

The World 101

Chapter 101: Conquest of Oasis City

“Did you get anything out of the interrogation?”

Karu shook his head. “No, I have just started, and you’re already back.”

Richard turned his head to look at the three men tied up tightly. There was fear in their eyes.

“I’ll ask, and you’ll answer.”

His indifferent tone and the pressure from the dark gargoyles stationed in the corner.

Immediately, the psychological defenses of the three men, who were already weak in willpower, collapsed.

“Ask us, and we’ll tell you whatever you want to know...”

“Who sent you?”

“Xina Krina, the ruler of Oasis City. She’s a member of the Krina tribe...”

“The Krina tribe? Is that the tribe that would personally kill their husband after marrying a man and exchange the soul of the person they loved the most for power?”

Karu was a little surprised.

“They are known as the roses of death in the desert...”

“That’s right. It’s them...”

‘Was there such a tribe?’ Richard felt that he had learned a lot.

“Are the Krina people exceedingly powerful?”

Karu said softly, “They are very few, but their strength is adamant. Legend has it that Krina people sacrificed their beloved to obtain power.”

“That’s why every member of the Krina tribe is a hero unit.”

Richard had an idea and turned to look at the captives.

“What’s the purpose of her sending you here?”

“To find out the truth about Twilight City. It’s best if you encourage the residents to join Oasis City.”

“Are you so confident that you can complete the mission?”

The few of them were a little embarrassed.

“We talked to the search and rescue soldier you sent out more than ten days ago. From the side, we surmised that Twilight City’s strength was not strong... So...”

Richard understood Twilight City indeed did not have many troops at that time.

According to logic, Twilight City couldn’t become as strong as it was now even after two months of development.

Just the Rare 3-stars and a few waves of troop lairs, Richard had three of them in his hands. This was an absolute killer weapon in the early stages.

“What does Oasis City rely on to feed so many people? What is your source of food? Is there a god-given item?”

Richard stared at the three of them intently.

The captives panicked and quickly asked.

“Lord, we don’t know either. We only know Lord Xina provided food... But...”

The captive who spoke gritted his teeth. “But there is a restricted area in the oasis depths. Outsiders are not allowed to enter. They said that there was an underground passage inside. The food is taken out from underground.”

‘Underground passage?’

Richard’s eyelids twitched.

There was something hidden.

He thought of the underground space filled with the undead.

‘Could there be something similar in this oasis?’ It was just that the food produced here was food.

Food and water were the most scarce and essential resources in the desert. So Richard was sensitive to this.

The Oasis City had an endless supply of food, so they had the confidence to build a city and expand their territory...

Karu's eyes sparkled as he spoke.

"Lord, if we can capture that oasis, not only can we obtain the population that Twilight City desperately needs, but we can also obtain the secret that can produce food... it will mean a lot to Twilight City."

This was the second time that he had suggested capturing an oasis.

Richard nodded and had an idea in his mind.

He didn't reply immediately and continued the interrogation.

"What is the strength of the troop of Oasis City?"

"There is a squadron of rare troops — the owana guards. Lord Xena recruited them."

"Recruited from where? How many lairs are there in Oasis City?"

"There are two in total, all in the restricted area."

"How many heroes are there?"

“I only know Lord Xena.”

On paper, Oasis City’s strength was not weak, but Twilight City, which had greatly increased in strength, could take it.

“How many people are there in Oasis City Now?”

“More than 600 people. Currently, they are still gathering refugees from the surrounding areas...”

Six hundred people?

Richard’s heart was moved.

These were all white-flower laborers, resources that Twilight City desperately lacked.

Residents could fill the shortage of territory upgrades.

Upgrading to a level 2 small city required 500 people. If they continued to upgrade, they would surely need more.

These people were timely.

Moreover, the unbuilt brewery and the already built food workshop needed talents.

Six hundred people. All of them couldn't be trash, right? There would always be a few people that Twilight City urgently needed.

While Richard thought, he made a decision.

"Gray, continue interrogating them. I want to know more details."

"Yes, Lord..."

The mummy hero took them away under the scared gazes of the three captives.

Richard turned his head to look at Karu.

"As Twilight City grows stronger, we will inevitably encounter hostile forces. We must be on high alert to prevent any accidents from happening."

"Yes, my Lord!"

After careful consideration, Karu made his suggestion.

"My Lord, Oasis City is not very strong. We can starkly take it... Moreover, this should not be delayed. If the other party is on guard, accidents might happen."

“The other party has already sent out spies. Next time, it might be the arrival of the troop. We need to eliminate this unstable factor.”

Richard nodded approvingly.

He admired Karu’s style of doing things. And he did not just focus on this scene.

It seemed this old hero unit had earned quite a lot of experience.

“Tomorrow morning, I will lead the troop to attack and occupy Oasis City... No, immediately reorganize the troop and set off overnight.”

Richard was also exceptionally decisive.

If the other party dared to send people to investigate Twilight City, it was not guaranteed accidents would happen over a long period.

He preferred to keep the initiative firmly in his hands.

As a construct, the dark gargoyles were born with the ability to see at night. The risk of Their vigilance when traveling at night could minimize the risk.

Moreover, their subordinates were all undead creatures. They relied on their soul flames to sense the outside world and would not be affected by the light.

“Lord, the journey will take a day and a night...”

Karu reminded Richard.

Richard waved his hand.

“You can rest on the way... with the dark gargoyles around as long as you are alert enough, you will be fine.”

There was a few difference between leaving now and the following morning since they had to spend the night in the desert.

When Karu saw Richard had made up his mind, he did not say anything more.

After some preparations, Richard prepared all the supplies that he had consumed and instructed Karu to deal with the prey. Then, he brought the three captives out.

They left the territory in the middle of the night.

However, for the sake of the territory’s safety, Richard left the four teams of blood-colored mummies.

At the same time, together with the guardian mummies, the number was close to two squadrons, so they were not afraid of the enemy's surprise attack.

During the night, they found a lot of wandering soldiers.

However, this time, they were going to attack the oasis. Apart from edible prey, Richard did not care about other wild monsters.

On the night of May 18, he left the territory. Before the sun sank into the yellow sand on the 19th, Richard rushed to his destination—the mysterious oasis that was most likely to have resources and treasures.

Chapter 102: Unexpected Incident

“My Lord, if we walk half a novel ahead, we'll reach the oasis after we cross the two hills in front of us... Can you, can you let us go?”

The three weak captives had chapped lips, and they even wanted to die.

Although the dark gargoyles had carried them on their journey that day, they had been exposed to the sun for an entire day. If they had not been rewarded with a few glasses of water at noon, they would have suspected adults wanted to do it...

Why did they accept this mission for no reason...? And even convinced the residents to betray them? How could this thing convince them?

When they thought about how they had been arrested less than three minutes after they had revealed their identities, they suddenly felt sad.

They would never understand even in their death. What kind of medicine did this territory give its residents? Why were they all so loyal?

Those two informants were neighbors whom they had known for many years.

Richard ignored the captives and waved his hand to send a small team of dark gargoyles to scout ahead. He landed on the ground and waited for a report.

After a while, He, Gray, and Gunter explored how to capture Oasis City when the dark gargoyles returned from the front.

After they landed, they said in a muffled voice.

“Lord, a group of lizardmen has taken over the Oasis City. They are now driving the human captives away...”

The three captives were in disbelief when they heard this.

“What?! Oasis City was taken over by the lizardmen?!?”

“Lord Xina is so powerful, how could she not even defend Oasis City?”

There was a hint of despair in their tone... They just hoped they could be rescued.

But now, their last hope was gone...

Richard furrowed his brows.

He had traveled through the night for fear of trouble, but he didn't expect that something unexpected would happen.

“How strong are the lizardmen that attacked the Oasis City?”

The dark gargoyle shook its head.

“We're afraid of being discovered by the enemy, so we didn't dare to get too close. We can't be sure of their strength, but there are more than five squadrons...”

“Five squadrons?”

Richard nodded and looked at the two mummy heroes.

“Gray, bring some people to investigate the enemy’s strength. If the enemy discovers you, retreat immediately. Do not get entangled.”

“Yes, Lord!”

Gray had control skills all over his body, so it would be easier to escape if he was discovered.

After Gray left with the two squads of dark gargoyles, Richard turned his head and stared at the three captives.

“Are there any powerful forces around Oasis City? What’s with those lizardmen?”

“No... We’ve never heard of them...”

The three captives shook their heads in unison.

After a few interrogations, the captives relayed no valuable information.

Richard simply threw them aside and ignored them.

Gray returned after Richard waited for about ten minutes.

At this time, one-third of the sun had already sunk into the yellow sand.

“Gray, what’s the situation?”

“The desert lizardmen carried the loot. They have no intention of occupying the Oasis City.”

Gray said calmly, “They have lizard cavalry, warriors, and wild archers. They are level 4 to 5, and their potential is rare to the point of being rare.

“This troop is led by a lizard mage commander, level 7 with unknown potential. There are also five small teams of lizard mages with them. They are Rare 3-stars.”

No wonder the newly built Oasis City was directly breached. This troop was indeed not weak.

“Does the enemy have an air force?”

“I haven’t noticed. After the enemy won, they were not very vigilant about their surroundings. Moreover, from their actions, they seemed to be rushing to a certain area.”

Richard nodded. He decisively gave the order after some thought.

“Gather the troops and chase after them.”

They dared to snatch the fat meat that was right in front of his mouth. These lizardmen were genuinely bold.

He had a lot of strength in his hands now, and he even had two A-rank hero commanders.

The thing that gave him the most confidence was the four teams of dark gargoyles.

The flying units had a huge advantage over the ground units. If they didn't prepare their countermeasures beforehand, no one could restrict them.

Moreover, the dark gargoyles were magic-immune units. They could ignore the lizard mage commander and mage troops.

As a construct, the dark gargoyles' defense was also extremely shocking. As long as it was not a powerful weapon like a siege crossbow, it would not be able to do anything to them.

Coupled with the Sand Transformation skill that Richard bestowed...

This troop was enough to be described as a metamorphosis.

Richard led his troop forward quickly under the half-light of the sun.

They arrived at a hill hundreds of meters away from Oasis City after the sun had completely sunk into the yellow sand.

They looked over and they saw an oasis with a lake. There were tall trees surrounding it, and many buildings could be seen hidden in the woods.

If they were to throw away the corpses, blood, and burning houses, this would be a suitable place to live.

He followed the tracks and looked in another direction. He could vaguely see at the end of his line of sight. The lizardmen drove away a large number of residents.

Richard's gaze turned cold.

The lizard commander rode on a giant lizard of more than six meters long. It held a parchment in its hand and repeatedly looked at it. Its gray face covered with coarse, gritty skin, was particularly horrifying.

Its amber eyes, which did not have any human emotions, looked at the smaller giant lizard next to it.

On the back of the monitor lizard, two lizard warriors guarded a woman whose leather armor was broken and covered in blood marks.

The woman was tied up by a thumb-sized chain like a dumpling. The extra chain hung at her waist and made a crisp sound of collision as the monitor lizard crawled.

“Woman of the Krina tribe, you’re quite lucky to have obtained the map leading to the ruins...”

The lizard-like ugly face revealed a terrifying smile that made one’s heart turn cold.

It extended its hand to indicate the black magic mace in its hand.

“But the key to the ruins is in my hand... Hahaha, you surely didn’t expect that the two items of the ruins could sense each other, right?!”

“Wow!” It shook the yellowish goatskin parchment in its hand again.

“All of this is mine.”

Xena Krina, whose body was extremely weak, glanced at the black magic mace in the lizard commander’s hand.

Her tone was indifferent.

“Without the ruins... I don’t need ten breaths to kill you.”

The lizard commander's face stiffened, and bad memories flashed in its eyes. It did not argue about it and snorted coldly.

"It is said that the Krina tribe hides an extremely powerful bloodline. When I get the treasure in the ruins, I will personally slit your throat and use your soul to sacrifice to my god. I hope your blood will satisfy my god..."

Xina revealed a mocking expression.

"Didn't the god of justice beheaded your god long ago? When did you have a new faith?"

These words made the lizard commander's face turn extremely ugly.

"The great lizard god is only temporarily asleep, not dead!"

It sneered a few times after it said that. Its face revealed the delight of a victor.

"The clamor and mockery of the weak are like a wild rabbit running under the sharp claws of a falcon, powerless and pale.

It genuinely makes one feel happy..."

When the lizard commander saw Xena's gaze turn cold, its smile became even more impudent.

“Hahaha... Woman of the Krina tribe, not only are you a failure, but you will also become a stepping stone for me to step into a higher level...”

To show off in front of a loser was such an overwhelming thing.

After the lizard commander boasted, it gazed at the woman’s curvaceous figure and said with some regret, “It’s a pity that I’m not interested in humans. Otherwise, I would ultimately have a taste of the Krina tribe woman the entire desert yearns for...”

“Enemy attack!!”

A painful roar made the lizard commander hold back its words and turned around at the same time as Xina.

Under the illumination of the setting sun, more than ten dark gargoyles that emitted a metallic luster flapped their wings and swooped down towards the sky.

Xina’s eyes were sharp. She saw a young man with a cold expression riding on the dark gargoyle’s back.

She was in a trance.

‘Who is this young man?’

Chapter 103: The Tyranny of A-Rank Hero

“Archers, fire!”

The lizard commander roared instantly in rage when it saw the approaching dark gargoyles.

A squadron of lizard archers suddenly drew their crossbows.

‘Xiu! Xiu! Xiu!’

The arrows pierced the sky.

The lizard commander’s face revealed some felicity. It stiffened in the next second when it saw the dark gargoyles did not dodge...

‘Clang! Clang!’ A metal collision sounded.

The arrows that could pierce through the head of a bison directly repelled. They did not even leave a trace on the jet-black body that reflected the metallic luster.

The arrows even massacred many of the lizardmen’s comrades below when the shots fell from the sky...

The lizard commander was extremely shocked.

“This defense...how can it be so terrifying?!”

‘Hu! Hu!’

The dark gargoyle suddenly swooped down from the sky at this moment.

Its speed was exceedingly exaggerated.

Its blade-sharp wings carried a vast amount of power as it flew at high speed. It was like a massive decapitation blade slashing across.

The lizard archer below who missed was directly cut into two pieces. One of its amputated limbs smashed into the yellow sand, and fresh blood instantly gushed out.

The pungent smell of blood filled the battlefield, and it aroused the violent killing intent in the hearts of all the lizardmen.

The surrounding lizardmen warriors pounced forward fiercely and slashed wildly with their blades.

‘Clang! Clang!’

Sparks flew in all directions.

But their sharp blades could not pierce the solid defense and cracked their weapons.

The dark gargoyles' sharp claws, more fatal than daggers, on the other hand, tore apart all the obstacles in front of them while they flew at high speed.

No one could stop the sharp claws of the soldiers born to kill...

The lizardmen's corpses scattered in all directions. Their flesh and blood were mangled.

The three teams of dark gargoyles swooped down and attacked. It immediately caused chaos in the lizard troop.

"A massacre!"

The lizard commander suddenly turned its head to look at imprisoned Xena.

Its tone was indescribably cold.

"Is this your troop?"

Only then did Xena recover from her trance.

When she saw that the handsome young man controlled the dark gargoyle to fly high into the sky, she slowly turned her head.

Her blood-covered face revealed a hint of mockery.

“Wait for your death.”

The raging lizard commander could not bother the woman after she said that. She turned her head to look straight at the young man in the sky.

Its amber-like crystal-clear eyes hinted that outsiders couldn't understand.

The lizard commander was exceedingly angry. It looked at the dark gargoyles that slaughtered everywhere and roared at the sky.

However, after a few breaths, it quickly regained its calm.

Its eyes which didn't contain the slightest bit of human emotion, stared at the raging enemy as it gave the order in a cold tone.

It ordered in lizard language.

“Lizard cavalry, guard this Krina woman. Someone else's gargoyles could snatch her away.

“Lizard warriors on the right, protect the archers.

“The rear troop, with me as the core, assemble immediately!

“Lizard mages, prepare to cast slow and control spells! Once the enemy approaches, cast control spells immediately!!”

The lizard commander’s order immediately allowed the troop to find its backbone, and the troops quickly moved out.

The lizard warriors protected the archers’ side. And the lizard cavalry urged their velociraptor-like lizard mounts to run back and forth, ready to provide support at any time.

More than ten giant lizards of more than five meters long scattered began to gather around the lizard commander.

The lizard mage beside it raised the black magic mace in its hand and began to chant a mysterious spell.

The lizard commander hero, at this moment, raised his head to look at the sky.

It saw a young man seated at a gargoyle and looked at him indifferently.

That pair of pitch-black pupils was as deep as the starry sky.

And two mummies sat beside that young man. One wore a crown with a colorful ribbon falling from its head and held a withered wooden staff in its hand.

The other was covered in blood-colored bandages as if stained with fresh blood.

The opponent stretched out its right hand. A scarlet ball in front condensed from fresh blood, like the eye of an abyss behemoth.

The human commander!

The lizard commander's face suddenly darkened.

Just as it was about to make a move, it saw the human commander's lips move slightly, as if he had given some order.

The next second.

The magic power in the hands of the mummy covered in blood-colored bandages gathered like a whirlpool in the deep sea.

In the blink of an eye, terrifying energy burst out from the ball of blood, like lava that was about to explode.

The seated dark gargoyle suddenly dove down after the magic power reached its peak.

The lizard commander's expression changed drastically.

Its tone became a little sharp.

“Slow spell!!! Stop spell!!! Everyone cast your spells!!!”

The moment its voice fell, the lizard commander raised the black magic mace in its hand, and a mysterious spell rang out from his mouth.

The lizard mages who chanted behind him all aimed their targets at the enemies who came toward them with tyrannical spells in the sky.

‘Whoosh! Whoosh!’

Waves of light flashed.

Dozens of spells directly enveloped the dark gargoyles.

But the next second, the lizard commander's heart fell to the bottom of the valley.

The dark gargoyle protected the blood-colored bandaged mummy behind and allowed the spells to hit it instead.

And the five small lizard mage teams hit the dark gargoyles like a breeze but did not have any effect.

The lizard commander's scalp went numb.

A word that terrified it appeared in its mind...magic immunity.

This dark gargoyle was genuinely immune to magic.

At this moment, despair engulfed its heart.

The blood-colored bandaged mummy in this quick instance, arrived above them...

The blood-colored ball condensed to the extreme in its hand smashed out with a loud bang.

[Ball of Corruption (A-rank) — Condenses magic power to form a magic ball with a strong corrosive effect. Causes a massive amount of damage to enemies within a radius of 30 meters. Condenses blood to release this skill, increasing magic damage by 50. Cooldown Time: 3 minutes. Each use consumes 100 mana.]

Like a meteor that fell, the only thing left in the world was the ball of blood.

The Ball of Corrosion smashed into the group of lizard archers and lizard warriors.

'Bang!'

A muffled sound was heard.

The ball of blood with massive corrosive power splashed in all directions.

It covered all the enemies within 30 meters in diameter like raindrops.

The densely-packed lizard warriors immediately received a devastating blow.

"Ahhhhh!!"

Massive corrosive power directly penetrated their armor and melted their flesh and blood.

The terrifying pain caused them to roar madly.

After a few breaths, the bodies of seven to eight small teams of lizardmen were all melted into holes.

Dead bodies fell to the ground.

“Explode!”

What made the lizard commander even more frantic was that after the other party’s cold voice sounded, explosives seemed to fill the dozens of corpses on the ground.

‘Boom!’

They exploded into countless pieces.

The terrifying explosion force caused the lizard warriors not affected by the first wave of magic directly ascend into the sky.

In just one wave of magic attack, the lizardmen lost two squadrons.

Extremely tyrannical A-rank hero!

Chapter 104: The Edge of the Dark Gargoyles

The lizard commander’s pupils tightened when he saw this tragic scene.

“Damn bastard! Bastard!!”

Those were the elites in its hands. The dark gargoyles and mummy heroes annihilated two squadrons in a single exchange.

The lizard commander's heart bled!!

The opponents had already left on the dark gargoyles when it wanted to fight.

This made the lizard commander extremely furious.

The lizard commander discovered the scattered dark gargoyles attacked the surroundings and charged in its direction.

Not only did the dark gargoyles want to destroy the opponent's troops, but they also wanted to kill the lizard commander!

How could the commander endure it?

The lizard commander condensed the majestic magic energy in its hands.

Two terrifying fireballs with high temperatures appeared in its hands.

The fireballs suffused a green light. With the support of magic, they could quickly melt steel.

After the fireballs reached a limit, the lizardmen waved their hands forward, and the two fireballs pounced on the dark gargoyles that attacked them.

The two fireballs shot out.

After the two fireballs flew for more than twenty meters, they collided and merged into a giant one in a blink of an eye.

The size of the fireball soared more than ten times, and the light around it distorted. It hit the dark gargoyles with a long tail of flames.

'Bang!'

The giant fireball exploded in the air, and a dozen-meter tall ball of flames rose.

The sky suddenly lit up, and heat waves surged.

The spell power was unleashed to the maximum without the terrain to stop it.

It directly swallowed the gargoyles.

The lizard commander's face distorted.

“Immune to magic?! I’d like to see what kind of magic you are immune to!!”

‘Whoosh! Whoosh!’

However, while the lizard commander was on the verge of joy, the sound of wings flapping begird the battlefield.

A few massive fireballs rushed out from the flames.

The flames on their bodies disappeared after a few breaths, and the body of the dark gargoyle appeared.

The flame-filled sky turned into a backdrop, and the body that reflected the metallic luster became even brighter.

The dark gargoyle was unharmed.

‘Whoosh! Whoosh!’

The other dark gargoyles did not take a detour at all. They directly passed through the area of flames and dived down.

They charged straight at the lizard mage behind them.

The lizardman commander was shocked, but it could not just sit there and wait for death!

It roared angrily and suddenly tightened its grip on the monitor lizard's reins.

"Monitor lizards, tear them apart!!"

More than ten giant monitor lizards around immediately uttered a prolonged cry.

These more than five meters long monitor lizards suddenly jumped from the ground when the first dark gargoyle dived.

They were like crocodiles that hunted wild oxen in the water.

The gargoyle flapped its wings and nimbly avoided the opponent's giant mouth.

The sharp claws on its legs suddenly stomped on the giant monitor lizard's head.

Blood splattered everywhere, and the giant monitor lizard fell to the ground with a wail.

But because the gargoyle's attention was on this giant monitor lizard, another giant monitor lizard at the back seized the opportunity.

'Phew!' The giant monitor lizard suddenly jumped and bit the gargoyle's thigh.

'Kacha!'

The terrifying bite force dented the gargoyle's body and left a bite mark.

Its excessive weight outrightly grabbed the dark gargoyle tightly, and no matter how hard it flapped its wings, it could not get away.

Desert giant monitor lizard was Rare 2-stars.

The other giant monitor lizards also jumped abruptly at this moment.

Under the sudden attack, three or four giant monitor lizards forcefully dragged the dark gargoyle down.

When the other dark gargoyles saw the dragged comrade could not escape, they simply did not leave.

They waved their sharp claws and started to fight against several five-meter-long giant monitor lizards.

They were ferocious and domineering.

They stirred up sand on the ground.

The number of desert giant monitor lizards was limited, after all. When more dark gargoyles rushed down, no power could stop them.

The lizard cavaliers and warriors surrounded the gargoyles at this moment. They tried to stop the dark gargoyles from killing the lizard mage.

However, no one could stop the charging dark gargoyles.

Sharp barbs covered their sharp claws, wings, elbows, and knees.

They were born to kill.

Every charge accompanied a vast number of body fragments that flew.

The killing was intense.

Xina looked at the lizardmen frantically hunted with a bright smile on her scarred face.

Death and slaughter were glorious.

'Roar!'

The detestation in her heart rose to the extreme. And the lizard commander suddenly raised the black magic mace in its hand.

An exaggerated whirlpool-like power in the sea condensed frantically.

Magical tides even surrounded the battlefield.

The mace's top suffused dim light.

The majestic aura was like thousands of tons of seawater had rolled into the sky and filled with an indescribable sense of oppression.

When Xina saw this scene, hatred rose in her eyes.

“Relic...”

If the lizard commander did not have this treasure from the relic, how could she be captured?!

She suddenly looked up at the sky and shouted with all her strength.

“Quickly leave this area. That magic mace is a relic that can seal all the power in the surroundings...”

Before she could finish her sentence, a wave of magic sealed her mouth and made it unable to produce any sound.

The lizardmen behind her immediately commanded the giant monitor lizards to retreat to the side.

Xina could only sigh in her heart, her gaze fixed on the sky.

The young man looked at the lizard commander as expected in the next second.

The lizard commander waved its hand.

The gargoyles around seemed to have gone mad. They ignored everything else and directly charged toward the lizard commander.

The lizard cavaliers acted as the last line of defense.

The lizard commander sent the remaining seven or eight giant monitor lizards to protect themselves. Their defense was at its peak.

However, when dozens of Rare 3-star dark gargoyles attacked the same target, their power was exceedingly stalwart.

Those giant monitor lizards were fierce, but the dark gargoyles were fiercer.

Under the layers of protection, the dark gargoyles forcefully tore the enemy's defense line. They took a piece of broken limbs and killed it to the core position.

A sturdy magic shield rose in front of the lizard commander at this moment. It tried to block the gargoyles with force.

But a shocking scene appeared in the next second.

The gargoyles waved their sharp claws.

'Crack!'

The sound of shattered glass rang out.

The sturdy magic shield ultimately didn't last three seconds under the siege of a few gargoyles before it shattered.

The black magic mace in its hand released a terrifying amount of mana, but the gargoyles did not care at all. They charged forward, their sharp claws pierced through the lizard commander's abdomen.

It pulled hard, and blood spurted out.

The lizard commander's spell was finally complete at this moment.

Blood spurting out of its mouth, and the lizard commander waved its black magic mace.

'Bang!' A frizz of air surged like a ripple.

It shot out in all directions.

In that instant, the surrounding air seemed to have frozen.

Everyone, including Richard, stopped in their tracks.

Only the lizard commander with a large hole in the abdomen and magic mace in hand could move.

However, the lizard commander only coughed up blood unwillingly. Its eyelids became increasingly heavier. And finally, with a plop, it fell from the giant monitor lizard's back onto the sand.

The black magic mace in its hand also flew out.

In that instant, the frozen space regained its freedom...

When the surrounding lizardmen saw the death of the lizard commander, they instantly went berserk.

One by one, they ferociously charged toward the dark gargoyles. Their state was like that of a mad demon.

However, the leaderless lizardmen faced the much stronger dark gargoyles. They were like mayflies that tried to shake a tree. The charging lizardmen toward the gargoyles only became corpses.

These Rare 3-star troops used their heftiest stance to show off their strength.

After the gargoyles eliminated the gravest threat, they turned to death and started a round of brutal slaughter.

No lizardmen could escape from their sharp claws.

Even if the defeated lizardmen in the end and the cavaliers wanted to escape, they could not get away with the gargoyle's sharp claws...

Xina fell from the back of the giant monitor lizard during the battle. Then, two giant monitor lizards that bled profusely blocked her.

She could only hear the sounds of the battle that gradually weakened.

In the end, the air became so quiet. All she could hear was herself breathing.

Was the battle over?

After a long time.

'Sasha! Sasha! Sasha!'

The sound of footsteps on the sand could be heard.

Then, the giant monitor lizard corpse that blocked her line of sight shook and began to rise.

Her line of sight looked from the ground and gradually widened.

Two dark gargoyles' thick thighs appeared in front of her. After the gargoyles moved the giant monitor lizard away, the young man who was in the air just now stood outside.

Two mummy heroes stood guard on both sides.

The handsome young man played the lizard commander's dark magic mace. His pitch-black eyes looked at her after the lizard corpse moved away.

Xina looked directly into the young man's eyes. Their eyes met. Curiosity filled their standpoint.

Who was this young man?

Chapter 105:: God's Seal, Fearless Warrior

Richard looked at the woman tied up in chains with scars all over her body with interest after the giant lizard's corpse was moved away.

The woman had long golden hair that looked like flames. Her eyes were sharp, and her aura carried the ferocity of a veteran soldier.

Even though she was heavily injured, no one dared to underestimate her.

"Who are you?"

A hoarse voice entered Richard's ears.

Richard did not respond to her question. He waved his hand. And the bandaged mummy pressed the three captives who had come from the territory on top of her.

When the three captives saw Xina in a much worse state than them, their feelings were particularly complicated.

They wanted to contribute and bring the residents of Twilight City back to Oasis City.

However, they did not expect that in just two or three days, not only did they fail to bring the people back, but they also became captives.

What made them want to cry without tears was that even the newly established Oasis City no longer existed. And the owner of the Oasis City had become a prisoner just like them...so unfortunate.

“Lord Xina...”

When Xina saw these three captives, she forced herself to be alert and asked in a deep voice.

“Are you the Lord of Twilight City?”

Before she sent out the spies, she naturally had a detailed understanding of the city.

Twilight City only had a few small squads of soldiers. Even if they had developed for more than ten days, how strong could they be?

But what was going on now?

The dark gargoyles displayed elite-level battle strength, and their potential was above the Rare 2-stars level.

Just these four squads of dark gargoyles alone were enough to make Oasis City suffer.

How could the enemy's troops develop so strongly in less than ten days?

She could not understand the battle prowess of Twilight City...

Richard did not respond. After he confirmed the enemy's identity, he opened his status panel with curiosity.

[Xina Krina]

[Hero Unit]

[Level: 8 (Elite hero, strength + 30%)]

[Potential: Unknown (Bloodline seal)]

[Job: Fearless warrior, rare (advanced, strength + 50%)]

[Status: Heavily injured (All attributes reduced by 70%.)]

[Blood Qi: 500 points (Recovers 5 points per second, heavily injured status + 20 points)]

[Skills: Fearless Heart (A-rank)– Fearless in the heart. Immune to all halo-type pressure. Never-failing morale. Immune to mind-type control skills. Immune to instant Soul Execution skills. All attributes increased by 70%.]

[Krina Blood (A-rank)– Powerful bloodline has extraordinary power. Able to control the fresh blood in one's body to store energy.]

[Innate Warrior (A-rank)– Has an innate ability to comprehend battle. Battle techniques are set at master rank, at the same time proficient in all weapons. Able to unleash the strongest characteristics of the weapon.]

[Heaven's Fury (A-rank)– Condenses energy on the weapon to kill the enemy in front. No cooldown time, every time it is used. A minimum of 100 blood essence is consumed. The more blood essence is injected, the higher the damage dealt (sealed).]

[Destruction (A-rank)– Uses blood and qi to strengthen the weapon. Increases its sharpness by a huge amount. It can pierce through heavy armor and breakthrough magic shields(sealed).]

[Hero Characteristic: When you are fatally injured, you will instantly recover 50% of your strength. You can also use blood and qi to heal your injuries (sealed).]

[Race Talent: The higher the damage you receive, the faster your blood and qi will recover.]

[Fetter-Fearless: The stronger the enemy, the stronger the will to fight. For every level higher than oneself, the enemy's strength will increase by 30%, up to a maximum of 5 levels.]

[Description: A sturdy warrior. She has nothing to fear in her heart.]

'Damn, this attribute is too strong.'

Richard's heart skipped a beat.

He did not expect Xina to be so mighty.

'Are the women of the Krina tribe that extraordinary?'

'Why was her bloodline sealed? And her strength restricted by more than half?'

'What was going on?'

But even so, Richard was still moved.

'This hero's strength was not inferior to that of Gray and Gunter.'

"Young Lady, I can see you are very suitable to join Twilight City. Are you interested in coming home with me?"

Although she had some thoughts in her mind, she didn't show anything strange on her face.

She stared at the young man and weakly said, "I'm not interested."

"Lady Xina, I'm inquisitive as to why these lizardmen would attack the Oasis City..."

Xina turned her head and looked to the side.

The residents the lizardmen captured were now being guarded by the mummies.

"Lord of Twilight City, release my people... I'll tell you all this information."

The descendants of the Krina tribe were not afraid of death.

However, she did not want hundreds of innocent residents buried with her.

Richard shook his head.

"Lady Xina, Twilight City needs a large number of people. These refugees should belong to me. It's just that your appearance has interrupted my progress in subduing them."

"Don't worry. I won't hurt them. You can ask these guys what they saw in Twilight City. Are residents in my territory worse than Oasis City?"

Xina turned to look at the three captives.

They looked at each other and were bereft of speech.

Although captured, they had to admit that the residents in Twilight City were not inferior to Oasis City at all...or even better.

When Xina saw the captives' expressions, she understood. She did not dwell on it and said it directly.

"Some time ago, a terrifying sandstorm swept through the desert. That storm opened up an ancient tomb.

"I got a piece of parchment out of it that marked the location of ruins."

His eyes turned cold.

"But although I found the location of the ruins, I didn't have the key to enter it.

"The lizardmen got the key from somewhere...the black magic mace.

"The black magic mace can sense the location of the map... But the map can't sense the black magic mace.

"A few hours ago, the lizardmen launched an attack on Oasis City for the map..."

“The black magic in your hand is the key to the ruins. And it has the power to freeze space.

“If not for this black magic mace, the lizard commander wouldn’t have kept me here.”

A proud expression appeared on her face.

Even in such a miserable situation, it was still convincing.

An ancient ruin?

Richard was not very interested in other things. But this particular word made his eyes light up.

“Where is that ruin?”

“There is a mark on the map...”

Richard looked behind him. The troop searched, and they would have an answer in a while.

Richard did not dwell on it. Instead, he asked about the topic he was most interested in. It was also the target of this operation.

“The oasis can accommodate so many people, and you plan to continue expanding... I think the production of resources, treasures, and food in your hands must be quite high. Did the lizardmen snatch them away?”

Xina looked straight at him.

“Human Lord, I have to say that you know quite a lot... I took that treasure out of my clan, so the lizardmen won't be able to find it.”

Richard's heart skipped a pound. So he didn't beat around the bush and said straightforwardly.

“I need that resource treasure.”

Xina gestured at the chain on her body with a determined gaze.

“I'll use that treasure to exchange for my freedom...”

‘Let go? What if you run away? Even a hero of this level would have to tie you back...’

Before Richard could think of a way to deal with Xina, he changed the topic.

“Ms. Xina, what made you come to the oasis to establish your territory?”

Richard continued and did not wait for Xina to speak.

“Is it the ruins or related to the seal in your bloodline?”

After Richard said this, he felt a cold kill intent lock onto him.

Anger filled her tone.

“Human Lord, how did you know about the seal?!”

Richard raised his eyebrows. Was this still taboo?

After he thought for a while, he said calmly, “I can sense the aura of the seal on your body. Your injuries have made it even more obvious...”

Xina deeply stared at Richard.

Richard also looked directly into her eyes and did not retreat.

After a very prolonged time, the exchange of gazes finally ended.

Xina looked at him profoundly and did not speak for a long time.

Richard made a judgment in his heart.

He was right. The young lady genuinely built the city in the oasis to seal it...

After he thought, Richard said softly, "Lady Xina, there is a kind of powerful honey in my territory. It can remove negative states. Perhaps, it can give you some help... It may not be impossible to break the seal."

Xina's eyes regained their calmness. And the aura of a veteran was once again revealed. It was so fierce that it made people gasp in admiration.

"Human Lord, you can't imagine what kind of power the seal has..."

"Using resources and treasures to exchange for my freedom is not a loss for you."

"Moreover, the women of the Krina tribe are the curse of death for men..."

As she spoke, she revealed a playful smile.

"Of course, if you're willing to be my lover, that's another matter..."

Richard recalled the legend of the Krina tribe women personally killing their husbands in exchange for power. He instantly felt a chill.

'I only wanted to subdue you, but you wanted to sleep with me. You're simply vicious.

'However... I'm not interested in you. What does this legend have to do with me?

'Such a powerful hero. If I let her go, she would jump and slap him.'

"It's fine that I let you go. But where are you going next?"

"Back to the territory? Isn't the curse settled?"

These two questions struck directly at her soul. It caused Xina, who had just calmed her emotions, to be stunned again.

The Oasis City she had worked so hard to build shattered in the blink of an eye. And now, she had become a captive and could be slaughtered at will. Even freedom had become a luxury at this moment.

Where could she go now? Back to her clan? What was the point of her coming out if she could return so soon?

Richard felt emotional when he saw the change in her attitude.

He looked at Xina with a gentle gaze.

“If you don’t know where to go, why don’t you come with me first? Twilight City needs a lot of soldiers to work.

“Twilight City is a peaceful and prosperous city. Life is full of hope. You can stay here temporarily.

“It’s okay if you don’t want to join the troop. You can do what you like.

“I promise you that as long as you need it, I will use Twilight City’s strength to help you solve the curse.”

The leadership skill had a strong personality charm. There was a certain chance that the troops in the wild would surrender.

Twilight City’s characteristic was to live a peaceful life and work well. Ninety points of popular support had been activated. It had a unique attraction for refugees and heroes.

Richard gave Xina a strong sense of trust at this moment.

It seemed that it was not difficult to accept and follow him to that strange territory...

As she looked at this young man’s handsome face, inexplicable meaning reflected in his eyes. And she slowly opened her mouth.

“Human Lord, I know what you’re thinking... The commander of the Krina tribe is the warrior that every lord craves. Our reputation reverberates throughout the entire desert!

“But I don’t mind.

“If you can help me break the seal in my body, I’m willing to become the blade in your hand!”

As she spoke, her tone became more solemn.

“I found some knowledge about breaking the seal in that ancient tomb. Perhaps, that ruin can help me. I need to enter it with you to explore...”

The lizardmen were defeated. So the ruins would naturally become the other party’s spoils of war.

She had left her people and built a city by herself. Everything she had done was to break the seal in her body for the sake of the Krina tribe, who had suffered hundreds of thousands of years.

It was not easy for her to find this information about the seal. She could not miss it no matter what.

Her gaze was firm. And her determination could not be shaken.

If the other party could truly break the seal, she would not hesitate to take her life and soul, not to mention seek refuge.

Everything was for the sake of the Krina tribe.

[Ding~ Xina Krina has issued you a hero recruitment mission — break the god’s curse in her body and break the bloodline seal.]

[Mission completed. She will seek refuge with you and become your subordinate.]

When Richard saw the system notification, his scalp immediately went numb.

‘Break the...god’s curse in her body?’

‘Xina’s bloodline seal was caused by a god’s curse?’

‘I don’t know if I should say this...’

Chapter 106: Beyond A-Rank Skill, 3-Star Treasure

Richard looked at the system notification and raised his eyebrows.

[Hero recruitment mission — break the god’s curse in her body and break the bloodline seal.]

‘Why does she let me slaughter the god??’

He looked at Xina deeply.

'What kind of secret is the Krina tribe hiding?? Why would the gods curse them??'

He felt as if he had touched upon something extraordinary.

'Mortals are qualified to be cursed by the god?... A divine spell could destroy even the soul... Why would she need to spend so much effort?'

As his thoughts raced, he looked directly into the lady warrior's eyes.

"I sensed an unimaginable power in the seal of your body. Do you know the origin of that power?"

Xina's heart shook, and her gaze became more subtle.

"Lord, you can honestly sense that power?"

She sighed after she said that.

"That is a secret only the clan leader can know..."

On his bloodied face was a hint of unwillingness.

“This...” Richard narrowed his eyes.

There was indeed a problem. An unspeakable secret is involved in this matter. Otherwise, they wouldn't have concealed it from a cursed clan member.

However, Richard didn't have anything to worry about, so he went straight to the point.

“The seal in your body has something to do with gods.”

Xina's heart jolted, and as she recalled something, her eyes turned blank.

“I knew it... I knew it...”

Richard slightly dissented when he saw this. It seemed that the lady warrior had also noticed it.

His mood became delicate after he thought for a while. Perhaps, this was the genuine difficulty of the advanced hero recruitment mission.

Richard obtained the three heroes in his hands in different ways.

Adele was young and easy to fool.

Gray had a clear target because of the black gold system's notification. Moreover, he was exemplary lucky to obtain the mummy's heart, which allowed the other party to be born.

Otherwise, it would have been quite a good harvest if he could obtain a C-rank hero.

Gunter was even more unexpected. The dungeon contained a vast opportunity, and without the restriction of the rules, there were all sorts of possibilities.

Now, Xina had let him experience the difficulty of a high-level hero recruitment quest.

To break the seal set by the gods, was this a joke?...

Richard waved his hand. He ordered someone to remove the chains on Xina's body and restore this lady's freedom.

The lady warrior was still startled even though he ordered the shackles to be removed.

Xina finally regained her senses after a long time.

She looked at Richard, and her eyes reconquered firmness.

She would break it even a god's curse! Absolutely!

The fierce aura of the lady warrior became more and more striking.

Even without looking at anything else, just from this aura alone, one could tell that this was a warrior who had experienced countless bloody battles.

The pain did not make her frown. But her gaze still was determined.

Xina bowed slightly to Richard.

“Descendant of the Krina tribe, Xina Krina. Greetings to you. May the desert protect you.”

Richard nodded lightly.

“Lord of Twilight City, Richard, May the desert bless you.”

Xina stood up and glanced around. She picked up a sharp piece of gravel from the ground.

Then, she pulled it with her palm.

The blood instantly dyed the gravel red.

Richard’s heart skipped a beat. He looked at the lady veteran with some confusion.

This person was ruthless and didn't say much...

Surprisingly, the blood in Xina's hand gradually condensed into a thumb-sized crystal.

This crystal was hand-glass clear and did not have the slightest tinge of crimson.

Xina's expression changed slightly. She withdrew her palm after the crystal formed.

While she ignored the rapidly healing wound, she handed the blood-condensed crystal to Richard.

"Lord Richard, other than hunting, this is the source of food in the Oasis City..."

Richard looked at her heartily.

'Hiding things in blood?

'It seemed that this tribe had a lot of hidden things...'

After Richard took it, he opened the attribute panel.

[Sand Wheat (Resource Treasure)]

[Level: 3-stars]

[Range: 15 acres]

[Characteristics: Must be planted in the desert. Requires a certain amount of water to irrigate. Ripens once a month.]

[Description: A resource treasure exclusive to the desert.]

'Three-star treasure?

'15 acres of sand wheat?'

Surprise filled Richard's eyes.

It was a food that ripens once a month!!

He finally got what he wanted after going through many twists and turns.

This trip was not in vain.

The corners of his mouth frizzed.

Moreover, sand wheat was more suitable as a staple food than sand dates.

The development of a territory could not always rely on hunting.

Fifty-one thousand people might be possible, but 50,000 or 100,000 people still depended on hunting.

The most stable income was only farming.

Richard had been begging for these precious resources and treasures all along.

His farming plan finally took a big step forward after more than half a month.

It was so comfortable...

Gunter, who searched the lizardmen for loot, finally found something and rushed over.

He handed him a piece of badly weathered parchment.

“Lord, I found this under the giant monitor lizard mounted by the lizard commander...”

As Richard reached out to take it, he directly flipped through it.

The parchment had an ancient yellow hue as if buried in an ancient tomb for thousands of years. It could break if one is not careful.

It was recorded in strange writing. But because of many broken places, several gaps and only a few could be seen in the records.

[Broken Parchment]

[Level: None]

[Description: It seemed to contain some information about the ancient wizard tower, but the content was damaged too much and lost its original appearance.]

Richard flipped through the map a few times. But he did not find the map he had imagined. He could not help but feel a bit bewildered.

“Xina, is there no location of the ruins on this map?”

The weak Xina raised her head and looked at the sun sinking into the desert.

“At dusk and dawn, the map will appear...”

As soon as she finished speaking, the last sunlight ray in the sky disappeared.

The black magic mace which had not reacted a moment ago in Richard's hand, now emitted pale yellow light.

The broken map in Xina's hand also floated at the same time.

In the next second, the light from the black magic mace covered the parchment.

Later, the broken parchment suddenly became translucent. In the center, a map made of blue energy appeared.

A picture of a round tower that floated up and down was at the center of the map. It was indeed miraculous.

Xina didn't look surprised as if she had seen it before.

She pointed at the undulating blue round tower.

"This is where the ruins are. It's ten hours away from us. I built the city in the oasis because of these ruins..."

She was not interested in owning her territory. Oasis City would not have existed if it were not for the fact she wanted to break the seal.

Richard was very interested.

“Are there any powerful forces around the ruins?”

Xina shook her head.

“The wind and sand in that area are very fierce. No one exists. I’ve been there more than ten times. But I haven’t seen anyone else...”

The glow in Richard’s eyes flickered.

Ten hours was not a long journey.

Moreover, the ancient ruins were something the “Shining Era’s” official website focused on.

Often a vast number of treasures from the Ancient Era hid inside.

It was similar to a dungeon.

However, unlike a dungeon, everyone could enter the ruins without restrictions.

If one were willing, it would not be a problem for tens of thousands of people to explore the ruins.

In a week, the large-scale dungeon was about to open...

How many people would be able to block Twilight City's attack if they could obtain a few more gargoyle-like lairs?

The light in Richard's eyes blazed.

He wanted to make those top-tier lords lower their heads in front of him.

If he wanted these ruins, even if god came, he wouldn't be able to keep them.

At this moment, the light of the black magic mace in Richard's hand suddenly dimmed.

The map revealed on the parchment also disappeared at the same time.

It was as if nothing had happened just now.

Richard opened the attribute panel again. This time, the black magic mace finally revealed its attributes.

[Black Magic Mace]

[Level: Special]

[Temporary Solidification Skill: Space Freezing (Beyond A-rank) — Freezes the space within a kilometer radius. Only the caster can move freely. Duration: 20 seconds. Can be released 1/3 times.]

[Characteristics: The key to the Resplendent Wizard Tower.]

[Description: You can use it to open the gate of the Wizard Tower.]

‘Beyond A-rank skill? Space freeze?’

Richard’s heart leaped a thump.

“If this thing is permanently solidified, it’s surely a 3-star. No, it’d 4-star strategic equipment.”

Fortunately, the lizard commander did not use them all 3 times. Otherwise, he would indeed hang that lizardman and whip its corpse.

But even if he could only use it once, its value was immeasurable.

It was a powerful trump card that could be used at a critical moment to change the outcome of a battle.

Chapter 107: Post-War Harvest Point

“Lord, the corpses of the lizardmen have been gathered.”

Gunter’s words from behind interrupted Richard’s train of thought. He set aside the black magic mace that could cast a Beyond A-rank skill.

Richard turned his head to gaze at the mountain of lizardmen corpses behind him. He nodded.

“Those corpses are all yours. Go, and recruit them.”

“As you wish.”

Excitement tinged Gunter’s voice.

The mummy hero, wrapped in blood-colored bandages, strode to the massive pile of corpses.

It stretched out its right hand.

In the next second, the mummy’s body released endless crimson energy, and light instantly covered the corpse in front of it.

“No, no, no, no, no, no, no, no, no, no, no.”

Its mouth chanted extremely obscure incantations.

Those refugees the lizardmen captured and were now in the care of the mummies looked panic-stricken.

They seemed afraid of being devoured alive.

Under the shroud of the blood-colored light, the lizard corpses piled up outside melted like ice and snow. The flesh and bones turned blood water.

The corpses at the bottom sucked up the blood that gurgled.

Richard’s eyes were sharp. He saw the 15 lizard corpses suck the blood and energy like sponges.

“This one wants to turn the giant monitor lizards into mummies?”

Richard’s expression was a bit weird. “Could this work?”

A few minutes later, hundreds of lizard corpses disappeared without a trace. Only 15 giant monitor lizards were left.

Pervading blood and flesh energy turned into strips of crimson bandages that wrapped around the giant monitor's lizard's body into an extraordinary mummy.

The system notification quietly sounded when the last ray of light dissipated.

[Ding~ Twilight City's Hero: Gunter Fresh Blood, recruited 15 giant monitor lizard mummies from the lizard corpses.]

[Giant Monitor Lizard Mummy]

[Level: 4]

[Potential: Rare 2-stars]

[Skills: Mummy Body (D-rank), Pouncing Bite (D-rank), Swinging Tail (D-rank), Berserk (D-rank)]

[Race Talent: When in the desert, the recovery speed of injuries will be increased by 50%.]

[Fetter-Mummy: When the number of mummies is greater than 50, the strength will be increased by 30% (activated).]

[Description: Unusual mummy, with good strength.]

Richard gazed at the 15 five meters long giant monitor lizard mummies wrapped in blood-colored bandages. They were exceedingly conspicuous in the yellow sand.

He was jovial.

In ancient Egyptian myths and legends, cats were made into mummies for burial following the pharaoh's death.

'If cats could turn into mummies, why couldn't lizards?'

He was in a high-spirited state of mind.

Gunter was genuinely a treasure hero.

While on the road the preceding day, Gunter hunted down some troops in the wild and let them recruit three teams of Elite 1-star bandaged mummies to save mummy recruitment quota.

There were four and a half teams of recruits with these 15 mummified giant monitor lizards.

Truly delicious.

After the mummy hero gave the giant monitor lizards the ability to mummify, these enormous soldiers immediately became super meat shields.

Using these recruits as the front platoon and cannon fodder was simply perfect.

Richard saw the aghast residents around him from the corner of his eye.

His heart gladly demeanor.

He turned around and said to Xina.

“I want to send these residents back to Twilight City.

“Xina, I need your help to calm them down.”

When Xina heard this, she felt a little serpentine.

These were her people, and now she wanted to give them away to someone else...

However, she had established the territory to explore the ancient ruins and break the seal in her body.

Now that the lizardmen had burned down the territory, all the efforts for so long had turned to ashes. There was no reason to persevere.

She was more willing to gallop on the battlefield than to manage the territory. She was born to fight.

When Richard saw the excited expressions on the refugees' faces after Xena passed by, he didn't say anything.

The conversation ended after a long while. Seven or eight of the residents walked out and came in front of Richard together with Xena.

They saluted with their hands on their chests.

"Lord Richard, these are the managers appointed in Oasis City..."

Richard looked at the highly-strung people and consented slightly.

"I will send you to Twilight City. It's my territory, so it's starkly safe there.

"I need you to manage the others well and don't cause any trouble."

One of the middle-aged men said hesitantly.

"Lord, can we look for the Phoenix-Tail Flower Chamber of Commerce? We followed them across the desert..."

Richard smiled.

“What do you think?”

The man subconsciously glanced at Gray, whose face was shriveled to the bone. And the two 3 meters tall and exceedingly oppressive dark gargoyles.

The middle-aged man was at a loss for words and didn't dare to speak again.

‘How could the weak have the right to negotiate with the strong...?’

Richard didn't pay any more attention to these people.

He looked at the residents and thought.

He had initially planned to send the troop to escort these residents back to the territory. But it would take two to three days for these hundreds of people to arrive.

Moreover, a vast amount of clean water has to be provided on the way.

He didn't have that much time to waste.

He glanced at the three-meter-tall dark gargoyle beside him and decided in his heart.

Weren't the dark gargoyles the best means of transportation?

A dark gargoyle could carry two people. It would take more than an hour to transport them, and a round trip would only take two to three hours.

Even if they had to make a few round trips, it would be several times faster than the troop's journey...

If the Aborigines saw the use of rare-level troops to transport civilians, they would probably think it was an illusion...

Since when could a lowly civilian ride on the neck of a rare-level troop?

Even the eyes of the residents weren't quite right.

Was this lord for real?

However, under Richard's will, no one dared to object. They carried out the plan immediately.

The operation to capture the Oasis City officially ended when the first batch of dark gargoyles took off.

Although the lizardmen had interfered midway, the overall harvest was still very considerable.

First, Richard obtained a 3-star resource treasure — 15-acre sand wheat.

This strategic treasure was worthy of the word strategy.

It laid a solid foundation for his farming plan, which was 15-acre of sand wheat! It matured once a month!

‘How many people could this feed??’

The second harvest was Xina. The hero with the god’s seal on her body.

If he could subdue the other party, he would have a sword in his hand to charge forward.

Gunter and Gray were mage heroes, while Xina was a pure warrior hero. The mage heroes had the upper hand in influencing the battle situation.

However, to the threat of the enemy commander, the warrior hero was undoubtedly mightier, and each had its emphasis.

The third harvest was an ancient ruin’s detailed information.

The ruin was thousands or even hundreds of thousands of years ago. Some powerful forces or empires collapsed due to various reasons.

Finally, it was buried deep underground or hidden in an area of the dimensional plane.

Exploring ruins was an enormous selling point in the “Shining Era”. It was not inferior to dungeons.

The fourth harvest was the 500 plus residents. The addition of these people could significantly fill the population gap in Twilight City.

Not only could they complete the requirements for upgrading their territory, but they could also alleviate the urgent talent shortage problem.

Finally, there was a black magic mace that could cast a Beyond A-rank skill. It has freezing space within 1,000 meters for 20 seconds... This thing could change the battle situation.

It was extremely overbearing.

Richard was in a good mood after he took stock of the gains from this battle.

Any one of these spoils was worth his time and effort.

“This round is not a loss.”

After he regained focus, he took out the black magic mace engraved with a Beyond A-rank skill.

Richard's eyes flashed.

A key engraved with a Beyond A-rank skill. How many treasures would be in this ancient ruin?

Chapter 108: Ancient Ruins, Nine Bronze Gates

The following morning, May 21.

Richard, who had slept all night in the burned-out Oasis City, got up early.

After breakfast, he waited for all the dark gargoyles who transported the residents all night to return to the team.

He immediately gathered everyone and prepared to go to the ancient ruins to explore.

Xina was in a state of embarrassment the other day. Her body scars healed and disappeared with a vast amount of honey.

Her new leather armor made her look like a cheetah and perfectly displayed her figure.

The fierce aura of a veteran warrior was in stark contrast to her exquisite and perfect face.

She held a cross-shaped longsword in her hand, and her gaze was as sharp as an eagle's.

Xina was starkly different from Adele's naivety. Her fierce demeanor could make people tremble in fear.

She was a pure warrior. The battlefield was where she belonged.

"Xina, after we entered the ruins, all actions will be carried out according to orders."

Richard's gaze was solemn.

A team could only have one voice.

Xina was not his subordinate yet. He had to clarify the rules.

Xena looked directly into Richard's eyes and was extremely serious.

"Yes, Lord Commander. I will starkly carry out your orders!"

"But if I find a treasure that can remove the seal, I beg you to help me..."

Richard consented slowly.

“I promise you with the glory of Twilight City that I will do my best when necessary!”

The eyes of both sides met at this moment.

The troop set off.

Richard continued to ride on the dark gargoyle. After he had the transportation means, he lost interest in traveling.

Although it was not as cool as a giant dragon, the dark gargoyle’s appearance was cool enough. Other than its buttocks, there was nothing wrong with it.

Shortly after they left the oasis, Richard suddenly thought of something.

Since Xina happened to have a map that led to the ancient ruins, she built the city in the oasis because of the ruins.

Her hero recruitment mission was to break the seal...

Then, could it be that the way to break the other party’s seal was ultimately the ruins?

Although this speculation was a bit far-fetched, it made sense.

In Richard's eyes, Xina was like a sharp battle knife.

As long as the dust was wiped away, it could reveal its dazzling sharpness.

And he wants to use this battle knife. Even if broken, it had to be when he held the hilt in his hand.

To conquer heroes, recruit troops, obtain treasures, occupy resources, explore maps...These were the essence of the "Shining Era".

In the quiet atmosphere, the troop quickly moved toward its target.

Xena had been to the ruins before, and since Richard had already synced the map in the parchment to the system map, she wasn't afraid of missing the target.

After they moved north for more than five hours.

'Huff! Huff!'

The wind in the desert began to grow stronger.

The gust of wind twisted the fine sand and blew on their faces, which hurt people.

This was a place where the wind and sand were violent.

No wonder Xina said there was no one here. No normal person would come to this lousy place.

When Richard saw this, he scattered the dark gargoyles to investigate the situation from a further distance.

The further he went, the stronger the wind and sand became.

It was hard to open one's eyes when he reached the back.

However, the mummy troop did not react to this and continued to move forward at a constant speed.

To not waste Gunter's recruitment characteristics, Richard hunted down several field troops and recruited another three units of Elite 1-star blood-colored mummies.

As a result, the number of recruited units reached seven and a half.

Six units of Elite 1-star, and one and a half units of Rare 2-stars giant monitor lizard mummies.

After Richard granted these units the Sand Transformation skill, they would be of great use.

He braved the wind and sand for a few more hours, then he compared the map and was instantly energized.

They had arrived!

Xena, who rode on the back of the giant monitor lizard mummy, also signaled to the team they had reached their destination.

Richard immediately recalled the dark gargoyles dispersed and then landed on the ground.

Xena pointed at a conspicuous dune in front of them.

“Lord Commander, after crossing the dune in front, we will arrive at the ruins...”

Richard nodded and let Gray lead the gargoyles to investigate. They only continued forward when there was no threat.

The troop arrived at the foot of a large dune amidst the whistling wind and sand.

The dune in front was more than 200 meters tall and stretched hundreds of meters.

It was indeed spectacular.

In front of it, there was a conspicuous dent due to the strong wind.

The wind and sand were pronouncedly much smaller while Richard stood in the dent.

He looked at the dune in front of him, and his heart skipped a beat.

‘That ancient ruin was buried under the dune?’

He took out the black magic mace from the system space.

It immediately lit up after the black magic mace was exposed.

Richard calmed his mind.

He was in the right place.

He turned his head to look at the mummy hero beside him.

“Gray, Gunther, each of you, take two teams of dark gargoyles and all the bandaged mummies to investigate the surroundings.

“I want to ensure absolute safety...”

“As you wish!”

The two heroes did not hesitate and immediately led their troops away.

Richard held the black magic mace and the map in his hands. At this moment, the two relics radiated light.

However, he was like a stone statue as he quietly looked at the dune in front. He did not move.

The only thing left in the air was the whistling of the wind.

When Xena saw this scene, a hint of admiration rose in her eyes.

When ordinary people saw the allure of the ancient ruins, they would probably be unable to restrain themselves for a long time. The other party was indeed extraordinary. This kind of temperament was hard to come by.

It took a full half an hour.

Richard only relaxed when Gray returned to report it was safe and sent three teams of blood-colored mummies to guard the surroundings.

He turned his head to look at Xina.

“Xina, how do I open the ruins?”

“Close to the dune, the ruins will call...”

Richard nodded and handed the two items to Gunter.

“Leave the soul phylactery and go open the ruins.”

The ruins were full of unknowns. And Gunter could be resurrected. It was undoubtedly the most suitable candidate.

The mummy hero wrapped in the blood-colored bandage was fearless. After Richard left the soul phylactery, he walked towards the dune.

The black magic mace and the parchment map in his hands gradually lit up.

Gunter came to the bottom of the dune and felt something. He slowly placed the two items on the steep slope of the dune in front of him.

The next second.

'Crash!'

The yellow sand above the dune shook, and a large amount of fine sand shook off.

And the two items were buried within.

The yellow sand forced Gunter to retreat.

Richard sensed something was wrong and immediately waved his hand.

"Everyone, retreat! Leave this valley!!"

The troop had just retreated not long ago.

'Rumble!'

The more than 200 meters tall dune shook. And the yellow sand on it tumbled down like an avalanche.

Dust flew into the sky, and with the impact of a tsunami, it rolled down like a natural disaster. It was not something humans could withstand.

The scene was exceedingly spectacular.

The dark gargoyle immediately swooped down and lifted Gunter into the air before being buried.

After a few breaths, yellow sand shrouded dozens of meters deep depression.

After Richard checked and confirmed no one was swallowed, he heaved a sigh of relief.

Although there was sand, there was no need to waste this life-saving skill before entering the ruins.

The dust was too heavy. And it was hard to see the left and right.

After a long time, under the blowing of the wind and sand, the field returned to silence.

The brilliant scene appeared in Richard's line of sight.

The two-hundred-meter-tall dune was like a goddess that had taken off her outer clothes and revealed her true form.

A vast bronze arch stood in the middle of the yellow sand. And there were as many as nine.

The middle arch was a hundred meters tall. Countless magic runes were engraved on it and shone a bronze light.

Indescribable mystery filled its appearance.

A white-bearded wizard on the gate made of an unknown material wore a high-horned wizard hat and a luxurious wizard robe.

The enormous relief was lifelike, and its eyes were bright as if alive.

It would probably take hundreds of years if a mortal craftsman carved it.

There were four vice gates to the left and right of the main gate that were dozens of meters tall. The further outside, the lower the height of the vice gates.

Wizards of different appearances carved these secondary gates. And they were extraordinary.

This miraculous scene made Richard's mind waver.

What kind of powerful force was it to be able to cast a gate that was hundreds of meters tall to show its majesty?

And why did this force become a ruin under the dune?

Xena was speechless for a long time when she saw this scene.

Nine bronze gates were too overbearing.

After a long time, she suddenly saw something familiar that pointed at the right side of the deputy gate.

“The scepter is over there...”

Richard turned his head and saw traces of the black magic mace.

At this moment, the system notification suddenly rang.

[Ding~ You have discovered an ancient ruin — the Resplendent Wizard Tower.]

[Every ancient ruin contains numerous risks and opportunities. You might be able to find the lost artifact, or you might be able to trigger a forbidden spell buried for many years.]

[Please, feel free to explore everything.]

After Richard read the notification, he opened the Black Gold System.

As expected, it displayed the information.

[Resplendent Wizard Tower (ancient ruins)]

[Level: 3-stars]

[Threat level of the secondary gate: Medium, from left and right to the inside. The danger level is gradually increasing.]

[Threat level of the main gate: Extremely high.]

[Note: The ruins can not be upgraded.]

“Damn, a 3-star ruin!”

“No wonder it looked so domineering.”

Fortunately, the threat level of the secondary gate was slightly lower, and the black magic mace was the key to the right of the nine gates...which was also the door with the minimal threat.

Richard’s eyes narrowed.

“Xina, do you know anything about these bronze doors?”

Xena shook her head.

“I only learned from the parchment that this wizard tower once had unique research on seals. It often captured some powerful creatures from other planes and sealed them in the Resplendent Wizard Tower.

“That’s why I plan to come in and find a way to break the seal.

“But the secondary gate is safer. We might be able to give it a try... But I’ll listen to your orders for all operations, Lord Commander.”

Richard consented. His eyes paced.

“Regroup, prepare to enter the ruins...”

Chapter 109: This Wave Would Be Abundant

As the Twilight City troops stepped on the soft yellow sand, they arrived at the bronze door on the far right.

Although it was the smallest sub-door, it was at least 30 meters tall.

When a normal-sized human stood here, he suddenly felt as small as a dwarf.

The relief on this arch door was of a fat wizard with a big belly. The other party had a kind face and gentle eyes.

Gray wore a bandage, and the mummy stood guard around the door. Richard slowly approached when there was no threat.

It was unknown whether the yellow sand swallowed the map or not, but it had disappeared.

Only the black magic mace hovered in the air.

Richard reached out and held the black magic mace.

In the next second, a magical scene appeared.

The bronze door rippled like water. After a few blinks, the bronze door gradually turned into a half-bright door.

Only the statue of the fat wizard did not change. Instead, it became more vivid.

“Welcome home, children.”

The statue suddenly spoke in a gentle voice. Richard suddenly raised his head. Was this thing alive?

Before Richard could react, the statue stretched out its hand and waved the mace in its hand.

The next second.

He felt an exceedingly powerful force that surged. His vision blurred, and he appeared in an unfamiliar environment.

It was an arched hall, about two hundred meters wide and more than thirty meters high.

Three pitch-black passageways in the surroundings led to an unknown place.

The ceiling was carved with countless exquisite colorful patterns as if it was the most luxurious palace. One could not help but be amazed.

Metal seemed to irrigate the surrounding walls and reflected a unique light.

A magic lamp emitted light not far away.

Although the hall was not bright, he could see the situation around him pronouncedly.

The unfamiliar environment made Richard raise his vigilance to the maximum.

He turned his head and looked around. When he saw that all the troops had not fallen, he weighed a sigh of relief.

He had been careless. The other party did not show any martial arts and ultimately launched a sneak attack...

[Ding~ You have entered the ruins. You are free to explore.]

After the system notification sounded, Xina gripped the hilt of her sword tightly and held the cross-shaped longsword in front of her chest. Her gaze was cold.

At this moment, the aura of a hundred battles veteran in her body became exceedingly conspicuous.

“Lord Richard, we have triggered the magic guards of the Resplendent Wizard Tower...

“The enemy is coming.”

The moment she finished speaking.

‘Crack! Crack!’

‘Crack! Crack!’

They heard a rotating sound of machinery from the front.

They heard the sound of orderly footsteps following from the three passages connecting the hall.

Richard's eyes narrowed.

“Troops, retreat to the front of the wall and fight against the wall!

“Blood-colored mummy, giant monitor lizard mummy, protect the front!

“Scorpion warriors, bandaged mummies, protect the undead soldiers and cursed pharaohs!”

After Richard gave a series of orders, the troops immediately organized the formation.

‘Kacha!’

‘Kacha!’

The sound rapidly approached, and Richard's breathing subconsciously slowed down.

The most startling enemy was the unknown.

After a few breaths, magic puppets emerged from the right and left passageways under the illumination of the magic lights.

They were two and a half meters tall. Their bodies made of green-gray metal exuded an indescribable sturdiness.

They appeared humanoid. A pair of eyes inlaid their heads and revealed white light.

Every row of magic puppets had a small team, and Richard's troop attacked them in unison.

They were too many to count.

After the magic puppets discovered the troops of Twilight City, their eyes immediately turned red and symbolized a threat.

"Intruders found. Kill!"

The magic puppets spat out mechanical sounds, and in the next moment, their hands suddenly changed shape.

Their wrists directly split open, and two sharp serrated blades extended out.

Those sharp serrated blades were half a meter long, which turned the magic puppets into killing machines.

[Magic Puppets]

[Level: 5 (Elite soldier, defense increased by 15%.)]

[Potential: Rare 3-stars]

[Skills: Body of a Puppet (C-rank), Serrated Blade (D-rank), Shield Breaker (D-rank), Armor Breaker (D-rank)]

[Race Skills: Special magic construct, strength increased by 50%.]

[Fetter-Puppet: Puppets can cooperate in battle.]

[Description: Every wizard likes to research and create magic puppets to protect the Resplendent Wizard Tower.]

[Rare 3-stars, Level 5.]

Richard's heart skipped a beat.

It was only the first stage, and the enemy was already so powerful. Wouldn't there be rare and glorious-level troops in the future?

A 3-star ruin was indeed terrifying.

Richard immediately gave the order.

"Gargoyles, rise into the sky. Blood-colored mummies activate Sand Transformation to trap the enemy.

"Soldiers of the Axe of the Dead, attack freely!!"

'Bang! Bang! Bang!'

The magic puppets moved in unison as they approached the troops of Twilight City. Their speed was neither fast nor slow.

However, there was an exaggerated sense of oppression among many of them.

The first to attack the magic puppets were the dark gargoyles.

These flying troops swooped down abruptly.

Their wings spread out the sharpest cleavers.

'Whoosh!'

'Kacha!'

The powerful strength that came with the rarely-seen troops caused the bodies of four to five magic puppets to explode with a single charge.

They were severely damaged.

However, these puppets made of metal were far mightier than ordinary life forms.

The dark gargoyles were about to soar into the sky with a single dive. The strong sense of obstruction prevented them from charging forward like they encountered the lizardmen.

After the magic puppets lost more than a squadron, they immediately responded.

They stood close to each other. Arms held out sharp blades and raised diagonally toward the sky like spears.

If the dark gargoyles attacked again, the first wave would hit their sharp blades...

After a short exchange, the severe collision began.

The five teams of magic puppets rushed to the front of Twilight City's troop side by side. The sharp blades in their hands slashed down with great power.

They could even tear apart steel.

'Whoosh! Whoosh! Whoosh!'

The blood-colored mummy blocked the front and had no chance to dodge. Its body directly exploded and sent sand that flew in the air.

However, after the mummies activated the Sand Transformation, they could withstand the powerful magic puppets for ten minutes.

The sharp claws in their hands stabbed out, and they began to counterattack.

The magic puppet's metal body and defense were astonishing. No matter how the blood-colored mummy attacked, it could not cause any damage.

Although the attack did not succeed, it blocked the magic puppets successfully.

'Kacha!'

The chains rattled, and the tomahawks whistled.

The genuine killer soldier, the Axe of the dead, launched its most ferocious attack.

In a range of 21 to 40 meters, the power of the Tomahawk Slash was increased by 60%!

The magic puppet did not know how to dodge at all.

The tomahawks did not miss.

'Crack!'

Deep cracks appeared on the solid green-gray metal body.

One of the undead soldiers of the Axe of the Dead swung the chain in its hand.

It transmitted the body's explosive power along the chain to the tomahawk.

Endless power gushed out.

'Crack!' The metal body of the magic puppet severed into two pieces.

'Bang!' The magic puppet fell to the ground, its blood-colored eyes dimmed.

At the same time, a few crystal-clear gemstones fell out of the crack on its chest.

One of them rolled for half a circle due to inertia. Suddenly, an arm appeared and picked up the gemstones.

Richard straightened up and was about to observe when the system notification rang.

[Ding~ You have obtained 1 unit of a gemstone.]

He was slightly stunned.

When he followed the direction of the gemstones, he saw the broken chests of the magic puppets and several gems scattered on the ground.

In an instant, a prodigious sense of surprise surged into his mind.

“These gemstones drive the magic puppets?”

In his gaze, the magic puppet threats immediately turned into glittering treasures.

“Tear down all these magic puppets! Don’t let anyone escape!!

“There might be over a thousand magic puppets here... F*ck, this wave would be abundant.”

Chapter 110: Gemstones Everywhere

There were too many magic puppets. And they attacked in a uniform manner, which put a lot of pressure on the front row.

The elite-level blood-colored mummy was unable to withstand it.

It was still killed and exploded even if it activated Sand Transformation.

Some gradually retreated.

When Richard saw this, he immediately suppressed the excitement in his heart.

The 15 five-meter-long giant monitor lizard mummies rushed forward with a wave of his hand.

‘Crack!’

The giant mouth with sharp teeth bit the magic puppet.

In the next second, the magic puppet crazily shook its head and tried to use the strength of its body to tear the enemy apart.

However, the sturdy body of the magic puppet made it difficult for the berserk giant monitor lizard mummies to deal any effective damage.

However, their vast size bought a lot of time for the attack from the back row.

It made it safer for the undead soldiers of the Axe of the Dead to annihilate.

From time to time, Richard saw the magic puppet's broken bodies scattered with gemstones!

It made him very happy.

It was a rare resource. A mini metal ore vein only had 100 units of reserves. Killing a few teams of magic puppets here would give him the vein of metal ore reserves.

The pleasure of killing monsters and dropping equipment made him feel particularly decent.

Some Twilight City's troop defense was destroyed as an increasing number of magic puppets were used in the passage.

The giant monitor lizard mummy could not withstand it even with the Sand Transformation...

The excited Richard immediately gave the order.

“Poisonous Scorpion Warriors and Bandaged Mummies, hold them up! Don’t keep your hands! Take down all magic puppets!!”

The troops immediately reinforced their shaky defensive line in front after they held two rare-level troops.

The magic puppet’s strength lay in its countless numbers and the pressure brought by the coordinated attack.

However, the troop in his hands was ultimately not weak.

After the bandaged mummy enhanced its attack, its sharp claws tore apart the magic puppet’s sturdy body and caused enormous damage.

Although it could not use curses to reduce the opponent’s strength, it could forcefully withstand the attack.

There was no need to mention the scorpion warriors. These melee units were known for their powerful power attack. Their sharp iron pincers made the magic puppets suffer a great loss.

Especially the curved iron hook at the front end. When it waved, it would be nailed into the opponent's body and pulled with force.

It could tear off more than half of the magic puppet's body.

Magic puppets dealt physical damage. The damage they dealt to the undead soldiers was not fatal. If they could not withstand it, they would immediately activate their Sand Transformation and enter to kill.

However, there was a lot of room for maneuvering.

After the number of magic puppets had reached a certain level, the defensive line in front of them continuously compressed.

Richard's eyes turned cold.

"Tomahawk Slash!!"

The next second, the tomahawk flew out of the undead soldier's hand.

'Whoosh! Whoosh!' A sharp sound echoed in the surroundings.

'Crack!'

A clear sound rang out.

The magic puppets exploded into countless pieces with the tomahawk's condensed energy.

It swept around like a storm.

Twenty tomahawks blew death storm.

'Clang! Clang!'

The sound of metal colliding rang out continuously. A vast area of cracks appeared on the magic puppet's bodies at the core of the slashing tomahawk.

Its sturdy defense was now riddled with injuries from the bombardment.

The magic puppet's body was mostly destroyed after the death storm swept through. Its battle strength had fallen to the freezing point. More than two squadrons of magic puppets were directly crippled.

The Axe of the Dead displayed to the fullest its terrifying lethality...

However, there were too many magic puppets. Even with great losses, the troops at the rear soon made up for it.

The battle continued.

The dark gargoyles in the sky launched another attack after the magic puppet formation loosened.

Every time the dark gargoyles dived down, they would obtain a significant result.

These flying troops were extremely flexible. When faced with the slightly stiff magic puppets, they were simply killing randomly.

Their lethality was not any weaker than the Axe of the Dead.

The Twilight City's troops became the gears for grinding meat. The magic puppets were quickly devoured.

And the gemstones on the ground also increased.

Richard felt that a large number of gemstones were in his bag every time he saw a magic puppet fall.

That feeling made him excited, and he continuously commanded the troops to adjust their direction to fight.

However, the troops soon suffered casualties...

After the blood-colored mummy finished Sand Transformation, the magic puppets' sharp irrigated blades immediately severed it. After a few exchanges, there were only two teams left.

These elite 1-star troops had no resistance against the magic puppets without Sand Transformation.

Richard did not let the blood-colored mummy die. He ordered the two teams to retreat.

When the next round of sand cooled down, these cannon fodder would still be useful.

The battle began to heat up with casualties.

Xina never made a move all this while. She sharply looked at one of the tunnels that continuously surged magic puppets. Her gaze was calculating.

"Lord Richard, I request to fight!"

Richard looked at the space constantly being compressed and nod solemnly.

Xina's body shot out like lightning after she received the approval.

She charged in from the magic puppets densest in the middle.

Powerful and violent.

'Clang! Clang!'

The two magic puppets in front wanted to stop her, but they only saw a flash of cold light. The two huge heads directly disintegrated, and their bodies flew out.

Xina's fighting style was extremely domineering.

She was decisive and her sword was sharp.

Wherever she passed, the magic puppets that tried to stop her would be decapitated with a single sword.

The fighting power she unleashed was indeed worthy of the aura of a veteran.

Richard retracted his gaze. When the pressure on the battlefield still increased, he continued to give orders.

"Gunter, the Ball of Corruption!"

The moment the mummy hero, covered in blood-colored bandages, heard the order, its body emitted an endless amount of crimson energy.

In its hand, a blood-colored ball that constantly pulsed rapidly condensed.

If it used the blood to condense the Ball of Corruption, he would receive an additional 50% magic damage.

However, these were all magic puppets, so there was no blood for him to use.

However, the magic of an A-rank hero was also terrifying enough.

'Whoosh!'

The Ball of Corruption tore through the sky and smashed into the magic puppets densest at fifty meters away.

'Boom!' A muffled explosion sounded.

Countless magic power with strong corrosive properties enveloped the magic puppets thirty meters in diameter.

Unlike the explosion of the Axe of the Dead, the Ball of Corruption was like highly concentrated sulfuric acid that directly corrode the body of the magic puppet until it was full of potholes.

After some key nodes were destroyed, the magic puppet was directly paralyzed and starkly destroyed.

With two top-tier heroes joining the battle, this area became a real meat grinder which rapidly depleted the number of magic puppets.

The battle lasted for nearly an hour, and the number of enemies that poured out from the three passageways gradually decreased until they finally disappeared without a trace...

When the last magic puppet fell, Richard wiped the sweat from his forehead.

The high-intensity command had exhausted his physical strength, which was not inferior to the fighting troops in front of him.

When he saw the ground from the corner of his eye, his mood became excited again.

At this time, the floor of the hall was covered with a thick body of magic puppets.

A large number of gemstones were scattered in the surroundings. Under the illumination of the magic lamp, they reflected a sparkling light.

He felt as if he had entered the treasure house of a dragon.

The ruins were truly abundant.