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Chapter 241 The Secret of the Arbitration Office " The last cra ? " Finished When the man introduced himself , younger people like Emma , Elias , and Troy were confused . However , Yannick and Thaddeus , standing behind Leander , instantly changed expressions . In the martial world , both in Astria and abroad , every 25 years was considered a " generation ." Yannick and Thaddeus , along with The Four Extremes , rose to prominence during the current generation . Nevertheless , in the previous one - 25 years ago - they were merely newcomers .

Those who were already famous and ranked at the top back then were the true masters of that era , like the now - dead Laughing Monk of West Ridge , whom Leander had once killed . Now , this man , who looked only about 30 years old , claimed to be known by the older generation as the Lord of Umbral - meaning his actual age was far beyond what he appeared to be . This was someone on the same level as the legends of the last generation . " Lord of Umbral ? " Yannick frowned . Although he and Thaddeus weren't famous back then , they had heard of the great names of that era .

One of them was this very man . Legend had it that 25 years ago , a martial arts master remained low - profile and never challenged anyone . He wasn't even listed on the Astria Power List at the time . However , after that list was published , he suddenly rose up and challenged everyone ranked from second to 15th and crushed all of them , shocking the martial world . He then fought the Laughing Monk of West Ridge , who

ranked first , and the battle ended in a draw . Even though his power was undeniable , the rankings were never changed , causing him great resentment .

Out of rage , he challenged the top ancient martial sects - Wanda Sect , Lingster Sect , Mount Sect - defeating many of their elders . Some were even killed . Because of that , the martial world's righteous sects labeled him a villain . Famous holy places 1/4 13:29 Wed , Oct 15 Chapter 241 The Secret of the Arbitration Office like the Silvermoon Sect and the Motorina Sect declared him a public enemy . Finished Pushed out by all sides , he eventually created the Umbral Court , gathering ruthless martial artists into a feared killer organization .

Since then , he was known as the Lord of Umbral . He had disappeared from the martial world for nearly 30 years , with many assuming he was dead , but here he was today in Ravenridge . Leander looked intrigued and smiled faintly . " I didn't expect a mere killer group to have someone at the Transcendent Realm . Interesting ." Everyone was shocked again . They all knew that above the Martial Sovereign was a legendary realm - the Transcendent Realm . It hadn't been seen in nearly 50 years . Yet , Leander was now implying this man had truly reached that level .

To the younger crowd , it was unthinkable - a mythical figure standing right before them . " Transcendent Realm ? " Yannick and Thaddeus were shaken . This was the very realm they had dreamed of their whole lives . Now , they were witnessing someone who had actually stepped into it . The Lord of Umbral remained calm . " Jeff , I knew you were different . " Twenty - five years ago , only the Laughing Monk of West Ridge was

worthy of my attention . Now , among today's masters , only Maximilian barely counts . Gareth is so - so ; but you are the only one I truly respect .

" Everyone gasped inside . The Laughing Monk of West Ridge was the previous generation's top master , the undisputed number one . Gareth and Maximilian were considered today's peaks . Yet , in this man's eyes , even they didn't amount to much . He indeed had high standards . The Lord of Umbral's eyes glowed faintly with black and purple light as he continued , " I once thought Gareth would be the first to break into the Transcendent Realm , but then you appeared , overturning my expectations .

" A few days ago , in West Listin , you killed six Pre - Transcendents from the Arbitration Office , 2/4 13:29 Wed , Oct 15 Chapter 241 The Secret of the Arbitration Office Finished and even took down a newly - awakened Transcendent . That feat alone places you among the top masters of this age . " You may not be Transcendent yet , but you surpass it in strength . I truly want to see your power for myself ." Yannick and Thaddeus were stunned . They had no idea Leander had achieved such terrifying results - especially against the Arbitration Office .

Leander casually put one hand in his pocket and smirked . " If you want to see , then stop talking and fight . " Back at the Waterfront Plaza , Leander had killed the Masked God of War , who used secret techniques and Doomlight . Yet , he still crushed him with a single punch . The Lord of Umbral , though a true Transcendent , was only slightly stronger than the Masked God of War . Leander wasn't worried at all . Yannick and Thaddeus quickly retreated with scary expressions . Masters of Transcendent Realm had incredible strength .

If these two clashed , just the aftermath could tear them apart . The Lord of Umbral saw the gleam in Leander's eyes but only shook his head . " Jeff , I would love to fight you , but I must admit , I'm not your match ." As the leader of the Umbral Court , he had wide connections . He knew the full details of what had happened at the Waterfront Plaza . Even though he was stronger than the Masked God of War , it wouldn't be enough . Leander could easily kill him , too . Emma was again overwhelmed . If even a Transcendent says he can't beat Leander , how terrifying is Leander's real strength ?

The Lord of Umbral bowed respectfully . " Sovereign , I came to Ravenridge today not to offend you , but to ask a favor . Please spare those two . In return , I promise the Umbral Court will never again trouble anyone present tonight . " Leander stood still , expression cold . " Your offer means nothing to me . Killing every last one of the Umbral Court still leads to the same outcome . Why should I let them live ? " 3/4 13:29 Wed , Oct 15 Chapter 241 The Secret of the Arbitration Office Norman and Dreadlord stood frozen , staring helplessly at the Lord of Umbral .

65 Finished He paused , then said in a lower voice , " If you let them go , I'll tell you a secret - a secret very few people know , which is about the Arbitration Office . " Send Gifts 60 B

Chapter 242 The 16 Supreme Arbiters " Oh ? " Leander raised his eyes , a flicker of interest in his gaze . 665 Finished Since encountering the Arbitration Office , he had to admit - even if he didn't care much - that he now truly understood just how powerful this organization was . In all of Astria , only Gareth and Grayson were known to be the Pre -

Transcendents . These were peak - tier masters . Nevertheless , within the Arbitration Office , such strength was just the starting point . They could easily send seven such masters to try and kill him .

Even more shocking , Transcendents - long considered legendary and unseen for nearly 50 years - were apparently not rare within the Arbitration Office . Evelyn , the Flame Witch , had implied that even they weren't considered top - tier within the Arbitration Office . This meant the Arbitration Office was like a deep , vast ocean - its true depth impossible to gauge . Even Leander couldn't say how many hidden masters still remained within . The Lord of Umbral , eyes flashing , spoke again . " Sovereign , I rule the Umbral Court .

The Arbitration Office is the darkest power in existence , bar none . That's why I've learned secrets that few others know . " His voice , wrapped in inner energy , transmitted directly into Leander's ears . No one else could hear him . " You killed seven of their arbitrators in West Listin . That means you and the Arbitration Office are now mortal enemies . They won't stop until you're dead - you already know this . Knowing your enemy is always in your favor . " Leander stood still for a moment , then let out a soft laugh . " You're quite something , Lord of Umbral .

" He casually pointed to Norman and Dreadlord . " Originally , you two were dead men today , but your leader's offer bought you a chance . " From this moment on , none of you from the Umbral Court are allowed near me again . If I see any of you - even once - I'll kill without hesitation . " Take your dead with you . Clean up the blood . If I find even the smallest trace left behind , I'll

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Arbiters wipe out your entire clan . " His voice turned cold . Then , he suddenly shouted , " Leave !

" Finished The force behind his voice made Norman and Dreadlord cough up blood . Faces pale with fear , they looked to the Lord of Umbral for help , but he didn't even glance their way as he was staring at Leander . Left with no choice , the two let out pained howls , scooped up the 11 bodies , and used their inner strength to clear every trace of battle . In mere moments , the area looked untouched , only shattered stones remained . The once - mighty army of the Umbral Court was now gone , leaving only standing alone . the Lord of Umbral Emma , Elias , and Troy were stunned .

With just a few words , Leander had forced an entire elite force to retreat . Even a Transcendent had bowed to him . This was true power . Maeve stared , still unable to fully process what had just happened . She'd never imagined that Ice Cube would be a peerless hero feared by the world . " I've let them go . Now , you'd better make what you're about to tell me worth it , " Leander said calmly , hands in his pockets . The two most powerful men alive now stood facing each other . No one else dared speak - not the top martial talents like Emma , nor even seasoned masters Yannick or Thaddeus .

They all stood still . The Lord of Umbral began to speak again , his voice heard only by Leander . " Don't worry , Sovereign . What I'm about to tell you about the Arbitration Office is what you've never heard before . " Leander gestured to him to continue . " The Arbitration Office's true origins are unknown , but it's existed for nearly three centuries . During both World Wars , the Office operated secretly behind the scenes . " Long ago ,

the world's most powerful religious group , the Aster Communion , went to war against the Arbitration Office .

But , despite high expectations , the communion was completely crushed . That loss marked their global decline and allowed the United Colonies to rise as the new superpower . 2/4 13:30 Wed , Oct 15 Chapter 242 The 16 Supreme Arbiters : " Since then , the Office became the world's most feared dark organization - known to all , understood by none . " The Lord of Umbral's eyes narrowed . Finished " Even though it's understood by none , I have my way to figure things out . Inside the Office , the hierarchy is strict . No one can disobey commands from above .

" There are four main levels of authority . The lowest are the Arbitrators ." Leander nodded . The seven who attacked him in West Listin had been ordinary arbitrators . Clearly , these were the Arbitration Office's foot soldiers , not its elite . The Lord of Umbral continued , " Above them are the Elite Arbitrators . The difference in rank isn't massive , but Elite Arbitrators have more privileges . Some can even command the lower- ranked ones directly . The key difference is power . " To become an Elite Arbitrator , one must be at least of the Transcendent Realm .

" From what I know , the Office has at least 50 Elite Arbitrators ." Leander's gaze froze for a second . " Oh ? " That number shocked even him as it meant all Elite Arbitrators are of the Transcendent Realm , and they were at the second tier of the organization . If true , the Arbitration Office's strength was far greater than he had imagined . The Lord of Umbral continued , " Above them are the true higher - ups of the Office - the Chief

Arbitrator . " Each one oversees at least 30 regular Arbitrators and five Elite Arbitrators .
Their commands are absolute . No one can disobey them .

" But , I don't know exactly how powerful a Chief Arbitrator is . " Leander's eyes
narrowed slightly . He now had a rough picture . The Chief Arbitrators must wield
overwhelming force to be able to rule the Arbitrators and Elite Arbitrators , taking full
command . Their power must surpass Elite Arbitrators , but the extent was unknown .
He smirked , not at all intimidated . " That's three levels you've told me . What's the last
one ? " The Lord of Umbral's pupils shrank . He paused .

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moment , his voice dropped to a whisper , heavy with fear . " The final level is the true
rulers of the Arbitration Office ... They are known as The 16 Supreme Arbiters . " Send
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Chapter 243 The Reason You Don't Acknowledge Me " The 16 Supreme Arbiters ? "
Leander's gaze paused . 65 Finished The Lord of Umbral nodded solemnly . " They are
the Office's supreme leaders . No one can defy them . Even Chief Arbitrators answer to
them . Some say they are descendants of the Office's founders . Others say they are
the founders . " Each one is unimaginably powerful - true sovereigns of the world . In the
battle where the Aster Communion fell , it's said they were the ones who struck the final
blow . Their power surpasses the Chief Arbitrators - much beyond comprehension .

Even if the Office suffers major losses , as long as those sixteen remain , it cannot fall .
" Leander murmured the hierarchy , " Arbitrator , Elite Arbitrator , Chief Arbitrator , and
Supreme Arbiter ? " Within the Arbitration Office , each level was clearly based on

strength . If Elite Arbitrators were all Transcendents , then Chief Arbitrators had to surpass that . As for the Supreme Arbiters , their power was likely beyond the limits of ordinary understanding . There was no doubt that the Arbitration Office was considered the most dangerous organization in the world .

With such a terrifying lineup , no nation could match it . They could easily destroy a small country . The Lord of Umbral looked at Leander and continued , " Besides the levels , the Office has its own ranking system . " It means the higher - ups will give overall rates based on everyone's ability . The lowest is A- level , then S - level , SS - level , and finally SSS - level . " A - level is around Martial Sovereign level . S - level means Transcendent . I don't know what SS and SSS mean - it's beyond what I've seen . Inside the Office , you're rated as S - level , though .

" Leander stayed silent , lost in thought . His ranking didn't matter to him . What he wanted to know was what rank The 16 Supreme Arbiters were - SSS - level or even higher . The Lord of Umbral shook his head helplessly after seeing Leander's expression . " I know what you're wondering . The same goes for me , but I have no idea . Those people are too far beyond me . I have no idea about their capabilities . " Leander's shock faded as he nodded slightly . " Your information was useful . You didn't
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disappoint me .

" 65 Finished The Lord of Umbral suddenly raised his head and looked at Leander . " Jeff , you're number one on the Astria Power Index . You've killed Transcendents with a single punch , which is truly impressive . Also , you're still young . Your future is limitless

. " But I must give you a sincere warning - you're not yet ready to face the Arbitration Office directly . " If they truly focus on killing you , and send dozens of Elite Arbitrators , no matter how strong you are , you won't last . " Leander grinned , utterly calm . " They want to kill me ?

" He bit his finger lightly , eyes filled with unshakable confidence . " As long as they dare , no matter how many times they come , the result will be the same as in West Listin . " The Arbitration Office was indeed shrouded in mystery and formidable strength , housing countless martial masters . For ordinary Martial Practitioners , offending the Office meant only two options - surrender their lives or submit . However , Jeff was not one to be cowed . He had already faced death once eight years ago . Now , the Sovereign had returned , reclaiming his former glory .

No matter the adversary , he would not yield an inch . Even if faced with The 16 Supreme Arbiters , he had the confidence to battle them to the bitter end . Upon seeing Leander's response , the Lord of Umbral sighed deeply . Yet , he offered no persuasion , only clasped his hands in respectful salute . " To witness your grandeur today is truly a rare joy in life . I hope that after what transpired today , even if we cannot become allies , at the very least , we need not become enemies .

" Leander waved his hand dismissively , his tone detached as he said , " Your conditions have already spared the lives of those two . " As for matters of the Umbral Court , they end here . No more enmity between you and me . " Upon hearing this , a meaningful smile crept across the face of the Lord of Umbral . Then , he disappeared into the shadows . Leander could hear his voice . " Jeff , if fate allows us to meet again ,

I'll be sure to share a few drinks with you , " the Lord of 2/4 13:30 Wed , Oct 15 Chapter 242 The Reason You Don't Acknowledge Me 20 Finished Umbral mentioned .

' Let's hope you haven't fallen into the hands of the Arbitration Office before then . "

Leander kept one hand in his pocket . Only when he could no longer sense the Lord of Umbral's aura did he turn and walk toward Yannick and the others . " Thank you for your timely intervention , Sovereign . Everyone in the Tri - Peak Sect is immeasurably grateful for what happened today . " Yannick stepped forward and bowed in salute . "

No need to thank me . I never intended to save you . " Leander waved lightly . Then , his gaze slowly swept across Trevor , Elias , Troy , Emma , and the others .

Each person present had , to some degree , clashed with him in the past . Once arrogant and dismissive toward him , now none dared meet his eyes . Every one of them bowed their heads in silence , filled with fear . Suddenly , Leander raised his palm . Trevor felt his body lift uncontrollably , as if seized by an invisible force , and was hoisted into midair . " Forgive me , Iron Sovereign ! Spare me , please ! " he screamed in terror , tears spurting from his eyes , overwhelmed by dread .

Never could he have imagined that the young man he once thought he could crush effortlessly would turn out to be the Iron Sovereign , wielder of life and death . Thaddeus watched in silence , his eyes flickering , but he dared not speak or act . " Do you remember what I told you ? " At those words , Trevor nodded furiously . " Sovereign , I was blind and ignorant , but I've remembered your words . I swear there won't be a next time . Never again . " Leander's lips curled into a faint sneer . He then withdrew his hand , dispersing the force .

Trevor fell to the ground , his pant legs soaked through on both sides . Leander's gaze remained calm as he walked past Emma and the others as though they were mere air , unworthy even of a glance . Emma gently bit her red lip , flushed with a blend of shame and anger - but above all , deep , unspoken regret . Leander continued forward , eventually stopping beside Yvette . As he tilted his head slightly , his 3/4 13:30 Wed , Oct 15 Chapter 243 The Reason You Don't Acknowledge Me eyes met the clear , translucent gaze of Maeve . He knew this was the real trouble he had to face .

65 Finished Maeve's eyes trembled with emotion , sorrow welling on her face like a blade to the heart . She asked softly , " Jeff Ashcroft , the Iron Sovereign ? What an awe - inspiring title . Is that the reason why you refuse to acknowledge me ? " Send Gifts

Chapter 244 Wyvern Blade A 65 Finished Maeve stood before Leander , her gaze deep and sorrowful . The image of Leander standing alone , sweeping aside all his enemies with an invincible presence , was still vivid in her mind . But that wasn't what she cared about now . All she wanted to know was why Leander refused to acknowledge her , why he wouldn't tell her the truth , why - even when she was standing so close - he still treated her like a stranger . " Why won't you recognize me ? " she whispered .

She reached out , her delicate fingers grasping the sleeve of Leander's coat , tears welling in her eyes . Yvette stood quietly to the side . She could clearly sense how Maeve was feeling at this moment , and she quickly stepped back to give Maeve and Leander space to be alone . Leander's gaze remained calm and steady , unmoved by Maeve's reaction . He simply shook his head . " What difference would it make whether

I told you or not ? To me , you're nothing more than a passerby in my life . " I just happened to come across you when you jumped off that cliff and pulled you back- nothing more .

There's really no deep connection between us . Saving you was just a casual act . " Don't think of me as being some noble person . I'm far from someone who came to rescue you from your life . " Everything you've achieved today , you earned yourself . It has nothing to do with me . " Then , he gently pried Maeve's hand from his sleeve and stretched lazily . " I only saved you tonight because we once met before . " After this , the people of the Umbral Court won't come after you again , so you can stop worrying . You can go back to being the big star you are .

I have my own path to walk , and we have nothing to do with each other anymore . Understand ? " With that , he turned without hesitation , ready to leave . Maeve's pupils trembled , and she rushed to grab his arm . " No ! You can't just walk away like this ! " Her voice cracked with tears as she clung to him , refusing to let go , desperation in her tone . " Don't leave me ! After everything ... After finally seeing you again ... If you leave me now , what am I supposed to do ?!

" 1/4 13:30 Wed , Oct 15 Chapter 244 Wyvern Blade Finished Tears spilled down her cheeks again , but Leander's expression remained as cold and indifferent as before . " What you're supposed to do ? That's something you should ask your sister and your father - not me . " With a small shake of his arm , Maeve's grip slipped away , and she could only stand there , dazed , as she watched Leander and Yvette disappear into the

night . In that darkness , only a parting sentence echoed back , leaving both Emma and Maeve stunned in place . " Emma Reyne , keep your sister in check .

When you came to Ravenridge and asked me to break off the engagement , I let you have your way . So please , don't let her bother me again . " " Maeve ! " Emma finally steadied her breath , preparing to grab Maeve's arm . However , Maeve , acting completely out of character , threw her hand off , anger and resentment burning in her eyes . " Emma , tell me why ! He clearly wasn't dead , so why did you all tell me he was ? Why did you lie to me ? " Her voice rose into a shout , anguished and raw .

For two whole years , she had lived in endless regret and longing , thinking about Leander every day and night , mourning for him ... but in the end , it had all been a lie . Leander had never died -it was all a fabrication by Emma and their father. Emma froze , unable to answer . When Leander had returned Maeve to them , their father , Jackson , had felt grateful and , to fulfill Maeve's wish , privately made a verbal engagement between Maeve and Leander .

While Leander never cared about it , Maeve had kept that promise close to her heart , dreaming of the day her eyesight would return so she could marry him . When Emma found out , she immediately objected . In the end , Jackson was persuaded too , and together they concocted a lie that Leander was dead , hoping to extinguish Maeve's hopes for the engagement . She had done it because she looked down on Leander , dismissing him as a penniless young man who came from the backwoods . And now , faced with Maeve's questions , she couldn't speak a single word in reply .

She simply didn't know what to say . " Maeve , I ... " Emma tried to explain , but Maeve raised a hand to cut her off , her expression blank , as if her soul had left her body . " Everyone , just leave me alone . I just want some time to myself . " Her steps were unsteady as she slowly disappeared into the darkness , leaving the others 2/4 13:30 Wed , Oct 15 5 Chapter 264 Wyvern Blade standing there in stunned silence . Finished " Troy , Macve ...

" Trevor looked over at his brother , whose expression flickered between anger and unwillingness , but in the end , it shifted into a flash of fear . He had thought it would be easy to eliminate Leander and erase him completely from Maeve's world . But who could have predicted that his opponent wouldn't be some reckless , naive kid he could crush without effort , but a true dragon soaring across the heavens ? Meanwhile , Thaddeus ' gaze was dark and brooding , his mind racing with thoughts .

His plan had been for his family to forge an alliance with the Reynes through marriage , which would further cement their dominance over Glenwick . But now it was clear that there was a deep , tangled connection between Maeve and Leander . Even if Leander appeared cold and indifferent toward Maeve , who could guarantee what might develop between them in the future ? To fight the Iron Sovereign for a woman ? Thaddeus knew perfectly well that his family was no match .

By the city moat , Leander walked with one hand in his pocket , side by side with Yvette , who suddenly tilted her head curiously , asking , " Why did you say all that to her ? Those weren't your true feelings , were they ? " " Whether it's true or not doesn't matter , " he replied , his gaze deep and distant . " What matters is keeping her away from me

so she can live her life . " What he wanted was simple : for Maeve to give up hope . In Highcliffe , there was still a promise waiting for him to fulfill . Until then , he didn't want to be entangled in any emotional attachments .

Yvette understood that there was another woman who stood in Leander's heart - a place she could never reach , no matter how much she gave . So , she fell silent . On the outskirts of Ravenridge , a green Jeep sped into the city and pulled up outside Bright Villa in the Skyview Heights neighborhood . A young man stepped down from the Jeep , clad in a leather coat . He was about six feet one , with a muscular build and a confident , commanding stride . His sharp eyes glinted with a piercing light .

Though imposing and broad - shouldered , he was strikingly handsome , exuding a charm that was dangerous and irresistible to women . 3/4 13.30 Wed , Oct 15 4 that Fontstred He rang the doorbell , and before long , the front door opened . A young man in a simple shirt appened , his features handsome , ban his brows furrowed in deep worry . A faint shadow seemed to cloud his expression was Colin Bright , whom no one had seen in months . " It's been a long time , " the man at the door said with a steady smile . Colin froze in shock when he saw who it was , his face filled with disbelief .

" Skyler ? You ... What are you doing here ? " His voice trembled as he stared at the visitor . The two of them hadn't seen each other for three years , and yet Skyler Eaton had suddenly appeared at his door . " Why did you come looking for me ? " Colin asked , his gaze sharpening as he spoke . The two of them had once been fierce rivals - the most bitter of romantic enemies . After Skyler had suddenly left years ago , Colin had

gradually pushed him from his mind . He truly couldn't understand why Skyler would come looking for him now .

Skyler stood tall and straight , a faint smile on his face . " I came here for one reason : to find out whether you ever won the contest between us ." Colin's face stiffened . " You're talking about ... Yvette ? " Skyler nodded coolly , a smile playing on his lips . " Seeing your expression , I already know the answer . In these past three years , while I was gone , you failed to win Yvette's heart . That proves I couldn't have picked a better time to return . " His voice was brimming with confidence , and his piercing gaze seemed to lock onto Colin like a predator .

" Colin Bright , back then , we were deadlocked , each viewing the other as his greatest rival . Yet , in the three years I was gone , you didn't manage to win Yvette over . " Now , let me be blunt with you - since I've returned , you won't get another chance . Yvette will only ever be mine ! And half a year ago , I was officially inducted into Wyvern Blade ! " The moment Colin heard that , his eyes widened with incredulity and his heart trembled violently . Send Gifts 60

Chapter 245 I'll Give You a Chance Finished " What did you say ? You made it into Wyvern Blade ? " Colin's expression shifted again and again , disbelief filling his face . Three years ago , he and Skyler had merely been two college students competing for attention , constantly butting heads , their rivalry centered entirely around romance rather than ambition . Back then , in their eyes , love mattered far more than any career . Each had seen the other as a lifelong nemesis , locked in constant competition . But three years had passed .

Colin had since used his father Jasper's influence to launch his own ventures , amassing tens of millions in personal wealth and becoming the undisputed leader among Ravenridge's top ten outstanding young men . He had believed his accomplishments had long since eclipsed those of his old rival . Yet with just one sentence - Skyler's casual declaration that he had been accepted into Wyvern Blade- everything Colin had built in his mind shattered . That was Wyvern Blade - Astria's most elite special forces unit !

Skyler stood casually with one hand in his pocket , patting his chest before pulling out a badge . It depicted a fiery blue dagger encircled by five shimmering red stars , with a golden dragon coiling around the dagger , vivid and lifelike in exquisite detail . Colin's gaze froze on the badge , his heart shaking once again . He had never seen a Wyvern Blade badge before , but it didn't matter - he could tell at a glance this one was real . He drew in a sharp breath as a heavy sense of defeat surged through him .

Not long ago at Hawksridge Summit , Leander had torn apart all his pride with one breathtaking battle , and now Skyler's badge was stomping on whatever was left . He had thought that even if he couldn't match someone like Leander , he still stood at the top compared to the people around him . But he hadn't imagined that this old rival , who had once competed with him on equal footing , was now standing far above him as a member of Wyvern Blade . " You came here just to laugh at me , didn't you ? " Colin's eyes darkened , and his voice turned cold .

" Of course not . " Skyler smiled faintly and carefully tucked the badge away . " You're not even worth comparing myself to anymore . I came here just to say hello . But from

now on , if you still want to compete with me for Yvette , you'd better think twice ." His tone carried a note of disdain . From the moment he had been accepted into Wyvern Blade , none of his peers mattered to him anymore . Even Colin , his former rival , was now beneath him - no longer qualified to contend with him . 1/4 13:58 Wed , Oct 15
Chapter 245 Give You a chance him - no longer qualified to contend with him .

Finished " Compete with you for Yvette ? " Colin's gaze sharpened as he thought of that man who held the power of life and death , and a chill ran through him . Seeing the confident and domineering gleam in Skyler's eyes , Colin's mind spun . He asked calmly . " So this is why you came back ? To pursue Yvette ? " " Of course ! " Skyler nodded proudly . " From the moment I first saw her three years ago , she's been the dream of my life . I thought you would've won her heart in these past three years while I was gone , but since you failed to seize the chance , I won't hesitate anymore .

Now , I have everything it takes to give her happiness and a future . " Hearing that , Colin chuckled coldly inside , a faint smirk curling at the corner of his lips as he said disdainfully , " You think you can pursue Yvette ? That's wishful thinking ! She already has someone she loves - someone who she'll never leave . Do you really think you can change that ? " Skyler remained completely unfazed , arrogance radiating from every inch of him . " Love ? Indispensable ? That's all bullsh * t ! In this world , only the strong deserve to possess women , wealth , and power .

Strength is everything . " The only reason that guy seems indispensable is because she hasn't yet met a man powerful enough to truly move her heart . " With that , he turned and climbed back into his Jeep , his voice cold and full of conviction . " No matter who

she's in love with , I'm fully confident I can win her back - even if that person is you . "

Skyler's voice faded into the distance as his Jeep disappeared from the villa gates , leaving Colin standing alone on the lawn , shadows clouding his gaze .

After a long while , he let out a scornful laugh , a trace of pity flashing in his eyes . "

Skyler , Skyler ... Do you really know why I lost ? " You think that just because you joined Wyvern Blade , you can now look down on everyone and claim victory ? If you're so eager to overestimate yourself and court humiliation , then go right ahead ! " Ever since witnessing Leander's astonishing battle at Hawksridge Summit , where he single-handedly crushed two legendary fighters , Colin's interest in the martial world had grown immensely .

He had secretly investigated , wanting to understand what kind of status and strength Leander commanded within that world . In the end , he'd found his answer - but what he learned had left him utterly hopeless . From that moment on , he completely gave up any thought of competing with Leander and abandoned any lingering hopes regarding Yvette . 2/4 13:58 Wed , Oct 15 Chapter 245 ULGINE You a Chance 65 Finished "

That's Astria's number one on the ranking of the strong - the Iron Sovereign himself , Jeff Ashcroft ! " he murmured softly , almost expectantly .

The idea of Skyler and Leander clashing thrilled him now - some people had to fall from the clouds to truly understand just how vast the sky could be . " Oh ? Skyler's back ? "

Inside a Starbucks , Yvette sat across from Ginny , surprise flickering across her face . " Yeah , " Ginny nodded . " Last night , I happened to pass through Parkway Plaza and saw him shopping . At first , I thought I must've been mistaken , but then he came right

up and greeted me - and even asked for your phone number ! " " He asked for my number ? " Yvette frowned immediately upon hearing this .

Ginny covered her mouth and giggled . " See , Yvette ? This is what happens when you're so amazing - now your romantic debts are coming due ! " Yvette didn't argue , just gave Ginny a look . She had known Colin since they were kids , but Skyler was someone she had met by chance at a social gathering . Ever since that encounter , Skyler and Colin had become rivals , constantly competing and bickering over her . Though she never spoke of it , she understood everything clearly .

Three years ago , Skyler had suddenly left Ravenridge without a word and never reappeared , so she had stopped thinking about him . But now he had returned and was asking for her contact info ... it left her feeling at a loss . Ginny could see what Yvette was worrying about and smiled reassuringly . " Come on , Yvette . He probably just wants to catch up after being away so long . Don't overthink it . Besides , even if he did have some other intentions , so what ? You can just be clear with him , right ? " Yvette nodded seriously .

No matter what Skyler might want , her heart belonged to only one person - Leander Ashcroft - and there was no more room for anyone else . But what neither of them knew was that , at that very moment , on a pedestrian bridge in Ravenridge , two figures were already standing face to face . Leander , dressed casually , stood there with an indifferent air . In front of him , Skyler , clad in his leather jacket , gazed at Leander intently , sizing him up from head to toe . " So , you're Leander Ashcroft ? " Skyler's lips curled into a sneer .

3/4 13:58 Wed , Oct 15 Chapter 245 11 ve You a Chance 65 #Finished Leander slipped one hand casually into his pocket , his expression calm . " And who are you ? Do I know you ? Got some business with me ? " A sharp gleam flashed in Skyler's eyes as he spoke , his tone cold and imposing . " You'll know who I am soon enough ! I came looking for you today to give you an opportunity - an opportunity to walk away from Yvette Sitwell . " Send Gifts 60 W 4/4 13:58 Wed , Oct 15 From Outcast to Overlord The Unyielding Heir

Chapter 246 Chief Instructor of Wyvern Blade Skyler stood tall and proud , his gaze toward Leander calm yet faintly condescending . ๗๕ 65 Finished Ever since he was accepted into Wyvern Blade , his life had taken a dramatic leap forward . The corporate bigwigs who once looked down on him , along with influential government officials , now treated him with respect . Even a state governor interacted with him as an equal and called him simply Skyler . Being part of Wyvern Blade was his biggest source of confidence and backing . " You want to give me a chance ?

" Leander raised his eyes slightly , his expression unreadable . Skyler looked him straight in the eye , clearly full of confidence . " I did some digging on you . You dropped out of high school , then suddenly moved into Rivergate Haven , Villa No. 1. All of that - because you've got ties to Frankie , the big name in Ravenridge , right ? You're one of his guys , doing his dirty work ? " He crossed his arms , a faint smirk playing on his lips . " In Ravenridge , being close to Frankie does take some nerve . I'll give you that . That's probably why you walk around like you own the place .

No wonder even Colin backed off and didn't dare compete with you for Yvette . But do you really think that kind of clout will work on me , too ? " He shook his head slightly and chuckled . " Colin's afraid of you because of Frankie . But let me be clear : that so - called ' top dog ' of Ravenridge ? To me , he's just a street thug - not even a blip on my radar . Even if Frankie had ten times the guts , he still wouldn't dare cross me . Protect you ? Not a chance . " He casually paced over to Leander's side , his voice dropping to a calm warning .

" The reason I came here today is to make something crystal clear - stay away from Yvette . This is your final warning . If I ever consider you a real threat , I won't be this polite . " I've known Yvette since college . The moment I laid eyes on her , I knew she was the one I'd marry someday . No one else gets to touch her . Not Colin , and definitely not you ." Leander scratched his chin , his expression turning oddly amused . " You've got a thing for Yvette ? " Skyler didn't hesitate . 1/5 13:58 Wed , Oct 15 Chapter 246 Chief Instructor of Wyvern Blade " Of course .

Didn't I make that obvious enough ? " Leander let out a quiet laugh and shook his head . 65 Finished You just talked a whole lot of nonsense . Was there a point to all that ? If you like Yvette , then maybe you should be talking to her - not me . " Hands in his pockets , he began to walk off casually . " Yvette and I ? We barely even know each other . You might call us friends now , maybe . So , what's this talk about ' leaving her alone ' ? " Who she dates is up to her . Whether or not she likes you , that's your problem to solve . You showing up to throw your weight around ?

Totally pointless . " With that , he reached the other side of the pedestrian bridge , ready to leave . " Stop right there ! " Skyler suddenly barked , stepping forward in a flash . His movement was lightning fast- covering over 30 feet in a blink - to block Leander's path . " I didn't say you could leave yet . " Leander's eyes narrowed slightly , a flicker of annoyance flashing across his face . " You should feel lucky I even bothered to talk to you . Try standing in my way again - you won't like what happens next .

" Skyler heard the threat loud and clear , but just grinned like he didn't care . He looked ready to teach Leander a lesson - until he remembered who he was now . He had only recently been accepted into Wyvern Blade . If he caused trouble in public- especially by getting into it with a civilian - it could seriously mess up his future , maybe even get him kicked out of the organization . With that in mind , he scoffed coldly . " Leander , I didn't come here to argue . I've said what I needed to say . I don't care what your relationship with Yvette is , or how you feel about her .

Just stay away from her . That's your last warning . " If you think having Frankie in your corner means you're untouchable , think again . I'll show you what it really means to be a top - tier elite . " I'm a full member of Wyvern Blade . Before you decide to make me your enemy , you'd better find out what Wyvern Blade really is . " 2/5 13:58 Wed , Oct 15 Chapter 246 Chief Instructor of Wyvern Blade (65) Finished With that , he turned and leapt off the bridge , dropping nearly 10 feet in a single bound , disappearing quickly into the street below . Leander didn't even look back .

He kept walking , expression cool and indifferent . To him , Skyler was nothing more than a loud - mouthed clown . Whatever his status , whoever was behind him - none of

it mattered . Leander could crush him easily . " Wyvern Blade ? " He muttered the name softly , then scoffed . Not impressed . Just then , his phone buzzed . It was a call from Frankie . " What is it ? " Frankie's voice came through , low and serious . " Mr. Leander , some people just showed up at headquarters . They're asking for you by name . " Leander answered coldly , " If they're not important , just send them away .

" Very few people actually knew that he was the chairman of Jeff Enterprises - and those who did usually had his direct contact information . If someone went all the way to the company's headquarters just to find him , they were likely from the martial world and well - connected . But Leander had never been close to that circle , and no matter how serious their business might be , he rarely cared to get involved . Frankie paused for a moment , then replied seriously , " If it were anyone else , I'd have turned them away . But this time ... they're from the government .

And they insist on meeting you . " " The government ? " Leander's eyes narrowed , a flicker of surprise crossing his face . He'd never had much to do with government people . Why would they suddenly want to meet him ? He quickly replied , his tone cool , " If they're asking for Jeff Enterprises ' chairman , you can meet them as acting chairman . " However , Frankie replied firmly , " They're not here for the chairman . They're asking specifically for Jeff Ashcroft . " " Oh ? " This time , Leander's expression finally shifted .

The fact that the authorities specifically asked to see Jeff Ashcroft made it clear - they weren't there for the chairman of Jeff Enterprises . They were there because of his identity in the 3/5 13:58 Wed , Oct 26 Puptonte tot of Wyvem Hiade martial world . E What he couldn't figure out was why they were looking for him now . 65 Finished Inside

a secure conference room at the Jeff Enterprises headquarters , three people were seated . One of them - a middle - aged man in a green military uniform - wore insignia on his shoulders that clearly marked him as a senior officer .

He had a square - shaped face , sharp features , and carried himself with unmistakable authority . The other man looked to be in his early fifties , dressed in a sharp business suit with gold- rimmed glasses - the picture of a high - level government official . Despite his calm demeanor , there was a subtle intensity in the way he carried himself , the kind that came from holding real power for a long time . Behind the two men stood six stern - faced bodyguards , each one radiating a cold , disciplined aura - clearly elite security personnel .

Meanwhile , Frankie - the notorious figure from Ravenridge and acting chairman of Jeff Enterprises - sat to the side , forcing a polite smile as he poured coffee again and again , clearly uneasy in his seat . After five tense minutes , the door opened . Leander walked in . He gave the two visitors a quick glance , then calmly sat down across from them . At the same time , the two men turned their attention to him , studying him closely .

The man in the military uniform remained expressionless and silent , while the other - dressed like a government official - suddenly offered Leander a friendly smile . " You must be Mr. Ashcroft - the young martial prodigy everyone's been talking about in Astria lately . Ranked number one on the Power Index , if I'm not mistaken ? " Leander stayed relaxed , replying casually , " That's me . So , what brings you both here ? " The man

had originally intended to shake Leander's hand , but seeing that Leander had no intention of standing , he let it go with a slight pause .

Adjusting his gold - rimmed glasses , his tone shifted to something more formal . " Mr. Ashcroft , we're here to ask for your help . After internal discussions and multiple rounds of approval, we've decided to extend a special invitation for you to join Wyvern Blade - as its Chief Instructor . " " Wyvern Blade ? " Leander's expression shifted slightly , a strange look crossing his face . Wasn't that the same Wyvern Blade Skyler had just mentioned earlier ? 4/5 13:58 Wed , Oct 15

Chapter 247 A Battle of Wits With Gareth Wyvern Blade ? " 65 Finished Leander's expression shifted slightly . Just earlier , Skyler had shown up out of the blue , boasting that he'd been recruited into something called Wyvern Blade . The pride on his face was impossible to miss . It made Leander genuinely curious - what exactly was this Wyvern Blade that gave someone so much confidence , enough to look down on even the most powerful figures in the city like they were nobodies ?

What he didn't expect was that now , some people from the government and military were seated in front of him , asking him to join Wyvern Blade - as its Chief Instructor , no less . Seeing Leander's reaction , the man in glasses immediately straightened up and said seriously , " Mr. Ashcroft , let me introduce myself . I'm with the Astria's Special Operations Task Force- you can call me Mr. Church . The gentleman beside me is Officer Crosby from the Southern Military Command . We're both here on official government business . " Leander gave them a slight nod .

Despite their official status , he remained calm . His deep mastery of martial arts had opened his eyes to the bigger picture - he wouldn't flinch even if the commander of the entire military came knocking . Graham Crosby nodded back , but his sharp eyes never left Leander . He studied him closely . This young man , barely twenty , had somehow rocketed to the top of the Astria Power Index- surpassing even legends like Gareth Ashcroft and Maximilian Morgan - Royce . How had he done it ? Miles Church went on .

" Mr.

Ashcroft , you're a giant in the martial world , but you may not be familiar with some of Astria's covert units . Let me explain what Wyvern Blade really is . " When Leander gave a slight nod , Miles adjusted his glasses and continued to speak . " In Astria , beyond the military's many special forces units , there's a team that stands apart . It's above all the others - not part of the military , not part of any known agency . It reports directly to Astria's central authority .

" This elite force is made up of the best of the best - carefully chosen to protect the most critical figures in our nation . " Other than protecting a handful of the nation's most critical figures , they don't answer to anyone , nor do they belong to any specific agency . They operate with full autonomy - even have the authority to act at their own discretion when necessary . Their rank is on par with senior field officers , and in some cases , comparable to generals . They're the most elite force Astria has to offer . " This team is called Wyvern Blade .

The name symbolizes Astria's secret power . " 1/4 13:58 Wed , Oct 15 Chapter 247 A Battle of Wits With Gareth Finished Leander finally began to grasp what Wyvern Blade

really was . It was Astria's version of something like the United Colonies ' Aegis Intelligence Bureau - but even more elite . A covert strike force tasked with protecting top - level individuals - Astria's sharpest hidden weapon . And what exactly does a Chief Instructor do ? " Leander asked casually .

" In Wyvern Blade , we have operatives , team leaders , two assistant instructors , and one Chief Instructor , Miles explained with a light smile . " The Chief Instructor is the top authority within Wyvern Blade . He's responsible for overseeing , training , and leading the entire unit - everyone reports to him . " Leander listened without much visible interest . He simply shrugged . " Okay , I get what Wyvern Blade is now . But what I don't get is - why me ? " Sure , Wyvern Blade isn't a traditional military unit , but its members are still soldiers .

Wouldn't it make more sense to have a career officer or professional military trainer in that position ? I'm not from that world . I'd be useless to you . " It was then that Graham finally spoke for the first time . " Mr. Ashcroft , if you're considered an outsider , then no one else on Earth could possibly qualify as an insider . " Yes , they're technically soldiers , but they're not your average troops . Some train in ancient martial arts , others wield arcane abilities , or were born with supernatural gifts . These people are strong - willed , arrogant , and nearly impossible to command .

Even the best military trainers struggle to handle them , let alone earn their respect . " But someone like you - a true legend in the martial world - has the presence to command their attention and the strength to back it up . Only someone like you can train them . " " Oh ? " Leander's eyes flickered with interest . " So , Wyvern Blade really is

something exceptional . Bringing in top - tier martial artists to train them actually makes perfect sense . " But to be honest , I'm not particularly interested in this whole Chief Instructor thing .

There are plenty of other top - ranked fighters in Astria - people like Maximilian Morgan - Royce , Sean Judie , Thaddeus Levington , and Roman Fleming . You could easily ask one of them instead . " Graham's expression darkened slightly . After a brief pause , he replied , " To be honest , Mr. Ashcroft , it has to be you . " Wyvern Blade is a unified name , but there are actually two teams - North and South . 2/4 13:58 Wed , Oct 15 A Chapter 247 Battle of Wire With Gareth #Finished " The Northern division is based in Highcliffe . The Southern division is here .

The role we're offering you is to lead the Southern Wyvern Blade as Chief Instructor . " Leander shook his head . " Still not seeing why you're so set on me . " Graham took a deep breath and said gravely , " Until ten years ago , the Southern division's Chief Instructor was Maximilian Morgan - Royce . But after a mission went wrong , he resigned and withdrew from public life . He's been living in seclusion in Seagate ever since . We haven't found a suitable replacement in all this time . " But in recent years , the Northern Wyvern Blade has been on the rise .

At the latest Wyvern Blade trials , they completely overwhelmed our Southern division and took the top spot . And it was all because they had an instructor whose name alone commands respect across the entire nation . " " Gareth Ashcroft ? " Leander said without hesitation , eyes narrowing . Graham nodded firmly . " Exactly . Across all of Astria , you're the only one who can truly challenge Gareth . If we want to have any

chance of winning at the next Wyvern Blade trials , you are the only one who can make it happen ." He looked straight at Leander - but what he saw in return startled him .

Leander's eyes lit up with a sudden , intense fire . " Gareth Ashcroft , huh ? Interesting . " Leander tapped the table with one hand , fingers curling slightly . " If someone else were running the Northern division , I probably wouldn't care . But if it's Gareth ... well , now I'm intrigued . " I'll take the job . " Both Graham and Miles broke into visible smiles , though they couldn't hide the hint of anxiety in their eyes . Most people flinched when they heard Gareth's name . Leander didn't even blink . In fact , his eyes gleamed with the thrill of competition .

No wonder he was ranked number one in Astria . " That's fantastic , Mr. Ashcroft , " Miles said quickly . " We can bring you to the training base anytime you're ready . " Leander's eyes grew distant for a moment , as he thought back to Skyler - the arrogant kid from earlier that day who strutted around like he owned the world . A faint smile tugged at his lips . " One week from now . Pick me up at the Jeff Enterprises Building . That's when training begins ." 3/4 13:58 Wed , Oct 15 Chapter 247 A Battle of Wits With Gareth His gaze turned sharp , and his thoughts sharpened along with it .

Gareth ... consider this the start of our first game . Send Gifts 64 Finished 。 60 4/4
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Chapter 248 Brave or Just Clueless 4G (64) Finisher Leander agreed to become the Chief Instructor of Southern Wyvern Blade , but he made a few conditions clear from the start . First , he wouldn't be attached to any organization and wouldn't answer to anyone's orders or arrangements . Second , he would only take the role for one month -

no extensions , no exceptions . And third , no one was allowed to reveal anything about his true identity . Graham and Miles both nodded in agreement . With that , the meeting wrapped up .

In exactly one week , a private vehicle would arrive at the Jeff Enterprises headquarters to take him away . With everything settled , Leander gave Frankie a few quick instructions . He told him to team up with Tommy and the others to pull together part of Jeff Enterprises ' capital and get ready to venture into Highcliffe in a month . That same afternoon , Leander sat down to meditate in Villa No. 1. He knew full well that if he wanted to train a group of Wyvern Blade operatives in just a month , he'd need a method that was both systematic and effective .

Fortunately , when he created the ' Devourer's Ninefold Path ' , he developed a unique technique that could unlock the human body's hidden potential . It was this very method that had allowed him to get back into martial arts , even after losing all his original power . Using this technique , I can help the Southern Wyvern Blade members tap into their full potential . Their progress will be at least twice as fast . In just one month , every single one of them should be able to rise to a whole new level ! The thought made him grin , his eyes glinting with anticipation .

Gareth , you've already lost this first quiet showdown . I'll crush the Northern Wyvern Blade - the team you trained - with the one I personally molded . Just as he was deep in thought , his phone suddenly rang . He glanced at the screen - it was Yvette calling . " Leander , are you home ? Can you come with me to a party tonight ? " There was a hint of pleading in her voice . " It's a reunion organized by alumni from Ravenridge Senior

High's former student council . I'm this year's council president , so I have to go . "

Leander didn't even think twice before turning her down .

" A student council party ? You can handle that on your own . Why drag me into it ? "

1/1 13:58 Wed , Oct 15 Chapter 248 Brave or Just Clueless 64 Finished He was in the

middle of organizing his training method , trying to turn it into a step - by - step guide .

He had no time to waste playing social escort . " Well ... " Yvette hesitated , then

admitted , " There'll be two people at the party I'd rather not see . That's why I wanted

you to come ." She really is a handful . Leander shook his head . If she didn't want to

see them , why not just skip the party ?

Why rope him in with this long story ? Still , since she had asked him directly , he

couldn't bring himself to say no . " Fine . When and where ? " Yvette was thrilled when

he agreed and quickly gave him the time and location . Back in the villa , Leander spent

a while sketching and drafting , eventually completing a full illustrated version of the

training system . He bundled twelve sheets together and slipped them into a file folder

before heading out . At 7:30 p.m. , Leander met up with Yvette in the downtown

business district . Ginny came along too .

The three of them took the elevator to the top floor of a skyscraper , where a BBQ

restaurant with a great reputation was hosting the Ravenridge Senior High student

council gathering . On the way up , Leander casually asked , " So , these people you're

avoiding - bad blood , or just awkward ? " Yvette's face flushed , and she didn't know

how to respond . Ginny , on the other hand , was more direct and shrugged . " It's

awkward . Yvette just doesn't want to deal with some of her over - the - top admirers .
She brought you along to play knight in shining armor .

" Yvette lowered her head even further , practically burying herself in her coat . Leander raised an eyebrow and shook his head . What a waste of time . As soon as they entered the restaurant , a group at one of the tables waved Yvette over , all smiles and excitement . That table was packed with good - looking young men and women , most of them around 21 or 22 , with a few younger ones in their mid - to - late teens . All were smart , polished , and attractive .

2/4 13:58 Wed , Oct 15 Chapter 48 Prave of Just Clueless #Finished No surprise , really - making it into the Ravenridge Senior High student council meant they were top of the class in every way . What did catch Leander's eye , though , were a few familiar faces . There was Jade , their senior year's class president and the most popular girl . Victor , this year's top SAT scorer . Colin , Yvette's ex . And most unexpectedly , the guy who had stopped him on the pedestrian bridge earlier and wasted his time - he was here too . Not that it mattered .

Leander hung back and let Yvette and Ginny take the lead . " Yvette ! Ginny ! Long time no see - come , sit down ! " A young woman in her early twenties , pretty and smiling warmly , eagerly pulled Yvette and Ginny down into their seats . But when she noticed someone else standing behind them , she froze for a moment . " And this handsome guy is ... " " Ah , Eleanor , let me introduce - this is Leander . He went to Ravenridge Senior High too . He's ... uh ... a friend of mine . " Yvette sounded unsure . Eleanor immediately took note of the awkward pause .

She , Colin , and Skyler had all graduated a couple of years earlier . Everyone knew the two men had a thing for Yvette . And now here she was , bringing a guy to the reunion - clearly something had shifted . She gave Leander a discreet once - over , quietly sizing him up . He was undeniably good - looking , but she couldn't help wondering - what exactly did this guy have that won over Yvette , even outshining someone as impressive as Colin ? As she invited Leander to take a seat , she kept watching him closely - but in the end , she shook her head quietly .

Aside from his good looks and presence , Leander was dressed plainly in casual clothes and simple white canvas sneakers , with nothing else that stood out . Guys like Colin and Skyler , who were former school elites , naturally carried a quiet but intense presence - confident and a bit intimidating . Compared to them , Leander barely registered . Just as Leander sat down , a hand reached out in front of him . 3/4 13.50 Wed , Oct 15 Cherine CNA Feles Finished Looking up calmly , he saw it was Skyler - the same guy who had stopped him on the pedestrian bridge earlier that day .

" Leander , we meet again ! I hope you haven't forgotten what I told you earlier today . " Skyler smiled slyly , a hint of something unspoken in his eyes . " Let me introduce myself properly - I'm Skyler Eaton , Yvette's senior and also one of her admirers . " Skyler's words caught everyone off guard . It was obvious that Leander had come with Yvette and that their relationship was clear , but for Skyler to openly declare himself as one of her suitors - that was a direct challenge . Most of the crowd wore amused smiles .

Everyone knew about the rivalry between Skyler and Colin ; both were no pushovers . Now that Skyler was provoking Leander so openly , it was clear he was determined to win Yvette's heart . Everyone was eager to see how Leander would handle the confrontation . Only Colin , Jade , and Victor - who knew Leander well - smirked quietly and felt a bit sorry for Skyler . Oh , Skyler ... picking an opponent like this - you've got to wonder if you're brave or just plain clueless .

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Chapter 249 Northern or Southern Wyvern Blade ? 零 Finished Among those present , Jade and Victor were aware that Leander was the chairman of Jeff Enterprises . Colin , however , knew even more - he knew that Leander wasn't just a business leader , but also one of the most formidable and sought - after martial artists in all of Astria . Skyler might have been selected for the elite Wyvern Blade and granted exceptional privileges -even enough to disregard someone as powerful as Frankie , who ruled an entire city .

But Colin understood full well that while Skyler's achievements were impressive , they were nothing compared to Leander's . Leander alone commanded all of Mornwick - his power and influence were on a whole different level . A newly inducted member of the Wyvern Blade , like Skyler , didn't even come close . Not to mention , Leander held the top spot on the Astria Power Index - he was the undefeated king . Skyler had no idea who he was dealing with . Wearing a confident smile , he looked Leander straight in the eyes , his expression bold and self - assured .

With a faint smirk , he extended his hand toward Leander - a gesture laced with hidden intent . He was baiting him . If Leander dared to shake his hand , Skyler was ready to teach him a painful lesson . To someone in the Wyvern Blade , dealing with a civilian would be child's play . A bit of pressure from his grip , and Leander would be howling in pain , humiliated in front of everyone . " You don't need to tell me who you are , " Leander said coolly . " I'm not interested , and I don't care to get to know you . " He didn't even blink .

His expression remained calm and unreadable as he casually lifted his mug - making it very clear he had no intention of shaking Skyler's hand . The room shifted instantly . A few people who didn't know who Leander was looked on in disbelief . Skyler and Colin were both top graduates of Ravenridge Senior High - alumni who had gone on to dominate their respective fields . Their very presence carried weight , and few would dare challenge them , let alone ignore them outright . But Leander had shown not the slightest hint of discomfort facing him .

Instead , he'd publicly brushed him off without hesitation - even ignoring his outstretched hand . It was the first time any of them had seen someone do that in all these years . Not even Colin back then had ever dared go that far . Whispers stirred among the group . Who was this man in plain clothes ? What gave him the confidence to treat Skyler like that ? 1/4 13:59 Wed , Oct 15 Chapter 249 Northern or Southern Wyvern Blades 64 Finished Skyler's hand lingered awkwardly in the air , but his eyes stayed calm - though a hint of disdain curled at the corner of his mouth .

If it had been anyone else provoking him like this - boldly saying they were after the woman he liked - he would've confronted them head - on without a second thought . But Leander's refusal to shake hands or even engage didn't come off as strength to him . It looked more like fear and avoidance , which only made him feel even more sure of himself . A young man beside Skyler suddenly rose to his feet , a sharp look in his eyes as he addressed Leander . " Hey man , Skyler was just trying to be friendly . Fine , you don't want to shake his hand -that's your choice .

But saying you're not even interested in knowing him ? Don't you think that's a bit much ? " This is a gathering for the core student council members from the last few graduating classes of Ravenridge Senior High . Skyler used to be the vice president . Hate to say it , but you're just an outsider . If you're not interested in getting to know him , are you saying you don't care to know the rest of us either? " The guy clearly had Skyler's back . They'd been classmates and close friends .

Skyler had helped him more than once , and now that Skyler's interest in Yvette was obvious , this was his chance to show loyalty . He wasn't rich or powerful , but he was the son of a small business owner over in Eastvale District . That gave him just enough confidence to pick a fight with someone who , to him , looked like an average nobody . Another guy chimed in , his voice icy . " Yeah . If you can't even show basic respect to our former VP , then maybe you don't belong here at all . Why'd you show up in the first place ?

" The two men spoke up , and several other student council leaders from the same graduating class quickly joined in , whispering and pointing fingers at Leander . Only

Eleanor , along with Colin and Victor , remained silent - too wary to say a word . Eleanor stayed quiet out of respect for Yvette , while Colin and the others were simply afraid . Seeing everyone attack Leander like he was an outsider , Yvette's eyes grew cold . She spoke up sharply . " Conrad , Dean , what do you think you're doing ? Leander came here with me - who are you to tell him to leave ?

" Yvette's eyes narrowed slightly . " If that's the case , should I leave with him too ? "

The two young men immediately waved their hands , trying to backtrack . 2/4 13:59

Wed , Oct 15 Chapter 240 Northern of Southern Wyvern Blade " Yvette , you're taking it too far . That's definitely not what we meant ! 64 Finished " But he wouldn't even shake Skyler's hand or show him any respect - you saw it yourself . It's clear he looks down on us ! " They would never risk offending Yvette . The truth was , this gathering had been orchestrated by Skyler with one goal : getting her to show up .

If she left , it would ruin everything . A flicker crossed Yvette's eyes - she knew full well the connection those two had with Skyler . Her resolve hardened , and she spoke firmly . " Conrad , Dean , I've always respected you as upperclassmen , but there are some things I need to make clear . " I begged him to come with me to this gathering .

Otherwise , with your status , what right would either of you have to sit at the same table with him ? " And you're right about one thing - none of you matter to him . He does look down on you . " The room went dead silent .

Aside from the few who knew the truth about Leander , everyone else froze in place - even Skyler's eyes narrowed with a flicker of disbelief . Yvette had always been poised and polite , the very image of grace . No one had ever seen her raise her voice , let

alone pick a fight . But today , Yvette was like a fierce defender of her man - her words sharp and unyielding , leaving no room for mercy . Everyone was taken aback , quickly followed by quiet resentment .

By saying Conrad and Dean weren't worthy to sit with Leander - and knowing that the others present held similar status - wasn't she basically saying none of them deserved to be at the same table with him either ? " Yvette , what exactly do you mean by that ? " Dean's eyes flashed with anger , clearly offended . " I'm just telling you and Conrad to recognize your place and stop embarrassing yourselves , " Yvette shot back without hesitation . Yvette's usual grace gave way to steel .

She'd brought Leander here , and all he'd gotten in return was Skyler's provocation and everyone else's hostility . She wasn't about to let that slide . Dean and Conrad were stunned into silence . Skyler didn't speak either - but the look in his eyes darkened . He'd never seen Yvette defend another man like that before . And worst of all ? That man wasn't him . Looks like Yvette really likes this guy , huh ?

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He was hesitating whether to speak up when Leander's gaze suddenly landed on him , a hint of amusement flickering in his eyes . " This afternoon , you told me to find out what Wyvern Blade really is . " Now , I'm curious - did you make it into the Northern Wyvern Blade , or the Southern one ? " Send Gifts 60

Chapter 250 Truly Out of Your League Leander lifted his gaze slightly , his eyes locking onto Skyler . (64) Finished The others nearby seemed visibly puzzled . Most of them

came from academic or business backgrounds - or simply didn't move in circles high enough to know what the Wyvern Blade even was , let alone the difference between the Northern and Southern divisions . Before Skyler could respond , Eleanor - seated next to Yvette - tilted her head and asked curiously , " What's Wyvern Blade ?

" Except for Colin , everyone looked completely lost - even Victor , this year's SAT top scorer , wore a blank expression . Clearly , none of them had heard of it . But then , the oldest among them suddenly let out a surprised exclamation . " Wait - Wyvern Blade ? Isn't that the most mysterious security unit in all of Astria ? " At his words , everyone turned to look at him , waiting for more . He glanced at Skyler , who sat calm and composed , lifting his mug with unshaken ease . That quiet confidence made the young man's heart skip a beat .

He continued , " According to rumors , Astria has had a top - secret , independent protection unit since the fifties . It doesn't answer to any government agency or department . It operates under direct command from the highest level and is responsible for guarding the nation's most important figures . " That unit is called the Wyvern Blade . " His voice took on a reverent tone . " Every Wyvern Blade member is handpicked - one in a million . Their combat abilities outclass even the best special forces operators ten times over .

They're far more professional than the top bodyguards trained at Cenvale . " Once someone makes it into the Wyvern Blade , their entire life changes . Their rank and status skyrocket . Every member is treated like a high - ranking officer - some even rivaling generals in authority and influence . They command respect wherever they go .

" And when they retire , they get the best benefits the government can offer - lifetime financial security , exclusive job offers in both public and private sectors , and perhaps most importantly , special clearance to act on their own judgment in sensitive situations . They're practically a class of their own . " Because of geographic needs , the Wyvern Blade is divided into two branches : the Northern 1/4 13:59 Wed , Oct 15 Chapter 250 Truly Out of Your League : 64 Finished Wyvern Blade , based in Highcliffe , and the Southern Wyvern Blade , stationed here in the Southwest .

" Everyone around the table fell silent in awe . These were all high - achieving students , the best of the best . They might not have known the Wyvern Blade before , but the explanation made things crystal clear . To be in the Wyvern Blade meant being in a league of their own . These were elite guardians with unmatched authority - men and women trusted to protect the most powerful people in Astria . Just one member could rival a commanding officer in influence . That kind of status meant they could walk through life virtually untouched .

And even after they retired , the government still took care of them . Anyone who dared to go up against a Wyvern Blade member was basically asking for trouble . But the scariest part ? Wyvern Blade operatives had discretionary authority . What did that mean , exactly ? Back in the day , imperial envoys answered only to the throne - they could make judgment calls on the spot , even life - or - death decisions , knowing the king would back them no matter what . " Oh , my gosh ... So , being in the Wyvern Blade basically makes you one of the chosen ones ?

On top of guarding Astria's most important people , they also get incredible power and status ? " Eleanor couldn't help but gasp . She never imagined the Wyvern Blade was that kind of unit - or that its members were treated with such privilege in Astria . It was like saying even the plainest underdog , once accepted into the Wyvern Blade , could soar like a swan in the sky . In that instant , all eyes turned to Skyler . Even Yvette and Ginny looked at him with new expressions of surprise and curiosity . " Skyler , you got into the Wyvern Blade ? You're one of them now ?

" The oldest guy in the group looked over at him - still friendly , but now with a hint of awe in his eyes . " Yeah ," Skyler replied with a calm smile . On the surface , he looked modest . But inside , he was bursting with pride . Back then , he left college to join the military . By sheer chance , he found himself in a life - or- death situation that pushed him past his limits - unlocking his inner strength and awakening as a martial artist . 214 13:59 Wed , Oct 15 Chapter 250 Truly Out of Your League 64 Finished From there , he was recommended for the Wyvern Blade assessments .

He passed , officially becoming one of their own . It was the greatest turning point of his life . The moment he joined Wyvern Blade , everything changed - he soared overnight . Even Colin , the rival who had once outshone him in every way , now had no choice but to cat his dust . " Wow ! " The group broke into collective amazement . Eleanor's eyes sparkled with interest , and it was obvious she wished she could swap seats to sit closer to Skyler . Guys like him - powerful , mysterious , government - backed - were the definition of real - world superheroes .

Anyone connected to him could expect their own status to rise . Skyler waved a hand casually in response to everyone's eager stares . " Come on , guys - don't look at me like that . Sure , I officially made it into the Wyvern Blade recently , but I'm still your classmate . If there's ever anything you need , just say the word ." Everyone offered congratulations and thanks , clapping and nodding . Even those who'd known him for years suddenly saw him in a new light . Meanwhile , Colin , once the center of attention , sat quietly , a bitter taste in his mouth .

After the buzz died down , Skyler turned to Leander at last . " So ... since you mentioned the Northern and Southern Wyvern Blade , it sounds like you've done your research . " He held out his hand , a confident smile tugging at the corner of his lips . " Since you've done your homework on the Wyvern Blade , you should already know what it really means . Everything I told you earlier - I can back it up . " Oh , and I haven't answered your question yet . The branch I was selected for is the Southern Wyvern Blade .

" He looked confident , even smug , and when he noticed the slight flicker of surprise on Yvette's face , his heart surged with satisfaction . With what he'd achieved - and where he was headed - he was sure he could win her over . " Southern Wyvern Blade , huh ... " Leander murmured the words , showing little emotion , but a faint smirk tugged at the corner of his lips .

This time , he had taken on the role of Chief Instructor for the Southern Wyvern Blade ,
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responsible for training every member's individual combat skills . Simply put , he was the top authority of the entire Southern branch - running the show , with every member

answering to him . He found it amusing that a regular recruit from the Southern Wyvern Blade was boldly talking back to him , the Chief Instructor . Leander looked away , took a slow sip of his coffee , and refused to meet Skyler's eyes again .

To Leander , Skyler was nothing more than a minor distraction - his earlier question was just a fleeting whim . Never mind that Leander was the Chief Instructor of the Southern Wyvern Blade ; even if he weren't , his skills alone gave him countless ways to easily overpower Skyler . Seeing Leander fall silent and avoid his gaze , Skyler smugly assumed he'd recognized his true strength and was backing down out of fear . To Skyler , a powerless man like Leander wasn't even in the same league - he was nothing but a coward who didn't deserve someone like Yvette .

As Skyler glanced at the elegant and beautiful Yvette , a fiery determination flashed in his eyes . Yvette , one day you'll see - I'm the only one truly worthy of you . As Leander calmly sipped his coffee , Skyler clenched his fists , convinced he held all the cards . If you're not going to back down , he thought coldly , then tonight , I'll make sure you understand just how far out of your league I really am . Send Gifts