

Unlimited Power - The Arcane Path (COMPLETED)

Chapter 501

'Cursed Ray was a spell that Leon was very familiar with

but the effects of his own spell were still pretty pathetic. Using against himself

Leon could only feel his limbs growing numb after using for five seconds. As for Blind

it could do exactly that as long as the caster has mana

but first

Leon had to hit the enemy's head. Coward's Curse was a spell that could decrease the target's speed. Those curses

just like all the other spells

would get weaker the more Leon is away from the target.'

'Congratulations! The skill Cursed Ray has leveled up.'

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'''I already know why

but the cost of mana of those things are stupid... I already have to increase my health

mana

stamina

intelligence

and control. Do I will have to increase recovery once again?"

'Maybe Leon's joke about learning how to create shadow clones was really the only way for him to solve so many problems. But he didn't find anything like it being sold at the dungeon shops.'

"Mmm... I created small weapons that increased my status by twelve hundred points. Maybe I should consider creating rings again to duplicate my recovery."

'Rings made of mithril could increase status a lot

but once again

he couldn't help but hesitate in creating them.'

"You know... your hesitation is really annoying

" Celsius said

and Leon felt shivers because she really looked upset. "What do you want to do? Reach your goals or feel good about yourself? Maybe both?"

"Both

I guess..." Leon said.'

"You are really a greedy bastard

" Celsius said. "So

why don't you use your time to move forward instead of questioning every single thing?"

"Well

because I made many mistakes

" Leon said. "Besides

once I relied on magic items a lot

but when I faced someone immensely much more powerful. I couldn't do a thing and ended up inside of the biggest monster I have ever seen."

"Do you know why that happened?" Celsius asked.'

"Because I am weak

" Leon answered.'

"No

it is because you overthink

" Celsius said. "You can increase your power and the effectiveness of your training by many times

but you don't. Meanwhile

those who don't overthink doesn't care about the means to become powerful. They just do... instead of worrying about how you should worry

what are you going to do with the power you want. As long as you don't do what they do like sacrificing lives

you will still be better than them."

'Although

in the end

what Leon truly wanted was not to feel bad about himself

Celsius was right. Leon could have become much stronger if he doesn't hesitate in every single thing. It was stupid to try to do every single thing perfectly. It wasn't like he didn't have to use his head and just charge forward. He could do all that avoiding the worst-case scenario... as long as he doesn't try stupid things. Which knowing himself as Leon knew

it wasn't easy... but achievable.'

"Well

thanks for the lecture..." Leon said. "I will count on you guys to warn me if I am about to do some stupid mistake."

"Roger

" Sylph said.'

"You can leave it to me

"Gnome said.'

"Mmm... what is it

everyone?" Undine asked. "Did something happen? I was sleeping and felt the smell of something cheesy."

"Understood

" Volt said.'

"I'm not good at such things

" Efreet said. "But I can warn you if you are about to make some bad move during your fights."

'Leon scratched the back of his head. If anything

Leon could trust on his spirits. The best people one could rely on were those who weren't greedy

and it was obvious that for the time being

the spirits' goals was to help Leon since they didn't have anything better to do. After recycling the mithril he still had

Leon analyzed the rings he created.'

'Mithril Ring'

'It grants you: Recovery + 1350'

'Mithril Ring'

'It grants you: Intelligence + 1350'

'Mithril Ring'

'It grants you: Health + 1350'

'Mithril Ring'

'It grants you: Mana + 1350'

'Mithril Ring'

'It grants you: Stamina + 1350'

'Mithril Ring'

'It grants you: Control + 1350'

'Leon used all the mithril he still had

but at least he managed to create sets of ten of each type of ring. Although Leon could improve them much more

Leon decided to do that later since there was a limit of how much his status could be increase by using items. Unfortunately

Lion's Pride didn't help Leon any further.'

""Well

for the time being

this should be enough... I can even keep Haste activated non-stop

after all. Even while sleeping!" Leon smirked.'

'Now Leon just has to worry about creating mana liquid to train his other skills

and so he did it. Leon had to train his new spells

after all. The number of spells would increase since Leon was aware that spells like Coward's Curse would be much more effective instead of the ones like Cursed Ray because they affect only a single attribute.'

'Regardless

Leon knew that he would have to train for a few weeks in order to make his new spells reach a usable level. So

he worked for several days

only creating the mana liquid. It was less annoying that way

after all.'

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'Congratulations! The skill Cursed Ray has leveled up.'

'You obtained 01 status points.'

'Congratulations! The skill Blind has leveled up.'

'You obtained 01 status points.'

'Congratulations! The skill Coward's Curse has leveled up.'

'You obtained 01 status points.'

'...'

'The difference in using the mithril rings had been noticed by Leon much faster. Although he thought he would be able to level up his skills like two times faster

it had been

in fact

a little more than that. In just one day

he leveled up his new skills up to level fifty.'

"It is difficult to find monsters or other enemies that have well-distributed status... everyone wants to be specialist at something be at magic or punching people

" Leon said. "So

I guess I should keep this pace

learn

and level up the other curses that decrease status."'

'The problem was

every single spell of that series cost five million coins. Even though it wasn't really expensive to him

even though it was necessary

even though he decided not to hesitate anymore... he felt bothered when he bought them.'

'Congratulations! You have learned the skill: Savage's Curse.'

'Cost: 50 mana per second'

'Cooldown time: 10 seconds'

'You obtained 01 status points.'

'Congratulations! You have learned the skill: Inept's Curse.'

'Cost: 50 mana per second'

'Cooldown time: 10 seconds'

'You obtained 01 status points.'

'Congratulations! You have learned the skill: Fool's Curse.'

'Cost: 50 mana per second'

'Cooldown time: 10 seconds'

'You obtained 01 status points.'

'Congratulations! You have learned the skill: Sick's Curse.'

'Cost: 50 mana per second'

'Cooldown time: 10 seconds'

'You obtained 01 status points.'

'Congratulations! You have learned the skill: Wild's Curse.'

'Cost: 50 mana per second'

'Cooldown time: 10 seconds'

'You obtained 01 status points.'

'Congratulations! You have learned the skill: Anima's Curse.'

'Cost: 50 mana per second'

'Cooldown time: 10 seconds'

'You obtained 01 status points.'

'Congratulations! You have learned the skill: Degeneration's Curse.'

'Cost: 50 mana per second'

'Cooldown time: 10 seconds'

'You obtained 01 status points.'

'Congratulations! You have learned the skill: Terror's Curse.'

'Cost: 50 mana per second'

'Cooldown time: 10 seconds'

'You obtained 01 status points.'

'Although Leon felt quite satisfied with seeing his skill list getting more prominent

he felt troubled by losing so many coins.'

"Don't overthink about it

don't overthink about..." Leon said as if that was a prayer to think about something else. "Anyway

I guess there is no misfortune curse or something. Savage's Curse decreases strength

Inept's Curse decreases dexterity

and Sick's Curse decreases endurance... those alongside the Coward's Curse will be useful to deal with troublesome melee fighters."

'The most troublesome enemies that almost killed Leon until now were warriors

their resilience was annoying

but the true enemies

the harvesters

most of them were mages or at least those who could one-shot kill Leon. So

Leon couldn't ignore the Fool's Curse that decreased intelligence

Wild's Curse that decreases control

and Anima's Curse reduces mentality.'

"It would be great if

by using those skills on myself

I could increase my attributes

but I guess that is a bit too much to hope for

" Leon said while he was leveling up his new skills. "Still... the feeling caused by them is quite... unsettling."

'Leon didn't become smarter when he increased his intelligence thousands of times

but he could feel himself getting dumber when he used the Fool's Curse. He felt like complaining to Ilyana and saying some pretty heavy things to her

and the sentences that Leon felt like saying couldn't be shown to some audiences. The same thing happened to other curse's; the Coward's Curse

made Leon become even more worried by the smallest things... it was like an extra effect very convenient for Leon

but that would trouble his enemies quite a bit.'

'Congratulations! The skill Cursed Resistance has leveled up.'

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'Although the effects were troublesome

the notifications made Leon continue to use his skills. He also was determined not to worry too much about the smallest things anymore. So

that helped him to some extent.'

""Just the magic items I have isn't enough... Although the attributes I can gain by using them are limited

the skills aren't. It is time to obtain some special effects to increase my training speed even more. But first

I want to check the weapons in the dungeon shop.""

'Leon didn't check the weapons being sold at the shop in a long time

and he decided to buy some things that would make his life much more convenient like a magic box and soul eater

but he didn't find those.""

""... Maybe I will find those in the dungeon shops of other worlds.""

'Leon was about to leave that planet anyway

so that wasn't all that troublesome. Still

he had to inform Ilyana. Even though she was annoying and troublesome

they were partners... at least for the time being.'

"I'm going to visit a few worlds to make some magic items

" Leon declared. "If you need me for something

you can use Telepathy."

"Well

better late than never..." Ilyana shrugged. "Just a piece of advice

even though you can forge items that can grant you some skills up to the max level. You shouldn't use them outside this place. Those things leave a trail that lasts for a long while. Unless you want the harvesters to attack your planet

you should only use those here."

'Leon nodded since it made sense. Still

even though he wanted to give a few of those magic items

he refrained from doing so since all of the important figures and the troublesome bastards would investigate them first before doing anything. Regardless

after that

Leon left that world and explored the ones that were connected to Earth.'

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'Congratulations! The skill Invisibility has leveled up.'

'You obtained 01 status points.'

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'You obtained 01 status points.'

'...'

"This is weird..." Leon said.'

'In order to avoid problems and to train his skills as much as possible

Leon was traveling while keeping himself invisible. One week had passed since he started to travel around creating some useful magic items

and he learned a few troublesome things. Even after checking all the dungeon shops in the worlds that were on the fourth stage of assimilation

he didn't find anything useful like a magic box and soul eater as he wanted.'

"Yuki's brother obtained a magic box when Earth was still on the first stage... the fake harvesters obtained soul eater when their world reached the third stage. So why can't I find those in those dungeon shops?"

'Leon also didn't find any tome that could teach him space magic

which he concluded that both weapons belonged to that class of magic item. Although Leon had decided not to waste too much time thinking about small things

that was just too suspicious. Just thinking about it wouldn't help Leon all that much

so he decided to focus on doing something more useful for himself. The most efficient way to start things would be by creating rings using the liches spirits

but much for Leon's surprise

he didn't find any lich.'

"That is another strange thing... the shadowy bastard said that he would certainly drain Earth's mana once he has the chance. Did he lie

or perhaps his dungeon wasn't found until now? No... if his minions were here

Ilyana would have informed me."

'In the end

Leon had to find other monsters. But as usual

he didn't find the most important ones

those that could use space magic. He only found...'

'Mummy'

'Health: 10000/10000'

'Mana: 20000/20000'

'Stamina: 10000/10000'

'Strength: 2022'

'Dexterity: 2215'

'Speed:1899'

'Intelligence: 2929'

'Endurance: 3102'

'Control: 2874'

'Active Skills: Cursed Eyes Lv 430

Earth Creation Lv 420

Earth Transformation Lv 450

Drain Touch Lv 300

Undead Song Lv 410'

'Passive Skills: Wind Resistance Lv 300

Fire Resistance Lv 340

Earth Resistance Lv 330

Zen Lv 300

Thunder Resistance Lv 350

Ice Resistance Lv 330

Gravity Resistance Lv 350'

'Leon didn't know if that was a coincidence. Besides

he was pretty sure that mummies were found in several parts of the world

but he found the mummies dungeon around the territory that once belonged to Egypt. Regardless

they were troublesome enemies since they could drain Leon's health even if Leon is the one who makes contact. A single second was enough to drain half of his health and make Leon feel like crap

so the process of creating magic items using them had been very unpleasant. But at least it also had been worthy of the hassle.'

'Mithril Ring of the Mummy (+25)'

'It grants you the skill: Zen Lv Max'

'Mithril Bracers of the Mummy (+25)'

'It grants you the skill: Drain Touch Lv Max.'

'Congratulations! The skill Magic Craftmanship has leveled up.'

'You obtained 01 status points.'

'Congratulations! The skill Magic Blacksmith has leveled up.'

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'You obtained 01 status points.'

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'You obtained 01 status points.'

'...'

'Leon already knew by experience that things wouldn't go as he wanted. He still felt like sighing after killing thousands of mummies and still didn't manage to increase the bonus status of his new items. Creating the magic items and granting them those abilities wasn't that difficult

but he couldn't understand why the hell he only could use the bonus of status.'

""Well

at least as crazy as it sounds

I can recover one thousand points of health with every single hit. I'm nearly immortal!""

""That's cute..." Celsius said. "You have less than one thousand points in health and think that you immortal. That is the best joke I've heard.""

'Leon dropped his shoulders. He knew that Celsius was right

but it looked like even though they never mentioned that so far

Leon's health was on a ridiculous level. Regardless that could be solved by increasing his health

and since he decided to use magic items again

his training efficiency would rise by leaps and bounds.'

""Thanks to Zen's new level

I can recover two points of mana every second... hehe

this isn't half bad. In fact

if I create a stock of those and give to all the humans... I bet our numbers wouldn't decrease all that much when the harvesters arrive.""

""Unless your people endure the battle against them without your help for a few minutes

they will never understand the true terror and cling to their lives as much as possible

" Efreet said. "Without both of those

the chances of them surviving the attack of beings of Ilyana's level is close to none. Even if you create the best magic items of the universe."

'Leon decided to save those words on his mind. Efreet wasn't the type of spirit who would say serious things like that. In fact

that was the first time he said something in a serious tone. Leon could imagine how powerful Ilyana was

but since his spirits were made of mana

they had a clear idea of it.'

"Now

I just have to create other bracers that can drain my enemies' stamina and mana."

'With the complete set of bracers

Leon could imagine himself using Mega-Punch quite frequently. The problem would be the pain and the mental strain that that kind of attack would cause to his mind. Still

Leon was fully aware that he wouldn't be able to keep his psych healthy until the moment his enemies appear or even after if he manages to survive them.'

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'In the blink of an eye

a month passed

at least for Leon. Since he didn't find any other monster with interesting skills

it looked like he would have to make things work with the equipment he obtained using the mummies' spirits. Regardless

time passed really fast because instead of returning to Ilyana's world

Leon went to other worlds that were on the third stage of assimilation in order to hunt the monsters there. In fact

he only went to a single world

the gremlins' world

since their numbers were insane. Although they weren't that resilient

Leon felt satisfied hitting something that could move.'

'Congratulations! The skill Thunder Ray has leveled up.'

'You obtained 01 status points.'

'Congratulations! The skill Ice Beam has leveled up.'

'You obtained 01 status points.'

'Congratulations! The skill Thunder Arrow has leveled up.'

'You obtained 01 status points.'

'Congratulations! The skill Ice Arrow has leveled up.'

'You obtained 01 status points.'

'...'

'Using Plasma Arrows was overkill

so Leon decided to train other spells while he also used Thunder Ray and Ice Beam to stop them. It was hard to be sure

but Leon felt like he had killed a few hundred thousands of gremlins. At least that was what he thought after noticing that smoke on that world decreased a lot and saw the pile of demonic spears behind him.'

"Looking for the gremlins is a pain now... I guess I will just learn a few more spells while I wait for them. So

who wants to teach me some combined spells?"

"Celsius and I are going to teach you this time." Undine declared.'

"Why me and why both of us at the same time?" Celsius frowned.'

"Can I ask to learn something more practical for battles?" Leon asked.'

"Don't worry

the spells you will learn are very battle oriented

" Undine smiled.'

'After hearing that

Leon only felt more worried. Celsius was easy to understand

but the same things couldn't be said about Undine. Regardless

both of them started to demonstrate for Leon the first spells

and Leon couldn't help but frown when a rain cloud appeared above the place

and just a few small drops of water fell from the sky. However

every drop of water created a massive spiked block of ice when it touched the ground. It was the perfect skill to defeat swarms of gremlins

but they didn't even try to help Leon.'

"... Why didn't you use that to help me?" Leon asked.'

"Because you had everything under control and because you didn't ask

" Undine answered.'

'Leon sighed because she was right. Leon had everything under control even when dozens of gremlins flew toward him

he didn't ask for their help because he felt like they wouldn't agree to kill many weakling monsters. However

even though the spirits were stronger despite being at a lower level

the gremlins weren't exactly pushovers.'

'Complaining about that wouldn't help Leon in any way

so he could only learn his lesson and practice that new spell. Although it was a bit complicated since Leon had to create drops of water that had a lot of mana without making them turn into ice

Leon had the intelligence and control to learn something like that. It took a few days

but he eventually learned the spell.'

'Congratulations! You have learned the skill: Mystic Rain.'

'Cost: 200 mana per second'

'Duration: 30 Seconds'

'You obtained 01 status points.'

""It isn't bad for an Area of Effect spell

even though it is slow

it can be used to surprise some enemies

" Leon said to himself. "As long as I stay out of their range

it should work.""

""Well

the next spell is..." Undine said with a big smile on her face and then nodded to Celsius when she saw a gremlin approaching.'

'Leon opened his eyes widely when he saw Undine and Celsius

pointing their hands toward the monster

and then the skin of the gremlin started to get dark. The creature screamed in pain until it completely stopped moving and just fell when half of his body became dark and lifeless.'

""The hell was that..." Leon said

shocked.'

"It is Frostbite. You use the water around the corpse of an enemy and freezes it

" Undine said

still showing a big smile. "It is a bit difficult to control

but it is very useful

as you can see."

'That was one hell of a terrifying spell. It was terrifying because Undine used while keeping a smile on her face... Regardless

the logic wasn't that difficult. Leon just had to control the water inside the enemies' body and use the power of ice to freeze that same water instantaneously.'

'Congratulations! You have learned the skill: Frostbite.'

'Cost: 100 mana per second'

'You obtained 01 status points.'

'Leon eventually learned the spell

but he was pretty sure that some gremlins would torment him in his dreams because he used them as test subjects. The beasts were vicious

but despite that

they could scream and tremble like any other creature. Leon wasn't vicious enough to torture monsters like that just to learn a skill

but he did it because there was no other way to learn the skill.'

'Congratulations! You have learned the skill: Ice Coffin.'

'Cost: 100 mana per second'

'You obtained 01 status point.'

'The last spell Undine and Celsius taught Leon was something far less vicious

but still pretty terrifying. Applying the same theory of Frostbite

but this time using the humidity around the target

Leon could lock most monsters inside an Ice Coffin. The spell itself wasn't that useful at low levels since it could be broken

and the damage caused by the ice was relatively small... but at least Leon learned a good lesson from that. He learned that he should think twice before asking for Undine's help. She was scary in many different ways.'

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'After spending one more week on the gremlins' world

Leon decided to make good use of his new bracers somewhere else. The perfect place would be the minotaurs' dungeon

and so he headed there.'

"I think I'm going to regret this... but It is the perfect way to train Pain Resistance

" Leon said after a long sigh.'

'As expected

the minotaurs' dungeon was in the same way. Their numbers were massive

but at least it looked like it wouldn't increase. Regardless

Leon looked for a solitary minotaur. Although that wasn't necessary since he could just sneakily approach using Invisibility and then become invisible again once he defeats the monster

Leon decided to do things slowly since fighting up close wasn't his area of expertise... he didn't even know if magic was

but liked to think that was the case. After finding the perfect test subject in the perfect situation

Leon readied himself when the beast charged at him.'

"Mega... Punch!" Leon shouted.'

'Congratulations! The skill Pain Resistance has leveled up.'

'You obtained 01 status points.'

'Congratulations! The skill Strong Arms has leveled up.'

'You obtained 01 status points.'

'Congratulations! The skill Mega-Punch has leveled up.'

'You obtained 01 status points.'

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'You obtained 01 status points.'

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'You obtained 01 status points.'

'...'

'As expected

Leon felt shivers when a sharp pain traveled through his arm to all parts of his body

but one moment later

a torrent of energy filled his body and immediately healed his destroyed arm.
As for the minotaur

Leon's punch broke his nose and made the creature lose one-third of its health.'

"I guess the result isn't half-bad."

"Why did you shout the name of the skill?" Celsius asked.'

"I would bet that the reason is pretty stupid

" Undine said.'

"Hahaha! You two can't understand the spirit of a warrior

" Efreet said. "To get in the mood
a warrior has to do things like that. Otherwise
his blood won't burn in the middle of a battle area."

'Leon shouted the name exactly because of that
but since the reason was stupid

he decided to keep quiet about it. Regardless
the enemy wasn't dead

but before killing it

Leon decided to increase his health to see the difference. He already had
increased it a lot in the previous month

but it looked like it didn't have been enough.'

'This time without trying to look cool

Leon waited for the minotaur's charge

and when the beast was about to swing its ax

Leon stepped forward

activating Mega-Punch. As expected

the pain decreased

but it was still enough to make Leon sweat cold since the pain was internal and
not external.'

'Congratulations! The skill Mega-Punch has leveled up.'

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'You obtained 01 status points.'

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'Much for Leon's surprise

the cause fifty percent more damage and even stunned the minotaur since the bones of its face had been destroyed

and the brain received shock due to the impact. A regular Bash had been enough to finish off the beast.'

"Although my health is much bigger than before

the effects of the Mega-Punch are still stupidly powerful. The pain didn't decrease all that much... so I guess increasing endurance is the only way to decrease the pain."

'That was a problem because Leon didn't want to increase the number of statuses he had to spend his free status points. In the end

Mega-Punch was just a hidden card that Leon wanted to use to surprise some opponents. Since the pain only lasted for a moment

he decided to endure instead of getting rid of it. Besides

Pain Resistance had to be put to good use.'

"Let's just hope this skill won't damage my nerves and blood vessels..."

'Since Leon was already there and the minotaurs wouldn't use magic unless he uses first

Leon decided to train his physical skills. It was the perfect moment to do so... even though he was barely causing damage. Despite that

Leon had a great time using them. There were few things more pleasant than kicking a monster that was made of flesh and bones instead of metal.'

'In order not to waste the mana he was recovering faster than he could spend fighting up close alone

Leon decided to level up his other weak spells. Despite their cost

they could prevent Leon from being surrounded by enemies

and he also needed more status points

so he killed two birds with one stone.'

'Health: 2322 +'

'Mana: 17683 +'

'Stamina: 2541 +'

'Strength: 127 +'

'Dexterity: 88 +'

'Speed: 250 +'

'Intelligence: 11658+'

'Endurance: 512 +'

'Control: 3025 +'

'Mentality: 250 +'

'Luck: 42 +'

'Recovery: 5000 +'

'Willpower: 134 +'

'Coins: 242

452

362'

'Status: 00'

'Skill List'

'Active Skills: Water Transformation Lv 194

Wind Transformation Lv 234

Water Creation Lv 221

Wind Creation Lv 222

Ice Arrow Lv 90

Mana Dominion Lv 259

Appraisal Lv 222

Haste Lv 340

Mega Punch Lv 80

Thunder Ray Lv 201

Ice Beam Lv 171

Summon Slime Lv 200

Summon Earth Golem Lv 180

Cursed Ray Lv 50

Blind Lv 50

Coward's Curse Lv 50

Savage's Curse Lv 50

Inept's Curse Lv 50

Fool's Curse Lv 50

Sick's Curse Lv 50

Wild's Curse Lv 50

Anima's Curse Lv 50

Degeneration's Curse Lv 50

Terror's Curse Lv 50

Drain Touch Lv Max

Mystic Rain Lv 50

Frostbite Lv 50

Ice Coffin Lv 50

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'Passive Skills: Mental Fortitude Lv 170

Perception Lv 87

Pain Resistance Lv 270

Martial Arts Lv 106

Fire Blessing Lv 280

Earth Blessing Lv 380

Lion's Pride Lv 400

Fast Conjuraton Lv 325

Thunder Blessing Lv 341

Zen Lv Max

Wind Blessing Lv 160

Ice Blessing Lv 170

Water Blessing Lv 170'

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'Leon spent two weeks playing with the minotaurs in their world until he got tired of it and returned to Ilyana's world. Someone once said that no news is good news

but according to Leon's experiences so far

no news meant something shitty was about to happen. Despite all that

he didn't see anything different when he returned. The only real difference is that Ilyana was summoning Mud Golems this time.'

'Mud Golem Lv 135'

'Health: 4500/4500'

'Mana: 2200/2200'

'Stamina: 3000/3000'

'Strength: 441'

'Dexterity: 232'

'Speed:111'

'Intelligence: 323'

'Endurance: 749'

'Control: 99'

'Active Skills: Stone Bullet Lv 110

Water Bullet Lv 120

Earth Creation Lv 100

Mud Rain Lv 130

Water Creation Lv 120'

'Passive Skills: Wind Resistance Lv 50

Fire Resistance Lv 70

Earth Resistance Lv 180

Thunder Resistance Lv 70

Ice Resistance Lv 40

Water Resistance Lv 190'

"How was your vacation?" Ilyana asked

using Telepathy. "Did you bring any souvenirs?"

"No

" Leon answered.'

'◆◆◆So thoughtful..." Ilyana said. "If you don't mind

can you help me a little? I want to level up my golems. Just do the usual

drain their mana and create more of your own minions."

'Leon sighed. Ilyana didn't wait for his answer and just imagined as if he would help her as a matter of fact. Leon owed her much more than that and would owe much more once he finds the other spirits

so it couldn't be helped.'

'Slime – Lv 200'

'Health: 150 +'

'Mana: 150 +'

'Stamina: 150 +'

'Strength: 30 +'

'Dexterity: 30+'

'Speed: 30 +'

'Intelligence: 30+'

'Endurance: 30 +'

'Control: 30 +'

'Mentality: 30 +'

'Luck: 30 +'

'Recovery: 30 +'

'Willpower: 30 +'

'Coins: 00'

'Status: 00'

'Skill List'

'Active Skills: Fire bullet Lv 30

Water Bullet Lv 30

Wind Bullet Lv 30

Earth Bullet Lv 30

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'Passive Skills:'

'Leon slimes got a little stronger

but he would never find an opponent that they could kill alone. Mostly because Leon couldn't go to a world that was on the first stage of assimilation. Leon also doubted that his Earth Golems would become strong enough for it before Leon's existence starts to be rejected by those worlds.'

'Since the earth golems could level up more efficiently

Leon decided to create three slimes and one earth golem

and so on per turn. He was just summoning them to gain status points

so it didn't matter which one reaches level max first.'

""Did something happen on Earth while I was away?" Leon asked

imagining that Ilyana could hear him.'

"Weren't you there?" Ilyana asked.'

"Don't pretend that you don't keep an eye on me

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" Leon shook his head.'

"Nothing happened

you friends are diligently increasing their power while building their defenses

" Ilyana said. "Can't you endure seeing your friends for a few months? At this rate

you won't last until your planets are attacked."

'Leon let out a long sigh to calm his nerves

Ilyana knew about the things he endured to return home and find his family and friends

and she still was capable of saying things like that. However

Leon couldn't understand why she was like that. She probably lost the people she cared about thousands of years ago

and even though she wanted revenge

she was doing that for herself

not because someone caused the deaths of her family and friends. Just like Amanda forgot about Leon after nine hundred years

Ilyana probably forgot about most of those she cared about.'

'Leon couldn't help but wonder if something like that will happen to him. If he manages to survive after protecting his family

his friends

and Earth... will he forget about them after a hundred years? Will he still care about them four hundred years in the future to risk himself for them? Leon was more than aware that humans weren't creatures easy to understand. He himself was quite complicated and

despite everything

quite emotive. It wouldn't be weird if someday he suddenly snaps and decides to forget about them after being treated like a stranger for who knows how long... Leon shook those thoughts of his head. He didn't have time to think about that kind of thing.'

"When are you going to tell me the location of the spirits?" Leon asked.'

"You are not ready yet

" Ilyana answered.'

"And when will I be ready?" Leon asked.'

"It is impossible to know

" Ilyana answered. "It isn't about status or skills. It is about your will... The current you won't survive any of the tests

the three remaining spirits will force you to pass to obtain their powers."

'It was a pain

but it looked like Leon would have to become a little more mature or perhaps bloodthirsty to pass the trials of the spirits of light

shadow

and time. Leon couldn't even imagine what kind of things they would force him to do... Leon was a man who would put his arms in a river of magma just to train his elemental resistance

but it looked like only that much bravery wasn't enough. He needed to be more insane... and that wasn't something good.'

'Congratulations! The skill Mana Absorption has leveled up.'

'You obtained 01 status points.'

'Congratulations! The skill Summon Slime has leveled up.'

'You obtained 01 status points.'

'Congratulations! The skill Summon Earth Golem has leveled up.'

'You obtained 01 status points.'

'Those notifications were the things that made Leon wake up in the middle of the 'battle' against the Mud Golems. At some points

he started to fight full-auto. Although it wasn't bad to find a way to fight without overthinking

fighting without thinking was just too dangerous.'

'''I guess it is time to learn the next summoning spell... Let's see If I can learn this on my own.'''

'Leon

more or less

knew the logic behind summoning spells

and if summoning an earth golem was relatively simple

he imagined the same thing would apply to the other types of golems. With that in mind

Leon started to practice.'

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'Congratulations! You have learned the skill: Summon Fire Golem.'

'Cost: 5000 mana'

'You obtained 01 status points.'

'Fire Golem – Lv 01'

'Health: 250 +'

'Mana: 50 +'

'Stamina: 150 +'

'Strength: 50 +'

'Dexterity: 10+'

'Speed: 10 +'

'Intelligence: 10+'

'Endurance: 50 +'

'Control: 10 +'

'Mentality: 50 +'

'Luck: 10 +'

'Recovery: 50 +'

'Willpower: 00 +'

'Coins: 00'

'Status: 00'

'Skill List'

'Active Skills: Fire Bullet Lv 10

Fire Tornado Lv 10

Fire Arrow Lv 10

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'Passive Skills: Fire Resistance Lv 50'

""As expected... the logic behind was the same. Even the initial stats are the same as the earth golem

" Leon said while analyzing his new summon.'

""Training a new spell while you fight my mud golems? You have quite the nerve

" Ilyana said.'

'Although her words make her look angry

Leon didn't feel anything behind Ilyana's words. Regardless

Leon summoned several whenever possible to level up the skill. Little by little

things were starting to get really noisy

and Leon started to miss the previous weeks where he didn't have to endure
caused by a battle of monsters.'

""Wait a minute... If I create a fire golem like this

then I probably can apply the same logic to create ice slimes or even those
gigantic aqua slimes. Still... since they are far more powerful than the ordinary
monsters

the cost of man is probably higher than I have right now...""

'Leon took a break and looked for a summoning spell on the dungeon shop

but he only found how to summon regular slimes and golems. Something was
off... those monsters were way too weak. Considering that

that kind of skill should be available on the dungeon shops of a world on the
third stage of assimilation. But then Leon recalled that until now

he didn't face or find anyone who was a specialist in summoning monsters.
The cost of mana was high

but after fighting for hundreds of years

anyone would have mana to summon at least a slime.'

""This is very suspicious... but I don't have to worry about this. What about
passive skills?""

'Leon didn't find any

even though that was depressing; he was fully aware that learning a passive
skill by using tomes was a bit too much. Learning new spells by himself was
fine

but buying new tomes without waiting for Volt and Efreet's turn to teach him a
few combinations weren't. So

Leon decided to resume his task of helping Ilyana and training his monsters.'

'Creating an ice or thunder golem was a bit too much since creating ice and thunder consumed a lot more mana. Leon also couldn't imagine creating a wind golem

but one made of water was supposed to be possible to have the same level of difficulty.'

""Well... first

I have to make my golems reach at least the level fifty.""

'It wouldn't take long since Leon's golems weren't being attacked

and he could create one every few seconds. After half an hour that happened

and as he had planned

Leon practiced his new skill

and just after a few tries

he received the motivation.'

'Congratulations! You have learned the skill: Summon Water Golem.'

'Cost: 5000 mana'

'You obtained 01 status points.'

'Water Golem – Lv 01'

'Health: 250 +'

'Mana: 50 +'

'Stamina: 150 +'

'Strength: 50 +'

'Dexterity: 10+'

'Speed: 10 +'

'Intelligence: 10+'

'Endurance: 50 +'

'Control: 10 +'

'Mentality: 50 +'

'Luck: 10 +'

'Recovery: 50 +'

'Willpower: 00 +'

'Coins: 00'

'Status: 00'

'Skill List'

'Active Skills: Water Bullet Lv 10

Water Wall Lv 10

Water Lv 10

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'Passive Skills: Water Resistance Lv 50'

"The skills changed a little bit... it is probably because I don't have all that many water spells. Water can cause some damage

but unless it is high-pressurized water

the power has its limitations."

'Although that was troublesome

Leon didn't feel bothered by it. Golems mostly attacked with their bodies and using elemental bullets

after all. Regardless

Leon's army of monsters was becoming more colorful and weirder by the minute. Still

there was a limit of how many creatures he could summon since

just like Ilyana

he didn't want to play with lives. Maybe he could overcome that flaw by learning how to summon all monsters but in a robotic form.'

"A mechanic dragon... it looks really cool. I never thought I would say that kind of thing after the thirties..."

'Although that was a solution

Leon doubted that it could be so simple to create a creature that had some mechanism and having the size of a dragon. It would be simple if Leon learns by using a tome Ilyana created

but he didn't like that kind of shortcut

and that would also increase his debt.'

'Just a couple of hours had passed since Leon returned

but the mud golems were already at the level one hundred and sixty. It was impressive

but it would take a while before they reach the level Ilyana desired.'

"I guess I don't have much of choice... I will have to stay here for at least a week."

"You can always ask for Undine

and Gnome drains their attacks and convert into your mana

" Celsius said.'

"Don't even start

" Undine said.'

"Don't wanna

" Gnome said.'

'Celsius offered Leon a chance to multitask

but the spirits didn't want to face weak enemies just to get rid of a few inconveniences. If Leon really needed their help

they wouldn't mind

but since that wasn't an important task

they refused. It wasn't like Leon was in desperate need of mana

but the more

the better. However

it was clear that that wouldn't happen. Usually

Gnome would try to negotiate with Leon

he would help

but Leon would let him increase the size of his labyrinth and this time that didn't happen.'

'Leon sighed

feeling like he should be rigorous with his spirits

but he couldn't. They were his allies

not his servants.'

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""You can return to your life of tourism again

" Ilyana said when her mud golems reached the level three hundred and fifty.
"Thank you for your help.""

'One week had passed since Leon returned
and it looked like he finally had the chance to leave again. Unfortunately
he was starting to have second thoughts. It was stupid and crazy
but at some point
over the last week
he started to wonder how Ilyana dealt with loneliness. Most likely
she also has the intermediate fragment of spirits inside her head
so things weren't exactly silent. Still
what would she talk about with her spirits if she rarely lives her castle? If
nothing happens
even best friends or relatives would have a hard time talking to each other.'

'Leon was fully aware of how difficult it was to be alone. Most of the time
when he was alone
he questioned himself
his current actions
his past actions... Learn with the past is something good
but dwell on it every single wake moment was just sad.'

"... It has been a while since you gave me some job
" Leon said. "Is everything under control?"
"That kind of thing happens often
" Ilyana explained. "It isn't strange for me to stay here for ten years without
anything troublesome happening. Just before you appeared
I spent thirteen years doing nothing but learning and practicing my spells."

'That was insane

but it wasn't that surprising considering how old Ilyana was and her goal. In the end

Leon decided to leave without overthinking about it. He already had too many worries in his head

and worrying about someone who always hides crucial information from him wouldn't do him any good.'

""Volt and Efreet

it is you guys turn now

" Leon said.'

""Understood

" Volt said.'

""Hahaha! I will teach you some neat tricks to pulverize those who dare to get on your way." Efreet declared.'

'Leon expected to learn something easier

considering that Volt was very considerate and also aware of Leon's limitations

but since Efreet was also part of the equation

things got a bit complicated.'

'Congratulations! You have learned the skill: Explosive Lightning.'

'Cost: 250 mana'

'You obtained 01 status points.'

'Congratulations! You have learned the skill: Bolts of Torment.'

'Cost: 250 mana per second'

'Duration: 20 Seconds.'

'Cooldown time: 10 Seconds.'

'You obtained 01 status points.'

'Just like their personalities

compatibility between fire and thunder wasn't that great

but at least Leon managed to learn some powerful spells. The first one was Explosive Lightning

it was like an ordinary lightning bolt

but upon hitting the target

the impact also caused an explosion and burned the area and everything near the target. The second spell was something even insane. Instead of causing explosions

the lightning bolts would melt the area around the target and make some magma balls jump out of it and hit anything nearby.'

"Escaping the total damage caused by those spells will be nearly impossible

" Leon said. "Thanks for the help

Volt

Efreet."

'Leon quickly leveled up those spells before finding the new world where he would train. Opening a path toward a dungeon that had too many enemies on the way would only make Leon waste time

so Leon decided to go to the first dungeon he finds that seemed less troublesome. In the end

Leon chose the one that spawned centaurs. Those creatures couldn't talk... at least Leon couldn't see them talking using words an intelligent species use. But they looked pretty smart since they always walked in groups of five.'

'Centaur (Spear)'

'Health: 18000 +'

'Mana: 5000 +'

'Stamina: 15000 +'

'Strength: 1578 +'

'Dexterity: 1956+'

'Speed: 2212 +'

'Intelligence: 1851+'

'Endurance: 1563 +'

'Control: 1822 +'

'Active Skills: Pierce Lv 330

Rage Lv 250

Rupture Lv 300

Vital Blow Lv 250

War Cry Lv 300

Fury Strikes Lv 310

Burn Strike Lv 270'

'Passive Skills: Spearmanship Lv 323

Wind Resistance Lv 250

Fire Resistance Lv 310

Earth Resistance Lv 290

Thunder Resistance Lv 290

Ice Resistance Lv 240

Water Resistance Lv 290

Gravity Resistance Lv 300

Light Resistance Lv 180'

'Although there were centaurs that used bows and swords

most of them were armed with spears

and their status was between the Bowman and the Swordsman of their species

so Leon decided to use them as a basis.'

'Before anything

Leon surprised out of nowhere and hit all of them with Plasma Bullets on their heads. Unfortunately

that hadn't been enough to kill the group of scouts. But at least managed to wound the centaur armed with a bow and take him out of the picture. Despite the man

the remaining monsters readied themselves to face Leon. But they didn't manage to do much since Leon was flying high in the sky. Throwing their weapons wasn't an option. At the very least

the centaurs were smart enough not to do that. So

they began to retreat.'

""Now that is surprising..." Leon said.'

'Leon had a clear vision of the mountain where their dungeon was located

but even though there weren't many obstacles along the way and they could reach it by walking in a straight line

the centaurs were heading toward the north of the dungeon.'

""They are heading toward their allies... they want to make me fall in a trap.""

'That was troublesome. Leon wanted to use them to level up his skills

but it looked like things wouldn't go as planned. Still

that situation wasn't itself so bad... Leon wouldn't level up his skills as much as he wanted

but by fighting enemies that could think of retreating and preparing ambushes would be a valuable experience.'

"It looks like a trip to their planet won't be a walk in the park."

'Leon shot several Plasma Arrows

and the centaurs blocked with their weapons. Even though their weapons got destroyed

it had been more than enough to protect themselves and also buy some time.'

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'Suddenly

Leon heard several hissing sounds. Instead of looking

he just used Transfer and appeared several meters ahead of that point. When they turned around

Leon saw several arrows hitting against each other from several directions.'

"What the..." Leon looked around and didn't see or feel anything within the range of his Mana Dominion. "Mana Concealment? Those centaurs sure are crafty..."

'There were some trees and piles of rubble nearby

so Leon imagined that the centaurs were hiding behind those. However

before Leon could investigate those

another massive number of arrows flew toward him from several points he wasn't watching. Again

only the hissing sound warned him.'

'Leon used Transfer

and soon after

he activated Invisibility. Thanks to that

he began to fall from the sky

but his landing didn't cause a loud noise or wounded his legs.'

"I thought they fell from my trap... but I guess I fell from theirs. That group of scouts' sole purpose was to lure every creature that may approach their dungeon."

'Leon had to wait for a few minutes before the centaurs finally left the places there using to hide. Leon thought several of the archers were hitting him

but it was just four... they changed their positions without letting Leon noticed and also made him think that their numbers were higher. Regardless

the creatures reunited and started to murmur something on their language. Leon approached

and when they were on the line of fire

he shot Plasma Arrows toward their heads.'

'Congratulations! The skill Fire Creation has leveled up.'

'You obtained 01 status points.'

'Congratulations! The skill Earth Creation has leveled up.'

'You obtained 01 status points.'

'Congratulations! The skill Wind Creation has leveled up.'

'You obtained 01 status points.'

'Congratulations! The skill Water Creation has leveled up.'

'You obtained 01 status points.'

'The centaurs fell on the ground dead after their heads got destroyed. As usual

no drops

their weapons disappeared as soon as their health bar became empty.'

"In the end

I had to use some tricks as well

" Leon said. "If I really want to learn something from them

I should avoid doing that in their world."

'The centaurs didn't have special skills

so Leon wouldn't have to waste time sealing their spirits in weapons or items.
Leon headed toward the dungeon

and it didn't take long before he found another group that tried to lure him
toward a trap. Since he was already tired of that trick

Leon used Transfer and bombarded the five centaurs that were running away
using Thunder Bullets

the power behind them was still weak

but it had been enough to paralyze them until their brains fried up.'

'Congratulations! The skill Thunder Bullet has leveled up.'

'You obtained 01 status points.'

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'You obtained 01 status points.'

'Congratulations! The skill Thunder Bullet has leveled up.'

'You obtained 01 status points.'

'...'

'Once again

Leon began to fly in the sky while looking for the archers that would attack him.
Judging by the position of the first group

he already knew where they were. However

he still heard the hissing sound of the arrows coming from the three different directions because he could only look at a place at a time.'

"Even without seeing me

one of them was aware that I was observing his position... I thought they were just a warrior race

but they also had some tactical and tracking knowledge."

'Leon used Transfer and escaped the volley of arrows

still

that hadn't solved the problem. Becoming invisible to attack them by surprise wouldn't let him learn much... Leon couldn't observe the four places at a time if he summons his spirits

that could be solved

but then again

Leon wouldn't learn anything.'

"What to do..."

'Just standing still in mid-air was foolish

but Leon stayed like that in order to test something. He also activated the Mana Barrier and just waited for the volley of arrows

Leon got attacked

and he noticed that the arrows of all directions hit his Mana Barrier after certain intervals. The ones coming from the south hit him first

since those aimed at his back

it was hard to identify with his eyes alone. After that

his Mana Barrier got hit in the west

north

and east side. Leon was pretty sure that was the correct order

and somehow the centaurs used that order to signalized to each other.'

'After turning to the west

Leon got attacked first by the east

then south

west and north... the first volley of arrows would always be aimed at his back. The one who was behind Leon was the one who had to judge the best time to attack.'

""Not bad

but...""

'After getting hit so many times

Leon already knew the angles and the trajectory of the arrows. When he heard the first hissing sound

Leon turned around and used Transfer. He barely arrived on time to see the centaur hiding under the earth... the monsters could use magic like that to surprise their enemies. Leon killed the creature before it could hide entirely

and he also didn't have difficulties finding the others.'

""Their tactics aren't so bad

but nothing very impressive either... Unless they can do something much better than this

I won't spend much time in their world.""

'The same thing happened several times before Leon finally entered the centaurs' dungeon. It looked like they didn't find many enemies so far that could quickly find their positions or ignore their attacks like that. Regardless

their tactics didn't change even slightly

probably because they didn't notice Leon defeating their friends. Although Leon felt a little bothered by it

it couldn't be helped given that he was dealing with monsters that couldn't even use proper words.'

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'In the end

Leon didn't spend much time on the centaurs' world. He didn't face any problems there

the only real dangerous situation he faced was when he appeared

and hundreds of archers tried to kill him. Aside from that

nothing happened

and he didn't learn anything new. Besides

the number of centaurs he faced was severely lacking... the fact that they used tactics like that wasn't because they weren't that smart. It was because it was their only way to increase their chances of survival.'

'Congratulations! The skill Strong Arms has leveled up.'

'You obtained 01 status points.'

'Congratulations! The skill Bash has leveled up.'

'You obtained 01 status points.'

'Congratulations! The skill Dash has leveled up.'

'You obtained 01 status points.'

'Congratulations! The skill Concentrated Shot has leveled up.'

'You obtained 01 status points.'

'Congratulations! The skill Frost Lance has leveled up.'

'You obtained 01 status points.'

'...'

"Well

I leveled up some skills up to the level one hundred. So

not everything is bad news... Still

what now?"

'The best way for Leon to gain some status points was to fight some powerful enemies

and the best place to fight was on the world that were on the third stage of assimilation. If Leon could reunite his friends and practice with them

things would evolve by leaps and bounds

but was that even possible? Those guys became enemies over the course of nine hundred years. Besides

Leon would have to waste some time organizing that kind of thing...'

"I must forget that kind of idea... I don't have the time or the right to babysit them."

'Although Ilyana saw a potential that she couldn't find in people that managed to keep their fighting spirit burning for years like Gisela and Yuki

Leon

on the other hand

was kind of unstable. He already knew that helping him was a bet Ilyana decided to make

but despite the hardships he had to endure

Leon wasn't mentally strong. He did everything because he wanted to reunite with his family and friends. Although such a person could become dangerous

only someone who was mentally strong to pursue revenge for hundreds of years could achieve their true potential... At least that was what Leon imagined that Ilyana thinks.'

'Leon knew that whenever he starts to think too much about things

his progress would slow down. The best way to avoid that was to buy some tomes and practice them for a change of pace

but since Leon already starting leveling up his old skills up to the level one hundred

he decided to keep doing that until the very end.'

"There is also the option of facing Crik again. I bet I could level up my skills at an insane speed training with him... but something was off about him. There is also another problem... I would have to ask Ilyana for a favor in order to meet him

and I even don't know in which stage that world is."

'In the end

Leon decided to look for the dungeons that spawned the most troublesome enemies first

near the places that have no humans. That way

Leon would avoid hunting monsters that could make other survivors grow strong and prevent those creatures from harming the planet.'

"The most troublesome monsters are the gremlins... but I already exterminated hundreds of thousands of them."

'The best places to hunt would be in dungeons in Africa and South America. Although Ilyana's dungeon was there

she was sending her monsters periodically to the world where the mithril people are. So

she probably didn't have the need to make her monsters hunt other monsters. Gisela's camp was in Europe

and considering her strength

Leon doubted that she and her friends would suffer many losses even if all the monsters in Europe and Asia try to attack them. Japan's territory was under the total control of Yuki

and Australia also became a walled country.'

"I guess I could give a hand to Hector and Amanda... It looked like they regained their fighting spirit after that battle

but I doubt that those years of peace won't be difficult to leave behind. No... it is exactly because of that that I can't help them."

'In the end

Leon headed toward Africa to kill some three-headed salamanders and Man-Eater plants. He couldn't relax on his resistance training

so those creatures would help him with that... even though Leon had a hard time enduring the shivers that the tentacles of the Man-Eater plants gave him for some reason.'

'Congratulations! The skill Pain Resistance has leveled up.'

'You obtained 01 status points.'

'Congratulations! The skill Fire Resistance has leveled up.'

'You obtained 01 status points.'

'Congratulations! The skill Ice Bullet has leveled up.'

'You obtained 01 status points.'

'Congratulations! The skill Wind Bullet has leveled up.'

'You obtained 01 status points.'

'Congratulations! The skill Fire Bullet has leveled up.'

'You obtained 01 status points.'

'Congratulations! The skill Earth Bullet has leveled up.'

'You obtained 01 status points.'

'...'

'Although fighting such opponents was troublesome since Leon wanted and could only use those low-level skills

it wasn't so bad because Leon had to focus on their attacks more in order to avoid getting hit in vital areas.'

"I wonder if just this is enough to protect my planet from the monsters..."

"What do you mean?" Celsius asked.'

"I mean... the harvesters will attack this world when it reaches the fifth stage of assimilation. When that happens

won't the dungeons that connect this world with worlds on the third stage of assimilation disappear?"

"Probably

" Celsius said. "... but did you forget that you visited that had only single weather before? Worlds that only had deserts or were covered in snow and ice... those worlds didn't become like that due to the actions of harvesters."

'Leon nodded

doubting himself was already a habit

but he understood that his actions weren't meaningless. Leon recalled the world of the slimes that he once visited... even small and weak monsters could destroy entire planets. He certainly wasn't wasting time in decreasing their numbers.'