The Strongest Assassin Reincarnates in Another World

- Chapter 321 - 321 - Observing Phase

The night had fallen, and Aiden was still pretending to read his book about magic. Garestsa had stopped training a long time ago, she was probably sleeping by now.

However, David was still going at it, clearly not minding the pain that he was currently feeling.

'Well, this is just perfect,' Aiden thought as he knew that it would make things a lot easier for him.

If the director were to be extremely weak for a couple of minutes or even hours, Aiden would be able to act and there would be a lot fewer chances of him failing.

If Aiden were to try to commit an assassination than he was done, then David would learn of his intentions and it would be basically impossible.

That's why Aiden truly needed to make sure that it was the right decision and that he wouldn't miss his shot at killing the director.

'Let's just observe for now,' Aiden thought.

He knew that he wouldn't act this time as he was still in the observation stage. Aiden would be noting every single movement from David.

Also, his job was extremely simple since he was so close to the director. He didn't need to be hidden or infiltrated as someone, the director already had enough trust that they were this late at night with one another.

Sure, none of them talked, engrossed in their tasks. But it was still a show of David's trust for Aiden.

One hour later, David suddenly stopped swinging the dagger instantly.

"Ugh, I'm done," he exclaimed as both his arms fell on both sides of his body.

It was clear that he couldn't raise any of them. There was not an ounce of energy left in each of them just like Aiden had asked.

'Seems like he listens well,' Aiden thought, even happier by that fact.

After all, why would the director be scared or fearful of Aiden?

He was much stronger, Aiden had a lot more experience than him in close-range combat, and... he was also getting something out of this. It was basically a win-win at this point.

"Good job," Aiden said, acting exhausted as he slowly stood up. "I'll stop here tonight too. Good night, I'll head back toward the academy."

Aiden's plan with that last sentence was quite simple, he wanted to see what David would be saying about that.

Would he propose that Aiden could stay here and sleep in his house?

That's what Aiden wanted to see by saying that.

"Actually," David uttered, hesitating. "You could stay here since you'll be training from this place every day from now on."

Aiden didn't show the slightest outside emotion, however, he was celebrating in his mind. His plan had worked, he would be able to enter David's house and observe every single movement coming out of him.

It didn't matter what it would be, he would be remembering what it would be.

"I can? Are you sure?" Aiden asked, acting extremely surprised by the offer that he had just received.

"Yeah, no worries. You can also tell Garestsa to come sleep here next time, I truly don't mind it at all," David said as he turned around heading toward his small wooden cabin. "Come, I'll show you around."

Aiden didn't waste any time as he followed the director without wasting a single moment.

'This is going much better way than what I had expected,' Aiden thought.

Aiden had made multiple scenarios in his mind, but David had chosen the best one which was that he could enter the wooden cabin.

By giving him access to his house, all the other steps would be a lot easier overall as he would be able to have eyes on David every second of the day.

'I'll observe him for a few days and I'll decide how to proceed afterward,' Aiden pondered.

He had a good idea of how he would kill the director, however, he would be taking as many precautions as possible. He wasn't stupid, he knew that he had only one shot at this, or else, his best option would probably be to use that [Return Stone] of his.

That's why he would make sure that he wouldn't fail here. He would be succeeding without the slightest problem.

"Coming!" Aiden said as he swiftly followed the director inside the wooden cabin.

A couple of minutes later, David showed Aiden around and they were now both heading to sleep.

David had made sure that they wouldn't be in the same room since that could possibly result in quite awkward situations. They didn't want to see each other naked, after all.

As for Garestsa, David still hadn't chosen where she would be sleeping since the space inside his wooden cabin was quite restrained, so that would mean that she would have to sleep with either Aiden or David.

They decided that they would let her choose since it wasn't even sure that she would agree to leave there.

To be quite frank, Aiden hoped that she refused because if she noticed him leaving during the night, then it would create a lot of problems. However, it wasn't like Aiden could tell the director of the Magic Academy those problems. It simply wouldn't make any sense to do such a thing.

"Good night, Aiden," David said as he closed the door to his room, letting Aiden all alone in his room.

However, Aiden... wasn't going to sleep right away, he needed to observe some things that he had noticed while visiting this place with David.

There were a lot of interesting things in that house. For starters, there was some sort of alarm next to the director's door.

David had tried hiding it from Aiden, but he didn't who he was dealing with. It was situated on the upper right of his door and it was quite well hidden. But from a simple glance, Aiden had figured out that it was an alarm.

'Well, that just means that I can't enter from his door, not a big deal,' Aiden thought as the assassination method that he had chosen wouldn't even require him to sleep. Right now, he was simply gathering as much information as he could.

Aiden didn't waste any more time inside the cabin as he opened the window to his room, and went through it, leaving the cabin.

He wanted to see how much time the director would be sleeping. He wanted to learn the timings of David, so that way he would be able to prepare many things while he was sleeping.

'I should start preparing the trap,' Aiden thought as he went toward the forest as he would need a couple of different things for his plan.

He knew that his opponent could teleport in an instant, so Aiden needed to make sure that he wouldn't be able to use mana. That was the plan, restraining the use of mana and killing him while he was completely defenseless.

However, there was a little problem, Aiden had no idea how to restrict the use of mana to the director.

'There must be a potion about it. I guess I can go back to the Magic Academy and find the Alchemist Section, for real this time.'

And that's how Aiden would be spending his night, searching for a potion recipe.

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Chapter 322 - 322 - Finding Evelynn

Aiden was now flying back toward the Magic Academy with a single goal in his mind, which was to find a potion that would make it impossible for the director to use any mana.

That way there would be no chance of Aiden losing since he was much stronger in close combat.

'Now, all I need to do is either find Anna or Evelynn. Actually, Evelynn would be a better choice here for sure.'

He knew that meeting another teacher would be quite risky, especially considering that he had told David that he would only focus on getting stronger.

This meant that he would need to either buy or craft this potion behind the teacher's back.

Aiden could already tell that making such a potion would be extremely hard, which is why he hoped that he would be able to buy some that were already done.

'The thing is though... I have no money. Well, I guess I can ask around if it comes to it.'

Aiden didn't think too much about his lack of money because the goal in his mind was extremely clear, he wanted to assassinate David.

'I would have assassinated him in his sleep, but the thing is... it's really risky,' Aiden thought.

He knew that if the director was to notice that something was wrong, he would be able to get away in a few seconds, and then everything would turn to shit.

'Ah whatever, enough about that, I need to find if such a potion exists.'

After dismissing all his previous useless thoughts, Aiden entered the academy with a single goal in mind: finding that potion name and recipe.

The first thing that he decided to do was find Evelynn.

This whole thing sort of became deja vu, because Aiden had tried to do the same thing earlier. The only difference was that the whole Academy was sleeping which meant that Aiden would need to find her dorm.

He had a couple of different ideas on how to find her, the first being, searching each door room one by one.

But he quickly realized that this would take way too long.

The second idea he had was to depend on that little monster that had been sent by the Lumithars. Aiden needed to find it and then it would be guiding him toward her master which was Evelynn.

'But how will I even find that little creature, it's not like I have a way of contacting him,' Aiden thought, worried about what he would need to do next. 'Actually, maybe I do...'

Aiden had an idea, however, the only way to know if it would work or not was simple... he needed to try it.

'System, can you send that little monster toward my position, I need his help,' Aiden asked the system who was supposed to be listening to him 24h/7.

BEEP

Seems like he got an answer immediately.

[The monster is coming your way.]

It was a simple statement, but it would make Aiden's task of finding Evelynn a lot easier.

A couple of minutes later, Aiden started hearing a couple of footsteps near him. It was quite easy to figure out who those footsteps came from since the Magic Academy was completely silent with not a single person awake.

Aiden was probably the only one walking around at such a time and... that was exactly what he wanted.

He needed to be discreet for this whole plan to work. There would only be another person who would be informed about his research.

However, by the time that Evelynn was going to realize that he was the one who had killed the director of the academy, Aiden would be long gone and there wouldn't be a lot of chances that he would be coming back to this world anytime that soon.

Aiden then saw the small little monster coming toward him through the dark that was surrounding him at the moment.

The monster waited a couple of seconds for Aiden to get ready, and then he immediately turned around without wasting a single moment.

Aiden didn't even say a single word as he simply started walking behind it while being as silent as earlier.

Aiden was now in front of a door room, and without further ado, Aiden slowly opened it, trying to make as little noise as possible.

Aiden saw two doors, one on his right and one on his left. He waited for the little monster to choose the correct one before opening either of them.

'Seems like the correct one is this one,' Aiden said as he was currently going toward the door situated on his left.

As he entered, surprise took over Aiden because he truly hadn't expected such a thing.

'Why is she simply without anything on, there's just nothing on there, anyone can see...' Aiden thought, as he immediately covered his eyes, not wanting to see anything more.

However, he couldn't really leave as he needed her help which is why, he slowly got closer to her as he tapped on one of her shoulders. He did it with a lot of carefulness as he knew that it would be one hell of a scene when she would be waking up.

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Tap

As Aiden lightly tapped on her shoulder, Evelynn didn't immediately wake up. Instead, she rolled on the bed away from Aiden causing him to start chasing her pretty much.

"Evelynn," Aiden whispered instead.

This time, there was another reaction coming out of her as she immediately opened her eyes.

She seemed confused, probably not seeing at the moment since Aiden was currently wearing a black uniform that even covered his hair.

"Who's there?" She whispered, probably scared because she had just heard her name.

"It's me, Aiden."

This time, she seemed even more confused as she really hadn't expected such an answer.

"Aiden? Where are you?"

As she said that, she raised her hands upwards putting them in front of her body, trying to find where he was.

But as she did that, she realized something quite important. She wasn't wearing the slightest clothes which meant...

"You fucking pervert!" She shouted, realizing that he was currently looking at her when she was completely naked.

Aiden needed to act immediately as he didn't want her roommate to wake up, and see him.

"Calm down, calm down, my eyes are closed. Just put something on and tell me when you're done, I have something to ask you."

Furious, she stood up and put on some clothes.

"Just what is it that you need to ask me, so late at night... couldn't you just wait until tomorrow," She said almost forgetting to tell him that he could open his eyes again. "Oh, and I'm all dressed up, you can look.

Hearing that, Aiden immediately opened his eyes and asked his question.

"I couldn't... let's say that I can only do it at night or else I would be having some problems," Aiden said, hesitating, trying to find a good excuse.

"So what is it that you need help right away?" She asked, clearly annoyed with Aiden showing up at night when she was sleeping.

"I need you to help me find a potion that makes people unable to use mana."

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Chapter 323 - 323 - Owing one

"A potion that makes people unable to use mana? Why would you need that so late at night?" She asked, not understanding why he couldn't wait like any normal person.

Why was he feeling the need to have it right now when it was probably around 2 or 3 in the morning, it made no sense.

"I just need its name, I don't need it right now."

Evelynn seemed to be breathing heavily when she heard his answer, furious over the matter just like any normal person would.

"So, you don't need it right now, and you went to see me in my dorm while I was sleeping wearing absolutely nothing?"

She simply did not understand why he hadn't come during normal hours and asked her then. She would have been more than happy to help him, but... because of what he had just done, it changed things.

"Exactly," Aiden replied mindlessly, not comprehending or noticing the reaction that she was currently going under.

Evelynn pulled her hair, hearing his stupid answer. Why couldn't understand that what he was currently doing was impolite?

However, he didn't even care about such a thing as long as he knew where he could find such a potion.

"And you think I'm going to help you because you're asking me?" She asked, her tone clearly indicating that she wouldn't.

However, Aiden didn't pick up that cue still in the dark about her being mad.

"Yes, I am."

This answer was the one that made Evelynn truly mad as she raised her hand, preparing herself to slap him.

"Are you really that fucking stupid!" She shouted as her hand quickly started going toward Aiden's face.

Aiden was somewhat confused, but he grabbed her hand and asked, "Why are you trying to hit me? What did I even do?"

"What did you even do!" Evelynn continued shouting not caring about his other roommate anymore, she couldn't bother with Aiden.

He was so ignorant about so many things, it was as if she was talking to a kid that hadn't experienced anything in his life, or rather, it was the first time that he was experimenting with such things.

"You came in at two or three in the morning at night, asking me about something that's not even remotely important and you're expecting me to help you with nothing in return, that's what you did, you fucking moron!"

This time Evelynn was truly tired as she let everything out, she couldn't endure the stupidity that was coming from Aiden's mouth anymore, she needed to say something about it.

Aiden took everything in as he didn't mind being shouted at, and all that she had just said honestly made sense. He just hadn't noticed it, in the first place.

"So, what do you want in exchange?" Aiden asked, thinking that he had found the problem with his suggestion.

"I want you to leave me alone and let me sleep for the night! Come see me in the morning like every normal person," she complained.

Aiden, however, shook his head in response. He knew that such a thing wouldn't happen. He needed to observe the director tomorrow and act like he was studying those books that he had received.

'In fact, I could probably do the breathing technique while observing him tomorrow,' Aiden thought as he remembered that he hadn't used it since the third trial.

He just had so many things on his mind that he had completely forgotten about practicing and developing his Qi.

He knew that this new power of his could become extremely strong, which is why from now on he would be practicing diligently whether it be at night or during any free time that he could find.

"I can't leave, I told you. I need to learn about that potion tonight, at least its name. Do you know what it is?" Aiden said, finally understanding that maybe his request didn't make that much sense.

Evelynn didn't say anything at first, waiting for Aiden to make an actual proposition that could be interesting for both her and him.

"Can I get something from you?" She asked still speaking with a tone that was quite loud.

His roommate seemed to be quite the heavy sleeper since he hadn't gone up to her room yet, in fact, Aiden still hadn't heard the slightest coming from that room.

"Wait, before we continue talking about that, can't we leave this place and actually go toward the Alchemy section of the Magic Academy," Aiden asked as he really didn't want anyone to know about his presence here at night when he was supposed to be sleeping inside the wooden cabin of David.

He knew that his move was risky, but for his plan to work perfectly, he needed to take some risks. And even if the director was to notice that he had disappeared Aiden would only need to come up with a ridiculous excuse and everything would be fine, well... he hoped.

"Just tell me what you're going to give me if I help you," she asked, implying that she wouldn't be leaving this room if she didn't know what she would be getting in return.

Aiden grabbed his head as he had no idea what he could be giving her, he wasn't sure what she was interested in.

"What do you want?" Aiden asked instead, making this whole thing a lot easier from his point of view.

Then, it was Evelynn's time to be thinking about it deeply. She also had no idea what she wanted, in the first place, she had said that because she couldn't care less about helping him.

"Let's say that you owe me one, is that fine?" She asked as she knew that the person in front of her had a lot of potential in the future.

There were good chances that he would be reaching heights greater than the next.

"Sure, I don't mind. Now, let's leave before your roommate wakes up and comes in here," Aiden uttered as he already started heading for the door, looking behind him—making sure that she was following.

A few moments later, they were now out of her dorm which made things a lot easier when it came to talking to one another.

"Alright, follow me," Evelynn said as she would be the one guiding him toward the Alchemy Section of the Magic Academy.

She wasn't like those two idiots that Aiden had seen this morning, she seemed to know exactly where it was as she had probably done some already in her life.

She wasn't like Aiden, she was born in this world which meant that she had gotten a lot more time to try as many things as she liked. Evelynn also had gotten the time to learn about so many things which explained her vast knowledge.

"Alright, we will soon arrive," she said whispering wondering if there would be anyone still inside it, practicing potion-making.

Evelynn knew that Anna, the professor of this class, was qualified as crazy by many students which is why she was extremely careful, pondering about whether or not she was up yet.

As they turned into the Alchemy corridor, they could a little light coming from one of the rooms.

'Just who could be here so late at night?' Aiden thought, unsure who that person would be.

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Chapter 324 - 324 - Anna

Aiden stopped wondering about it and made a sign toward Evelynn to stay where she was as he knew there was no chance she would be as discreet as him.

She didn't have his skills, after all.

Aiden wanted to ensure that there was no way for the person awake that he was there.

'I need to either, make that person fall asleep, kill her, or I can try my best to stay out of her way while researching for the anti-mana potion,' Aiden thought.

He knew the better option out of those three, and it was also the one that required as little risk as possible, trying to stay out of that person's way.

Either way, Aiden wanted to see what the person who was still up looked like. Was it a teacher, a student, something else entirely?

'Let's see,' Aiden mused, getting closer to the door that was right in front of him.

Luckily for him, there was a small window on the door. Because of it, the only thing that Aiden needed to do was raise his head a little, peeking inside the lighted-up room.

As he raised his head, he first took a really quick peek wanting to see if there was even someone in that room. However, that seemed pretty obvious from all the noise that was coming from it.

After making sure, that there was indeed someone and that the person wasn't looking in the door's way, he took his time as he glanced at everything that was happening in the room.

He had to admit that he was a little shocked by what he was seeing but it wasn't that bad, he had clearly seen worse.

Everything in that room was incredibly messy, Aiden could see shards of glass on the ground with all sorts of colored liquid. It didn't matter what color he would think of, it was on the ground. But that was only the state of the room, the person inside it seemed even crazier at first glance.

It was a girl, a beautiful one at that. Her hair was long and green, but instead of going down her back... it was all up in the air as if some chemical reaction had caused her hair to go up in such a weird fashion. There was also what she was wearing, it was a long white coat that was splattered by all sorts of different chemicals from the looks of it.

Aiden had to admit that it was quite fitting to the state of the room.

Analyzing her even more, Aiden tried to guess if she was a student or a teacher, but it didn't matter how much time he'd spent looking at her... he wouldn't know. However, that was only a detail as Aiden now knew that he probably wouldn't have any problem with her being here while he would be roaming around.

She was way too engrossed in her task to even notice him.

'Well, I certainly admire that focus and hard work,' Aiden thought.

He knew that it was quite rare for people to work and practice every minute of the day, but it seemed this person was actually doing it which was quite admirable in Aiden's eyes.

Having looked at her for enough time, Aiden slowly moved out of the little window and headed back toward Evelynn, who was still waiting patiently.

Arriving close to her, Aiden got closer to one of her ears as he whispered, "I don't think we're going to have any problem with her being here, she won't even notice us, I'm sure. Now, where do we need to go?"

Evelynn hearing that question raised her shoulders as she had no idea where to go next, she hadn't stepped a single foot in here since the start of the Academy. She only knew about this place because she had studied everything there was to know about the Magic Academy since she was only a kid.

"You don't know," Aiden whispered seeing her raised shoulders.

He thought that everything would be smooth sailing since he had brought her here with him. But it seemed that it wouldn't be the case from this reaction.

"I don't, but um, out of curiosity what did this person look like?" Evelynn asked, making sure to be as quiet as possible, not uttering the slightest noise.

'Why is she even asking that right now?' Aiden thought as he couldn't find the correlation to the situation.

However, even if he didn't understand Aiden quickly described her to the best of his abilities.

Evelynn instantly nodded, when hearing all the information that was coming out of Aiden's mouth.

It seemed like she had been right all along, the person who was currently in the lightedup room was Anna, the Alchemy teacher.

"I have a better idea, we should ask that person in there about your anti-mana potion, I'm sure she knows something about it," Evelynn whispered, not having a single idea that this whole thing needed to be between them only.

Aiden hadn't mentioned it to her, so how was she supposed to guess that they couldn't talk about this thing to others?

"Who is that person?"

Aiden didn't outright refuse as he also wanted to learn more about the person who was on the other side of that door. It was clear that she had a lot of experience, so asking her for some help couldn't be the end of the world, all things considered.

"It's the Alchemy teacher, Anna. She's probably the best in the whole universe regarding potion-making."

'Whole universe, huh? I have my doubts,' Aiden thought in his mind as he knew a lot more things than her when it came to the universe. 'But, that person is Anna?'

Aiden had to admit that he had expected someone completely different than that. He had expected someone who was extremely clean and organized, but it seemed that it was the complete opposite.

"I see, but we can't ask her, no way ... "

This time, Evelynn was even more confused, getting a little frustrated with how Aiden was acting.

"Why can't we ask her, she's literally the best option. You know sometimes I really don't get you at all..."

'Wait... actually, maybe we could ask her,' Aiden thought as he still had his [Everchanging Item] which meant that he could potentially put a mask on.

He also had his skill which made it possible for Aiden to change his face completely, making him unrecognizable.

'Do I put on a mask or do I change my face?' Aiden thought.

Aiden quickly debated about it in his mind, before choosing to change his face completely.

"Actually, forget about what I just said, we're going to ask her," Aiden muttered as his face changed completely.

"Y-Your face... what's happening? Was your previous appearance fake?"

Aiden only smiled as he raised his shoulders. It would make things for him a lot easier if Evelynn had no idea about his true appearance.

"Ah... whatever, let's just go and ask her now," Evelynn muttered as she stood up and headed toward the lighted-up room without wasting any time.

Aiden followed her with his new face. He now had black hair and blue eyes, and some features on his face had also changed. There was no way that anyone would be able to recognize him.

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Chapter 325 - 325 - Gerald? Yes, Gerald.

They were now both in front of the door which Anna was currently in. Aiden was pondering if this was the best choice that he could make at the moment.

He knew that he was risking a lot since Anna could find out about him based on his body and all those sorts of things.

The manner of his speech, the overall shape of his body, if Anna was someone who was quite attentive, it wouldn't be too hard to figure out who Aiden was.

'I guess I could also change the way I speak, that way there's no chance that she thinks it's me,' Aiden thought.

He knew that changing his voice shouldn't be too hard, he would just make it lower than usual.

"Also, Evelynn make sure that you call me by another name while in there."

Evelynn was starting to get annoyed by all those requests, however, she still listened wondering about what his new name would be.

She waited a couple of seconds, but there was no answer.

"What name do you want me to call you?"

Aiden looked at her with his brows frowned, "You choose."

As soon as he said that he swung the door wide open with his hair, now, completely black and his eyes blue.

Anna didn't even seem to have heard them as she continued what she was doing at the moment which was making a potion that Aiden nor Evelynn had ever seen in their life.

From the looks of it, this potion required a lot of skill as she was currently sweating a lot.

Evelynn gave a small hit in Aiden's ribs as she whispered to him, "Hey, what do we do now?"

Aiden looked at her without saying anything as if it was very obvious, in fact, he started walking toward her without any hesitation which mindblown Evelynn who thought that they would be waiting for her to be finished.

But it seemed that Aiden really hadn't lied, he needed to find that potion as soon as possible. Well, the potion's name... at the very least.

Because if he didn't find anything tonight then he would need to come back tomorrow which would make him unable to spy at all of David's mannerisms.

As he walked up, he gave a subtle look behind him as if telling her to watch him attentively.

However, that was simply a show of confidence, Aiden had absolutely no idea how to approach her. He simply knew that he needed to do so before wasting even more time.

He didn't want David to be waking and noticing that he was gone. Aiden didn't know how much time the director liked sleeping that's why he made sure that he would be going out of the academy as fast as possible.

He knew that it could potentially land him in some problems with the director and that wasn't exactly what he wanted to be completely honest.

Aiden made two large coughs as he was quite close to Anna, around 3 meters from her.

There was no doubt that she should have heard it, however, she didn't even turn her head.

'What is happening? Am I invisible or something?' Aiden thought because the same thing happened with Evelynn.

But in her case, she had been sleeping, so it was fine. However, that wasn't the case for Anna who was seemingly deaf from the looks of it.

'Ah whatever, I'll do the same as earlier,' Aiden mused.

He saw her slowly moving an object in her hands toward her big cauldron, however, Aiden honestly couldn't care less.

"Anna!" Aiden shouted, not caring about anything anymore.

Splash

She saw everything inside the vial of glass spread onto the ground. She then looked toward the person who had shouted her name with a deep frown.

One thing was clear, she was furious with Aiden.

"Do you understand what you just did, you dumbass!"

She didn't care one bit about keeping her reputation as a teacher as she had just insulted Aiden.

It wasn't like Aiden had respected her either.

'This whole thing is going to turn to shit,' Evelynn thought as she kept her distance not wanting Anna, the alchemy teacher, to notice her. She wasn't like Aiden, she was using her actual face.

She needed to be careful about her actions which wasn't the case for Aiden, at the moment.

"What are you looking at me for? Say something, apologize!"

Aiden, however, kept silent simply watching her cool down. He didn't want to deal with someone who was furious.

"Hmpf, who even are you?" Anna said as she finally started to calm down a little.

Aiden, this time, opened his mouth since it wasn't an insult and she seemed to have calmed down her mind over what just happened.

He knew that it had been his fault that she had dropped that vial which contained who knows what, but to be quite honest, Aiden was happy that such a thing happened since it made things somewhat easier because she wouldn't be able to continue her potion for some time.

'Oh wait, I need to find a name...' Aiden thought as he was about to say his real name.

He looked back in panic toward Evelynn with panic in his eyes.

She immediately understood as she swiftly appeared right beside him.

"Gerald! His name is Gerald."

Anna who hadn't seen Evelynn before was surprised to see someone else be here so late at night. However, she didn't really care about that part since it was only details.

"I see, so... Gerald, what is it that you're doing here this late at night?" Anna asked, calmly.

She tried her best to be as respectful as possible, however, she had to admit that shouting at her while she was so concentrated on something had frustrated her greatly.

Nonetheless, she was a teacher, she needed to be mindful of her answers.

"I need to find a potion's recipe and name, actually," Aiden said, wanting to see her reaction.

From what he could see, she seemed pretty interested in the potion that he needed to find.

"Well, you came to the right place! What sort of potion do you need?" She asked with a big smile on her face.

It seemed that the word "potion" worked quite well on her since she had completely forgotten what he had just done from the looks of it.

"A potion that makes it impossible to use mana, does such a potion exist?" Aiden asked, wondering in his mind if it was possible.

However, Aiden was sure that such a thing existed, someone must have needed something like that in the past.

"A potion that restricts the use of mana completely... Interesting," Anna muttered.

"Does it exist?" Aiden asked, hoping that she would say yes. However, from her previous answer, the chances of that being the case were low.

"Well... not yet, it doesn't exist yet. However, it's a great idea... a really good idea," she exclaimed as if talking to herself.

Aiden shook his head disappointed.

"Is there a way to make one, do you have any idea?" Aiden asked as he knew that if there was no possibility of having one then he would need to find another plan yet again.

Well, he had one in mind, but it was too risky at the moment.

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Chapter 326 - 326 - One Week

"A way to make one..." Anna repeated slowly.

She had some ideas about how to make that potion, however, there was no way for her to be completely sure.

"Well, I need to try some stuff first. I can't be sure at the moment."

Aiden nodded back as he understood why she was saying such a thing, however, he needed to know how long it would take her.

"How much time will it take you to make that potion?" Aiden asked, wanting to know if he needed to find another assassination plan.

He knew this one wouldn't work if it took more than a few days. Aiden had found a way to go back to Nova and end this trial, and he wanted to do so as fast as possible.

"Who knows, it could take me days or months... It will depend on the idea that I have because nothing like this has been made before," Anna said with stars in her eyes.

She was truly excited to work on a completely new concept that had never been done before.

Aiden, on the other hand, didn't seem to be the happiest man in the world for some reason. He kept glaring at her with a dead-pan look in his eyes, he had just heard bad news which meant that he needed to find another plan.

'Fuck, what can I even do... if that man has his teleportation available, then I have no way of killing him at all,' Aiden thought, frustrated over this whole situation.

"I see, then no need to bother with it. I have no use for it anymore."

As he finished saying that, he turned around instantly and started leaving the room without looking back even once.

He had no use for it anymore, he couldn't wait months for a potion. He would simply find another way to kill the director of the Magic Academy.

It didn't matter what it would be, but he would be able to pull it off. He had so much experience that there was no way that he would fail.

"Where are you going, Aid-... Gerald?" Evelynn asked, not understanding why he had chosen to abandon this whole thing. He was the one who had mentioned that he needed it, so why was he leaving after obtaining the information that he needed?

Did he really need it in such a short delay?

The answer to that was actually quite simple, it was no. However, from Aiden's point of view, he wanted to be done with this trial in less than a week and from what he could see, he would take a lot more than that since such a potion had never existed before.

He didn't know about the process of creating a new potion, but he was sure that it had to be a long and painful one.

That's why he was currently leaving this room.

Hearing the voice of Evelynn who was right behind him, Aiden didn't even respond as he had no use for her too. He knew that he had accepted to a favor from him, but it didn't matter anymore Aiden would soon be leaving this world and never coming back.

Well, he wouldn't be coming back under the same identity, that's for sure.

"Did I say something insulting?" Anna questioned herself, also not understanding the reaction coming from the person in front of her.

For some reason, he was leaving after asking for her help. But, Anna honestly didn't seem too bothered about it as she had just received a really good idea which meant that she needed to try many things in making that potion.

"It's fine, it's just that if it takes too long. It doesn't have any use for me," Aiden said as he continued walking forward.

Anna hearing that frowned as if that had been an insult toward her.

"You think that I won't be able to do that potion of yours in less than a few days?" She asked, having found a new motivation for this task.

Beforehand, she had been pumped because she was passionate about everything that was related to potion-making. However, if she was been told that she wasn't good enough for him, then she would make sure that Aiden would never be able to say anything like that ever again.

Aiden, this time, turned around as he was quite intrigued by her answer.

He had just heard that it could take months, so what was she rambling on about?

"You said it could take months, I can't wait for months. I have a week at most," Aiden said as he waited to see what she would be answering back.

"A week? Consider it done, come see me every night this week as I might need some help to gather some ingredients," she said as she would be doing a lot of testing in the upcoming days.

She would need to find the perfect combination that would make this potion perfectly. It wasn't the first time that she would be doing such a thing, however, it would be the first time that she would have a deadline.

'I guess, I needed to tell to hurry the fuck up, huh?' Aiden thought as her answers made a complete turnaround for some reason.

It started out as months and it was now a week.

'Putting pressure on people really is useful,' Aiden mused, happy with the result that he had achieved.

"Alright, then are we starting tonight?"

Anna shook her head, "No, I need to prepare some things. But make sure to be here tomorrow night, I'll make sure to find some use out of you."

'Well, that makes things easier, I won't need to be coming here during the day.'

But then Anna pointed out of nowhere toward Evelynn, "Make sure that you come too, I'll need your help too. In fact, I need all the help that I can get, one week to figure out how to make a potion is insanely short."

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Chapter 327 - 327 - When Will Night Come?

The next morning, Aiden had managed to get back before David woke up, well five minutes before he woke up.

The timing had been really close, but now Aiden knew that the director didn't sleep much since it had been three or four hours tops.

'That was close,' Aiden thought as he was currently lying down in his bed relaxing for a couple of minutes.

He didn't need to sleep because he was an awakened, he felt a little bit of tiredness, but it was nothing major at all.

He could go on like this for many days if he needed to, and that's exactly what he would do for the upcoming days. He wouldn't sleep at all, preparing for the best assassination that he could possibly do with the resources that he had at the moment.

Aiden slowly stood up after lying down for a few minutes, looking out the window because he heard some noises coming from that direction.

There he saw David swinging his dagger, not even doing anything before. He went straight to his training.

Aiden had to admit that he admired David for his hard work, it was clear that he hadn't reached the top by pure coincidence. One that man had an objective, he would do everything in his power to reach it. At least, that was what Aiden had noticed as he watched him.

As long as it would make him stronger, he wouldn't stop. In a sense, both him and Aiden had that in common.

They were both obsessed with strength. However, one of them would die and the other would be going back to his original world.

Seeing him train made Aiden think about the way in which he would make the director drink the mana-restricting potion. It was quite a simple idea, but it was often those that worked the best.

He would simply tell the director that he would be improving faster if all of his mana was restricted.

'I'll just say that his body will improve faster this way or something like that,' Aiden mused.

He hadn't spent too much time thinking about it, but he knew that it should be quite a simple thing to do all things considered.

'Well, I guess it's time for me to wake, it's time for me to act as if I'm reading those books,' Aiden thought as he had decided that instead of learning about those books, he would be practicing the breathing technique that he had gotten from his third trial.

It was time for him to find all the hidden strengths of Qi, and from what he had heard... There were a lot of them. He remembered Melinda talking about it and he had to admit that he was truly lucky to have acquired such an energy since it was so rare.

Without wasting any more time thinking about those things, Aiden headed toward the door of the wooden cabin, greeting the director.

Both of them greeted each other as they both went toward their respective tasks. It was still dark outside as it was around five in the morning.

Aiden actually wondered at what time Garestsa would be arriving.

Aiden knew that she wasn't as hardworking as the director, but he had seen some of her talents with a dagger and it was clear that it was superior to the one of David.

'If only those with talents would be working hard, instead of doing nothing that can hurt them,' Aiden thought as he knew that if everyone who was talented actually worked as hard as him or the director, then there were good chances that they would be better than them.

In his past life, Aiden had been somewhat talented, however, the reason why he had gotten so strong was simple... it was hard work.

Sure, the reasons why he was working hard weren't the best, but it still amounted to the exact same thing, he got stronger because of it.

That's how he developed his mentality regarding strength, Aiden didn't know if it was a good one or not. But he couldn't care less about what others thought, in his mind, he was the best and that was the end of it.

A few hours later, Garestsa and David were doing the exact same training as yesterday. Aiden was starting to get impatient as he couldn't wait for the night to fall since he would be meeting with Anna when it would happen.

'This whole thing really is boring,' Aiden pondered as he saw the pile of books in front of him.

He was currently meditating because of the breathing technique, but from his point of view, the time was moving at a snail's pace. However, he still didn't complain as he continued to practice.

'Either way, the key is that potion... as soon as I get it. I'll get rid of him,' Aiden thought as he knew that there was no way he would lose in close combat against David.

Aiden had done this for his entire life, so there was no reason for him to be losing now.

It was now two in the morning and David was about to stop his training out of exhaustion which meant that it was soon the time for Aiden to go see Anna about his potion.

Garestsa had already left around two or three hours ago, refusing to stay in the cabin with either David or Aiden.

Aiden could remember that red face of hers quite well, too.

But none of that mattered, as Aiden would soon be leaving for his potion-making session, he knew that he would have to go gather ingredients, but he couldn't care less as long as the making of this potion would be a success.

"I'll stop here tonight as well, Aiden," David said as he headed toward the cabin.

Aiden didn't say anything as he stayed in his meditative position. It would be simpler for him to leave if he didn't enter the cabin.

As soon as the door closed and Aiden saw David lying in his bed, Aiden flew up in the air and started going toward the Magic Academy.

Hello, please make sure to vote for Emma on the character page that I created. You can also create personalities for both Emma and Aiden on the character page, but just make sure to like those that fit the characters the most.

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Chapter 328 - 328 - Help

"Why are you late!" Anna shouted as she saw that Aiden, with his face changed, had just arrived.

She thought that he would be arriving around midnight, but it was two in the morning already. Evelynn had already arrived from what he had understood and she had been tasked to find all different sorts of ingredients.

"Take this list, and go find her. She should be close to the director's cabin, she probably didn't get too far because of how scared she looked,' Anna said as she handed him a list of multiple ingredients.

"About that list, do you know if those ingredients will work or will we need to do this gathering often?" Aiden asked as he knew that it would most likely be the case.

He didn't know how this whole process would work, but from the face Anna was currently making... there was no doubt in Aiden's mind that he would have to.

"Of course, you'll have to, you really think that I can figure out a recipe for a completely new potion on my first try?" Anna said as if Aiden was the stupidest person on Earth.

Then, she took a small break before answering once again, seemingly thinking about what she had just said.

She seemed to realize that there was something untrue in all of this.

"Well... actually I am quite talented, so I wouldn't say that it's impossible for me to be right on my first try," she said, her voice tinged with a hint of confidence.

It seemed that she knew very well how talented she was which is why she changed her answer.

Aiden didn't waste any more time looking at her as he slowly made his way toward the exit of the academy, he knew that Evelynn was currently waiting for him somewhere, so he had to hurry.

'I wonder why I didn't see her at all if she was supposed to be close to the forest which is next to the cabin... weird,' Aiden thought, finding it weird.

However, he didn't think too much about it as he knew that the mountain was extremely massive, so there were pretty good chances that something must have happened.

Aiden was now flying toward the mountain's direction as he would be searching for Evelynn and then the two of them would try to find all the ingredients written on that sheet of paper that Anna had given him.

Aiden also had a maximum of five hours before having to come out, and that was cutting it extremely close. He had seen it last night, David didn't sleep much, like at all.

As he arrived at the forest, he tried to get a bird's eye view from above... However, because of how dark it was, there was no point in doing so.

That's why he dived toward the ground without wasting any more time, it was now time for him to find Evelynn.

He started slowly advancing toward the forest which reverberated darkness. Aiden didn't care too much about the darkness since he was so used to living in an environment that was just like that.

He was used to roaming in the dark, that was what he liked the most. Recently, he had discovered quite the liking to becoming the center of attention, but he still preferred to be someone that you could qualify as a hidden threat... the person that you would call when everything else would fail.

"Alright, let's see where she went," Aiden whispered to himself as he looked at the list of ingredients wondering if Manatrum was on it.

If it was, then he knew exactly where to find some.

And as he looked down and read some ingredients from the list, he found out that it was the first ingredient on it.

Aiden had to admit that it was quite weird to find it on there since it was a manarestricting potion. However, he wasn't remotely close to being an expert, so he would keep his mouth and provide the ingredients that were written on this piece of paper.

Luckily for him, there were pictures of all the ingredients that they would need to gather which made Aiden's task a lot more efficient.

'Still, I don't understand why we need to do this, doesn't she have her own ingredients ready?' Aiden thought that since Anna was a teacher at the Magic Academy which meant that she had to have some sort of resources.

But, it seemed that wasn't the case since he was about to enter the forest.

"Oh, right! I wonder if I'll meet other types of monsters in there," Aiden muttered as he crossed the very first tree.

He was currently heading toward the spot where he had found Manatrum last time. He wasn't sure if he was going to be able to find Evelynn there, but even if he didn't, it would be an ingredient that they would have gathered.

'Still, let's hope that she's close by, it will make things a lot easier to have someone searching for all those things with me.'

After thinking that, Aiden decided to move a little faster as he activated [Lightning Steps] which caused some lightning sparks to appear on the bottom of both his feet.

He was now moving so fast that no monster would be able to catch up to him. At least, no monster that he had met yet.

Who knows what sort of dangerous things that he could find in this forest?

There was probably a reason that the director of the Magic Academy had made his little house up here.

Maybe it was for relaxation, but Aiden was sure that there had to be another reason, a reason much more important than the one that he had just stated.

A couple of minutes later, Aiden was right below the tree where he had found Manatrum last time and luckily for him, it was still there high up. One thing that had changed from last time was that the Manatrum was fluorescent which added a nice touch to that ingredient.

'Still, nothing for me to worry about,' Aiden thought as he still hadn't crossed any monster.

Aiden wasn't disappointed since it made his job easier, but still, he hoped that he would get to fight a monster that he had never seen before, he always liked killing beasts and getting stronger that way.

It was the easiest way that he had found to get stronger, so why wouldn't he try to use it to the best of his abilities?

"It seems like she already found the Manatrum," Aiden said to himself as he could see some footprints on the ground.

He decided that he would be following them since there was a good chance that it would lead directly to her. In fact, it was almost sure that such a thing would happen, so Aiden started doing that as he couldn't wait to see how many ingredients she had gathered.

A few minutes later, Aiden was running as fast as possible while following all the footsteps on the ground, and he heard a lot of noises in front of him, he even heard shouts.

"ARGH!"

"PLEASE SOMEONE... HELP ME!"

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Chapter 329 - 329 - Tentacles

Aiden, hearing the panicked voice of Evelynn, started running even faster than he currently was as he knew what was happening.

She was fighting a monster that was the only possibility at the moment. Aiden was also sure that it was her since no one except would be in those woods, at least the chances of her being the only human in those woods were extremely high.

"I'm coming! Try to stay alive," Aiden shouted as loudly as he could. He wanted to make sure that Evelynn would know that he was nearby, ready to help her.

As Aiden moved faster than ever before, he swiftly arrived around the area where Evelynn was fighting and there he saw the massive monster in front of her.

It was a monster that Aiden had honestly never seen before. He had some experience with weird monsters but this one seemed completely different from those he had seen before.

Its skin was dark green, however, Aiden wasn't sure if he could call it skin because of the texture that it had. If Aiden were to compare it with something he knew about, it would be a giant octopus.

It had too many tentacles to even count, it had two big eyes and three others which were quite smaller on its forehead. Aiden who was looking at it was interested in battling against such a monster.

He had never seen anything like it before which is why he was so interested in fighting it.

After observing the monster, Aiden took a small glance at Evelynn who was clearly struggling based on her appearance only, she was bleeding from both her arms and one of her legs. She had a few bruises on many parts of her body.

"HELP ME!" She continued shouting.

It seemed that she hadn't heard about Aiden's arrival, which is why she was still panicking so much.

'I'm gonna die, I'm gonna die,' she thought.

The gigantic octopus in front of her was a lot stronger than her and her pet monster. There was nothing she could do, she was outclassed in everything that was related to that octopus.

Aiden didn't let her panic overwhelm her as he started running in her position, covering the ground that was between them in less than a second.

He arrived like a hero, saving her from a certain death.

Swoosh

Aiden stopped right in front of her, looking at her with a worried look in his eyes.

"Are you looking okay?" Aiden asked as he looked toward Evelynn who had fallen because of the wind that came with Aiden's appearance.

Aiden's white hair was flowing into the air, his red eyes piercing through the darkness that was surrounding them. He looked deeply into Evelynn's eyes, captivating her attention completely.

She didn't seem to realize what was happening at first, as she seemed to have her head in the clouds at the moment, unaware of everything that was happening.

"C-Careful, behind you!" She said softly, pointing toward the giant octopus that was right behind Aiden.

While saying that, she had become completely red, she was extremely shy because of everything that happened.

Aiden looked at the ground and he could see a big giant shadow on it. Without even turning around, Aiden knew what was happening... the octopus was attacking him with one of those giant tentacles.

He didn't seem panicked at all as he looked into Evelynn's eyes for one last time and he whispered something to her, "Just sit pretty, I'll take care of the rest."

'I'm pretty?' Evelynn thought, surprised that Aiden would say something like that to her.

She didn't know why but what Aiden had just said made her blush.

'Why do I care about what he says, I'm sure I have no feelings for him at all,' Evelynn thought as she clearly hadn't spent enough time with him to be developing feelings.

That's why she felt as if her whole body's reaction was extremely weird.

Aiden had no idea what was Evelynn's thoughts as he had just said that spontaneously, not even caring about the words that he had chosen... There was a giant tentacle over his head, so he hadn't had the time to think about a good answer.

He knew that he couldn't let the octopus attack him when he was right over Evelynn which is why he instantly moved to the complete opposite of her position.

"Over here!" Aiden shouted, trying to take the monster's attention away from Evelynn.

It wasn't that Aiden cared about her, but he knew that it would be faster if she was here with him when searching for all the ingredients that they would need for the potion.

Aiden was able to grab the monster's attention as it turned around in his direction.

'Alright, perfect. Now it's just you and me,' Aiden mused.

Aiden had a big smile on his face as he was excited to be fighting against someone again. It had been a couple of days since he hadn't done so, and he missed it.

The adrenaline, the feeling of being powerful.

He didn't waste any more time admiring the monster that he was about to completely destroy as he dashed toward the octopus, still with a big smile on his face—a dangerous one.

Aiden obviously had his dagger in his hands as he tightly grabbed it.

He didn't run in without thinking about a plan, he knew that this was a type of monster that he had never seen before, so he was careful.

'It's going to be extremely hard reaching that head,' Aiden mused as the octopus had all sorts of protective measures.

The most important of them were his tentacles, however, there were many others... Aiden was sure of it.

'Alright, let's try cutting some of those tentacles. It might give me some space.'

Right after thinking that, he executed as he dashed and sliced the gluey tentacles of the octopus over and over again.

He saw many of them fall to the ground.

'Isn't this too easy?' He thought as he couldn't imagine that Evelynn had lost against a monster like this.

The monster had tried to defend itself when Aiden had attacked, but it didn't even manage to it Aiden once.

But then he heard a shout coming from Evelynn, "Don't cut his tentacles, they multiply!"

And then he saw it, every single tentacle that he had cut was coming back, but they were coming back with another tentacle.

So, for each tentacle that Aiden had cut, there were now two that had taken its place.

'Fuck, I think I get it now.'

He now understood why Evelynn had struggled. That monster was probably extremely weak in the beginning but as you damage his tentacles more and more, his strength will keep growing and growing.

Aiden looking at the monster knew the solution to this problem.

He needed to cut that monster's head with one swift motion just like he was used to doing.

But, the problem with that was quite simple, he needed to reach that head without getting caught by all the tentacles that were surrounding the octopus.

Aiden looked at the monster and he knew that this fight couldn't go any further.

"I'll end it right here and now," Aiden whispered to himself as his red eyes locked onto the head of the Octopus's head.

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Chapter 330 - 330 - Making Use of Everything at Hand

After muttering that, Aiden looked up with a serious look in his eyes. He would be killing this octopus in a few seconds.

He jumped while swiftly dodging the first tentacle that arrived in his trajectory, he couldn't cut it after all. Then, there was another in his way, and another, and another, Aiden had some momentum but each dodge made him lose some of it.

Those dodges were two sides of a coin, on one side he lived because of his dodging and on the other, he couldn't kill the octopus in front of him. He was stuck as he backed off quickly realizing that his plan wouldn't work.

He had tried flying after the jump, but it still didn't work... it made it even easier for the monster to attain him since he wasn't as used to flying as jumping.

Aiden and the octopus were at a standpoint, looking at each other, not a single movement from either of them—analyzing the slightest movement that they would be performing.

'What can I do?' Aiden thought, realizing that brute force wouldn't be the right choice in this situation.

It was the first time in his life that a monster was giving him so many problems.

The only other time that could maybe count was the the Cyclops that he had fought in the very first trial where he had demanded help from Ava, but apart from that he hadn't really struggled against any type of monster.

Minutes passed, and Aiden was still walking looking at that beast that was right in front of him, only a couple of steps away from him.

They were in the same situation as earlier and it seemed that this whole fight wouldn't be progressing any time soon, the person who would make the first move would probably lose after all.

'I could maybe use that pet of hers since it's from the Lumithars, it should be strong, right?' Aiden thought as he was slowly starting to find a solution to his problem.

"Evelynn, can I get some help?" Aiden asked.

He remembered that he had told her to stay there and act pretty, but times had changed. He had learned a lot more about that creature that he would be needing help for this fight.

As he asked for some help, he activated the strongest skill in his arsenal, [Mind of an Assassin].

He started seeing a shadow of himself starting to die over and over again, and as usual, it would stop when he found a way to win.

And if it didn't then... the odds of Aiden winning this fight would be terribly low. They would need a miracle to help.

Evelynn who heard him ask for her help was confused since that wasn't anything like he had just said, like at all.

"S-Sure!" She replied, unsure if she was going to have an input in this fight even if she wanted to.

'This is my fault, after all,' she thought.

She was the one who had made this monster much stronger by destroying those tentacles all around him. At first, there had only been eight or nine, but now... there were too many to count.

The thing is that she hadn't understood right away what was happening which is why she kept cutting them over and over again. That's why the current was so difficult, she was the reason why all this was happening.

However, as she looked at Aiden's face she seemed somewhat reassured as he still hadn't lost his smile at all. He seemed to enjoy the adversity which was something that most wouldn't want to face.

"What do I need to do?" She asked as she slowly stood up, realizing that she would be playing a part in this fight.

She needed to be focused and stop thinking about all those useless thoughts. If she made even the slightest mistake then she would be in some trouble and that wasn't what she wanted at all.

Aiden wasn't going to shout the whole time as he swiftly started advancing toward her. He knew that she was badly hurt, but the truth was that he didn't really need help from her directly.

He needed help from that little monster which was currently hugging one of her legs. Aiden knew that this little guy had some strength hidden... he remembered that smile that he had received when he had when through the portal.

That little creature certainly wasn't normal.

"Stay sit, I need help from your little monster," Aiden said as he pointed directly toward the little thing.

The monster seemed confused, however, such a reaction couldn't trick Aiden anymore. He knew that this monster was currently acting.

"You want his help and not mine?" She asked, somewhat hurt by those words.

She knew that most of her strength came from that beast, but for him to say that he wouldn't be needing her help at all was very rude altogether.

"Yes, you're too hurt to help me," Aiden said without any remorse, but then as he looked at her face a little he realized that she was hurt by what he had just said, and that's why he managed to release another word from his mouth.

It was a word that he didn't say often, in fact, he couldn't remember the last time that he had said it to someone.

"Sorry, nothing against you."

Evelynn nodded as she knew that his reason was actually valid which is why she handed him the little monster that was grabbing onto her leg as if its life depended on it.

He was trying to make Evelynn take pity on it, but that was a strategy that wouldn't work at all.

She didn't care anymore, she knew that there were good chances that she would die here if Aiden couldn't beat that giant octopus.

She was so hurt that she struggled to stand up, so she couldn't imagine what would happen if she had to actually walk.

Still, she dismissed those thoughts as she looked into those piercing red eyes.

"Thanks, I'll make good use of him," he said to Evelynn before looking at the small monster. "You'll be useful, huh?"

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Chapter 331 - 331 - Evelynn's Monster

The monster didn't look like he appreciated what had just happened as he literally tried to jump off and run toward Evelynn who was on the ground.

However, Aiden wouldn't let such a thing happen as he caught it in his hands.

"You won't get away, stupid creature," Aiden said as he looked into the little monster's eyes.

It was clear that the monster was currently acting scared and it was also clear that it didn't want to take part in this fight at all. However, from what [Mind of an Assassin] was currently showing Aiden, that monster would be incredibly useful.

Since that monster had been taken into account, they were getting closer and closer to finding a way to kill the Octopus.

Still, Aiden took his time as he was still dodging the incoming attacks from the Octopus as he had decided to trust his skill [Mind of an Assassin] once again.

He knew that it had failed a lot in recent times, but Aiden knew about its potential and there was no doubt in his mind that it was about to get stronger and stronger over time.

Aiden slowly but surely started releasing some of the pressure that he was putting on Evelynn's monster, wondering what it would try to do. However, this time there was no reaction whatsoever, it stayed completely still which was exactly what Aiden wanted.

Then, Aiden's shadow seemed to have found a way as it wasn't dead this time.

'Alright, time to execute,' Aiden thought, as the shadow started to advance in a certain manner.

Aiden didn't think too much about how he needed to fight as he would only be following that shadow of his, he would be following every single moment coming from it.

He saw the shadow advancing slowly toward the Octopus, he wasn't using [Lightning Steps] or anything like that for that matter. He was slowly running toward it.

Aiden couldn't help but think that this would fail, however, he knew that his skill knew a lot better than him.

Every single time that he had trusted it, he had won. Except when he had fought against Emma... but that wasn't really because of the skill's fault since he was forcefully deactivated because of one of her arrows.

For some reason, the small monster that Aiden had dropped on the ground was following everything that he needed to do.

'Can he see the effect of my skill?' Aiden thought as he knew that this monster was from the Lumithars, so there were indeed chances that it would be the case.

Aiden couldn't think too much about it as he needed to concentrate on the shadow of himself. However, that thought was in his mind.

Tentacles came Aiden's way, but every time that was the case, his shadow would perform the tightest dodge possible, sometimes Aiden could feel the Octopus skin texture on his arms and legs. It really wasn't the nicest feeling all things considered.

Nonetheless, everything that was happening right now was in the scope of what the skill had anticipated which was exactly what he wanted.

"Careful!" Evelynn shouted from far away seeing as how every single attack was so close to hitting Aiden.

It was truly scary from her point of view, it seemed like Aiden would be hit by the tentacle every time, but, he somehow managed to dodge them.

"Don't worry, it'll soon be over," Aiden shouted back as he knew that this was only a question of time.

He didn't know when he would be reaching the head of the monster, but he knew that it was only a question of time with this skill that was currently activated.

Aiden then saw his shadow activate [Lightning Steps], and accelerate without wasting one single second.

Aiden obviously did the same.

The little monster of Evelynn was still running in a random direction, however, it was following everything that the shadow was showing Aiden.

The monster was doing everything right at the moment, even if it seemed extremely useless.

'Let's do this, for real this time,' Aiden thought as he saw that his shadow was taking an impulsion to make a big jump toward the Octopus.

Evelynn's monster was now behind the octopus and had been able to get there without the Octopus even noticing him since from what Aiden had seen the octopus was focused on Aiden and Aiden only.

Aiden was now in the air, and instead of using momentum, the shadow had decided that flying would be a better idea.

However, the shadow was using flight in a completely different way than Aiden had thought of. The shadow was only using the flight ability to make sure that he wouldn't lose height, however, Aiden was still able to keep the momentum without the slightest problem.

'Interesting,' Aiden thought as he tightly grabbed the dagger in his hands while dodging every tentacle that was coming his way.

As he was getting closer and closer to the head of the octopus, Aiden couldn't help but think that this solution was almost the same that he had used at the start of this fight.

So, he wondered what would be different this time.

Sure, there was the flight and how he used it, but there had to be something else.

Why did he need help from that monster if all he needed to do was jump toward the octopus's head, it made no sense whatsoever.

Then, he noticed that the octopus had something around its neck, it seemed to be some sort of protective device.

However, Aiden didn't seem worried about it as he used his weapon's aura which could cut through literally everything that was in his way.

His dagger was slowly getting closer to the monster's neck, and...

SLASH

The head of the octopus fell on the ground. The octopus was dead—well from the looks of it as Aiden didn't receive any message from the system and there was also no use of Evelynn's monster just yet.

But it seemed that it was time to see Evelynn's monster use.

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Chapter 332 - 332 - Particles

Aiden was looking at the octopus that was supposed to be dead on the ground, wondering what would be happening. It was supposed to be dead, so why wasn't he receiving the usual messages from the system?

'Wait... don't tell me,' Aiden thought as he suddenly had a scary thought.

If what he had just thought of was to be realized, they would have even more problems than before.

However, before he could see what would happen next, Aiden observed Evelynn's monster as he knew that he wouldn't be approaching the monster's severed head without a reason in mind.

It had tried so hard to stay away from the fight, there was no way that it would be approaching for the fun of it, there must be something happening in the back of his mind.

Aiden was sure that something was about to go down, however, Evelynn's monster needed to hurry as Aiden noticed some movements coming from the severed head.

It seemed that his earlier thoughts were about to be realized. The head of the octopus was currently in the process of regenerating its body, seeing this happen... Aiden briefly looked to his right where the body was headless, he was wondering what would be happening to it.

'Don't tell me that there's going to be two of them, now?'

It was already hard enough to be fighting against a single one that there was no need to add a second one. If that were to happen then there were good chances that Aiden would lose this fight.

"Fuck, it's like I can cut his head again, it would just regenerate over and over again. Fuck, fuck, fuck, what can I do?" Aiden muttered as he grabbed his hand, wondering if there was a way to kill that monster that seemed pretty much immortal at the moment.

He knew that Evelynn's Monster was taking its sweet time slowly walking toward both of the corpses, so Aiden decided to bring that monster closer a little faster as he dragged it close to both of the bodies.

"Do something, you little bitch!" Aiden said, not caring about the words that he was using.

He knew that the Lumithars's monster was pretty much the only hope that he had at the moment.

The more he thought about a way to kill the octopus, the more he realized that he had no idea what to do. No matter what he would be cutting that fucking monster would be coming back to life over and over again.

It was a never-ending cycle from what Aiden had noticed. He didn't know if that was actually the case, but he simply couldn't take the risk or else there would be too many octopuses to fight against. A single one of them was already enough.

As Aiden was looking at Evelynn's monster, he noticed that it gave him a slight smirk as it approached both bodies and touched them.

Then right as he did that, both the octopus's bodies disappeared into particles just like all monsters that he defeated in other worlds would.

'Did he send that monster to the Lumithars, isn't that completely overpowered?' Aiden thought as he realized that as long as that little monster was here and touched monsters no one would be able to touch them.

He realized that this little monster that was now looking at him with cute eyes, was much more important than he had thought beforehand.

'Let's use that little guy in the future,' Aiden mused as he knew that there would be a lot of opportunities to use him in the future.

BEEP

[You have killed a Regenerative Octopus.]

[You have obtained Experience Points.]

Aiden saw those messages and smiled, it had been a while since he had seen them and it still procured him the exact same feeling as before.

The feeling of gaining strength. He hadn't leveled up this time but he knew that it was only a question of time where he would be able to become stronger and stronger as time passed.

He honestly couldn't wait to go back to Nova as he wanted to see how things had progressed. He knew that his strength was still far away from the ones of Melinda or even Sylas. But he hoped that he would be able to catch up soon.

He knew that he would have to train even harder, but that was only a detail from Aiden's point of view.

'It doesn't matter what I have to do as long as I get stronger.'

That was Aiden's motto, the sentence that he lived by.

"Is it finally over?!" Evelynn shouted which made Aiden come out of his thoughts and look at her.

He revealed a smile when he saw that she was struggling to stand up.

"It is, it is. We killed it."

Not even a second later, he appeared right beside Evelynn giving her some support. Sëarch the website to access chapters of novels early and in the highest quality.

"I don't think it would be a good idea to search for other ingredients in this forest," Aiden said as he realized that the monsters in this forest were much stronger than he had thought.

He now realized why the director of the Magic Academy was living on this mountain.

This forest that he was currently in was probably his training grounds, where he would go and fight against every one of them.

"You're right..." She said, blushing as Aiden's red eyes were still looking at her with the same intensity as earlier.

"Ah, what are you doing?!"

She sounded panicked as she was now in Aiden's arms, who was quite surprised by the reaction from Evelynn.

It wasn't the first time that they were doing this after all, and she still had the same overreaction. It was quite a special feeling.

"You clearly can't walk, so we will fly back toward the academy and we will go tell Anna that we won't be able to gather all those ingredients by ourselves," Aiden said as he knew that there was a much more efficient way of gathering ingredients, buying them.

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- Chapter 333 - 333 - Failure or Success?

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It had been a couple of days since that night, and things were going well from what Anna had told Aiden.

She was making a lot of advancements on the mana-restricting potion. However, none of the tests showed that the potion was perfect.

It reduced the amount of mana that was available to the person using it. But... it never had the effect that was researched.

Nonetheless, it was still very good news for Aiden since it meant that he would soon be able to leave this place and go back to Nova.

Aiden knew that when he came back, the only thing that would be waiting for him would be more and more training... At least, that's what he thought.

He didn't think that the Nightshade Family would be trying to fight another founding family.

He, personally, didn't think that such a thing was possible because if such a thing truly happened then the other families would join and try to take one of the founding families.

It was obvious that none of the Patriarch or Matriarch wanted to lose their position as the strongest. They knew that everyone was gunning for it, but they weren't strong enough, and more importantly, none of the high-level families had the connection to become a founding family.

There was a reason that they were called a founding family.

"This is the last ingredient on the list, right?" Evelynn asked, looking at Aiden who was on her right.

They were currently shopping for the ingredients that Anna had asked for. They were close to being finished. Aiden hoped that tonight would be the right one, or else he would need to wait for another complete day, and he was starting to get tired of it.

"Yeah, that's right. Let's see if that shop is open," Aiden said as he pointed toward one of the shops that was closest to them.

It was still around two in the morning, so Aiden knew that there weren't many shops that were open at such a time. However, there were still some that opened and they were now regulars in those shops.

'I have to admit that we were lucky that Anna decided to fund us for the potion,' Aiden thought as he knew that if that wasn't a possibility, they would have been obligated to go into that fucking forest and search the ingredients.

Such a process would have taken way longer than a week, they would have been stuck in that mountain for ours without finding any time. Both Evelynn and Aiden didn't know much about the ingredients that Anna was suggesting.

Seeing that the light of the shop was open, Aiden and Evelynn pushed the doors wide open and started looking everywhere around them trying to find that ingredient.

"Oh, it's right there!" Aiden exclaimed.

A few moments later, they were back to Anna's lab with a multitude of ingredients.

"You're finally here!" She exclaimed seeing the two casually enter her laboratory.

She had been patiently waiting here after preparing everything, she almost couldn't contain herself because of the excitement that she was currently feeling.

"Are you two excited to witness history with your very own eyes!" She continued, hyping both of them up.

"Well, let's hope that we can see it, tonight," Aiden replied as he had heard that exact sentence at least five times in the past three days.

Each night that he was coming he was supposed to witness history, but every single time... the potion wasn't a success.

"Don't worry, I'm telling you... tonight is the night!" She said excitedly.

Seeing how crazy she was acting, Aiden remembered the first scientist that he had met in his second trial. If Aiden remembered correctly his name was Alex and he was the one who had created the potions that could give Aiden stat points.

It was also because of his potion that he discovered that he had a hidden potential related to his body. A potential that would be possible for Aiden to ascend isn't a possibility for any of the founding families' heads.

That was something that Aiden was proud of. He was proud that he had an advantage over the heads of all the founding families for some reason it held great meaning for Aiden.

"Alright, hand me those what are you waiting for!" Anna said as she took the ingredients from both Evelynn and Aiden's hands.

She went back toward her cauldron as she dropped everything without the slightest caution. It seemed that she truly believed that she had found a way to make this potion work.

BOOM

A small explosion came out of the cauldron, which surprised Aiden and Evelynn greatly.

However, looking at the smile that had appeared on Anna's face, it looked like it was all part of her plan.

That's why Aiden didn't immediately give up as he got closer to the cauldron slowly. He didn't want to get caught in yet another explosion, however, he wanted to see what was happening inside that cauldron.

He wanted to try and feel the mana, just like he had done when creating his first potion.

'Well, I didn't really feel it. It was sort of cheating, but whatever... it's not like it matters,' Aiden mused.

As he got closer, he was able to see the content of the massive cauldron and he tried spotting that thin line. However, no matter how much time he spent looking at it, he noticed that there was nothing that meant one of two things.

Either his skill wasn't high-leveled enough or the potion was a fail yet again.

Aiden prayed that it would be the first option as he looked at the confidence that was in Anna's eyes.

She kept swirling and mixing the potion in a variety of motions, there was never a single hesitation when she did so.

To be honest, it was mesmerizing to look at her craft potions. However, Aiden had learned to stop looking at her movements a long time ago, he now only cared about the result... the process didn't matter at all.

A few moments later, she completely stopped mixing the potion as she looked Aiden right in the eyes.

"Come look..."

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Chapter 334 - 334 - Time

Aiden hearing the tone of her voice wasn't sure anymore if the potion had succeeded.

He slowly approached and moved his head right over the cauldron, wondering what was happening for her to make such a face.

Her face seemed to be a mix of confidence and anxiousness. However, Aiden wasn't able to determine which of them was more dominant.

He moved his head over and Aiden was somewhat confused as he couldn't determine anything from what he was currently seeing. Aiden had no knowledge of potions, well he had a little but he wasn't able to understand if the effect of the potion was in this mix.

"What? Did it work?" Aiden said as he kept staring at the mixture.

This time, Anna showed a big smile on her face which gave a lot of confidence to Aiden. It seemed that it was going in the right direction.

There were good chances that it was a good one, he would finally be able to assassinate the director and leave this place. He had missed out on some things like teleportation and other spells which could have been extremely useful, however, that didn't matter since he could come back to this world at any time.

"There's only one way to find out," she uttered, her tone containing a lot of confidence.

Aiden had noticed that she seemed very happy with the results, however, he didn't get his hopes up since the exact same scene had happened yesterday and the day before that.

"Then, what are we waiting for?" Aiden asked, wondering if it would be the one.

Hearing Aiden say that, she took a small vial and filled it to the brim with the mixture that was inside the cauldron.

It was bright blue, the exact color of mana which confused Aiden somewhat since the previous potions had been a dark color, so he knew that there was something that had clearly changed in the recipe.

Aiden wasn't sure what it was since he hadn't really paid attention to the ingredients, he wasn't the expert in that field, after all.

He would only bother buying the ingredients, he wasn't the one making the potion. He only cared about its effect, as long as it worked, Aiden would be a happy man.

"Here, drink it," she said handing it to Evelynn who was surprised to be asked to do something.

Usually, it was Aiden who was testing the content, but it seemed that she was asking Evelynn for some reason.

"Me?" Evelynn said pointing at herself, confused as to why she was asked to do something now.

"Yeah, don't worry, there's no reason just try it," Anna said with a smile on her face.

'Well, there is a small risk that's why I'm giving it to you,' Anna thought, laughing in her mind.

That potion that she had just made had a little chance of completely removing the access of someone's mana... forever.

It wouldn't be temporary, it would be for someone's whole life. So, Anna decided to sacrifice the less talented one between the two of them. There was also a chance that it would only be temporary.

"Thanks," Evelynn said as she grabbed the vial, still doubting the reasons why she was the one trying the potion.

Aiden was also finding it weird, however, he didn't comment on it as he had some trust in Anna in that department. He knew that there must be a reason why she was doing such a thing right now.

Evelynn observed the potion for a few seconds before drinking it. She knew that she didn't have any other choice. If she refused to drink, they might have agreed for someone else to drink it. However, she knew that Aiden had taken the risk over and over again, so it made sense for her to be trying out the potion.

Both Aiden and Evelynn knew that there were a lot of risks involved in trying potions that way since even Anna had warned them about the dangers. But, Anna had also said that it would take much longer to find the recipe for the potion if they needed people to test it every day.

Without further ado, she started drinking the potion, and the vial was now completely empty without the slightest amount of blue liquid inside it.

Aiden and Anna were looking at her with eyes filled with hope, wondering if the potion worked.

"So?" Anna said with a lot of impatience.

She needed to know if it had worked. Had she really managed to create a potion in under a week?

Had she done something impossible?

'Did I really do it?' Anna thought.

She knew that she had told Aiden that she would be able to do it, however, that was simply a bluff there were a lot of chances that she wouldn't have been able to do it at all. However, there were many things that had helped her.

First off, both Aiden and Evelynn going to gather all the ingredients that she needed was a big help. There was also the fact that Aiden and Evelynn were open to testing the potions which made this whole process much faster.

"I can't feel anything..." Evelynn said slowly, pronouncing each and every single word.

"We did it! No, I did it!" Anna shouted out of pure joy.

She had done it, she had done the impossible... she had created a new potion from the ground up.

'Now, the only problem is knowing the duration of that potion,' Anna thought as she knew that there were chances that its effects would stay forever.

"Start the chronometer," Anna shouted at Aiden who pressed on the little device in his hands.

Seconds started to go up and Evelynn was starting to get stressed. Just how long would she be without access to any mana?

She wasn't like Aiden, she wasn't able to fight close-range... she needed her mana. Her life literally depended on it.

It had been ten minutes and there were still no changes.

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Chapter 335 - 335 - I'm Aiden

"Do you feel anything yet?" Anna asked, knowing that it was still the same answer as earlier.

There was no doubt in her mind, that Evelynn had lost access to her mana forever. Maybe that was something that she would be able to work on later, a way to control the duration. The more she thought about it, the more she thought about it. But, that was only details... she had done it, her potion was usable and Aiden would be able to use it the way he wanted.

Anna had no idea what he wanted to do with it, but she didn't care nor would she ask questions. That potion had given her so many ideas for future projects. In fact, she sort of felt indebted for the ideas that she had given him.

That was also one of the reasons why she hadn't given him the potion because she knew the risks that were involved with that version.

"I don't... I don't feel anything, help me," Evelynn said as she started to cry in front of both Aiden and Anna.

It had been one hour since she had drank the potion and there were still no changes, there was no way for her to use her mana. It was a weird feeling but that was life, it seemed that she would be ending her life unable to cast the slightest spell.

"Aiden, do something. Fix this and I'll forget about the deal that we made beforehand, but please... just fix this," Evelynn muttered with some difficulty as even more tears started to come out of her eyes.

She seemed completely desperate, this was her whole life. There needed to be something that she would be able to do.

However, Aiden couldn't care less about what was happening to Evelynn, her job was done and Aiden would now be able to go and kill the director without the slightest problem.

The fact that there was no time limit attached to the potion was even better all things considered.

It would give Aiden more time and more opportunities if his first try were to fail. Even if that would be something quite surprising since there was no way that Aiden would be losing close range against a mage that had practiced holding a dagger for a few days.

There was no way that such a thing would be happening and if it did... Aiden would be depressed.

"How do you want me to fix this, just wait a little more and the effects will disappear, right?" Aiden said trying to comfort her.

While saying that, he gave a look toward Evelynn, wanting her to comfort her and confirm what he was saying that way Evelynn would stop panicking.

Aiden knew that it was a valid reason to be stressed, however, he didn't want to deal with this right now. He appreciated the fact that she was the one who had taken the potion and he would try to do something to pay her back in the future.

However, when Aiden looked into Anna's eyes, he noticed that there was something completely different in the look that he was receiving.

"Did I hear that correctly?" She said, wondering what Aiden would be saying, however, the only thing that she received was confusion.

"Hear what correctly?" Aiden asked.

"The name that she uttered, wasn't it Aiden... wasn't your name Gerald?" Anna asked as she knew the identity of a person named Aiden.

Aiden tried acting like he didn't know what she was talking about, however, his attempts didn't seem to be working well at all.

"Um, she just made a mistake... there's no need to worry about it."

Anna frowned and got a little closer to Aiden's face who was currently changed, "Are you the director's disciple?"

However, the more Anna spent time looking at Aiden's face, the more she realized that he looked nothing like the disciple of the director.

But, she remembered that David had told her that she might get a visit from her disciple soon, however, that meeting had never appeared.

Evelynn who was on the ground hearing this, didn't care one bit. In fact, she was wondering why Aiden had become the focus of the conversation... she was the one who needed help at the moment. So, why were they ignoring her?

"Who cares about him? Look at me!" Evelynn shouted with a lot of frustration. "Yes, his name is Aiden and he's trying to trick you into thinking that he is someone completely different."

"Is that true?" Anna asked as she realized that what she was hearing made a little bit of sense.

There were a lot of things that suddenly made sense. First of all, there was the fact that Aiden was only available at night, there was also the fact that the director had told her that she would be meeting her disciple soon.

A lot of things suddenly started clicking in her mind. The person in front of her was in fact the disciple of David, and he came to see her under a new identity. However, she had no idea why he would be doing such a thing.

'Probably a request from the director, trying to take over a new identity for some reason,' Anna thought, not thinking too much about it.

'Should I tell her the truth?' Aiden thought, unsure if this was the good decision in that scenario.

However, the more he thought about it, the more he realized that maybe it wasn't that bad of an idea. Even if she were to tell the director, he wouldn't have any problem since it would be able to tell him that he was trying to create a potion that would be helping his training.

In fact, if the director knew about it, it would become a positive thing as he might feel even more indebted toward Aiden.

"Uh..." Aiden muttered, acting like he wasn't sure if he could tell her. "Yeah, I am... I'm the director's disciple, Aiden Nightshade."

As he said that, his black hair and the color of his eyes changed to the usual white and red.

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Chapter 336 - 336 - Preparations

"You are?" She asked, her tone containing a clear hint of surprise.

During this whole creation process, she had never once thought that the person in front of him was the disciple of the director. There was no reason to, after all.

She was only helping someone, so why would he try to hide his identity?

That's why Anna had never focused on his appearance or his identity within the academy. He had given her a great idea, so Anna had decided to help him to the utmost of her abilities.

She was truly grateful for the new path that Aiden had created for her, and she hoped that this potion would be able to help Aiden in whatever task he needed it for.

'Still, I do wonder if it's for the director or not,' Anna thought as she couldn't see any use for this potion.

Maybe it could be used to train your body since Mana does make your body a lot stronger in a lot of aspects. However, there was simply no way for her to make sure of it.

"But, why did you come here under another identity?" Anna asked.

"Ah! Uh... that's because... the director asked me," Aiden said as he seemed to be scrambling his mind to find a plausible reason.

Anna wasn't dumb and noticed that there was something that wasn't usual about Aiden. However, she didn't comment on it, she knew that he was the disciple of the director... so the reason why he asked for such a potion was probably a good one, there was no doubt in her mind about that.

But, even then there was honestly no reason that was coming to her mind about hiding his identity.

"Uh, alright I guess, no need to act so panicked. It was only a simple question," she answered.

Then, a high-pitched voice distracted them from the current topic as Evelynn was still watching both of them talking about everything and nothing at the same time.

"Fucking fix what's happening stop talking about that stupid subject. I want my mana back!" Evelynn shouted as time was running and running and there were still no changes, so of course she was extremely panicked about this whole thing.

This time, Anna took a good look at her as if analyzing everything about her, trying to find a solution. From the very beginning, she didn't really care about what would be happening to her, but she still decided that she would help her since it was kind of cruel to be fair.

"Sure, I'll help you," Anna said out of nowhere after a few seconds of watching her. Then, she took out something from one of her pockets that looked like the same potion that she had just drank.

This color was somewhat traumatizing for her since she didn't know if her state would be even worse by drinking this.

"Is that the same potion as earlier, the mana-restricting one?" Evelynn asked, scared, as she was getting a little closer.

"No, just drink it. You'll see what will happen," Anna said with extreme confidence.

For some reason, it seemed that she had found a way for her to get her mana back.

Aiden had to admit that he truly didn't care as he interrupted the discussion, "Can I have a vial of that potion?"

Evelynn was furious when she heard him say that as she had almost lost all of her hard work because of that stupid plan of his. He was lucky that Anna had found a way or else she might have done something that she would have regretted in the future.

Glup

Glup

Still, she didn't say a single word as she started drinking the entire potion extremely fast. Not even a second later and the vial was empty.

Anna decided to ignore Aiden for the moment as she wanted to see the effects of the potion that she had just given.

Her solution was only a guess, there were two options... The first one was that Evelynn got her mana back and the other was that there was no effect and no change at all.

Anna had decided to use her for her test since she had already drunk the potion. However, she wouldn't be telling that to Evelynn as she didn't want to scare her away. She would become her lab rat, so Anna needed to make sure that nothing happened to her.

"So, what happened? Feeling any different?" Anna asked as she looked to her right, seeing that Aiden was grabbing one of her vials and getting the potion.

"Are you that impatient? Can't you wait a little, we need to do more tests," Anna said as she had no idea as to who he would be making drink the potion.

She truly hoped that it wasn't the director since that would mean that he would be losing all of her mana. It would be catastrophic for the whole Magic Academy Ecosystem.

Aiden gave her a side glance, which clearly showed that he couldn't give a shit about what she would be saying next.

This potion was his way to getting out of there alive, the fact that Evelynn was having problems wasn't related to him at all. He wanted to leave this fucking world and go back to Nova where he would be able to try many things.

He didn't know in what state the Emberbane Family was currently since he had left while nothing special was happening.

However, there was a chance that the Nightshade family had tried some things since she had clearly disrespected them by taking in Aiden.

The Nightshades didn't know yet the true identity of Aiden, but it was only a question of time... who knew what would be reaction of Sylas when they would find out about the true identity of the Reaper?

"No, actually, I'll leave right now. I need to prepare some things for this morning, or rather, early in the night."

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Chapter 337 - 337 - Crazy?

Aiden was now flying toward the wooden cabin, completely forgetting about what could happen to Evelynn. He knew that Anna would be able to fix it and he honestly didn't want to spend days on the potion since it worked right now.

He would try to go back to Anna's laboratory when he finished all of his preparations as he wanted to know if she was going to be okay.

'Well, I did make a deal with her. I'll try to fulfill it before leaving,' Aiden thought as he knew that it was kind of a dick move to disappear without saying anything to her.

He had decided that he would try to give her something before leaving.

In fact, he had a little idea of what he would be giving her, he wanted to test something with her. However, that was for another time as he had arrived just in front of the wooden cabin where the director was peacefully sleeping.

'Let's plan this out in my head for tomorrow,' Aiden thought as he started moving some things around.

While doing so, he went over what he would doing tomorrow, from the words that he would be using to his every movement.

He wanted to make sure that everything would be perfect.

It was a few hours later, and Aiden had made sure that everything would be ready for tomorrow. However, he realized that he had forgotten one thing... he needed two vials, one for Garestsa and one for David.

However, Aiden had obviously decided that he wouldn't be giving one to Garestsa as he wasn't that cruel, he would just start by giving one to David.

But, he needed to make sure that he had one for the two of them or else it would be quite weird.

'I wonder what happened in the meantime,' Aiden pondered as there were two options over what had happened in the lab.

One of them was that everything about Evelynn's problem was fixed, but that wasn't very plausible. The other one was that Evelynn would be panicking and shouting for everything.

As Aiden was getting closer, he heard two high-pitched voices talking to one another.

"You knew! You knew that such a thing would happen, and you still give me that potion to me. What the fuck is your problem?!"

Aiden easily knew that this voice was the one of Evelynn. However, he wasn't sure that he had understood what she had just said.

Did Anna know that the effect of the potion would be like that?

But how was such a thing even possible?

"Just fucking stay there and wait, I'll make you drink another potion!" Anna shouted with a devious voice.

Aiden wasn't even seeing the two of them and it was clear that Anna was currently abusing Evelynn into drinking multiple potions.

'Fuck, I need to intervene,' Aiden thought as he knew that this was all his fault.

He shouldn't have left without making sure that Evelynn would be able to leave this place. Aiden had noticed in the past days that Anna was somewhat special when it came to Alchemy.

Aiden immediately started accelerating as there were multiple lightning sparks coming off from his shoes which indicated that he had activated one of his favorite skills.

While doing so, he was wondering what was happening inside the laboratory.

As he was about to enter he heard one last thing.

"You're quite unlucky... if Aiden had stayed a little longer you might have been able to get away from here. However, not that is simply impossible since you don't even have mana to defend yourself."

Aiden frowned at all those things as he quickly opened the door to the only room that was lightened up in the surroundings.

It was currently 3 in the morning and Aiden knew that there were good chances that the director would be waking up in either 30 minutes or an hour. So, he needed to leave this place soon.

As he entered he was shocked by what he was seeing, Evelynn was currently tied up to a wall as she didn't have any clothes on her anymore, except some that covered her chest and lower half.

However, apart from that, she was fully nude.

'Is she torturing her?' Aiden thought as this was the only thought that came up in his mind.

He honestly couldn't imagine how something like that happened while he was gone. Wasn't Anna supposed to be a teacher?

Why was she tying up a student against a wall?

Just what was happening here?

"What are you doing to her!" Aiden shouted as he noticed that Anna was currently making her drink a potion that was completely dark. It was the same one as earlier.

There were also a couple of other empty vials on her desk that were right behind her.

It seemed that this wasn't the first potion that she had forcefully given to Evelynn.

'Fuck, why did I leave...' Aiden thought as he had never imagined that something like this would be happening.

She knew that Anna could be weird when it came to Alchemy, but never in a million years as he expected such a thing to happen.

Anna who heard him shout turned her head toward him, "Oh you're here, come give her that potion too!"

She said that with a big smile while giggling.

'Is she losing her mind? What happened?' Aiden thought as he had only been gone for a maximum of one hour, so what happened during his absence?

"Help me, Aiden! She's crazy... s-she's giving me one potion after another."

Aiden started looking left and right and this was simply a crazy situation. Evelynn's pet or rather monster was also nowhere to be seen which was another thing that was quite weird.

However, Aiden didn't have time to think any longer as he dashed toward Anna grabbing both of her wrists instantly, completely immobilizing her.

"What's happening to you? What are you trying to do?"

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Chapter 338 - 338 - Realizing

"Let go of me!" She shouted with her eyes wide-opened. For some reason, she seemed to be crazy at the moment, not understanding what her actions were. "Don't you understand? This is the perfect opportunity for me."

She flashed a huge smile. Aiden had to admit that she was speaking with an extremely cruel voice, it was scary all things considered.

Aiden held her wrists even tighter as she looked at her, judging her. "What perfect opportunity are you even talking about? Don't you get it, you're torturing her... Hell, just look at her!"

Aiden glanced at Evelynn while saying that and she was still in the same position as earlier, tied up to the wall—half-naked.

He made to only get a peek at her since he didn't want to be called a pervert or anything related to that. He knew that there wasn't a lot of chance of such a thing happening, however, he didn't want to take any risk.

He didn't want to make anyone uncomfortable, his goal was simple: helping Evelynn to the best of his ability.

Anna turned her head. "What's the problem, she looks fine to me."

It seemed that she didn't understand the gravity of the situation at all, not even noticing the slightest problem.

'Just what happened for her to undergo such a huge change in her personality?' Aiden pondered. 'Did she drink a potion?'

"Just fucking open your eyes!" Aiden shouted as he didn't know what to do. He didn't know how to make her come back to her normal behavior.

He had tried hurting her somewhat by grabbing her wrists tightly, however, it hadn't worked at all.

'Should I injure her?' Aiden thought as he honestly couldn't think of anything else at the moment.

He wasn't sure of what he would do if such a thing didn't work.

Aiden decided that he would injure her this time as he released one of her wrists grabbing the dagger that was currently around his waist.

He made a small cut to one of her arms, thinking that she might have a reaction from it. But, unfortunately, there was no change as she didn't even notice that she had gotten hurt.

It was quite weird all things considered that she didn't feel her skin being cut. Aiden was also sure that she had cut her since there was blood currently leaving her injury.

'Fuck, hurting her won't work. Then what can I do next?' Aiden pondered.

He thought and thought, but there were no ideas coming to his mind. He didn't know how to deal with a crazy person, especially seeing how mentally affected she was at the moment.

"Fuck! What can I do?" Aiden shouted as he remembered that he wasn't alone in this room. "Evelynn, help me for fuck sake she's gone crazy."

Evelynn who had been silent for a while seemed to remember that she was alive as her eyes opened wide, realizing the situation that she was in once again. It was like she had forgotten about it because of the potion that she had forcefully drunk.

"I don't know, she became like this ever since you left. I have no idea what happened, it's like a demon took over her. Maybe it's her emotions, I don't know," Evelynn answered, panicked out of her mind.

She had no idea what had happened, but she was still trying her absolute best to give Aiden some ideas on how to fix this whole thing.

'Emotions?' Aiden thought as if giving him a small idea. 'Maybe I could use that skill? Would that work?'

There was no way for Aiden to make sure that such a thing would work. However, he still decided to try it as he was currently in contact with the person that he would be using it which facilitated the skill use.

[Gentle Touch has been activated.]

A small message appeared in front of Aiden as he could feel some energy currently going into the body that was right in front of him.

Aiden still had no idea how this skill worked, however, he knew one thing... Every single time that he had used it, the person had calmed down instantly, so if any of his skills could be useful right now. It had to be this one.

"What's happening to me!" Anna reacted instantly as she could feel that something was happening with her body.

She felt like there was someone who trying to control her, or rather, limit her emotions to the strict minimum.

It was quite a weird scene for Aiden as her reaction seemed to be quite strong, slowly losing strength in her arms and legs.

The only reason that she was still standing was because Aiden was holding her by her wrists.

"Are you okay?" Aiden asked with a worried tone.

Such a thing had never happened when using that skill, most of the time, the person would just realize that all of her emotions were leaving her body.

Sometimes people would be thankful to Aiden or furious there was no in-between. In fact, Aiden could still remember the time that Emma had liked it a lot.

She had liked it so much that there had been some "actions" happening between her and him, he had to admit that he had quite liked it even if nothing had happened regarding their relationship ever since.

As he was about to continue thinking about her, a feeble voice made him realize that there was still quite a weird ongoing situation.

"I-I am," Anna said as she slowly opened her eyes once again. "What just happened here?"

She asked that as if she had no memories of everything that had just transpired.

"Why are you tied up? Who did this to you?"

Aiden looked at her carefully as he wanted to make sure that Anna wasn't putting an act. However, as much as he wanted to figure it out, it was impossible.

"It was you. You did this to me," Evelynn replied, containing all of her anger.

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Chapter 339 - 339 - Hiding Things

"I-It was me?" Anna said as she slowly started walking away from the tied-up Evelynn.

For some reason, she seemed to be undergoing shock, unsure of how such a thing was even possible in the first place.

"Of course, it was you! Don't you remember fucking making me drink all those potions!" Evelynn furiously replied.

She was having some probably containing all of her emotions inside herself as she was on the cusp of exploding, and for good reasons.

She had just been tortured and possibly scarred for life, who knows what was inside all of those potions. She had probably gotten few other problems from it. Those potions were also all black which didn't give any confidence to Evelynn that they were good potions with positive effects.

Still, there was no way for her to find out, so she kept her mouth shut.

"I made you drink potions? When... How?" She mumbled as she started to walk back even more.

"D-Don't tell me that again?" Anna whispered in a quiet tone.

No one had been able to hear her, however, they could see that she was in shock.

"Who made me normal again?" She asked as she looked at both Aiden and Evelynn wondering who had managed to bring her back to her normal self.

Evelynn was still tied up on the wall as she pointed toward Aiden with one of her hands, only moving her fingers.

Anna immediately locked eyes with Aiden. She seemed incredibly interested in him, even more than before.

"Uh... yeah it was me, is there a problem?" Aiden asked, slowly moving away from her. This whole thing was getting scarier by the minute.

"How!" She shouted instantly. "How did you make me go back, how did you make him disappear?"

Aiden frowned as he couldn't understand a single word that was coming out of her mouth at the moment.

"What are you talking about, who's 'him'?"

Anna put her hand on her mouth as she couldn't believe that she had really said that.

It seemed that something quite important had slipped out of her mouth and Aiden wouldn't let it go no matter what.

He wanted to know about it.

"Just forget about what I said," She muttered a few seconds later after gathering her calm. "The important is that I'm alive, who cares about anything else, ahaha."

Her laugh was extremely forced as if wanting to change the subject, however, Aiden wasn't duped by it.

Aiden immediately noticed that she was acting extremely weird and this time, he wouldn't let it go. He had ignored a lot of things ever since he had arrived in this world, but he wanted to know, he was quite curious at the moment.

"What person were you talking about, who's 'him'?" Aiden repeated, making it obvious that changing the subject wouldn't work.

However, before he could even hear the answer coming from her mouth, there was still someone who was tied up to a wall.

"I also want to know, but can't someone just detach me?" Evelynn asked with a polite tone.

She wasn't that impatient as she knew that the whole situation was now back to normal.

However, when she saw that it was Anna who was about to detach her, she felt deep fear install in her heart.

It seemed that the events that had just occurred had shocked her deeply, right to her core.

"N-Not you, don't even get close to me. Aiden, I want Aiden to do it," she muttered as it was clear that there was a lot of fear in her eyes.

Aiden had noticed and immediately went toward her, detaching her and picking her up in his arms not wanting Evelynn to get hurt by falling on the ground.

A little blush appeared on Evelynn's face, but it soon disappeared as Aiden let her go. She wasn't hurt to the point that she couldn't walk anymore, so there was no point for Aiden to keep her in his arms even if she had wished to.

Anna watched this whole scene from a small distance, understanding that what she had done hadn't been quite appreciated by Evelynn.

"I-I'm sorry, I didn't mean to. It wasn't me who did this, I can promise you... I would have never done this," Anna said, clearly feeling bad about the actions that she had just executed.

Still, her answers were quite weird as she made it extremely clear that it wasn't her fault, or rather, that it wasn't her who had done any of those things.

"Then who was it?!" Evelynn shouted. "Stupid bitch, you think this is going to change anything."

Evelynn's reaction was normal since she could have died if such a thing continued. Imagine what would have happened if she had been fed those potions for a complete week.

There were good chances that she would have died.

"I can't tell you who it is," Anna said, seemingly not wanting to reveal who was the person that she had called 'him'.

"Why can't you tell us? I'm sure we will be able to help you if something like this happens again."

Anna shook her head as she couldn't even bother talking about that right now, she had something else on her mind.

"Tell me how you fixed what happened, I need to know," she said grabbing one of Aiden's hands.

Aiden looked at her grabbing his hand and suddenly got an idea. He had noticed how desperate she was, so why wouldn't she just exploit that as much as he could?

"Sure, I'll tell you, but you need to explain to me... no to us, what just happened."

Anna backed off instantly hearing that condition.

"You really don't want to tell us, huh? Well whatever it's your choice, you'll never what happened for you to get yourself under control once again," Aiden said as he turned around grabbing Evelynn's arm. "Come, we don't to be here anymore."

This was obviously a bluff as Aiden still needed another vial of the mana-restricting potion. However, he still wanted to see the reaction that would be coming from Anna.

"W-Wait! I... I'll tell you guys, so please don't leave just yet."

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Chapter 340 - 340 - Gentle Touch

Aiden flashed a big smile. 'Too easy.'

He knew that she would be the one asking them. He had noticed how desperate she had been wanting an answer from him.

Aiden slowly turned around, hiding his smile while doing so. Evelynn, however, still had the same expression as earlier, she was extremely frustrated about everything that was currently happening.

She was even wondering why Aiden wanted to know what was happening to her, couldn't they just leave and never comeback?

They had achieved his goal which was to create that mana-restricting potion, so why was he trying to learn things about Anna, a person that was clearly having some mental problems.

"Can't we leave?" Evelynn whispered to Aiden's ear as she was still scared of the person in front of her.

It seemed that what she had endured had been quite rough on her, and Aiden couldn't even begin to understand what had happened in the hour that he had been gone.

Aiden glanced at Evelynn who was currently pulling on his clothes for him to leave this place, however, he didn't want to listen to her. He wanted to know what had just happened, who the hell was the 'he'.

Aiden didn't respond to Evelynn as he made sure that she would feel more protected by pulling her closer to him, right under his arm.

Evelynn blushed instantly, but she didn't say anything as she really liked what she was feeling right now.

"So, what was it that you wanted to tell us?" Aiden asked out loud, not noticing the redness of Evelynn's face.

He was so concentrated on the answers he wanted, that he didn't notice anything happening around him.

"Uh..." Anna said as she started looking down, playing with her fingers.

For some reason, it seemed to be one hell of a problem that she was having as she was still hesitating.

Aiden noticed this behavior and was starting to get annoyed. "Look, if you don't want to tell us we can just leave, we aren't the ones who need those answers."

Aiden knew that he was the one currently driving the conversation and he made sure that she knew about it by putting as much pressure as possible on her.

"No! Don't leave! I'll tell you!" Anna shouted as loudly as possible. It seemed that she was starting to get stressed as time passed.

"Look, I'll tell you, I just need some time," Anna muttered.

Aiden rolled his eyes in annoyance.

"Just tell me right now or I will never tell you about what happened between us."

Gulp

There was a big gulp coming from Anna's mouth, that was heard by everyone in the room.

She was getting ready to answer as she tightly closed both her fists.

Aiden waited patiently this time as he made sure to give Evelynn some glances, making sure that she was alright. But, surprisingly, she seemed to be smiling at him every time that he looked down which was a weird reaction, however, Aiden didn't bother with it.

He was happy as long as she was happy, he didn't care about the reason as to why she was acting this way.

Aiden had also noticed the blush on her face, but it was so faint that he thought it was something else.

"Alright, I'm ready," Anna announced as she made sure to look into Aiden's eyes. "Uh... where can I start? Basically, that person wasn't me, it was someone else."

'Well, I already knew that,' Aiden thought, unhappy with the current response.

However, he decided to stay quiet, not saying another word.

"Actually, the thing is... I have no way who that person is or what that thing is. All I know is that once in a while I become a different person, attacking every single thing that's in front of me."

"I don't know why but it feels like I can do everything to everyone and nothing will happen to me. Usually, when I run rampant it's the director that comes to wake me up or make me go back to normal. That's why I was so interested in you since you managed to bring me back without using his spell, so tell me... how did you do it?"

Aiden listened to every single word and he couldn't help but be extremely frustrated over the matter.

"That's it? You don't know what is taking over you?" Aiden asked as he that was exactly what he wanted to know.

He was expecting something big like a Demon King or something that would sound completely impossible, however, she was just as much in the dark as Aiden.

'But why was it that she wanted to hide this information? It doesn't seem bad at all,' Aiden pondered, not understanding why she would be hiding those things.

There was literally nothing weird or extremely bad in what she had said. In fact, it was sort of what Aiden had guessed.

'Well, I guess she did tell me, so I'll tell her.'

Aiden knew that he couldn't straight up tell her that it was a skill from another world. He would just make sure to change the truth enough that she wouldn't be able to figure it out.

"Your turn," she said, gathering her emotions once again. It seemed that this revelation had taken a huge toll on her for some reason.

"Well, what I used isn't magic at all. It's just a technique from where I come from, it makes me able to remove all the emotions that someone is feeling."

Anna seemed interested as she put her hand on her chin. "Removing emotions? That's possible?"

For some reason, she didn't seem to believe him.

"Can you do it on her?" Anna said as she pointed toward Evelynn who was clearly having a lot of emotions jumbled up.

"Uh... sure I guess," Aiden said as he put his hand on top of Evelynn's head, activating [Gentle Touch] while doing that.

As soon as he did that, all redness from her face disappeared, but that wasn't the end of it as even her smile disappeared from her face.

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