Huo Yuhao. What if his offensive capabilities had changed?

The moment she hit his right fist with her left palm, Wang Qiu'er sensed that something was amiss.

Huo Yuhao's fist was not filled with spiritual power, but it was shockingly strong. Her palm was not powerful enough to knock his fist to one side.

However, Wang Qiu'er brimmed with fighting experience. Since she could not knock it aside, she immediately lowered her wrist and changed it from a palm-strike to a push as she tried to block Huo Yuhao's fist.

Even so, she changed her attack at the last minute, and hence was unable to maximize her strength. Under the immense strength of Huo Yuhao's right fist, he was able to strike her left shoulder.

Wang Qiu'er grunted, and her body was sent flying. Her hand, which she had used to grab Huo Yuhao's head, let go.

How can this be possible?? Ning Tian and Wu Feng stared at this scene in shock. While they both knew that Huo Yuhao was strong, they had never expected him to be so strong to the point where he could resist Wang Qiu'er in a head-on fight! This is a face-to-face fight, pure and simple. Doesn't he have only five rings? Why is he so strong?

Questions surfaced in Ning Tian and Wu Feng's minds non-stop. Since the Continental Elite Youth Soul Master Tournament, they had both trained hard and improved rapidly. After they made it to the semi-finals, their confidence peaked, and they even anticipated their showdown against the Tang Sect in the finals.

When the explosion happened, causing the finals to be called off, some, if not all of them, were despondent. They would not be able to defeat the Tang Sect under Wang Qiu'er's leadership, and this was their greatest regret.

However, today, in this mysterious Yin-Yang Love Querying Valley, they finally understood the difference between the Tang Sect and themselves.

Jiang Nannan, whom they perceived to be the weakest, was able to defeat both of them by herself. If one said that it was because she specialized in close-combat, and hence had an advantage in this small space, what about the fight before them right now? What about the fight between Huo Yuhao and Wang Qiu'er? What could they say?

While victory and defeat had yet to be decided, Huo Yuhao now had an absolute advantage over Wang Qiu'er, forcing her back step-by-step. If Huo Yuhao alone was already so powerful, how powerful were the others of Shrek's Seven Monsters?

When the Tang Sect defeated the Holy Ghost Sect, everyone, both those from Shrek Academy and outsiders, attributed it to luck. The only thing they could not explain was Huo Yuhao's mysterious final attack.

However, they personally experienced it today, forcing both Ning Tian and Wu Feng to admit that there was a huge disparity between the Tang Sect and themselves. This was no small difference!

She crashed, rebounded, and landed. Like a lioness, Wang Qiu'er bounced back into the air instantly.

When she had fought Huo Yuhao in close-combat just now, she let go of her Golden Dragon Spear. At this moment, it was back in her hands. A light screen appeared in front of her, blocking any possibility of Huo Yuhao continuing his attacks.

However, he did not continue. Instead, he stood where the two of them had clashed.

On his forehead, a piece of metal of his helmet slid to one side to reveal a mysterious vertical eye. A mystical golden light appeared as well.

Oh no, he's going to use Spiritual Shock. Wang Qiu'er subconsciously let go of her Golden Dragon Spear as she used all her might to concentrate her spiritual power. At the same time, her soul power rose around her. A golden dragon swirled around her body. Offense turned into defense.

However, the Spiritual Shock which she had expected did not appear. Instead, a shocking scene took place before her.

Ripples started to appear in the air nearby. Twisted, round waves started to spread outward with Huo Yuhao at their center. Rays of light shone, and the air around him twisted. Everything around him looked mysteriously like ripples of water.

The area of the wheel was not large. At this moment, it was completely enveloped within the ripples, and started to twist. There was no dead end or crack.

Wang Qiu'er had never seen Huo Yuhao use this power before, and she naturally did not know its secret. Her heart turned cold, and she slashed horizontally with her Golden Dragon Spear. A golden light screen started to spread outward. A patch of golden light burst forth from her spear as it attacked the distorted air.

Wang Qiu'er's objective was simple. She tried to find out what it was by attacking it to ascertain his location. Once she found him, she would lock onto him and then attack him with all her might.

However, this powerful ability, which Huo Yuhao had used as his trump card against the Holy Ghost Sect, could not be overcome so easily.

As golden light dashed past the ripples, it disappeared soundlessly. The air around him started to tremble even more intensely, but the area where a bit of light could still be seen disappeared completely. That was right, it disappeared completely. It was as if Huo Yuhao had never been there.

At this moment, Wang Qiu'er sensed that something was wrong. Can this transformation come from the Yin-Yang Love Querying Valley?

However, she soon discarded this thought. While this place was mysterious, it operated on set principles. Whenever that mysterious voice spoke, it would not backtrack on its words. Since it said that it would let her fight Huo Yuhao, there should be no unexpected change to it. Furthermore, Huo Yuhao specialized in spiritual power. This should be a new ability of his. However, he hasn't increased his soul rings. Did he make this ability himself?

The ability Huo Yuhao was using now was not something he had made himself. No matter how powerful he was, he had yet to reach that stage. Among the four soul skills the Skydream Iceworm gave him, the most useless one seemed to be Spiritual Interference. But as Huo Yuhao increased his own spiritual power ceaselessly, he was able to combine it with Imitation to form this mysterious domain. He called it the Skydream Domain.

However, Huo Yuhao's cultivation was still limited. He had to accumulate power for some time before he could use the Skydream Domain. Wang Qiu'er was the first one to experience the full version of it.

Three Huo Yuhaos suddenly appeared in front of Wang Qiu'er. Three rays of emerald-green light shot at her simultaneously from different directions.

Wang Qiu'er was shocked. She crossed her Golden Dragon Spear with her left hand. She stabbed toward the left and punched toward the right, and her Coiling Golden Dragon appeared and swirled around her body as she faced the last attack head-on.

However, she discovered that she had been tricked. The attacks that came from three different directions disappeared in the next instant. Her attempts to resist it with all her might were for naught.

An illusion! Wang Qiu'er sensed the source of the problem. However, she did not dare to be careless. Right now, she was at the edge of the space. At least, she still remembered where was. If she charged forward, she would be trapped within the domain. Then she would be in even bigger trouble.

She held the Golden Dragon Spear in front of her protectively, and her coiling Golden Dragon continued to twist and turn around her protectively. Wang Qiu'er closed her eyes. Instantly, her body emitted a layer of mysterious golden light. This was her innate skill, Golden Dragon's Perception.

While Golden Dragon's Perception could not break Huo Yuhao's domain, it was able to greatly augment her analysis of her own predicament. Once an actual attack came, she would be able to resist it and counter-attack.

The mysterious scene was now in a stalemate.

Wang Qiu'er's Golden Dragon Perception and Coiling Golden Dragon both required soul power. Huo Yuhao's Skydream Domain not only required soul power, but also required spiritual power. If they continued this stalemate, it would become a competition to see who could last the longest.

"I've lost." Huo Yuhao's voice rang out. Then, the twisted surroundings disappeared completely. He remained where he was as if nothing had changed. However, Wang Qiu'er's attack in his direction had been futile.

"How did you lose?" Wang Qiu'er asked, glaring at Huo Yuhao.

Huo Yuhao smiled bitterly and said, "Don't forget, I only have five rings. Furthermore, the area of this domain-type soul skill is too large, so naturally, much of my soul power is going to be wasted. From the start, I only had a few reliable skills. If we continue to fight, I don't really have a chance. Furthermore, your Golden Dragon Perception checks my domain. My only way to win would be a battle of attrition. However, like this, my soul power will run out first. Hence, the final victor will still be you."

Huo Yuhao was extremely sincere, but Wang Qiu'er sensed that something was amiss.

"You did not lose, you still have so many techniques," she said angrily.

Huo Yuhao smiled bitterly and said, "Tell me, among my moves, which one can beat you?"

You have..." Wang Qiu'er was just about to say "The Pride of the Ice and Snow Empresses", which he used that day. However, she immediately realized that he was only able to use it in the Purple Golden Butterfly Dragon Transformation state. However, as he had not fused with Wang Dong'er, there was no way he could use it.

She thought about it, and realized that there really was no skill he could use to beat her!

"You can use a Milk Bottle," she said with much difficulty.

Huo Yuhao stared at her with disdain and said, "Can you be more reasonable? We're having a fair fight, and you want me to use a Milk Bottle? Do you think this place will allow me to fight you unfairly? Furthermore, if I use a Milk Bottle, I'll lose my concentration. I wouldn't even be able to maintain the domain. I've lost. Dong'er and I have lost. You pass."

Indeed, as Huo Yuhao admitted defeat, the voice rang out, "Wang Qiu'er wins. Pass."

The golden light flashed, and Wang Qiu'er disappeared with a suspicious look on her face. Huo Yuhao and Wang Dong'er returned to their original places.

Could Huo Yuhao really beat Wang Qiu'er? Even he did not know the answer to this question. He did have many attacks he could use, but how powerful was Wang Qiu'er? She was known as the strongest soul master with a dragon martial soul. Wang Qiu'er's strongest trait was that if she faced a more powerful opponent, she would respond with strength in kind. The strength of her opponent was often enough to make her perform extraordinarily. Furthermore, with her Ultimate Strength, even if she ran out of soul power, her fighting abilities might not decrease. Furthermore, if she used all her strength, even a Soul Sage or a Soul Douluo would not dare to fight her head-on.

Huo Yuhao had never planned on winning. He planned to face her head-on and gain an advantage before conceding defeat. This was the best possible outcome. This would not cause him to lose confidence in facing Wang Qiu'er, but it would also clearly show the results of this battle.

Just when Huo Yuhao thought that they would be sent back to their original spots to continue with the mysterious wheel, the calm voice rang out coldly.

"In a two against one fight, you did not use all your strength, and hence, violated the rules. You conceded defeat deliberately and thus, you will be punished with the Deep Adventure." Two rays of light flashed, and before Huo Yuhao and Wang Dong'er could say anything in response, they were whisked away.

This...

Wu Feng and Ning Tian were both shocked. When Dai Huabin faced off against Zhu Lu earlier on, he conceded defeat straightaway! However, this mysterious place did not say that they cheated, and instead, it allowed Zhu Lu to progress. Under her pleas, it then sent her to Deep Adventure as well.

However, after the fair fight between Huo Yuhao and Wang Qiu'er, they were deemed to have cheated because Wang Dong'er did not participate. What kind of rule was this?

The light flashed, and the wheel appeared once more. This time, the light appeared underneath Ning Tian's feet.

Only Wu Feng and I are left. Ning Tian could not help but look at Wu Feng. Wu Feng was looking at her.

Ning Tian had decided if she ended up in a one-on-one fight, she would concede defeat. After all, there was no way she could beat Wu Feng one-on-one. If I have to go to the Deep Adventure, so be it! Even though Ning Tian clearly knew that as an auxiliary-type soul master, entering the Deep Adventure was akin to a death sentence, she was resolute in her decision.

Emotionally, she was still confused. She had always known that Wu Feng liked her, but she was heterosexual. The only one she liked in the younger generation was Huo Yuhao. However, Huo Yuhao had chosen Wang Dong'er, who was better than her in all aspects. This made her lose confidence.

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To Ning Tian, the Sea God's Fated Blind Date was a huge humiliation that she would always remember. This time, in the Yin-Yang Love Querying Valley, after she heard Wu Feng's confession, her emotions were extremely conflicted. She was touched by Wu Feng's love for her. If I were a guy, this would be great!

Just as a flurry of thoughts crossed Ning Tian's mind, the wheel in front of her finally stopped. A familiar symbol appeared before her.

This was the symbol which had appeared in front of Xu Sanshi. It was a pair of lips.

Dazedly, she lifted her head to look at Wu Feng. Wu Feng looked back at her. However, right now, Wu Feng's eyes brimmed with joy.

"Bleugh, bleugh..." The sound of vomiting resounded in the air for a few minutes before finally stopping.

Bei Bei and Xu Sanshi stared at each other in anger. The odor from their bodies reached its peak.

However, as they looked at each other's pathetic state, the expressions on their faces started to change. Finally...

"Hahaha..."

"Reality proves that I have absolutely no interest in you," Xu Sanshi said proudly.

Bei Bei said angrily, "What crap! Do you think I'm interested in you? You bastard, you dirtied me. Hurry up and clean me. It's so uncomfortable. Where is this place?"

As they spoke, the two of them finally reacted to their new surroundings as they surveyed them.

The place they were at was a pile of rubble. They could see ruined buildings and scenes of devastation all around them. It resembled a city, but it was evidently different from the situation in the Yin-Yang Love Querying Valley.

Xu Sanshi activated his soul power. A black light swept past their bodies. The special water-type power of the Xuanwu cleaned the vomit from their bodies. Bei Bei also activated his lightning-type soul power to get rid of the smell in the air.

"This looks like..."

Xu Sanshi and Bei Bei looked at each other because they both found the architectural style here familiar. They looked into the distance, where a tall building confirmed their suspicions.

Shocked, the two of them said in unison, "Radiant City?"

At this moment, the calm voice that had tortured them so much rang in their minds, "**The Deep Adventure shall commence. The theme of the adventure is 'breakout'. You're required to break out of Radiant City and get back to the Western Mountains to pass the Deep Adventure. The environment around you is real. If you die in this round, you'll die for real. If you don't return to the Western Mountains in three days, you will have failed this round, and be punished with death. Begin!**"

The voice disappeared, and a light-golden hourglass appeared near the corner of their eyes. Sand slowly trickled down so as to keep track of the time. Also, the hourglass sinisterly reminded them that they were still under the Yin-Yang Love Querying Valley's control...

When they sensed this change, Bei Bei and Xu Sanshi both cursed.

One could only imagine the state Radiant City was currently in. Having undergone such a destructive explosion, the entire city should be in a state of lockdown. No one knew how many soldiers and powerful people were around them. While the two of them were not weak, this was still the capital of the Sun Moon Empire! How could they return to the Western Mountain so easily?

"Let's strategize," said Bei Bei, who had calmed down before Xu Sanshi, as he waved his hands.

Xu Sanshi nodded meaningfully. They were both elites of Shrek Academy. Faced with danger, they put aside their anger and regained their cool. He looked at his surroundings, and they found a rather secluded corner and hid.

Bei Bei said helplessly, "At least we were given three days, not three hours."

Xu Sanshi looked at him, annoyed, and said, "How're your wounds?"

Bei Bei said, "I can attack. You?"

Xu Sanshi laughed bitterly and said, "Better than you. I have 70% of my strength left. Let's pray we aren't too unlucky. Perhaps we can even sneak out."

At this moment, they heard footsteps and a voice. "Quick, search that area. See if there are any casualties. Search there too."

Bei Bei stared at Xu Sanshi with an odd gaze as he growled in a low voice, "Shut your damn trap in the future!"

"Keke..."

Light flashed, and Dai Huabin found himself in an army camp. To his surprise, he was wearing a uniform. At this moment, he stood outside a huge tent. It was dark around him. It was nighttime.

This is...

When he saw this familiar scene, Dai Huabin was stunned. He even doubted whether everything he had just experienced was a dream. Maybe this was reality...

However, reality was cruel. The plain voice from the Yin-Yang Love Querying Valley sounded, "The Deep Adventure will start now. The theme is 'rescue'. Your father, the White Tiger Duke Dai Hao, is being targeted by an assassin. You must stop the assassin to help your father escape danger. You are now one of his bodyguards. No one will know who you really are. You can only depend on your intellect and your abilities. The scenario in this round is completely real, which means that if you can't save your father, not only will you die, but your father will die too. Five minutes later, your father will bring men out on a patrol. After two hours, you will regain your ability to speak. You can't stop him from going out. The enemy can appear at any moment. To win, you have to help your father return to the army camp successfully. If the White Tiger Duke dies, you fail, and will be punished with death."

When Dai Huabin heard the voice and the requirements for this round, he could not help stare in the air in shock. He had been sent thousands of miles away to the Ming Dou Mountain Range to his father's camp. However, his father would not recognize him, and would even undergo an assassination attempt. What... what is going on?

Just as he stood there in shock, the bodyguard next to him trembled. Then, a familiar smell wafted over. Dai Huabin squinted, and to his shock, he realized that the other bodyguard had turned into Zhu Lu.

"Lulu?" Dai Huabin wanted to shout, but he realized that he could not say anything. At this moment, Zhu Lu was already looking at him. She was evidently deeply touched. Instantly, she threw herself into his arms. Tears streamed uncontrollably down her face.

While the two of them could not speak, Dai Huabin could see from Zhu Lu's face that she had already forgiven him. n0Ve)Lb.1n

At this moment, Zhu Lu's body froze. Her expression transitioned from touched to shock. Evidently, she had heard something.

Zhu Lu grabbed Dai Huabin and squatted down immediately. Her finger made rapid motions in the soil, and words appeared in front of him. Dai Huabin opened his eyes wide in shock. Her Deep Adventure was exactly the same as his.

“You’re so dumb! You passed this round, so why are you here?” Dai Huabin wrote quickly on the ground.

Zhu Lu shook her head, and a smile crept across her face. She lifted her head and kissed him. Then, she wrote on the ground ‘We shall live and die together’.

Dai Huabin’s body trembled. He looked at Zhu Lu and nodded vigorously at her.

At this moment, a bugle sounded.

Dai Huabin was the son of the White Tiger Duke. He had been in the military since he was young, and naturally understood what the bugle meant. This was a signal to gather, meant specifically for the White Tiger Bodyguards.

Indeed, a huge amount of White Tiger Bodyguards started to move. The two of them wore the apparel of White Tiger Bodyguards too, so naturally, they ran together with the rest.

Father is going to experience an assassination attempt, what can I do? What should I do??At this moment, he realized he was still lost. He could not speak, and even if he could, his father could not recognize him. If he told his father about the assassination attempt, his father would surely not believe him.

Dai Huabin had never experienced such a situation before. His thoughts were scattered, and he did not know what to do. However, he was clear that this task was no joke. If he failed, not only would Zhu Lu and he die, but his father would too.

At this moment, Dai Huabin could only concentrate.

The White Tiger Bodyguards were the most elite soldiers under the White Tiger Duke. They gathered quickly.

From afar, Dai Huabin saw his father, clad in armor, standing in front of the main tent. His expression was icy-cold. A servant brought his steed over. It was the dashing White Tiger Colt.

The White Tiger Duke Dai Hao’s gaze swept over his bodyguards, then he nodded and said, “The temporary peace did not cause you to slack off. I’m pleased. Alright, Small Team 1, patrol with me. The rest are dismissed. Let’s go!”

As he spoke, he leaped onto the White Tiger Colt. Four other guards mounted their horses too. Section 1 of the White Tiger Bodyguards ran toward the stable and mounted a horse each. They set off together with the White Tiger Duke.

Undoubtedly, Dai Huabin and Zhu Lu were part of Small Team 1.

The White Tiger Bodyguards were personal soldiers of the White Tiger Duke. Even though the war had ended, and the White Tiger Duke no longer held the position of Marshal, his bodyguards would still follow him everywhere.

In the White Tiger Bodyguards, 100 men formed one small team, 500 men formed one mid team, and 1500 men formed one large team. The entire White Tiger Bodyguards comprised three companies,

which was equivalent to the strength of one regiment. There were also some special operatives. This was the maximum amount of soldiers Dai Hao, as the White Tiger Duke, was allowed.

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Dai Hao rode out on the White Tiger Colt in front of them. He was not fast, and the White Tiger Bodyguards caught up to him quickly.

Every one of them rode a Dragonscale Horse, and wore a complete set of white armor. In the blackness of the night, they were extremely eye-catching. The rhythmic clatter of metal could be heard throughout the entire Ming Dou Mountain Range.

To protect against a sudden invasion by the Sun Moon Empire, the Star Dou Empire had stationed troops in the Ming Dou Mountain Range. The White Tiger Duke was in charge of the Ming Dou Mountain Range, and had been appointed as the Commander of the Western Army. There were three other commanders as well, all of whom were important officials of the Star Luo Empire.

The Ming Dou Mountain Range extended south for thousands of kilometers from the borders of the Star Luo Empire, the Heavenly Soul Empire, and the Sun Moon Empire. It was named from when it was formed from the crash between the Sun Moon Continent and the Douluo Continent.?(Translator's Note: The Chinese word for 'Ming' is formed from the combination of the Chinese words for 'Sun' and 'Moon'.)

The Ming Dou Mountain Range had complicated terrain. Weird rock formations were everywhere, and there was little vegetation. Thanks to this natural barrier, the Star Luo Empire did not face as much pressure from the Sun Moon Empire. Coupled with the vastness of the Star Luo Empire, while it was just one of three original countries of the Douluo Continent, it was still bigger than the Sun Moon Empire. With a heavy garrison, it would not be easy for the Sun Moon Empire to invade through here!

However, while the Ming Dou Mountain Range was good for defense, it was still difficult to station troops there because of its geographical features. Coupled with its long and narrow terrain, garrisoned troops would naturally have to be dispersed over a wide area.

The White Tiger Duke would patrol often to inspect the various troops of the Western Army. He was famous for his strict application of military justice. In the past few years, the Western Army had been impenetrable. In the small skirmishes they had with the Sun Moon Empire's own garrisoned troops, they had never experienced any defeats. It was also why the Sun Moon Empire trod carefully here.

This time, Dai Hao went out to inspect the three camps that were a hundred and fifty kilometers south of his main camp. He headed out at night so that he could return to his main camp before nightfall tomorrow.

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"I..." When Huo Yuhao heard the cold voice announce that he and Wang Dong'er would be sent directly to the Deep Adventure round, he could not help but curse despite his normally mature nature.

This is too unfair, he thought. The mysterious Yin-Yang Love Querying Valley seemed to be targeting him. He did not feel that he had cheated! In fact, if they really continued to fight, he might not have

been able to best Wang Qiu'er. Did it actually want him and Wang Dong'er to join forces to defeat Wang Qiu'er before sending them to the Deep Adventure round? What kind of logic was that?

However, there was no chance for him to vent his frustration. He and Wang Dong'er fell into a patch of golden light.

Everything around him became unclear. He felt as if his entire body was being twisted. It was agonizing. With much difficulty, he finally escaped from this pain.

To his shock, he realized that he was now on a horse!

The horse galloped and he was almost thrown off. Fortunately for him, he grabbed the saddle in time to steady himself.

Where is this place?

Huo Yuhao looked in front of him; there were men in front and behind of him. They all wore familiar white armor. It was night, and everything seemed slightly blurry as the Dragonscale Horse underneath him galloped.

He turned his head to look to the side and recognized Wang Dong'er, who was seated next to him. The two of them looked too obvious in this group. Wang Dong'er could still blend in, as she was wearing the white armor. However, Huo Yuhao wore his human-shaped soul tool, forged from rare metals. What made him curious was the fact that while his human-shaped soul tool weighed at least two hundred and fifty kilos, his steed seemed to have no problems carrying him.

"Yuhao, where are we?" Wang Dong'er asked curiously.

Huo Yuhao chuckled bitterly and said, "I don't know! Is this part of the test?"

At this moment, the calm voice rang out in their minds.

"The Deep Adventure begins. The theme of this round is 'rescue'. You're now on patrol with the White Tiger Duke. After a while, there will be an ambush. Both of you look like White Tiger Bodyguards, and you will not be recognized due to your appearance or your special equipment. The requirements for this round are to assist the White Tiger Duke after he has been ambushed, and help him to escape back to his camp. At the same time, you have to keep Dai Huabin and Zhu Lu, both of whom are also in this group, alive. Only when all three of them return to the White Tiger Duke's main camp successfully will you have succeeded. If any one of them dies, you will fail, and be punished with death. The round starts now."

After he heard the contents of this test, Huo Yuhao did not know what to say.

What nonsense is this? Not only do I have to save someone, but I also have to babysit them?

Furthermore, the rescue target is...

No useful tip was provided. He did not know who his enemy was, or how many of them would appear. He could guess the capabilities of his foes. Anyone who dared to assassinate the White Tiger Duke could not be weak, and should at least be a Titled Douluo. After all, the White Tiger Duke was a powerful Soul Douluo! Furthermore, as a duke of the empire, and the Commander of the Three Armies, he and his

personal bodyguards would be equipped with powerful soul tools, too! The stronger he was, the more powerful his potential foes would be.

What angered Huo Yuhao even more was that he had to rescue Dai Huabin and Zhu Lu. Furthermore, he could not fail. If any one of them died, they would fail! Right now, the fates of Dai Hao, Dai Huabin, and Zhu Lu were all tied together with his and Wang Dong'er's.

Anything that had to do with Dai Hao would trigger Huo Yuhao. However, he was trained under the Ultimate Soldier Plan, and hence, in terms of his resilience and mental strength, he was way superior to Dai Huabin.

He was angry and upset for a short while, but he soon calmed down. He started to analyze the situation in front of him. At the same time, he activated his Spiritual Detection to sweep everyone around him and get a sense of the situation.

Wang Dong'er regained her cool, too. When she felt Huo Yuhao sharing his Spiritual Detection with her, she felt more at ease. She knew that Huo Yuhao had been able to calm down. As long as he was calm, it would be fine.

Wang Dong'er knew of Huo Yuhao's grievance with the White Tiger Duke. When she heard that they were out here to save Dai Hao, she was also shocked. She could not help but look at Huo Yuhao. Indeed, Huo Yuhao had an odd expression on his face. However, to her relief, his expression soon returned to normal. It meant he was able to calm down.

Yuhao is becoming more and more mature! Even in such a situation, he calmed down almost immediately...

"Yuhao, how's your soul power?" Before they came, Huo Yuhao had fought fiercely with Wang Qiu'er.

Huo Yuhao said, "It's at its peak. The Yin-Yang Love Querying Valley is generous. If it had not replenished my soul power to its peak, I'm afraid we'd have no chance at all."

Quickly, the feedback from Spiritual Detection was seared into his mind.

The White Tiger Duke brought four special guards who rode at the front with him. With his Spiritual Detection, Huo Yuhao could sense that they had at least six rings. Coupled with the White Tiger Duke, who was an eight-ringed Soul Douluo, they were definitely not weak.

The other White Tiger Bodyguards around him were all soul masters, as well. While they were not terribly powerful, some of the leaders of the small groups had the power of two-ringed or three-ringed soul masters.

To normal soldiers, the White Tiger Bodyguards were indeed elites. They were all well-trained and well-armed. Even four-ringed and five-ringed soul masters would not dare to take them on.

However, not all of the White Tiger Bodyguards were soul masters! For any country, the number of soul masters was always going to be a problem. Even for the Sun Moon Empire, which tapped into the strength of their entire country, they had only formed a few soul master legions.

It was a rare sight to see so many soul masters gather back in Radiant City. At least one-third of all the powerful soul masters on the continent had been involved in the ambush against the palace.

After he had an idea of the overall strength on his side, Huo Yuhao made some calculations. Then, he started to scour the group for his target.

Fortunately, the odd space did not treat them too harshly. Huo Yuhao quickly found Dai Huabin and Zhu Lu. Instantly, he reached out to them with his Spiritual Detection, and was able to complete his Spiritual Detection Sharing with them.

At this moment, Dai Huabin was panicking. He just regained his voice when he felt Huo Yuhao's Spiritual Detection Sharing hit him.

Dai Huabin and Zhu Lu felt their minds buzz. The blackness around them lit up, and they could sense every small change in a fifty-meter radius. This sensation, which made them feel as if they were looking down from the sky, surprised them. *noVE.1b-In*

His words entered their minds.

“Dai Huabin, Zhu Lu, its Huo Yuhao. Wang Dong'er and I are taking part in this Deep Adventure with you. No matter what differences we had in the past, we now face the same problem. You should know what to do. In particular, this concerns the life of your father, Dai Huabin. What you're sensing now is my Spiritual Detection, which has finished connecting to you. From now on, my Spiritual Sharing will always be activated. If you trust me, listen to my orders. Only then can we stand a chance of saving your father. Do you understand?”

Even though that person was Huo Yuhao's father too, his first and only visit to this camp took place five years ago with Dai Yueheng. Hence, he had never recognized the Duke as his father.

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Huo Yuhao had calmed down completely. It was a mechanical kind of cool. In this state, his judgment would be best, as he cast aside all emotional attachment and faced everything before him calmly.

Dai Huabin and Zhu Lu looked at each other. They could see the look of joy in each other's eyes.

While they had never thought well of Huo Yuhao, they could not deny that he was powerful, indeed. When he first joined the Academy, he was able to join forces with Wang Dong'er, who back then was still Wang Dong, and they emerged as the champions of the entrance exam. Since then, Dai Huabin had tried to beat him many times through his own efforts, but failed over and over again. At this time, he had to admit that the distance between Huo Yuhao and him had widened even more. There was no way he could catch up now.

Dai Huabin had had no idea what to do. When he heard Huo Yuhao's voice, he felt a sense of relief.

He nodded vigorously from atop his horse, signaling to Huo Yuhao that he would obey all his commands.

Huo Yuhao snorted coldly in his heart. ?This guy isn't that dumb.

As he thought that, Huo Yuhao did not slack off. He enveloped the White Tiger Duke in his spiritual power. While he did not know where the enemy would ambush him, it had to be somewhere he had to pass by. Right now, he did not care how the enemy knew of the White Tiger Duke's patrolling schedule, but he had to stop him from advancing.

To assassinate the White Tiger Duke, the enemy must have laid an inescapable trap. The moment they entered it, Huo Yuhao did not think that he would be able to save the White Tiger Duke. Wang Dong'er was a Soul Emperor, and Dai Huabin, Zhu Lu, and he were all Soul Kings. With their strength, how could they save the eight-ringed White Tiger Duke? What power did they have? The only way to do so was to avoid the enemy's trap completely.

The White Tiger Duke sat atop his White Tiger Colt, allowing it to gallop ahead at full speed. He was motionless as he rode on.

The reason he came out to patrol was because of the unstable situation in the Sun Moon Empire.

The Sun Moon Empire had wanted to strike for a long time. The two sides were inches away from war. On the Star Luo Empire's side, they had stationed many soldiers at every single pass and chokepoint.

According to the news from the Sun Moon Empire, they were still months away from war. The Sun Moon Empire could only attack after they stationed enough soldiers at the border.

However, Dai Hao had received a shocking piece of news today. An unprecedented explosion had rocked Radiant City, devastating more than one-third of the capital. The explosion threw the Sun Moon Empire into turmoil, and they had suffered heavy losses. An official statement from the Sun Moon Empire stated that the explosion had something to do with the Star Luo Empire and the Heavenly Soul Empire, though it gave no details.

According to the information Dai Hao had received, Princess Jiujiu wrote that the explosion had nothing to do with them. It was likely committed by Shrek Academy!

But it did not matter who did it anymore. An explosion like this would have a severe impact on Radiant City. While there were not a lot of casualties, the Illustrious Virtue Hall and the Sun Moon Imperial Soul Engineering Academy were both completely destroyed. It was also likely that one of their major armories was destroyed, as well!

Under these conditions, it was much less likely for the Sun Moon Empire to start a war. In particular, according to his intelligence, the Emperor of the Sun Moon Empire was so overcome by the explosion that he passed away!

This would throw the imperial family of the Sun Moon Empire into an internal conflict. While the Crown Prince, Xu Tianran, had an absolute advantage and the initiative, the other princes who had a chance of ascending the throne were not weak, either! Furthermore, they understood Xu Tianran very well. The moment he ascended the throne, their fates were sealed. Hence, they would surely counterattack with all their might.

For the Star Luo Empire, this was good news! The chance of an all-out war was currently almost zero. This would give the Star Luo Empire more time to prepare.

In the past few years, the three original empires of the Douluo Continent had put an increasing amount of attention toward the development of soul tools. The White Tiger Duke did the same. While he could not take part in the manufacturing of soul tools, he understood their importance in warfare.

Not long ago, the White Tiger Duke had been extremely excited by one particular soul tool... the Zhuge Divine Crossbow Cannon from the Tang Sect! Its most important aspect was that it could be operated

by ordinary soldiers after it had been charged by the Sealed Milk Bottles. While it was difficult to protect and guard, especially because of their reliance on and periodic maintenance required of stationary soul cannon shells, he was sure that the troops of the Ming Dou Mountain Range, with its defensible terrain, would benefit greatly should the Zhuge Divine Crossbow Cannon be adopted on a wide scale.

He was out on patrol today because he worried that the damage to the Sun Moon Empire might provoke their troops to act irrationally. Hatred could cause one to lose their mind, especially when it came to hatred between countries. Hence, he wanted to inspect the defenses of all the major chokepoints.

Dai Hao always liked to be personally involved. As a result, he was able to command respect among his troops. Right now, the blackness of night stretched far into the distance, and a chilly wind caressed his face. This put him into a good mood. After all, the delay of the war lessened the pressure on him, the Commander of the Three Armies.

Just as Dai Hao was thinking about how he should implement soul tools in his army, a mysterious spiritual ripple washed over him. It was not strong, but it was very fine. It seemed to penetrate his mind, and was trying to enter his Spiritual Sea.

He furrowed his brows in anger, and his eyes shone with light. Spiritual fluctuations emitted from his body, blocking the spiritual power. At the same time, he raised his hand, causing the four special guards next to him to stop their horses. The White Tiger Colt underneath him stopped, too.

The White Tiger Bodyguards were the elites of his army. Individually, while they could not compare with soul masters, they were very adept at arranging themselves into formations and following orders. The White Tiger Duke controlled them as if they were one of his limbs.

Hundreds of White Tiger Bodyguards stopped after they received the signal, and the formation remained as orderly as before.

Dai Hao turned around, and his White Tiger Colt growled.

The White Tiger Colt was a mysterious beast. It had the body of horse, the skin of a tiger, and its power was Rank 6. Dai Hao had raised this one personally since it was young, and he viewed it as a brother. When paired with Dai Hao, before the latter reached the cultivation of a Soul Sage, he was already able to exhibit powers superior to one. It had served Dai Hao well and faithfully!

The senses of the White Tiger Colt were sharp. Like Dai Hao, it could sense the spiritual fluctuations. It immediately looked at the last few members of the White Tiger Bodyguards.

“Who is it? Show yourself!” Dai Hao bellowed. He glared in that direction. With his cultivation, he was able to sense that it came from one of his personal guards the moment it came into contact with him.

This assessment shocked Dai Hao. He was able to eliminate his target’s spiritual power, but its strength was not normal for White Tiger Bodyguards. Only spiritual-type soul masters should be this powerful! If not, only someone with the cultivation of a Soul Sage and above could do this! Fortunately, his opponent’s spiritual power showed no ill will...

There were disturbances among the White Tiger Bodyguards. The four special guards next to Dai Hao rushed forward on their Dragonscale Horses. One of them shouted, “Nobody move! Alert!” n..Ove**Lb1n**

The White Tiger Bodyguards grabbed the reins of their Dragonscale Horses. None moved. Only the horses neighed.

Huo Yuhao pressed down on the back of his horse and jumped down.

At this moment, in the eyes of the other White Tiger Bodyguards, he was a tall and strong member of their number. He did not appear too different from the rest. Under the power of the Yin-Yang Love Querying Valley, the other White Tiger Bodyguards were all familiar with him, and treated him as one of their own. However, no one could remember his name.

“Lord Duke, it was me!” Huo Yuhao shouted.

The White Tiger Duke narrowed his eyes into slits. His other four special guards all leapt up from their horses as a pair of small wings opened behind them. They surrounded him from the air. Furthermore, the other White Tiger Bodyguards drew their weapons and encircled Huo Yuhao. Only Wang Dong'er remained next to him.

Dai Hao looked at Huo Yuhao, and his eyes narrowed into slits. He found him familiar too, but he could not remember his name.

“Who are you? Did you use your spiritual power to test me?” Dai Hao roared.

Huo Yuhao nodded and said, “Yes, you should have felt the strength of my spiritual power. I am a spiritual-type soul master, and I joined the White Tiger Bodyguards because of my respect for your loyalty to our country. I have nothing to hide, but I don't want to stand out too much. Hence, I remained in White Tiger Bodyguards. Just now, I sensed danger in front, which was why I used my spiritual power to warn you.”

Suspicion filled Dai Hao's eyes. Then, his gaze turned cold as he said in a low voice, “Seize him!”

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As an iron-blooded commander, the White Tiger Duke's desire for control had always been strong. Against the unknown, he naturally chose to control the other party. As for whether Huo Yuhao's words were true or false, he had to capture him first before interrogating him.

The rest of the White Tiger bodyguards didn't move. Only the four bodyguards leaped towards Huo Yuhao at the same time.

Huo Yuhao sighed in his heart. It's really not easy convincing him!

It was his first time interacting with the White Tiger Duke. At this moment, he had mixed feelings. He had only managed to keep his calm, and say everything he had said earlier through willpower.

The four special guards unleashed their martial souls. Three of them were Soul Emperors, and the last one was a Soul Sage. They were quite strong!

The Soul Sage was the first to charge towards Huo Yuhao. He had three yellow, three purple, and one black soul ring. It was a decent combination of soul rings.

However, an indescribable, terrifying aura surged towards him when he was ten meters away from Huo Yuhao.

At that instant, the Soul Sage felt as if he was facing the king of soul beasts. The all-engulfing suppression left him very stifled, and his forward momentum stalled. He was horrified to discover that the soul rings of the mysterious White Tiger bodyguard on the other side were rising.

Two yellow, two purple, four black and one red soul ring. There were nine soul rings. There were actually nine soul rings. The most terrifying thing was that the last soul ring out of these nine was a blood-red, hundred-thousand year soul ring.

A hundred-thousand year soul ring only existed in legends, even in the world of soul masters!

Those who had gone through orthodox soul master education would know that a hundred-thousand year soul beast possessed high intelligence. It could even choose to be reborn as a human! It was extremely difficult to hunt and kill a hundred-thousand year soul beast. Not only must one possess great abilities, but he must also be lucky!

If a Titled Douluo faced a hundred-thousand year soul beast, the Titled Douluo was slightly more likely to win if their cultivations were similar. However, this was under the premise that the soul beast didn't hail from the one of the stronger species. While it might be possible for a Titled Douluo to defeat a hundred-thousand year soul beast, killing and capturing it was much more difficult. A soul beast that could survive for a hundred-thousand years or achieve a cultivation of a hundred-thousand years possessed great survival abilities.

Moreover, hundred-thousand year soul beasts were getting rarer and rarer as time went on. They were very aware that soul masters hunted them. As a result, most of the hundred-thousand year soul beasts hid in special habitats. Those habitats were like their worlds. A soul master who tried to venture into these habitats was likely to die!

However, this person that had hidden himself among the White Tiger bodyguards actually possessed a hundred-thousand year soul ring. The terrifying aura earlier was also unleashed through the hundred-thousand year soul ring. It was too scary, a complete suppression in terms of rank and cultivation.

The other three special guards naturally stopped in the air. The Dragonscale Horses that the surrounding bodyguards were on all screamed tragically before they collapsed to the ground. They were all soul beasts that had only been alive for a few decades, and couldn't resist the aura of a hundred-thousand year soul beast. They could even be frightened to death by a hundred-thousand year soul beast!

Only the White Tiger Colt underneath the White Tiger Duke remained standing. However, on a closer look, Huo Yuhao could see that the White Tiger Duke was releasing dim-white soul power over his White Tiger Colt. Against Huo Yuhao's aura, this soul beast that had close to a ten-thousand year cultivation was still greatly suppressed.

The White Tiger Duke's expression turned serious. He hadn't expected a Titled Douluo with a hundred-thousand year soul ring to be hiding among his bodyguards!

At this point, he was also stunned to realize that he couldn't even tell the age of the other party. This was the first time something like this had happened to him!

“Who are you?” Dai Hao asked. He was much more aware of what a hundred-thousand year soul ring meant compared to his special guards. A hundred-thousand year soul ring was a stepping stone to becoming a Transcendent Douluo!

Generally speaking, it was very difficult for a Titled Douluo to advance in rank after they reached Rank 90. Most Titled Douluo would fail to become a Rank 95 Transcendent Douluo. Only those who were extremely gifted, intelligent, and fortunate enough had such an opportunity!

However, there were some Titled Douluo who were exceptions. As long as they continued cultivating and persisted until they made breakthroughs, they could become Transcendent Douluo. These Titled Douluo possessed a hundred-thousand year soul ring!

No form of medicine or strength could compare to a hundred-thousand year soul ring in terms of enhancing a soul master’s body. It made a soul master capable of handling the soul power of a Transcendent Douluo, and adjusted his gifts until he reached such a level!

It was precisely because he knew all this that Dai Hao didn’t think the person in front of him was only a Titled Douluo. He clearly knew that someone who possessed a hundred-thousand year soul ring could possibly be a Transcendent Douluo!

A hundred-thousand year soul ring was a top-ranked treasure that all soul masters coveted. However, it also represented huge trouble. A hundred-thousand year soul ring couldn’t be stripped off a soul master, but a hundred-thousand year soul beast would still produce hundred-thousand year soul bones! As long as a soul master was dead, his soul bones could still be snatched away! *noVe-Lb-1n*

As a result, other Titled Douluo might be tempted to kill someone with a hundred-thousand year soul ring in a bid to snatch their soul bones!

That was why soul masters with a hundred-thousand year soul ring would try to increase their abilities to the level of a Transcendent Douluo if they didn’t have sufficient protection around themselves. In this way, they could protect themselves from being pursued and killed.

I can’t challenge a Transcendent Douluo on my own!,” Dai Hao quickly realized.

Huo Yuhao felt a little helpless right now. He had had no choice but to use his Imitation to make himself seem this impressive. Otherwise, how could he stop the White Tiger Duke from attacking him, and make him listen?

One’s abilities always had the biggest say in the world of soul masters!

“You don’t have to care who I am. You should be able to sense that I don’t have any ill intentions towards you. Otherwise, I could have attacked you whenever I wanted. I didn’t have to wait until now, or give you any warning. I specialize in spiritual power, thus I can sense that a huge crisis is waiting for you somewhere not too far away. If you believe me and quickly turn back, you can still make it. Otherwise, you won’t be able to handle whatever’s trying to deal with you. Turn around immediately.”

Huo Yuhao used the simplest way to tell him what his intention was.

Dai Huabin was among the bodyguards right now. When he saw Huo Yuhao on his Dragonscale Horse, revealing the aura of a Transcendent Douluo, he was in awe. He thought to himself, “This fellow is still

the same as ever. His ability to scare others is greater than whatever other abilities he possesses! Didn't he do the same to us in the past? However, he is making it seem so real that my father doesn't even realize it...

Yes, Huo Yuhao was using his immense, concrete-immaterial spiritual power under the guise of his Imitation to pose as a Transcendent Douluo. It wasn't just that Dai Hao didn't discover anything, even Elder Xuan wouldn't be able to tell anything unless he was close enough to him. For the White Tiger Duke, he wouldn't be able to tell unless he really fought Huo Yuhao.

Dai Hao squinted and said, "How do I know this is not another trap? Why should I believe you?"

Huo Yuhao didn't make a sound, but he suddenly lifted his head to look into the sky. His senses were very acute; they weren't inferior to Wang Qiu'er's Golden Dragon's Perception. His judgment on danger had always been very accurate. When he lifted his head, golden light shot out of his eyes. His spiritual power was already focused in one direction.

On a flat ground, Huo Yuhao's unidirectional detection could reach out close to five thousand meters. He could cover an even longer distance in the air, as there weren't any obstacles.

When he revealed his spiritual power, the White Tiger Duke didn't doubt his abilities anymore. His terrifying spiritual power was even greater than the White Tiger Duke's spiritual power! Huo Yuhao's spiritual power was even on the verge of turning material as he unleashed it! What is his cultivation? Transcendent Douluo, this person must be a Transcendent Douluo! However, I've never heard of any Transcendent Douluo with a spiritual-type martial soul on the continent! Has this guy been hiding all this while?

Huo Yuhao wasn't as relaxed as Dai Hao. When he unleashed his spiritual power into the air, his expression immediately changed, and he shouted, "Quickly, give the order to retreat! There are surveillance-type soul tools deployed in the air by your enemies. They are observing your every move. If you suddenly stop, they'll be alerted, and they'll come for you! Quickly, retreat!"

When Huo Yuhao was in Shrek Academy, he had learned from his teachers that the defenses of all military bases had become very tight now due to the rapid development of soul tools. Furthermore, there were Titled Douluo following the White Tiger Duke, given how important he was to the Star Luo Empire. It was just that these Titled Douluo usually remained hidden. This time, he hadn't even brought any of them with him. As long as he could return to his military base, his safety would be assured!

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Dai Hao wasn't an indecisive person. He was able to become the Commander of Three Armies because he always performed his tasks quickly and effectively. After sensing Huo Yuhao's immense spiritual power, he made his decision and ordered, "Let's turn back to our base!"

After Huo Yuhao heard his words, he heaved a sigh of relief, and quickly retracted the suppression that he had unleashed upon them.

However, he was in slightly low spirits because the Dragonscale Horses weren't able to get up anytime soon. In the face of the Ice Empress' hundred-thousand year aura, they needed at least two hours

before they could get up. However, he couldn't be bothered by this now. He had had no choice earlier! If he hadn't asserted his authority, the White Tiger Duke wouldn't have believed him.

The White Tiger bodyguards were indeed elites. They didn't need to be ordered before they started to retreat on foot. They turned towards the direction of their base, and started to run.

They still maintained a strict formation. As they ran, they deliberately kept to two sides, leaving a pathway in the middle.

Without the suppression from Huo Yuhao, the White Tiger Colt became normal again. The White Tiger Duke quickly rode it back along the path that they had rode out on earlier.

Dai Hao was right not to use any flying-type soul tools. They would make him an obvious target in the air. Even if he were ten thousand meters away, the surveillance-type soul tools would be able to easily lock onto him. It was much easier for him to retreat on the ground.

Anyway, his enemies wouldn't dare to remain in the air. The anti-air defense system in the Ming Dou Mountain Range wasn't to be trifled with. It covered the entire aerial region within three thousand meters of the ground. The surveillance-type soul tools that Huo Yuhao had discovered earlier were close to five thousand meters in the air, and so weren't discovered by the aerial surveillance soul tools!

The Dragonscale Horse that Huo Yuhao was on couldn't take it anymore either. He jumped off the back of the horse along with Wang Dong'er. In a second, Dai Hao had already ridden the White Tiger Colt over in front of him.

"Elder, thanks for the warning. If we manage to avert this disaster, I'll be eternally grateful to you."

As Huo Yuhao looked at the White Tiger Duke's resolute expression that didn't seem to reveal any sense of panic, Huo Yuhao felt his breathing quicken.

At this point, there wasn't any hatred in his heart. It was just a genuine wish to help the White Tiger Duke escape.

"Let's move quickly. Otherwise, it'll be too late. Oh yes, is there any way of preventing your defensive-type soul tools from launching attacks against aerial objects? Or at least preventing them from attacking the aerial-type soul tools that we have?"

Dai Hao stopped the White Tiger Colt and answered, "There is one way. As long as we mark the soul tools with a special symbol that belongs to our military, it is possible. I'm the only who can mark these soul tools; there's a special way of distinguishing these markings."

Huo Yuhao nodded and asked, "That's great. How far are you from nine rings?"

Dai Hao was stunned, and replied, "I obtained nine rings half a year ago."

Titled Douluo? He's actually a Titled Douluo??Huo Yuhao was stunned at this moment. However, his heart turned cold following this.

He didn't know Dai Hao was a Titled Douluo, but the enemies who were planning to ambush him definitely knew! An ambush on a Soul Douluo and an ambush on a Titled Douluo would naturally be different. This meant that their enemies were bound to be even stronger!

Huo Yuhao couldn't be bothered with anything else. He quickly retrieved something from his storage-type soul tool and gave it to Dai Hao. He said, "Quick, use it to cover you later. We'll also help cover you. Quick, leave."

After Dai Hao received the box that Huo Yuhao passed to him, he didn't hesitate, and turned his colt around before it galloped away. He opened the box as his colt galloped.

Huo Yuhao and Wang Dong'er were at the back now. However, Dai Huabin's voice came from the side, "Let's cover him together."

As he looked at Dai Huabin, Huo Yuhao was immediately furious. "Cover my ass. Quickly, go. If even he can't deal with the enemy, what use do you think you are?" As Huo Yuhao spoke, he pointed at the White Tiger Duke, who was getting further and further away.

Dai Huabin straightened his neck and said, "If you can stay behind to cover for them, why can't I do the same?"

Huo Yuhao wanted to slap him, which would help him get his revenge, too. However, Dai Huabin couldn't die, as he was extremely important to both him and Wang Dong'er in their bid to pass the Deep Adventure round.

"Stop with the crap and let's go." As he spoke, Huo Yuhao had already activated his soul thrusters to advance in the direction of the White Tiger Duke. Wang Dong'er didn't unleash her martial soul, and just followed. Her martial soul was too obvious in the dark, she wouldn't unleash it unless it was unnecessary.

Dai Huabin and Zhu Lu chased the both of them. He was much more relieved. They had only left the base a little while ago. With his father's speed, he would only take ten minutes to return!

However, the sky lit up at this moment.

Balls of greenish light started to fly towards them from the west. These greenish lights were shaped like gourds. As they were too far from the ground, their actual size couldn't be determined. However, the sparks that they created in the sky were extremely blinding. The lights flew towards the White Tiger Duke.

They are indeed here! Huo Yuhao sighed to himself. The enemy had surveillance-type soul tools in the sky, which was equivalent to having an extra eye in the sky.

Only the Sun Moon Empire was capable of sending surveillance-type soul tools five thousand meters into the air. At least, no other empire in the continent could do so yet. Most anti-air defense systems couldn't accurately attack a target that was more than three thousand meters away.

There was nothing Huo Yuhao could do about this, either. He was only a soul engineer between Class 6 and 7, and a five-ringed Soul King. Unless he could rise five thousand meters into the air to deal with the surveillance-type soul tools, he had no way to change the situation. Even though he knew they were being watched, he couldn't destroy the surveillance-type soul tools. This was the result of his lack of power.

Huo Yuhao knew that he was doing pretty well so far. He had managed to stop the White Tiger Duke from advancing in a very short period of time. However, it was obvious that the enemy was well-prepared. After discovering that something was amiss, they had quickly launched a long-range attack.

Right now, they could only see how effective the Star Luo Empire's defenses were.

The sky above the military bases of any empire was always a restricted zone. Huo Yuhao and Wang Qiu'er once got into trouble when they were in the Heavenly Soul Empire. In the Ming Dou Mountain Range, the aerial restricted zones were even more strictly enforced.

When these greenish, gourd-shaped lights appeared, balls of red lights started to surge out from the mountain range towards them. They were aerial interception soul cannons!

It wasn't very difficult to create such soul cannons. The key was that they were huge and exhausted a lot of rare metals. When in use, they also drained a lot of soul power.

Seeing that the reaction of the Star Luo Empire's anti-air defense system was pretty quick, Huo Yuhao also heaved a sigh of relief.

Very soon, the balls of red light clashed with the greenish, gourd-shaped lights. Just as both parties were about to clash, the greenish lights cracked. The front and back of the gourd-shaped lights separated. The front parts charged forward at a faster speed, colliding with the red lights, while the back parts stopped in mid-air.

This transformation was extremely quick. Without Huo Yuhao's Spirit Eyes and Purple Demon Eyes, he wouldn't have been able to see everything clearly.

Deafening explosions reverberated through the air, and huge glows illuminated the entire sky.

Was the interception successful?

Just as the White Tiger bodyguards thought of this, their hopes were extinguished. The balls of greenish light turned cone-shaped before they once more charged down like bolts of lightning. They were targeting the path the White Tiger Duke would take.

Not good! Huo Yuhao cursed in his heart. He couldn't be bothered with anything else now. He activated his Spiritual Detection to its extreme and directed it straight at the White Tiger Duke's head.

At this point, the White Tiger Duke was very focused on the changes in the air. As he was unwary, Huo Yuhao's spiritual power invaded his mind.

Before he could resist with his own spiritual power, he was shocked by what Huo Yuhao's Spiritual Detection offered him.

Data about the greenish lights was presented in his mind: how long they would take to land, where they would land etc. It all appeared in his mind.

The White Tiger Duke was very experienced, and immediately knew what was going on. He expanded in size, and his short hair turned black and white, like a white tiger's stripes. Two yellow, two purple and five black soul rings suddenly rose from him, turning into blinding light. His fourth soul ring shone

extremely brightly, and balls of bright lights in the form of tiger heads quickly took form above his head. These balls of light generated dazzling, white sparks as they shot into the air.

Boom, boom, boom, boom, boom!...

A series of tremendous booms echoed throughout the entire mountain range.

The White Tiger Duke had unleashed his White Tiger Meteor Shower in the opposite direction. Furthermore, he managed to intercept the red lights accurately! The descending greenish lights had fallen extremely rapidly. Without Huo Yuhao's Spiritual Detection, the White Tiger Duke couldn't have accomplished such an impressive deed!

Just as everyone thought that the crisis had been temporarily averted and the White Tiger Duke could continue to return to base, a brownish-yellow light suddenly rose about three hundred meters in front of the White Tiger Duke.

This earthy light was only ten meters in diameter when it first appeared. However, it instantly spread out to more than a hundred meters in diameter. The entire mountain range was illuminated by this light.

This was...

Huo Yuhao's pupils shrank. This was not a soul skill, since it was able to hide from his Spiritual Detection and appear directly along the mountain pass. It had to be a soul tool! It was also the strongest soul tool he had ever seen in a fight! As such, it had to be at least a Class 8 soul tool!

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These people who are here to kill the White Tiger Duke are going all-out! This should be a Class 8 stationary soul cannon!

"Be careful!" Huo Yuhao shouted almost subconsciously. He also felt very weird when he shouted these two words. Why am I concerned about his safety?

Boom, boom, boom!...

Suddenly, the entire Ming Dou Mountain Range seemed to shake. A huge, deafening explosion shook the region covered by the earthen light. Debris scattered all around, and the intense shockwaves instantly engulfed more than a thousand square meters.

"Defend!" The White Tiger Duke shouted. He didn't retreat. His first, third, and fifth soul rings flashed. His figure instantly doubled in size. As he smacked his tiger palms together, a layer of intense white light started to spread out, with his body at the center. The shockwaves that were coming towards him were blocked.

When he saw this scene, Huo Yuhao, who subconsciously moved to shield Wang Dong'er, was a little dazed.

Given the White Tiger Duke's abilities, he would not be dealt much harm if he only protected himself. However, the barrier he erected covered an extremely wide area. He was bound to be drained at a much faster rate!

Explosions rang continuously. The ground started to fissure, starting from the center point of the explosion. These fissures quickly extended in all directions.

One side of the path that they were on was a cliff, while the other side was a tall mountain. Although the mountain pass was considered quite wide, there were many rocks falling from the sky after the explosion occurred.

Landslide!

The White Tiger bodyguards were deservedly called the elites of the elites. Even though their individual strengths were insignificant in the face of such a terrifying explosion, they tried to gather together at this point. A portion of them with shields lifted them up to block the falling rocks and incoming shockwaves. The four special guards rushed forward without any hesitation and helped the White Tiger Duke with some of the pressure he was facing. However, the incoming shockwaves were still too strong, so strong that they were driven back as they were struck.

Huo Yuhao already roughly knew what the soul tool was. It was a Class 8 stationary soul cannon shell called a Landslide Shell!

When soul tools were at least Class 7, those with special effects would be given their own names. This was especially true for stationary soul cannon shells. There were all types of names for them.

This Landslide Shell was one of them. It was supposed to be a Class 7 stationary soul cannon shell. However, it was classified as a Class 8 shell after special formation arrays and materials were used to strengthen its cloaking and obstructive capabilities.

It had very strong penetrating abilities. It would immediately drill into the ground once it landed, tapping into its rare metal formation that had a great affinity for earthen elements. It could drill into soil or granite in the shortest possible time before unleashing an immense shockwave.

The shock that it unleashed was equivalent to a hundred shock cannon shells, simulating the strength of an explosion and enabling it to cause a landslide.

This Landslide Shell wasn't considered very lethal among the Class 8 stationary soul cannon shells. However, it was more stable, which allowed it to be hidden effectively. Its effect on a battlefield could be quite great, especially in strategic attacks like this. The enemies' goal was very simple... block off the White Tiger Duke's return route and buy time for them to assassinate him!

"General, quickly leave! Don't care about us!" the special guard who was a Soul Sage shouted anxiously.

Right now, the strongest shockwave had already passed. However, the White Tiger Duke didn't leave. With his cultivation, flying at a low altitude was nothing. However, he turned back and kept on unleashing his White Tiger Meteor Shower in the air. He crushed the falling rocks that were going to hit his men

As Huo Yuhao looked at him drifting in mid-air, he felt as if something were choking him in his chest.

He is actually risking being assassinated in order to protect his subordinates. He...

Dai Hao shouted, "Cut the crap! Soldiers, get ready to fight the enemy! All of you are my warriors and my fellow soldiers. I won't leave any one of you behind! We'll remain here and wait for reinforcements!" As he spoke, he lifted his hand, and a beam of bright light shot into the sky.

They weren't very far from the base. They wouldn't need to wait too long for reinforcements to arrive. After the aerial attacks and the explosion that had just occurred, their camp should have been put on alert, and reinforcements should be on the way.

A huge hole a few hundred meters wide had been blown apart in front of them. It was impossible for them to traverse it on foot. If the White Tiger Duke left on his own, he would be forsaking his White Tiger bodyguards, who consisted of more than a hundred men. In a war, such a situation was very common. However, the White Tiger Duke didn't make that decision. He was their general, and the soul of the Star Luo Empire's military. He was a true hero. There was no way he could forsake his soldiers and brothers.

In addition, it might not be a wrong choice to defend here. After all, it was very difficult to tell where the enemy would come from.

When Dai Huabin saw that his father was unwilling to leave, he started to turn anxious. He hurriedly asked Huo Yuhao, "What do we do?"

Huo Yuhao clenched his fist tightly. "What else can we do? Let's help him!"

He couldn't decide for the White Tiger Duke. The only thing they could do now was help him guard this place. In addition, they weren't too far from their base. They still had a chance.

Huo Yuhao activated his Spiritual Detection and covered the area where the White Tiger bodyguards were. Huo Yuhao couldn't share his spiritual power with everyone, but he shared it with the White Tiger Duke and the four special guards from earlier.

With Huo Yuhao's help, the White Tiger Duke was able to more efficiently intercept the falling rocks with his White Tiger Meteor Shower. All the large rocks were destroyed by his Meteor Shower.

Wang Dong'er had also opened up her Radiant Butterfly Goddess' wings at this moment. With Huo Yuhao's Spiritual Detection, she unleashed her Light of the Butterfly Goddess to help the White Tiger Duke. She further lowered the threat of the landslide.

The bodyguards weren't idle, either. Although not all of them had shields, they still used their weapons to sweep the falling rocks away from them. While there were still some casualties, there weren't too many.

At this point, streaks of red light suddenly flashed from afar. They appeared in a very elaborate pattern, and started to move towards the White Tiger Duke and his guards.

They were explosive bombs!

Huo Yuhao focused his gaze, then sighed in his heart. He could guess the origin of his enemies. First, there was a Class 8 stationary soul cannon shell, then there were explosive cluster bombs. It had to be the Sun Moon Empire!

The White Tiger Duke took a deep breath before he turned in the air. He flew towards the bombs as his fourth soul ring continued to shine. His White Tiger Meteor Shower changed directions just like a rapidfire cannon, flying straight towards the explosive bombs.

At the same time, he also shouted, “White Tiger bodyguards, listen to my orders. Disperse and retreat!”

It was very difficult for them to disperse in such an area. The path in front had been blown apart, making it extremely uneven. On one side, there was a cliff. On the other side, there was a mountain. They could only search for a route through the area that had been blown apart. Fortunately, there was a gentle slope that they could use to leave this place. *noVe-Lb-1n*

These soldiers would never defy the White Tiger Duke’s orders. After hearing his order, the captain leading the troops immediately led them towards the pathway that had been blown apart.

However, the Landslide Shell was there to stop them from escaping. When they came to the edge of the cliff, they only saw a deep depression.

The team leader of the first team was a burly man around forty years old. As he saw the disconnected path in front of him, he seemed desolated. He quickly turned around and faced the rest of the bodyguards that had followed him, revealing a determined look on his face.

His gaze swept over all the soldiers in front of him. “Brothers, we’ve all witnessed it with our eyes. The Duke remained because of us. If not for us, he would already be safe. We are at an impasse right now. Every second that we burden the Duke puts him in one more second of danger. Ever since we joined the White Tiger bodyguards, we knew that we were willing to sacrifice our lives for the Duke. I won’t force any of you to do so now. Those who are willing to follow me, you’ll always be my good brothers. Sir, I’m willing to sacrifice my life for you. Please take care.”

As he spoke, he took a deep look at all the comrades in front of him. After this, he turned around suddenly pointed his left toes to the ground before he leapt off the cliff.

As a section leader, Zhang Biao had managed to judge the situation they were facing accurately. Because of them, their enemies were inching closer and closer. No one knew when reinforcements would arrive. The only way to ensure the White Tiger Duke’s safety was to allow him to retreat quickly, and the reinforcements to gather. However, the White Tiger Duke was unwilling to forsake them, which made them his burden. There wasn’t any way they could disperse here. The only thing they could do was sacrifice their lives to save the White Tiger Duke!

When he saw this scene, Huo Yuhao felt as if his chest had been hammered. The White Tiger Duke’s subordinates were willing to sacrifice their lives for him, and he was willing to risk his life to protect them, too! Suddenly, he seemed to become mightier in Huo Yuhao’s mind. As he pulled at Wang Dong’er, the two of them leapt off the cliff.

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“Idiot! Zhang Biao, what are you doing?” The White Tiger Duke was very observant, and naturally realized that Zhang Biao had leapt off the cliff. He started to turn anxious.

At this point, the bodyguards all shouted at the same time, “Sir, please take care!” Following this, all of them bit their lips and leapt off the cliff with determined looks on their faces.

The White Tiger Duke was unmoved even when he was under the attack of that Landslide Shell. However, his expression changed now. His eyes turned red, and he roared to the four special guards that were beside him, "Idiots! Quickly, go and stop them."

However, they didn't move at all. They even tried to block his view.

The Soul Sage sorrowfully pleaded, "Sir, please leave. They are doing this for your safety! If you have any pity for them, quickly go now."

In just a moment, the bodyguards apart from Dai Huabin and Zhu Lu had already leapt off the cliff.

Dai Huabin and Zhu Lu were both stunned.

Such a tragic scene appeared in front of them during this short span of time. They weren't even twenty years old. Even though Dai Huabin was the White Tiger Duke's son, he had never seen such a tragic scene before!

Dai Huabin's head seemed to ring with what his father had once told him and his brother. "Every White Tiger bodyguard is a loyal and brave warrior. The two of you must treat them with respect."

The White Tiger Duke's eyes were blood-red now, and the look in his eyes turned extremely fierce. He pulled out the box Huo Yuhao had given him earlier, tore it open, and poured his soul power into it!

A ball of huge silver light quickly rose into the sky and illuminated the darkness. Very soon, it was high up in the sky.

When this silver light stabilized in the sky, a silver ray descended and landed in front of the White Tiger Duke. He mimicked a lifting action, and another dim golden light ball appeared within this silver ray.

This ball had a diameter of one meter. As it gradually rose, it seemed like a sun. It complemented the silver light ball in the sky and flew all the way up until it was next to the silver ball.

The two lights complemented each other in the air and started to revolve around an invisible center. They formed an even larger gold and silver ball in the air.

Yes, Huo Yuhao had given the White Tiger Duke the latest Class 9 soul tool that the Starsky Douluo had created, the Sunmoon Divine Needle!

With Huo Yuhao's current cultivation, he couldn't use this soul tool. However, the White Tiger Duke could!

It wasn't difficult to use the Sunmoon Divine Needle. It just had to be unleashed before it would lock onto the opponent, and then attack. The most difficult part about using it was the demand it had on one's soul power, as well as locking onto the opponents.

Although the White Tiger Duke had just become a Titled Douluo, Huo Yuhao was very familiar with the White Tiger. As one of the top-ranked beast souls, the White Tiger Duke's abilities would have increased significantly after he became a Titled Douluo. Ordinary Titled Douluo couldn't compare to him. Furthermore, he was in his prime. It was during this period of his life that his blood and energy were most vigorous. It was highly likely that he would become a Transcendent Douluo in the future.

Since that was the case, he shouldn't have a problem using the Sunmoon Divine Needle!

Although the White Tiger Duke was filled with rage and sorrow right now, he was shocked when the Sunmoon Divine Needle rose into the sky. He felt his spiritual power rising into the sky along with the needle. His range of vision expanded greatly, and his spiritual power was being strengthened continuously.

Originally, he couldn't track where his enemies were. However, they soon appeared within his perception. As the Sunmoon Divine Needle spun, his soul power was also quickly being drained. However, the attacks from his enemies had weakened when the Sunmoon Divine Needle appeared.

This was how terrifying a Class 9 soul tool was!

The gold and silver ball in the sky was like a huge double-colored eye, coldly watching the earth and seeking its targets.

As one of the top-ranked Class 9 soul tools, there were very strict requirements for using the Sunmoon Divine Needle. It had to absorb Sunmoon Essence for three days before it could be unleashed. In addition, it drained a lot of soul power. After three strikes, Sunmoon Essence had to be absorbed again to charge it.

However, its terrifying strength was a result of the strict requirements needed to use it. The greater the requirements, the greater the destructiveness of a soul tool. Even a Transcendent Douluo would be hesitant to face an attack from the Sunmoon Divine Needle!

The greatest point about the Sunmoon Divine Needle was that it was effective against all elements. Because of the Sunmoon Essence, any form of defense would be ineffective against it, no matter what element it was made of. In addition, it possessed the penetrating strength of a Class 9 soul tool, covering a region that spanned more than thirty kilometers. It was truly frightening!

The enemy had evidently recognized the background of this Sunmoon Divine Needle, and thus they restrained their attacks. They knew that they were exposed under the surveillance of the Sunmoon Divine Needle.

The White Tiger Duke, or rather the White Tiger Douluo, had an awe-inspiring look in his eyes. Through the Sunmoon Divine Needle, he observed his enemies from afar. There were more than ten of them.

He zoomed in using the needle, and could clearly see the number and color of soul rings that his enemies possessed.

There were a total of twelve of them. Among them, four were nine-ringed Titled Douluo. There were even Class 9 soul engineers among them. The Landslide Shell couldn't have been unleashed so easily without them.

Apart from the four Titled Douluo, the lowest-ranked among the remaining eight were only Soul Sages. There were four eight-ringed Soul Douluo!

At this point, the four Titled Douluo were already shining with golden light. They had unleashed their Invincible Barriers. Another four of the remaining eight had also unleashed Invincible Barriers. The

twelve of them had completely split up, and they didn't dare to step forward even a centimeter anymore.

This was the power of the Sunmoon Divine Needle!

Even Huo Yuhao didn't know that the Sunmoon Divine Needle could make their enemies feel so fearful when it rose into the sky.

Huo Yuhao's guess was completely right; these enemies came from the Sunmoon Empire. They were here to assassinate the White Tiger Duke!

The White Tiger Duke held a very important status in the Star Luo Empire. He had great control over the military. If he were assassinated, it would greatly boost the Sun Moon Empire's future plans in starting the war.

These twelve assassins were well-prepared. Not only did they plant spies, but they even used high-altitude surveillance-type soul tools, a newly-invented category of soul tools. Of the twelve assassins, two were even Class 9 soul engineers! They had set a trap thirty kilometers ahead using different kinds of soul tools. Once the White Tiger Duke fell into their trap, they were confident in killing him, even if he was a Transcendent Douluo.

However, they hadn't expected the White Tiger Duke to turn back after leaving his base. It was completely outside their expectations.

One of the leading soul engineers realized that they had been exposed. However, the White Tiger Duke had already left his base. There were only a hundred bodyguards with him, and thus it was still a good opportunity for them to assassinate him!

As a result, they turned to their Plan B, using the Landslide Shell to stop the White Tiger Duke, and rushed over as soon as possible. They were willing to pay any price to kill the White Tiger Duke!

Just as they were about to achieve their goal, the White Tiger Duke didn't even try to break his way out, but remained to protect his subordinates. All of this left them extremely delighted.

However, they were all stunned when they saw the gold and silver lights in the sky.

More than half of these assassins were soul engineers. The two Class 9 soul engineers even had a wealth of experience.

If these were any ordinary assassins, they might not have been bothered by the Sunmoon Divine Needle. However, this group of assassins was well-aware of what it was! The ignorant were fearless, but those who truly knew were extremely terrified!

Who didn't know about the Sun Moon Needle, the soul tool that made the Starsky Douluo Ye Yulin famous? Among these two Class 9 soul engineers, one of them was even a good friend of Ye Yulin. He happened to know about the Sunmoon Divine Needle that had just been researched and created. n.(O--
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This was why he immediately activated his Invincible Barrier the moment he saw the Sunmoon Divine Needle. Even though he knew his Invincible Barrier might not be able to stop the needle, it was still better than not having any protection at all.

When he mentioned that it was the Sunmoon Divine Needle, the soul engineers present also broke out in a cold sweat.

The Sun Divine Needle was known as the Light of the Death God. Whoever it shone on would be struck dead! The power of the Sunmoon Divine Needle was even greater than the Sun Divine Needle! Let alone a Transcendent Douluo, even someone of Elder Xuan's cultivation would be hurt if he tried to deal with an attack from the Needle!

These assassins were here to kill the White Tiger Duke, not to die. The four Titled Douluo treasured their lives a lot.

"What do we do? Why does he have the Sunmoon Divine Needle? Don't tell me that the Starsky Douluo..."

"Impossible! The Starsky Douluo wouldn't betray us. Let's decide quickly! Our Invincible Barriers won't last long!"

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"Let's retreat first before coming up with a new plan." The leading Class 9 soul engineer was decisive, and gave the order to retreat.

One's life was very precious. Everyone only had one life! None of them were willing to risk getting killed by the Sunmoon Divine Needle in their bid to assassinate the White Tiger. None of them dared to!

As a result, these twelve assassins immediately turned and fled. To them, their main worry now was finding the fastest way to get at least fifteen kilometers away.

The White Tiger Duke still had a glimmer of hope right now. He had seen Huo Yuhao and Wang Dong'er leaping off the cliff, too. That was why he didn't activate the Sunmoon Divine Needle immediately. The strongest weapons were the most terrifying before they were used. Although he didn't know why his opponents had run, he was relieved to be safe temporarily. Right now, he could only watch and see whether the mysterious man could save his subordinates.

The White Tiger Duke was holding on over on his side, while Huo Yuhao was very busy in the air right now.

After he jumped off the cliff with Wang Dong'er, Wang Dong'er immediately opened up her Butterfly Goddess' wings.

The first to jump off the cliff was Zhang Biao. The cliff seemed to be at least three hundred meters high. If a soul master couldn't fly and didn't have any way of reducing the speed of his descent, he was bound to die from the fall!

As Huo Yuhao dove down rapidly, he unleashed his spiritual power to the best of his abilities. A huge spiritual net quickly engulfed the air around him, and all the White Tiger bodyguards that had leapt off the cliff. In this way, he could tell exactly where each of them was.

A streak of deep blue light shot out from Huo Yuhao's forehead and instantly descended. It was the little Snow Lady.

When the little Snow Lady appeared, she waved her hands in the air rapidly. A gust of strong wind rose from the mountain valley. The wind slowed the descent of all the bodyguards, even though they were all decked out in armor.

The Snow Empress didn't just control snow. She was the Icesky Snow Lady. In the Extreme North, the extreme chill wasn't the only scary thing, there was also the wind. This was also one aspect in which the Snow Empress was stronger than the Ice Empress!

Apart from the extreme chill, she also had a deep grasp of the profundity of the wind. For example, the Snowy Dance of Ultimate Ice included gales.

Huo Yuhao was only afraid his Ultimate Ice would affect the bodyguards, and thus he didn't use his domain's strength to gather them. He could only let the little Snow Lady slow their descent.

As she controlled the wind, the little Snow Lady had already charged all the way down. In a flash, she was beside Zhang Biao. She used her little hands to gently push Zhang Biao's back. He was about thirty meters from the ground, but he was now flying towards the side instead of falling as he was pushed.

Zhang Biao was also a soul master. The sudden force that came from his side shocked him. He subconsciously lifted his body in a hurry and tried to control it.

For a soul master of his rank, thirty meters was a manageable height. As he rolled in the air, he exploited the sudden force that came from his side to reduce the speed of his descent. He also used his palms and soul power to slow his fall.

After the little Snow Lady pushed Zhang Biao, she lifted her hands once again. Another gust of wind blew upward and slowed the momentum of the bodyguards who were still falling.

Huo Yuhao and Wang Dong'er finally charged down after the little Snow Lady helped to stall the descent of the bodyguards.

At this point, the two of them reached their fastest speed. Along with the little Snow Lady, they started flipping and moving about. They caught hold of the bodyguards that were falling from the sky.

Huo Yuhao felt very regretful that he didn't have a soul tool he could use now! His soul tools were mainly very lethal. At this point, there were too many bodyguards falling, even though the area that they covered wasn't too extensive.

Huo Yuhao unleashed the Life Reflecting Shield with his right hand and a protective barrier with his body. As he flipped about, he continued to use the Tang Sect's Controlling Crane Capturing Dragon. However, he still couldn't catch everyone.

As one person fell, he caught hold of him before instantly pushing him away. He used his right leg to hook onto another person, and also used his Life Reflecting Shield to knock someone else away. He charged forward quickly, and managed to grab hold of more than ten people.

However, he couldn't possibly catch everyone. He simply had no time! He could only knock them to the sides just as they were about to crash, reducing their speed of descent. They were bound to get hurt, but at least they could still preserve their lives.

However, there were still some bodyguards who couldn't be saved even though Huo Yuhao and Wang Dong'er tried their best.

Three hundred meters! They had jumped three hundred meters off a cliff, and they were all wearing armor. Their momentum was deadly. Huo Yuhao was only a Soul King, and Wang Dong'er was only a Soul Emperor. Even if they were slightly stronger, they couldn't possibly save that many people spread out over such a large area.

Blood splattered around them, and life after life was lost.

Huo Yuhao bit his lips tightly. All these soldiers were dead because they were trying to protect the White Tiger Duke!

They had jumped off the cliff willingly. Before they jumped off, they had even asked the White Tiger Duke to take care of himself.

It was Huo Yuhao's first time seeing this kind of soldier. It was also his first time experiencing the smell of blood and iron that one could only experience in the military.

A bloody smell spread out, and Huo Yuhao was already tearing up. He had done his best. When he grabbed hold of the last bodyguard, he discovered that his arms were already aching. He forcefully rolled on the ground, and his human-shaped soul tool let out a piercing, screeching sound. It took some time before he managed to reduce his falling momentum. However, the inertia still caused him to crash, and he couldn't help but spit out blood on the inside of his mask.

There was a blurry red in front of his eyes. He felt extremely weak right now.

He only heard tragic screams around him. Along with the bloody smell that drifted throughout the entire area, he was feeling very distressed.

What kind of soldiers were they? They were willing to sacrifice their precious lives for their own general! They jumped off the cliff without any hesitation!

Huo Yuhao and Wang Dong'er didn't know how many people they had saved. The entire process only took one minute. However, they had drained their soul power and energy. The feeling that they were experiencing now couldn't be described with words. They had tried their best in this one minute. However, Wang Dong'er couldn't help but cry when she saw fresh blood splattering from the human figures below her.

"They..."

"Ah——" Huo Yuhao peered into the sky and shouted furiously. His spiritual power soared tremendously, but he couldn't do anything now. What was supposed to happen had already happened. He couldn't have possibly saved these few precious lives!

At this point, a calm voice sounded in his mind, "The enemies have retreated. The White Tiger Duke is no longer in a crisis. You have passed the Deep Adventure round. Right now, you have two choices. You can choose to pass this round, or use this opportunity to restore everything back to normal.

"By restoring everything back to normal, those who have not yet been dead for fifteen minutes will recover completely. However, those who have been dead for more than fifteen minutes can't recover,

as their spirits have dissipated. If you choose this option, you must go through the Deep Adventure round once again. You can make your choice now, but you'll only have ten seconds to decide. After ten seconds, the two of you will automatically be returned to the valley."

Wang Dong'er naturally heard what Huo Yuhao heard. The two of them looked at each other, and they each saw the surprise and persistence in the other's eyes. Wang Dong'er grabbed Huo Yuhao's hand and the two of them shouted at the same time, "We'll choose to restore everything back to normal!"

Yes, they were willing to go through the Deep Adventure round once again to save all the soldiers and their loyalty!

Suddenly, a strange ball of light appeared. A bright golden light that seemed like the sun appeared above Huo Yuhao's head, while a silver crescent surfaced above Wang Dong'er's head.

"The radiance of the Sun and Moon, Yin-Yang Love Querying." The calm voice echoed throughout the entire mountain valley. Following this, a gold and silver light spread from Huo Yuhao and Wang Dong'er's bodies. **no 17e) 1b-In**

The bodyguards were all covered by the same gold and silver light. The bodyguards who were still alive were shocked as they looked at Huo Yuhao and Wang Dong'er. At this moment, they could roughly make out their appearance.

They could clearly sense a strange, warm flow circling their bodies before the excruciating pain from their wounds disappeared. All of their injuries were healing at an alarming speed.

What was even stranger was that the pools of blood on the ground started to flow back into the corpses lying on the ground. The bodies started to contort slightly. Gradually, their actions became more and more obvious. There were even some who started crawling up.

The bodyguards who had just lost their lives seemed very confused now. They turned around and stared at Huo Yuhao and Wang Dong'er in shock. They couldn't believe it.

"Miracle. This is a miracle! Are the two of you immortals that have descended to the mortal world?" Zhang Biao crawled up from the ground at this moment. He was also hurt. There were many jagged rocks on the ground, which was also the reason why many of the bodyguards were hurt and killed. However, his injuries had already fully recovered after he was immersed in the gold and silver light.

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He saw a ravishing beauty with flowing blue hair, and another person who was covered entirely in metal, emitting an intense golden glow.

They were holding hands as a miraculous glow shone from their bodies. It wasn't just light that came from their bodies, there was also warmth!

More and more of the bodyguards were standing up by now. All of them turned around and faced Huo Yuhao and Wang Dong'er, who were both emitting the Sunmoon Radiance.

The White Tiger bodyguards started to kneel down on one knee and expressed their gratitude towards the both of them for giving them a chance to live again. Their eyes were filled with respect and passion. In their hearts, the two of them possessed the strength of gods!

The gold and silver light suddenly became much more glaring. In the next instant, the light withdrew towards the center. When it disappeared, Huo Yuhao and Wang Dong'er disappeared with it.

At the same time, Dai Huabin and Zhu Lu also heard the same calm voice.

"The White Tiger Duke's crisis has been averted. The Deep Adventure round has ended and the two of you have passed."

Everything started to distort and become blurry at this moment as their world seemed to be spinning. Whether it was Huo Yuhao, Wang Dong'er, Dai Huabin or Zhu Lu, they all entered a weird space. The calm voice sounded in their ears once again.

The voice said to Dai Huabin and Zhu Lu, "The two of you only put in an average performance in the Deep Adventure round, and thus you barely passed the round. There won't be any rewards, but the two of you can enter the last round, the Sincerity Love Querying Great Adventure. I hope that you can pass the next round."

The light flashed, and Dai Huabin and Zhu Lu disappeared.

The same voice sounded in Huo Yuhao and Wang Dong'er's ears. However, they heard different things than Dai Huabin and Zhu Lu had.

"The White Tiger Duke met with danger, and Huo Yuhao was able to use his spiritual power to warn him, as well as to gain his trust using his own abilities. This is an important reason why the two of you passed this Deep Adventure round. However, you didn't use your own abilities to chase the enemies away. Instead, you used external items to do so. As a result, you didn't pass the Deep Adventure round with full marks. However, on account of the fact that you saved everyone in time and reduced the number of casualties, I'll consider it a pass. Originally, the reward that the two of you were supposed to get was one chance to recover from a critical injury. However, you instead chose to restore everything to normal. As a result, your rewards will be canceled, and your points have become negative. The two of you will need to go through another Deep Adventure round. If you pass, you can advance to the third round, the True Love Querying Great Adventure. Be prepared, your second Deep Adventure round is about to start!"

Huo Yuhao and Wang Dong'er still felt as if their world was spinning. They couldn't see their surroundings clearly. However, they were smiling delightedly at this moment, and they gripped each other's hands tightly.

They didn't regret having to go through the Deep Adventure round again. To be able to revive so many loyal soldiers, they felt that it was worth it even if they had to go through several more rounds. Right now, the satisfaction that they felt in their hearts was unrivaled.

As a light flashed, Huo Yuhao and Wang Dong'er also disappeared.

White light descended from the sky. The White Tiger Duke landed in the valley. He was stunned when he saw his bodyguards standing on the jagged rocks.

At this point, the reinforcements from the base had already arrived. Many strong individuals were here to protect the White Tiger Duke. The Sunmoon Divine Needle was still shining in the sky. It was a pity that their enemies had already fled far away.

Seeing that most of his subordinates were still alive, the White Tiger Duke was feeling very emotional as he looked at the gold and silver ball in the sky

Who was that? Who was it that helped me and saved me from this crisis? Who exactly was it?

The White Tiger Duke stood there in a daze, and didn't speak for a long time.

Bei Bei and Xu Sanshi were in a rather disastrous situation right now. After they encountered the Radiant City patrol, they had no choice but to use force to charge their way out. They couldn't possibly explain their identities. In addition, they didn't even look like they came from the Sun Moon Empire.

However, they attracted even more enemies after they charged past the first group of guards.

It was only now that Bei Bei and Xu Sanshi realized how terrifying Radiant City was. Even though the surrounding walls were broken and dilapidated, defense-type soul tools were still everywhere. However, the aerial surveillance soul tools were even more terrifying.

The surveillance soul tools weren't very strong, but they remained hundreds of meters in the air. They were very practical, and were used to follow Xu Sanshi and Bei Bei. With these surveillance soul tools to guide them, the Sun Moon Empire's soldiers were always hot on their trail. Even though the two of them were strong, they were still in peril.

In addition, soul engineers had been deployed to deal with them because they were resisting strongly. Right now, they were still some way off from the western edge of Radiant City.

What left Bei Bei and Xu Sanshi even more depressed was that their injuries were starting to influence their abilities.

Golden light flashed, and Huo Yuhao and Wang Dong'er finally felt stable.

It took the two of them some time to adapt before they stopped feeling dizzy. Huo Yuhao pulled Wang Dong'er close to him, and subconsciously activated his Spiritual Detection.

Huo Yuhao was surprised by current state of his body.

Earlier, he and Wang Dong'er had drained themselves to save the White Tiger bodyguards, but right now, he discovered that he was feeling much better. Even his soul power seemed to have experienced an improvement, and his spiritual power had become more refined.

However, Huo Yuhao's expression suddenly changed greatly. He exclaimed, "Ah!"

"What's going on?" As he shouted, Wang Dong'er also became anxious.

Huo Yuhao looked heartbroken as he said, “My Sunmoon Divine Needle is still with the White Tiger Duke. It’s a Class 9 soul tool! If the Duskwater Alliance wasn’t trying to poach me, they wouldn’t have asked Xu Tianran to make Ye Yulin give up the Sunmoon Divine Needle.”

Huo Yuhao was very clever. During the tournament, he had already guessed the reason why the Starsky Douluo had offered the Sunmoon Divine Needle as a reward for the champion. The tournament was decided with a fight, and the Duskwater Alliance knew how strong Huo Yuhao’s martial soul was. They were trying to use a Class 9 soul tool and a Class 9 stationary soul cannon shell to bribe him. In fact, it was just another way of boosting the strength of the Holy Ghost Church!

The truth was that their judgment of Huo Yuhao’s abilities was accurate. Even with Ye Guyi’s appearance, Huo Yuhao still managed to attain victory.

As for Ye Guyi, she was in a slightly more pitiful state right now. Huo Yuhao had placed her in his spectral demiplane, and was prepared to release her after he managed to escape danger following the conclusion of the tournament. However, who would have expected the Yin-Yang Love Querying Valley to appear so suddenly, isolating his connection with his spectral demiplane? Ye Guyi had no choice but to wait for a while longer inside.

Of course, Huo Yuhao could guarantee Ye Guyi’s safety. The spectral demiplane was passed down from Electrolux to Huo Yuhao. As his teacher, Electrolux had also passed him the key to controlling the demiplane. Even though Huo Yuhao couldn’t completely control the demiplane given his lack of abilities, he was still able to draw out a safe region to contain Ye Guyi.

Huo Yuhao’s heart was aching after he lost the Sunmoon Divine Needle! Given his twin martial souls, he should have been able to use the Needle when he obtained eight rings. It was a powerful soul tool that even a Transcendent Douluo was terrified of!

“Are you really heartbroken?” Wang Dong’er was amused as she looked at him.

Huo Yuhao was stunned, “Am I not supposed to feel this way?”

Wang Dong’er chortled and hugged his metal arm. She said, “You didn’t give it to an outsider, though.”

Huo Yuhao’s expression turned slightly weird. As he recalled what had happened earlier, he suddenly realized that he had started to hate the White Tiger Duke less and less. He had been filled with admiration and respect when he saw how the White Tiger Duke sacrificed his safety for his subordinates.

No, I won’t forgive him! Huo Yuhao forcefully told himself.

However...

He didn’t feel so heartbroken when he realized he had given the Sunmoon Divine Needle to the White Tiger Duke...

Whatever! At least he’s safer with the Needle. That way, he won’t be killed so easily, and he can wait for me to return to exact revenge on him.

As he thought about it from this perspective, Huo Yuhao felt that he had straightened things out. His expression also returned to normal.

At this moment, the calm voice that made Huo Yuhao and Wang Dong'er jumpy sounded once again, **"The Deep Adventure round begins. The topic is... Rescue!"**

Another rescue...

However, Huo Yuhao's expression changed in the next instant.

"The two of you are to the west of Radiant City. Bei Bei and Xu Sanshi are trying to break out from this direction. The two of you will be considered to have passed this round if you can rescue them from the danger they are currently facing and return to the western mountain. If the two of you fail this mission, the punishment is death! At the same time, the two of them will also die. The Deep Adventure round begins!"

Eldest and third senior's Deep Adventure round was actually in Radiant City. Radiant City is a very dangerous place to be in right now! Just as Huo Yuhao was horrified, he was also depressed. That was because he hadn't been given enough information.

He was supposed to rescue them, but he didn't know their exact location. This meant that they still had to locate them before rescuing them! It was going to be very difficult!