

# Hail the King

## Chapter 36: Tristram

Elena felt safe and secure whenever she was with this young traveller. The monsters that took her sisters and her a lot to effort to kill were like cabbages in front of him. All the monster were stopped by him and couldn't even get close to her. That man was like an insurmountable wall that blocked off all danger.....

Reality had overturned her perception of their master-mercenary relationship. According to everyone's knowledge, including leader Kashaya, mercenaries were simply tools used by travellers. Some despicable travellers used their poor mercenaries to attract monsters and use them as human shields; this led to significant casualties in 【Rogue Encampment】 .

But in order to maintain the existence of the camp and to protect the weak residents who had no combat abilities, female rogues had to be hired as mercenaries for travellers and sacrifice themselves.

Obviously, the young barbarian traveller in front of her wasn't like that. Elena didn't know if the tales were untrue or if she just got lucky and met a kind and brave traveller.

"Maybe it's because of the time that has passed. After 60 years of isolation, all the past travellers disappeared and the camp became an abandoned place. He was the first traveller to step into rogue encampment after 60 years.....Everything has changed." Elena had found an excuse.

Fei laughed as he saw the slightly nervous expression on the hot mercenaries face; he didn't say anything. He turned around and walked back to the portal. Elena, who still had a lot of stuff on her mind, quickly followed Fei.

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It took Fei less than 10 minutes to go back from 【Dark Wood】 to 【Stoney Field】 .

It was fast because when Fei went to get the scroll translated from Akara, he also bought two 【Health Potions】 ; one for himself and one for Elena. Also, the monsters on the way back had already been cleared, so there weren't too many obstacles.

They quickly found the Cairn Stones.

Fei took out the translated scroll and touched the five stones carefully in the order they were displayed on the scroll. Suddenly, the sky dimmed and everything around them turned dark.

Harsh winds blew against the plains and lifted up all the dry leaves from the ground. It felt like the end of the world. At that moment, five blue beams shot off the five stones and slowly merged together, forming a bloody red giant portal in the center of the five stones. It looked like a pool of blood, and a yellow light was looming inside of it.

It was the portal to Tristram, where the 'obscene' old man Cain was locked up.

Fei stood there and sighed, "The way that these five stones shone was quite frightening, they made a large haze."

Elena was quite shocked as well.

The things she saw when following Fei for the past two hours were way more exciting than what she had experienced the past twenty one years.

"After we go through the portal, there will be a ton of monsters and demons. Be careful and follow me tightly, don't rush forward....." Fei turned around and told Elena. He felt that he didn't stress hard enough, so he continued, "Remember, if things get too dangerous, just turn around and escape from here. Don't be so stubborn."

According to the plot, Tristram had already been destroyed by the awakened Diablo, and it turned into a paradise for monsters and demons. The great paladin Griswald had also fallen here and turned into a powerful demon; he was the boss in Tristram. If Fei wanted to rescue Cain successfully, it was going to take some effort. Fei was confident that he could sweep out all the monsters at Tristram by taking it slowly. He had about 20 【Minor Healing Potions】 in his 【Item Slot】. They were enough to support Fei and Elena in the upcoming battle.

However, if the situation became dangerous, he might not be able to protect Elena. If this magic archer was surrounded by monsters, she would surely be torn into pieces. That's why Fei reminded Elena about her safety so many times.

After Fei said that, he stepped into the portal and disappeared from 【Stoney Field】.

Elena's heart warmed. Although there was nothing special about what Fei said, she felt his care – care directed at someone close.

"He is the one that deserves my effort and sacrifice."

She pondered for a little while, and then a resolute expression appeared on her face, as if she had made some sort of decision. She then quickly stepped into the portal.

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At Chambord.

The sun was about to rise to the center of the sky.

The mysterious, black armoured enemies still didn't move. The sea of enemies occupied the bridge on Zuli River. Like a huge black snake hissing with its scarlet forked tongue, they were waiting for the best moment to strike.

The pressure on the defensive wall was constantly increasing. There was no noise on the wall aside from the flow of the river. Everyone tensed up.

The soldiers and young adults were sweating like crazy. Their previously hyped morale had died down to a dangerous level after a few hours of waiting. Although Brook had the soldiers rotate every twenty minutes, the pressure was torturing and tiring everyone out.

The enemies had no sign of sieging. The constant silence was like an invisible knife stabbing at the soldiers' mental state, slowly cutting away their morale and bravery.

Brook's heart began sinking as time gradually passed. Pierce carried the [King's Sword] and walked back and forth anxiously in front of the watchtower. Everyone was looking through the broken wall of the watchtower. Their eyes focused on the young man who was 'meditating'.

It was King Alexander who had miraculously recovered. If someone said that there was still hope for Chambord at this tragic moment, then that hope would definitely come from the king.

Even the number one warrior in Chambord Lampard couldn't provide everyone the sense of security they needed, but somehow, the previously retarded king had comforted their hearts which were filled with fear.

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Back at Tristram.

Right after Fei stepped out of the portal, a bunch of 【Skeletons】 surrounded him with their blades and started hacking at him.

“Damn, there's this many? And they're this aggressive?”

Fei swore in his mind, then quickly swung his axe. He struck horizontally and 'Boom!', the three closest 【Skeletons】 were smashed into bone fragments.

The real challenge had yet to come. The rest of the 【Skeletons】 flooded towards them. Behind the 【Skeletons】 were the 【Zombies】 that moved at a slower pace, and the 【Fallen Shermans】 that had a lot of armour. The monsters and demons in Tristram were mutated, and their damage and defense increased exponentially.

However, Fei was very strong. Everywhere his axe moved, monsters screamed and died brutally, but his attack speed was still not fast enough. He was wounded in between his attacks and his health was quickly dropping. It scared the crap out of Fei; he used warcry – 【Howl】 to scare away the monsters near him and give him the chance to chug some 【Health Potions】 .

The effect of 【Howl】 quickly wore off and the monsters charged again.

At this moment –

“Whoosh, whoosh, whoosh -!”

Frost arrows flew at the monsters like hail.

Elena finally came out of the portal. She pulled her bow rapidly and the nearby monsters all froze.

“Keep your distance, don’t rush. Stay behind me!” Fei yelled to Elena as he charged towards the monsters again and blocked them off so Elena could keep a safe distance and deal consistent damage.

Fei used 【Howl】 every time the monsters got too close; when they were affected by 【Howl】 and started to run off, Fei chased them and chopped off as many heads as possible. Once the effect wore off, he would repeat the same thing over and over again.

After about twenty minutes, the crowd of lower leveled monsters were swept out.

Fei finally had a chance to look at the town of Tristram. Tristram was destroyed and in ruins. The once bustling city was no more. The ground was filled with cracks, the buildings had collapsed and hell fire burned everywhere, causing black smoke to rise into the dark sky. The residents of the town had been killed by the monsters and turned into blood seeking demons and undead. They wandered about and charged at Fei and Elena when they saw the pair.

The final boss of Tristram was the fallen paladin Griswald. He was powerful and hard to kill. However, he hid in a ruined building and guarded Cain who was caged. This gave Fei sometime to prepare for the final battle.

Fei and Elena walked slowly, trying to not disturb the big boss. Eventually, they had encountered a crowd of 【Skeleton Archers】 . These archers were very smart, unlike

the 【Skeletons】 that only knew how to charge. They would only shoot arrows from far away, and a majority of them wouldn't come closer to Fei and Elena. Some of the 【Skeleton Archers】 snuck up on Fei and Elena to attack them.

Fei signalled Elena to back off, and then switched to his secondary weapons.

A yellow light flashed.

【Azure Spiked Shield】 and 【Storm Sabre】 appeared in Fei's hands. He quickly charged and stuck his sword into a 【Skeleton Archer】's head who was sneaking up on them, and then forcefully shook his sword.

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"Hu-"

The 【Skeleton Archer】 shriveled and all the white bones turned dark green. This was the special effect of poison damage from 【Storm Sabre】. Also, with the additional damage the sword dealt to the undead, the poor 【Skeleton Archer】 didn't even have the chance to return any damage, shattering into bones fragments.

Fei's sneak attack worked. He gave it a taste of its own medicine. While Fei was enjoying the feeling of accomplishment, the crowd of 【Skeleton Archers】 further away reacted.

"Bing, bing, bing-" All their bowstrings stretched and numerous arrows flew at Fei like rain drops in a storm.

"It's starting!" Fei held up his 【Azure Spiked Shield】, blocking the arrows while backing off rapidly. He was planning to disrupt the 【Skeleton Archers】 formation and kill them off one by one.

However-

"Whoosh, whoosh, whoosh, whoosh!"

Blue ice arrows flew towards the 【Skeleton Archers】 behind Fei. He turned around and realized that Elena didn't follow his instruction to back off, but rather approached the 【Skeleton Archers】 while returning fire.

"Shit!" Fei knew they were in trouble.

This was the first time Elena didn't listen to Fei. It seemed like she didn't know the hidden dangers in Tristram. If she continued attacking back, it wouldn't kill all the tricky

【Skeleton Archers】. Rather, it would put Fei and herself in a dangerous situation. There were two mini-bosses hidden in the crowd, and their arrows dealt high damage and carried magic effects. One shot ice arrows similar to Elena's arrow, which slowed movement and attack speed; the other shot lightning arrows that chunked a large portion of health. Even for Barbarian Fei who had a lot of health, he didn't dare fight them directly. He planned to chug 【Health Potions】 as he fought them guerrilla style. If luck wasn't on his side, he could potentially disturb monsters and demons in the other areas of Tristram. If the final boss Griswald was disturbed, the consequences would be disastrous.

"Get back! Quickly!" Fei yelled at Elena, signalling her to back off.

However, it was a bit late. The 【Skeleton Archers】 noticed the mercenary. The terrifying 'arrow rain' covered Elena as well.

Elena didn't have anywhere near the armor that Fei had, nor did she have a shield. Although she tried to dodge the arrows, a few arrows pierced her body. Blood started flowing out of her wounds and quickly stained her blue leather armour.

"Master.....The quest is more important, don't worry about me.....I will attract their attention. You can go from the side and rescue Mr. Cain! Please go!" DiiScôver *new stories on no/v/e()/lbin(.)c/o/m*

The arrows were still penetrating her body. She was sweating a lot due to the unbearable pain. Her face was pale, but her expression showed determination. She shook her head and bit on her beautiful red long hair to endure the pain. However, her hand movements didn't slow down because of the injuries, and she returned damage consistently even though the numbers of wounds on her body was increasing.

Her armour was getting soaked in her blood, but Elena was like a Goddess of War that just wouldn't back off. There was no fear on her face, but rather hatred in her eyes. Step by step, Elena was getting closer to the crowd of 【Skeleton Archers】.

But at this moment –

"Crackle !"

One of the mini-bosses 【Bone Warrior Archer】 reacted. A life threatening lightning arrow hit Elena accurately. The mercenary's body shook. She almost instantly fell to the ground. Since she was now standing in the same spot, her health bar was dropping like crazy under the rain of arrows.

"Shit!"

Fei was worried about her. He ignored the arrows flying at him and sprinted towards Elena and held her in his arms. He then poured a bottle of 【Minor Healing Potion】 down her throat as he used his battle cry - 【Howl】 to scare away the monsters approaching them. Then, he quickly used a 【Town Portal Scroll】 . As the monsters started to flood onto them, he quickly jumped into the blue oval portal with Elena.

“Buzz, buzz”

They had luckily escaped from death and returned to 【Rogue Encampment】 .

Because of the 【Minor Healing Potion】 , Elena had almost fully recovered, and her mind was clear. Fei on the other hand was heavily injured on his back. The ice and lightning arrows from the mini-bosses almost paralyzed him. Although he wasn't dead, he only had 30 health left after all the bleeding; a couple more arrows could have killed him.

It was a very scary situation. Fei didn't know if he could revive or not and whether he would die in the real world as well if he died in the Diablo World.

“Man, I can't act like a hero all the time!”

Fei smelled the light fragrance from Elena's body, but he had no time to enjoy it at all. He grabbed a bottle of 【Minor Healing Potion】 and drank it himself. He threw one towards Elena, and then pulled the arrows out of his back. Blood was spurting out again, so he had to drink one more bottle to counter the pain.

Luckily, 【Minor Healing Potions】 tasted sweet and had no side-effects.

“Holy, damn this pain..... Hey beauty, why won't you listen? I told you from the beginning to back off, didn't I?”

Fei's health was full again. Fei had to blame the hot mercenary; if she had listened, they wouldn't be in this situation.

Elena lowered her head and tears filled her eyes. She didn't talk back. She didn't drink the 【Minor Healing Potion】 either. She held it in her hands because she didn't want to drink such a precious potion. The injuries on her body weren't fully recovered and she was on the verge of crying. Fei's heart softened as he saw that, so he didn't blame her anymore.

“It's okay, just drink the potion.....Oh, right. You don't have to follow me back to Tristram later. I won't be able to take care of you there. When I finish the quest, I will come back and find you.”

After some thinking, Fei decided to leave Elena at the camp and complete the quest alone. If both of them went, Fei really wouldn't be able to watch out for her. An archer wouldn't be effective when dealing with a group of archers. If the 【Skeleton Archers】 kept on harassing them, they wouldn't be able to cooperate very well and the hot mercenary could be surrounded by monsters and torn into pieces.

However, Elena misunderstood Fei's meaning.

“Ah? No! Please don't fire me, master.....Next time.....Next time, I can watch out for myself.....I can protect myself.....I.....”

Elena's panic surprised Fei. This was probably the first time she spoke that much to Fei.

Since a long time ago, Tristram had fallen, so the road to the east was blocked by all the monsters. The rogues in the encampment could only get items and potions from travellers like Fei to maintain the existence of the camp on the moor. The items and potions that blacksmith Charsi and leader Akara made weren't enough to support the whole camp.

The accumulated resources throughout the whole history of the camp had depleted in the past 60 years when all the travellers disappeared. If this continued, the camp would be conquered by monsters and demons and fall within a year.

Fei's appearance in 【Rogue Encampment】 was an opportunity for the camp to survive. He was the first traveller that stepped foot in the camp after 60 years. These travellers could get items and potions from the moor that the rogues would never get. This was the reason why Kaysha was willing to provide mercenaries for Fei, a complete stranger in the camp, despite knowing that numerous rogues were used and humiliated by the travellers.

This was all for the survival of the camp and its residents. Someone had to make the sacrifice. Elena wasn't the strongest of all the female rogues, but she was definitely the prettiest and hottest. To maintain cooperation with Fei, any type of sacrifice had to be made – including the female rogue's life and body.

If Elena unfortunately died on the moor or during an adventure, other female rogues would take her place to maintain the connection between Fei and the camp.

This was the cruelty of the Diablo World – the brutal 'Law of the Jungle'.

That was how the small encampment could survive throughout history, and how the residents were able to live on.

Without a doubt, Fei was the only hope and light in the 【Rogue Encampment】 that was approaching eternal darkness. No matter how many sacrifices they had to make, the leaders of the encampment were willing to make it.



Of course, Fei didn't know about this. This was why the normally calm and quiet Elena was so anxious when she thought Fei was firing her.

If she offended the traveller, it would bring an immeasurable loss to the encampment. Moreover, Fei had been very caring towards her the past two hours, which was thousands of times better than working for the despicable travellers she had heard about in tales. Elena was also getting used to fighting alongside of Fei. She cherished the opportunity to be Fei's mercenary.

Chapter 38: Initiation of the Plan

"Fire you? I didn't say I was going to fire you."

Fei was confused by Elena's panicked expression, "Elena, you must've understood me wrong. I'm only planning on fighting the monsters by myself. When I finish this quest, I will take you to complete my next quest."

"But I....."

After getting an explanation from Fei, Elena was a bit relieved. However, she was still trying to convince Fei to let her join, partially because she didn't want to be separated from Fei, and partially because abandoning a master was really shameful for female rogues.

"Okay, my time is tight, so I'll explain the details next time."

Although Fei loved being around the hot mercenary, there was no time to waste considering all the dangers in the real world. He cut her off and stepped into the portal. To make sure that Elena didn't follow him, he even shut down the portal right after he stepped back into Tristram.

Elena stared at the place where the portal was at. The expressions on her face were complex. There was remorse, disappointment.....and happiness. A smile came onto her face as she blushed subconsciously.

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"Roar!"

The first thing Fei did after he shut down the portal was use his warcry – **【Howl】** .

It was really effective. A mysterious and terrifying power spread around him as he roared. It scared the **【Skeleton Archers】** who were staring at the portal and they began to scatter and flee.

“This is the chance!”

Fei charged at them and smashed his axe blade into their backs. A couple skeletons were instantly killed. After about 10 seconds, 【Howl】 wore off and the monsters turned around and rushed back at him.

Fei used 【Howl】 again. In the Diablo World, as long as characters had enough resources (Fury/Mana), they could spam their abilities; there weren't any cooldowns or chants requirements. Fei had prepared a few bottles of 【Minor Mana Potions】 , allowing him to use 【Howl】 as many times as he needed.

After the eleventh 【Howl】 , the 【Skeleton Archers】 were cleaned out. On the ground, there were two blue magic items from the two mini-bosses and a lot of other ordinary items. Fei didn't identify them and simply threw them into his 【Item Slot】 .

As he got closer to the center of Tristram, a new type of monster appeared – 【Tainted】 .

They looked like Ipotanes from Greek Mythology, half human and half goat – except that they had a bull head in place of a human head. Their huge scythes dealt tons of damage.

However, these types of melee monsters were not a threat to Barbarians.

Fei continued using his 'cheap' 【Howl】 tactic and cleared the crowd of 【Tainted】 . There was also a mini-boss 【Tainted Leader】 who had a lot of health, but Fei easily killed it. Two more blue magic items dropped, but Fei had no time to pick them up.

All the noise from battling the 【Skeleton Archers】 and 【Tainted】 had drawn the attention of the final boss of Tristram – Griswald.

The former Paladin rushed out of a ruined building covered in hellfire. Griswald had turned into a demon. The difference between the other demons and monsters and him was that Griswald still looked like a human. There were no obvious signs of demonification, aside from his bloodshot eyes. Death, cruelty, violence, viciousness and bloodiness were the only emotions Fei could see from Griswald's eyes. Griswald looked terrifying.

Griswald was a powerful Paladin. After his fall, he became even stronger. Although he lost the blessings from the God, his new demonic powers made him even more vicious and effective as a killing machine. He was fast; after he saw Fei, he roared as he charged at him. His fist came at Fei like lightning.

Fei blocked the punch with his shield.

“Boom!”

Fei felt a large amount of force against his shield. He was knocked back a couple steps despite his strength as a barbarian. He also felt a burning sensation, which quickly spread throughout his body. Fei felt like his blood was burning inside of him; pain seeped deep into his bones. This was the demonic power that Griswald had acquired – additional hellfire damage that could penetrate shields.

Fei switched weapons and the huge double handed axe appeared in his hands.

“Whoosh, whoosh, whoosh!” Fei struck three times. Light reflected off the sharp edges of the axe. All three strikes hit Griswald and the brutal strength left three startling wounds on his body. The final boss roared in pain; the attack lowered the boss’s health bar by about one-tenth.

“Haha, awesome! If I can hit him about twenty five more times, he’ll be dead.”

Fei was excited because he had a chance of defeating the final boss. He chugged a bottle of 【Minor Healing Potion】 and held against a round of Griswald’s aggressive attacks. He swung his axe aggressively at Griswald, but only two strikes hit this time.

Fortunately, the fallen Paladin wasn’t too smart. Although he had formidable strength and power, he wasn’t able to utilize them properly. He could only throw powerful punches at Fei, which weren’t too hard to deal with.

Fei constantly backed away as he fought. Both of them were soon outside of town.

This way, even if there was a lot of noise during the battle, it wouldn’t attract the monsters and demons in the ruined buildings. If all the monsters in town were attracted, the situation would be too dangerous.

Just to be safe, Fei turned around and sprinted away to gain some extra distance. He used a 【Town Portal Scroll】 to open up the portal back to 【Rogue Encampment】. If the situation became too dangerous, he could chug a bottle of 【Minor Healing Potion】 and run back to camp.

However, he soon found out that he was being overcautious. After chugging four bottles of 【Minor Healing Potion】, Fei successfully killed the final boss of Tristram.

Griswald fell down as Fei landed his axe on top of his head. Lots of gold coins and items dropped from the corpse.

The lights almost blinded Fei’s eyes, but he spotted a green item.

“Damn! A set item?”

Fei was surprised by his luck. Green items belonged to a set. These items were really hard to get. Although Fei was expecting something good from the final boss, he was still surprised that he actually got a green set item.

He couldn't wait to pick it up and take a closer look. It was an exquisite looking armour and green light shined all over it, but it needed an identification to reveal all the properties.

Fei used a **【Identity Scroll】** without any hesitation.

“Ding!” The name and properties appeared in front of Fei.

**【Arctic Furs】**

Defence: + 48

Durability: 20/20

Required Strength: 12

Required Level: 2

Special Properties: + 303% Enhanced defence, +10 all Resistance.

Note: The set includes: **【Arctic Furs】** , **【Arctic Binding】** , **【Arctic Horn】** , **【Arctic Mitts】** . Bonus properties will be granted based on how many set items are equipped.

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The result was a little bit disappointing.

**【Arctic Furs】** was an item in the set **【Arctic Gear】** . It was a perfect set for Amazons, but it didn't fit a Barbarian.

However, the properties of **【Arctic Furs】** was quite good; it was way better than the armour Fei was wearing. The enhanced defense and resistance were valuable, so he equipped it right away.

Aside from this green set item, there was a yellow rare item and a couple blue magic items.

However, Fei didn't pick them up.

After eliminating the boss Griswald, the 【Skeleton Archers】 and the 【Taints】 , there weren't any other monsters and demons that were a threat to Fei. He decided to rescue Cain first. There wasn't anyone who was going to steal his items.

Fei rested his axe on his shoulders and walked back to Tristram.

A bunch of screaming 【Spike Fiends】 charged at Fei, but they all turned into experience for Fei in a few seconds. Soon after, 【Zombies】 followed in their steps; after about five minutes, all the monsters and demons were wiped out.

Fei found Cain locked up in a cage on a tree at the centre of Tristram.

“Save me! Young traveller, come and save me!”

After he saw Fei, Cain started screaming as if he had swallowed some Viagra and saw someone running around naked. His pitch was so high that his voice was more painful to listen to than the monsters. It sounded like someone was poking his buttohole with a stick.

“Whoosh!”

Fei swung his axe and the rope that held the cage to the tree was cut in half.

The wooden cage fell to the ground and broke into pieces.

The 'obscene' old man rushed out of the cage. He didn't even say thanks; he opened up a portal and ran into it like a mad dog.

“Damn this old man, he didn't even say thanks!”

Fei stared at the portal that quickly closed. Fei had to give Cain some credit for his running speed; even Fei couldn't run that fast as a strong barbarian.

Fei stuck up his middle finger at where the portal was to express his feelings. After that, Fei started cleaning up the battlefield. He threw all the items into his 【Item slot】 and returned to 【Rogue Encampment】 using the portal that he opened when he was fighting Griswald.

He didn't know where Elena went; she wasn't anywhere close to the portal. Fei decided to go to Akara to get his rewards for the quest.

The reward was simple. The cheap priestess gave Fei a VIP discount on everything she sold, and Cain who Fei had just rescued would identify items for him for free.

Compared to the complexity of the quest, the rewards were severely lacking, akin to something given to a beggar. “Akara and Cain are both cheap to the core!” Fei thought.

He started distributing his attributes and skill points after that. After he killed the fallen Paladin Griswald, Fei had become level 12. It exceeded Fei's goal of level 10 when he entered the world. A portion of the experience was from the bonus of having Elena as his follower.

The 25 attributes points were distributed as  $\frac{3}{5}$  to 【Strength】 and  $\frac{2}{5}$  to 【Vitality】 . For the five precious skill points, Fei added one point to 【Taunt】 , which taunts a monster into fighting you, one point to 【Sword Mastery】 , one point to 【Polearm Mastery】 and two points to 【Leap】 , which allows Fei to jump and knock back enemies where he lands.

After all of that, Fei took a look at his 【Character Status】 -

Gamer: Fei

Class: Barbarian

Level: 12

Experience: 95414/112725

Strength: 66

Dexterity: 20

Intelligence: 10

Vitality: 44

Damage: 30-55

Accuracy: 169

Defence: 77

Endurance: 37

Health: 157

Resource (Fury): 19

Fire-Resistance: 10

Cold-Resistance: 10

Lightning-Resistance: 25

Poison-Resistance: 10

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These stats comforted Fei. From past experience, a level 12 Barbarian was about a two star warrior in the real world; but with all of his additional skills, he could fight a three star warrior without a problem. Fei was confident that he could force Landes back without being injured the next time he fought him.

Of course, Fei could only force him back. If he want to defeat or even kill him, he need to be around level 20.

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Fei went to the free labourer Cain to get all his items identified. Cain had a lot to say, but Fei's time was tight. After all the identification was done, Fei quickly ran off before Cain could even stop him.

He went into an unoccupied tent to take a more detailed look at all the items.

The yellow rare item was a short bow. It looked simple, but was very classy. It was called 【Boreal Razor Bow】 . It had great properties, but Fei couldn't use it.

He thought that Elena could probably use it, so he decided to give the bow to her as a present the next time he saw her. "If she's really touched.....Eh.....Could I make out with girls in the Diablo World?" Fei thought shamelessly.

The rest of the blue magic items were mediocre, so he sold all of them to the blacksmith Charsi. With an additional 20,000 gold coins, Fei now had a total of 40,080 gold coins.

After everything was set and done, he initiated his plan.

He went to Akara first and bought 5 bottles of 【Normal Healing Potions】 which were more effective than 【Minor Healing Potions】 , and 2 bottles of 【Stamina Potions】 at a 10% discount. He then went back to the unoccupied tent and tried to communicate with the cold, mysterious voice in his head.

"Are you there? I need to convert five bottles of 【Normal Healing Potions】 , 2 bottles of 【Stamina Potions】 and 1 【Town Scroll Portal】 ."

Silence.

After five, six seconds, the voice responded –

“As you wish.....Each bottle of 【Normal Healing Potion】 costs 5,000 gold coins to convert with a success rate of 25%. Each bottle of 【Stamina Potion】 costs 2,000 gold coins to convert with a success rate of 35%..... Your level is not high enough to convert 【Town Scroll Portals】 .....The total is 29,000 gold coins. Confirmation needed.”

The price was within the expectation of Fei. The only thing surprised him was that he couldn't convert 【Town Scroll Portals】 because of his level. “So there are other factors other than money and success rate... I just haven't discovered them all yet.” Fei thought.

But from the voice's response, Fei discovered some patterns –

The more valuable and complex an item was, the higher the cost, lower the success rate and more restrictions it had. Compared to 【Normal Healing Potion】 which costed 5,000 gold coins to convert with the success rate of 25%, 【Stamina Potion】 were less valuable, so it only costed 2,000 gold coins to convert and the success rate was 30%.

“Do you still want to convert?”

After not getting a response from Fei right away, the voice asked again. This time, it sounded a bit impatient.

“Yes, confirm!”

Fei answered quickly as the voice stopped his train of thought.

“Ding! Conversion calculating.....Sufficient gold coins..... 5 bottles of 【Normal Healing Potions】 with success rate of 25%.....Calculating.....2 bottles converted successfully, 3 bottles failed to convert.....2 bottles of 【Stamina Potions】 with success rate of 30%.....Calculating.....1 bottle converted successfully, 1 bottle failed to convert.”

Chapter 39: Sorcerer, Paladin and Necromancer

The cold mysterious voice gave Fei an answer right away.

After spending 29,000 gold coins, he finally converted 2 bottles of 【Normal Healing Potions】 and 1 bottle of 【Stamina Potion】 into the real world. The end result made Fei feel really salty, despite mentally preparing himself for such a result because of the 25% and 30% success rates. The loss was pretty significant.

However, after carefully considering the poor success rate, he comforted himself, “2 bottles of 【Normal Healing Potions】 and 1 bottle of 【Stamina Potion】 are better than nothing, I guess.”



There was less than two hours left until he reached the maximum 'gaming' time for today. He decided to exit his Barbarian character. After a feeling of zero gravity, his vision blurred for a second. Soon, his vision cleared and he was back at the 3D projected character selection screen.

Fei discovered that there were some tiny changes – the barbarian character was wearing new items he just got from Tristram and the character looked tougher and bigger than the other six level 0 characters.

"It looks like the screen reflects everything that goes on in the Diablo World."

Fei also found out that there could only be one character per class. Because the Barbarian and Sorcerer classes had already entered the Diablo World, Fei couldn't create any characters in those two classes.

This seemed to reveal something, but Fei didn't have much time to spend thinking about it.

He chose the Sorcerer character and re-entered the Diablo World.

After the light buzzing noise and the feeling of zero gravity, Fei stepped back onto the starter's map – 【Rogue Encampment】 .

After some close observation, Fei found that this camp seemed like a parallel universe to the universe that the Barbarian character was in. All the plots were in their initial stage. Quests like 【The Den of Evil】 , 【Sisters' Burial Grounds】 and 【Search for Cain】 were still not completed yet. They were all waiting for Sorcerer Fei to finish.

Because of all the experience Fei had on these quests when he was a Barbarian, Fei started them right away. He rushed to the new Akara and received the quest 【The Den of Evil】 and went straight to 【Blood Moor】 to level up the Sorcerer character.

After 30 minutes, Fei completed his first quest. He returned from 【Blood Moor】 and received one skill point as the reward.

At this point, his sorcerer was already level 3. While killing monsters on the moor, they dropped items such as normal armour and gloves. He equipped all the items he could use and kept the rest in his 【Item Slot】 to be sold later.

He also had 4 skill points. After some thinking, he put 1 point into 【Fire Skill – Fire Bolt】 , 1 point into 【Lightning Skill – Charged Bolt】 and 2 points into 【Cold Skill – Ice Bolt】 .

After he did that, he didn't return to the moor. He exited the Diablo World again and re-entered as a Paladin.

After the same buzzing noise and zero gravity, he landed in 【Rogue Encampment】 again.

As expected, it was another parallel universe. The plot and quests were back at their initial stage and yet another new Akara had given him the quest 【The Den of Evil】 .

Paladin Fei rushed to 【Blood Moor】 to complete the quest. With the new experience of completing the quest as Sorcerer Fei, he completed this quest even faster. He wiped out all the monsters in the den in less than 15 minutes. Also, he visited every spot on 【Blood Moor】 and executed the three empty policy – empty out all the monsters, empty out all the gold coins and empty out all the items.

He reached level 3 again when he returned to 【Rogue Encampment】 and got 4 skill points after he received his reward from Akara.

Fei opened up the skill tree of the Paladin. After careful consideration, he added 2 points to 【Offensive Aura – Might】 , which increases all the damage dealt by team members, and 2 points to 【Defensive Aura -Prayer】 , which heals all team members.

After finishing all those things, there was less than 50 minutes left in his daily time limit.

He exited the World again and switched to Necromancer.

【Rogue Encampment】

Another parallel universe.

Necromancer Fei got the quest from another new Akara and went straight into the 【Den of Evil】 on 【Blood Moor】 .

It was the fourth time he was doing the same quest. He killed the boss Corpsefire in less than 10 minutes and returned to camp.

At level 3 and with the additional skill point from Akara, he again had 4 skill points.

Fei received a wand when he spawned as a Necromancer, which gave him a point to the skill 【Summoning Skill – Raise Skeleton】 , which raises one skeleton from a dead body to fight. Therefore, he put 3 points into 【Poison Skill – Teeth】 which summons multiple projectiles that damages enemies and 1 point into 【Curse – Amplify Damage】 , which increases the damage enemies take.

The reason he distributed the points like that was to use them in the battle that was about to happen in the real world.

Of course, the skill Fei needed the most was 【Poison Skill – Corpse Explosion】 , which explodes a nearby corpse and damages all nearby enemies.

However, after considering the existence of the Holy Church on Azeroth Continent, Necromancers were probably considered to be evil and burned alive like what the churches did to heresies and ‘witches’ during the medieval period.

Those were just Fei’s predictions, but it was never a bad thing to be extra careful. From Brook’s and Angela’s description, the Holy Church on the Continent had dominant powers. It was best to avoid them as much as possible.

Some of the Necromancer skills like 【Raise Skeleton】 were too obvious and could not be used in the real world, but 【Corpse Explosion】 was quite hidden, so it could be really effective during wars. Corpses were things that were never lacking during a war, and those corpses were like grenades in the eyes of Necromancers. They dealt a ton of damage and were very sneaky.

Therefore, the reason why Fei chose Necromancer, the ‘most dangerous’ occupation on the continent after acknowledging the existence of the Holy Church was for the skill 【Corpse Explosion】 .

But when Fei was distributing skill points, he almost collapsed when he found out that 【Corpse Explosion】 required the player to be level 6.

Fei looked at the time.

There was less than 30 minutes in today’s ‘gaming’ time. There was no way Fei could level up 3 times in less than 30 minutes, unless he could find a perfect spot where a ton of high level monsters and demons were at.

Fei thought about it and decided to go and kill 【Blood Raven】 .

The burial grounds where 【Blood Raven】 was at had a ton of high level monsters. They were a great source of experience. Although it was quite dangerous for a level 3 Necromancer, Fei felt he could handle it if he was cautious because of the experience he had while playing as a Barbarian.

The situation Chambord was in was dangerous as well, so Fei had to take a risk.

After receiving the quest from Military Leader Kashya, Fei spent all the 800 gold coins he had and bought the necessary items he needed including 【Minor Healing Potions】 , 【Minor Mana Potions】 and 【Stamina Potions】 .

It became night time in the Diablo World. It was dark on the moor, and Fei couldn't see anything far away. He could only hear the screams and roars of the monsters and demons.

Fei chugged a bottle of 【Stamina Potion】 when he left the camp and sprinted towards the 【Cold Plain】 where the burial ground was at. The monsters screamed even louder when they noticed Fei on 【Blood Moor】. However, Fei didn't bother to battle them, as he had to save all his time for the higher leveled monsters in the burial ground.

However, something happened that Fei wasn't able predict –

The monsters and demons seemed more energetic and aggressive at night time. After being disturbed, they started chasing Fei non-stop as if they were male prisoners that hadn't seen a woman in more than ten years and Fei was a naked beauty.

Soon, all kinds of monsters – 【Fallen Shamans】 , 【Corrupted Rogues】 and 【Wendigoes】 – all joined in the chase.

P.S. This is the last chapter in the Diablo world for a while.

Chapter 40: Return of the King

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In a few minutes, almost all the monsters on the moor had joined in the 'parade', as if they were celebrating something significant. When Fei reached the junction between 【Blood Moor】 and 【Cold Plain】 , there were three to four hundred monsters and demons chasing him.

“Damn!”

Fei was so happy when he saw this. Although these monsters were low level, the massive amount of them would still give him a huge amount of experience. He stopped running and started clearing the monsters. He waved his wand.

Poison Skill – 【Teeth】

“ Whirr-”

A cloud of cold death energy flowed out of the wand. Three teeth shaped bones appeared out of nowhere; they were covered in death energy and shot towards the monsters as they followed a strange trajectory in the air. The thirty 【Fallen Shamans】 who were leading the “

'parade' were shattered into pieces.

Fei waved the wand again. Another cloud of cold death energy formed.

Summoning Skill – 【Raise Skeleton】

“Crack, crack -”

Energy surrounded a 【Fallen Shaman】 corpse and began moving. Soon, its flesh burst open and a skeleton that was holding a bone blade in its left hand and a bone shield in its right hand rose up. It blocked the monsters' path perfectly. It was fast, too; it swung its blade and killed a couple 【Fallen Shamans】 that were close to it.

While his skeleton warrior blocked off the 'monster army', Fei was abusing 【Teeth】. Numerous teeth shaped bones shot out into the crowd of monsters.

Fei didn't even have to target anything; there were so many monsters that as long as Fei faced the right direction, the skill would be able to shatter a couple of them. 【Teeth】 had a penetration effect, so it could kill at least a couple monsters in a line.

After six seconds, the skeleton warrior that Necromancer Fei summoned was smashed into fragments by the monsters. Fei turned around and sprinted to gain some distance from the army.

He summoned another skeleton warrior to block the path and once again shot many 【Teeth】 into the monsters. The process was repeated a couple times.

Although there were some dangerous situations, Fei was able to react quickly. Also, with more than ten bottles of 【Minor Healing Potions】 and 【Minor Mana Potions】, he could easily live.

After five minutes, the last monster in the army screamed as it fell into a pool of its own blood. Fei glanced at the battlefield filled with broken limbs and shattered organs. The monsters' and demons' blood soiled the ground. Rain with all the blood, and the only colour Fei could see was red. The stench of blood and flesh filled Fei's nose.

It was a one sided massacre, but Fei only felt numb. He felt like he was getting used to killing and death. He evolved from a university student who felt dizzy after seeing any blood to a 'Super Butcher' whose mental state wasn't affected even if millions of people were killed.

Beside the corpses, there were also gold coins and items soaked in the rain and blood.

Because these monsters were all low leveled, there weren't any good stuff. Time was tight; Fei glanced through them and threw the four blue magic items into his 【Item Slot】; he didn't bother keeping the rest.

There were less than 15 minutes left. The cold wind blew at Fei after he stepped onto 【Cold Plain】. The monsters here were stronger and more aggressive. Fei chugged a bottle of 【Stamina Potion】 and started running again. Just like on the 【Blood Moor】, monsters started chasing Fei after he made too much noise.

For the first time, Fei discovered the effect of running in the Diablo World at night time. It was way more realistic than the original game and the monsters were more flexible and lively than the original programmed codes.

Halfway to the burial ground, Fei had to stop and deal with the monsters that were chasing him. If too many monsters chased him, Fei didn't think he could handle all of them at once, even though they were still lower level and there weren't any mini-bosses in the crowd. A single man was no match for an army. If their numbers were large enough, ants could take out an elephant.

Fei stopped and used the same tactic –

He summoned a skeleton warrior to hold off the monsters and shot a lot of 【Teeth】 behind it.

The first four minutes went smoothly. The monsters fell and died like crops under Fei's deathly tactic, and the number of monsters became a lot smaller. But the situation suddenly changed –

Maybe it was because the other monsters heard the noises from the battlefield and the desperate screams from their own; numerous monsters rushed into battle from all directions. A single skeleton warrior wasn't enough to hold them off. Fei had to start running around, chugging potions while dodging attacks and using 【Teeth】 to fight back.

“Damn, why are they so active at night? They must have taken Viagra……”

Fei was feeling the pressure.

Although he wasn't in much danger, there was no time to waste. If this continued, he wouldn't be able to get to the burial ground and kill 【Blood Raven】 on time. His goal of getting to level 6 and learning 【Corpse Explosion】 before leaving the Diablo world was probably not going to be accomplished.

After Fei thought about it, he increased his spell casting speed, but there were just too many monsters to be killed. After a couple of them died, even more monsters would join the chase. Ultimately, Fei had killed a lot of monsters, but even more monsters chased after him.

“Damn it! I didn't kill your families did I?”

Fei was getting frustrated. He used his wand as a stick to strike a couple monsters that were getting too close to him and kept spamming his 【Teeth】 and 【Raise Skeleton】 skills; he was lucky that there were no cooldowns for spells in the Diablo World. He could use skills as frequent as he liked as long as he had enough mana.

Fei danced in between monsters while chugging 【Minor Healing Potions】 and 【Minor Mana Potions】 .

The monsters were still lower level on 【Cold Plain】 and there were barely any ranged attack monsters and demons. Fei was able to hold himself together in this situation.

“Shit! I’ll never get to 【Blood Raven】 at this speed.....”

After checking the time, Fei knew that there were only a couple minutes left.

Sure enough, after about five minutes, that cold, mysterious voice appeared in Fei’s mind –

“Gamer Fei, you have reached the maximum gaming time for today, please be ready to leave Diablo world in 10.....9.....8.....”

Fei felt helpless.

He wasn’t able to level up to level 6 after all; he had been level 5 for a while now and needed a little bit more experience to reach level 6. He was so close to 【Corpse Explosion】 , which could help him defeat the enemies that surrounded Chambord.....

“Fuck these Viagra eating bastards!”

Fei was pissed. He shot as many 【Teeth】 into the crowd of monsters as he could before he had to leave. The energy covered sharp bones were shot into the spot where the most monsters were at; numerous painful screams emerged..... Rêad latest chapters on [no/v/e/l\(b\)in\(.\)c/o/m](#)

At this moment, something unexpected happened –

“Ding!”

A clear sound resounded in Fei’s ear.

A beam of white light came down from the sky and embraced Fei. The comfortable sensation filled Fei’s body. All his wounds quickly recovered and his health and mana rose to the max.

Level Up!

Fei had leveled up at the last second.

He was stoked!

He had no time to worry about anything else; all he did in the last second was open up the Necromancer skill tree and add 1 point to 【Corpse Explosion】 .

“Looks like my luck is isn’t that bad, hitting my goal at the last second.”

Fei was relieved.

At that moment, everything in his vision twisted. He felt the zero gravity again and darkness hit him. Fei was kicked out of the Diablo World.

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Chambord Castle.

It was finally noon.

Although it was Autumn, the heat was still unbearable. The dark defensive wall heated up against the sun, as well as the soldiers’ weapons and armour. Some soldiers were so exhausted that they had to sit down and get some rest.

Exhaustion and anxiety were like two mountains that sat over the minds of the soldiers, taking them closer to the point of mental breakdown. The enemies were still not sieging.

However, the soldiers of Chambord felt their vicious and murderous glares. The enemies were like a snake coiling on the stone bridge; they could feel a chill to their bones under the bright sun.

No one knew when the breathtaking pressure was going to end.

No one knew when the bloody battle was going to erupt.

No one knew if the Chambord would be the same after the battle and if they could walk down the stairs of the defensive wall alive and hug their family members who were waiting for them at their doorsteps.....

Brook was walking around on the defensive wall, trying to motivate the soldiers. However, it wasn’t that effective. The physiological and mental exhaustion wasn’t going to go away after a talk.



The Second Commander of the King's Guards quickly found out that his pep talking skills were far from King Alexander's. The young king could motivate the soldiers after a couple sentences, while Brook had said more than a hundred sentences and barely got any reaction out of the soldiers.

Fatty Gill was breathing heavily while sitting on the ground. He was probably going to die if their family warrior didn't hold up a sun umbrella for him. Head Minister Bazzar stood behind Gill calmly. His eyes were squinted, and no one knew what he was thinking about.....

Warden Oleg was sitting at the spot that Fei commanded him to guard. The chest piece on his armour was taken off by him to use as a fan. He was mumbling something as he flapped his chest piece to create some wind. He looked at the enemies over the river and looked at the head warrior Lampard as if he was planning something. However, after he saw the corpse of Conca still nailed onto the wall of the watchtower, he tucked in his neck.

Pierce had the [King's Sword] strapped on his back. He was walking around the watchtower anxiously.

As time passed and the temperature on the defensive wall rose, he became more and more impatient. He didn't know that the king was doing in the tower. It was quiet; not a single sound came from within the building. If Pierce wasn't subdued by Fei, he would already have rushed in to ask what was going on.

At this moment, suddenly –

Three star warrior Lampard was shocked. He felt a strong, yet ghastly power coming from within the watchtower, which really surprised him.

At the same time, one star warrior Oleg felt something too. He felt a terrifying pressure pressing down on him; the pressure was far more than what he could handle. It felt like the stare of the Grim Reaper. He only felt this way when Lampard was enraged. "Lampard isn't angry right now, could it.....could it be Alexander?"

One star warrior Brook felt the same. He looked at the watchtower with excitement.

The person closest to the watchtower was novice mage Gill. As if he saw the thing that he was most scared of, he jumped off the ground in a shock and he trembled. After seeing his son's reaction, Bazzar opened his eyes suddenly as if he thought of something interesting, and then squinted them again.

Of course, aside from the mages and warriors, the ordinary soldiers didn't feel anything. This included Pierce.

He only had inhuman strength; although he felt that the atmosphere on the defensive wall had changed a little bit, he couldn't point out exactly where it was coming from.

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In the watch tower.

Fei opened his eyes. He looked through the ruined window to check on the enemies. Four hours had passed and the situation Chambord was in was very close to what Fei predicted – The enemy's commander was like a dormant cobra, still waiting for the best moment to strike.

The situation was still frozen. It was up to the quality of the soldiers at this point.

Compared to the well trained enemies, the defensive power of Chambord were like novices, regardless of whether it was the King's guard or the newly recruited young adults. As time passed by, the gap between the strength of the attackers and defenders only grew wider, and the enemies seemed more dangerous and unstoppable.

If Fei wasn't wrong, the mysterious enemy's commander was waiting for a perfect time – after lunch, it was the most tiring time of the day for an average person, and it would be a perfect time to siege.

Fei looked up at the sky and knew that there was about twenty minutes left until lunch.

The battle was about to begin. He had to start planning. Fei stood up from the rock he was sitting on. He didn't walk out of the building right away.

He closed his eyes and searched for the powers he brought out of the Diablo World. From Fei's experience, aside from the strength of a level 12 Barbarian, he also had the power of a level 3 Sorcerer, a level 3 Paladin and a level 6 Necromancer.

Gradually, he felt something.

A looming, cold, deathly force field surrounded him. It looked mysterious and complex.

It felt really familiar. Fei opened up his hand. Suddenly, a white cloud of death energy formed into a swirl in his palm. It was whining and whirling, as if it was a mini-sized tornado.

"This is... the death energy of the Necromancer."

Fei was excited. But soon, his eyebrow wrinkled.

He couldn't feel any power from the Barbarian, Sorcerer and Paladin aside from the Necromancer. Despite how hard he tried, there was no response.

“What’s going on?” Fei close his eyes and thought.

He was nervous, “It shouldn’t.....Damn, was my hypothesis about bringing every class to the real world wrong?”

At this moment –

“Hint: Only one character can be usable at a time. If you wish to use the abilities of another character, please switch characters.”

That cold, mysterious voice sounded in Fei’s mind.

“Switch characters?”

Fei was confused. But after thinking about it for a couple seconds, Fei understood what it meant.

“So it’s like this.”

Fei said, “Switch to Barbarian” in his mind.

“Hu-”

Something magical happened the next second.

The white cloud of death energy disappeared from Fei’s palm, and so did the looming, cold, deathly force field.

Fei didn’t feel any Necromancer powers at all; it felt like it never existed. What he could now feel was the ultimate physical strength of a level 12 Barbarian.