Unlimited Power - The Arcane Path (COMPLETED)

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"Time never waits..."

"I know

your damn asshole... tell me something I don't know!" Leon shouted.'

'Leon completed the twentieth cycle

and then he heard that voice again. Despite his insults

the voice didn't say anything. Leon was too mad to notice that he was only digging his own grave by insulting the spirit. He was getting stronger since he was using his skills non-stop and even increased his elemental resistances

but he would need something more to defeat just a fragment of the spirit of the time.'

'Despite that

his spirits couldn't or wanted to say anything. Leon's psych was being damaged little by little

but they couldn't do anything to help Leon. Although they lived a lot more than him

they didn't know how it was to wish for one thing so much but being out of its reach

despite being at the same time so close.'

'Congratulations! The skill Poison 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 Earth Resistance has leveled up.'

'You obtained 01 status points.'

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

'You obtained 01 status points.'

'Fortunately

not everything was bad news. Leon managed to level up most of his skills up to the level one hundred. Just a few support skills didn't level up because of their costs

some passive skills could only be used while fighting

so it couldn't be helped. Not only that

Leon discovered a few things

there was no acid resistance

but when he used skills that created acid

he leveled up his Water and Fire Resistance... he could make acid combining water and fire

and the small price he had to pay was to watch his flesh behind devoured by it.'

'In order to speed the process to make his body reach the limit

Leon had to increase his mana

intelligence

and control only. Thanks to those

his power increased a lot

and now his body could only endure five days doing that hellish 'training."

"Shit... why do I have to endure this..." Leon bit his lips

and then he started to bleed through his mouth.'

'It was insane

but there wasn't much Leon could do about it. Maybe Leon was wrong again

but it looked like Sekundez wanted to test him by forcing him into a state where he was close to madness. Facing a mighty enemy and getting wounded was something

but the spirit wanted to make Leon wound himself until a dangerous point. At the very least

that only showed how much he valued his own power... Leon was expecting many things from it

but if its power disappoints him

Leon was determined to hunt a kill every single fragment of the spirit of the time. But for that

Leon would need power...'

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

'Cost: 200 mana per second'

'Duration: 20 seconds'

'Cooldown time: 10 seconds'

'You obtained 01 status points.'

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

'Cost: 50 mana per second'

'You obtained 01 status points.'

'Congratulations! You have learned the skill: Savagery Barrier.'

'You obtained 01 status points.'

'Leon learned a few more spells

but it looked like they wouldn't be that effective on his current goal. Regardless

Leon bought them because their effects were interesting. Sleep could almost intensely put someone to sleep

and Savagery Barrier was similar to Mana Shield. Still

instead of nullifying

it accumulated the power of the attacks

and then when it reaches a certain point

it would repel all the damage caused. Leon's mana would be consumed faster

but it was useful

and it was also better to buy before he forgets about it.'

'Without wasting time

Leon began his task of wounding himself using snow created by the Avalanche. It wasn't that painful

but the cold was annoying beyond reason. With every single level up

the damage piled up

and Leon's body begun to pay the toll for keeping recovering from the wounds.'

"I don't know for how long this will last... but even though I recovered to some extent the speed I obtain status points

I can't let this repeat indefinitely. I will only endure this until the one-hundredth time... If nothing happens after that

I will focus on getting the hell out of this place by leveling up Transfer and increasing my mana pool."

'It was a bit insane

but drastic times call for drastic measures... Leon was fully aware of that. As long as he uses Mana Barrier

he wouldn't die in outer space

and if levels up Transfer up to the level max

he bet that he could easily move from one planet to the other. He also would have to level up Sharp Eyes

but that wasn't a problem.'

'By deciding that

Leon managed to take out a heavy strain in his body. It would be a waste to leave without at least talking with Sekundez's fragment

but even after going to such lengths

the spirit doesn't show itself. It would only mean that the little bastard was beyond annoying

and just its presence inside his head would make Leon mad. Maybe returning sooner than Ilyana expected would only cause his death. Still

Leon would rather die fighting for his family

friends

and planet than obtain power and not having anything or anyone to protect using that power. Just having power without a goal was meaningless.'

"Don't you think that isn't a pretty difficult goal?" Celsius asked. "You are just on the twentieth run

after all."

"Considering Sekundez's fragment power... I have to try that much

at least

"Leon answered. "It is risky

but I'm betting that Ilyana and my friends will manage to survive for a while..."

'Ilyana's words were bothering Leon a little bit

but he decided to stay quiet about it. He knew that overthinking things wasn't one of his many flaws

so it was better to avoid that subject.'

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"Time never waits..."

'Leon heard that same voice in the same boring tone for the fourth time. Although the voice actually sounded neutral

Leon always imagined someone smirking while watching him struggle. The spirits he had found so far weren't like that

but Leon felt like it was time to find the biggest asshole in the spirits' history.'

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

'Cost: 100 mana per second'

'Duration: 20 seconds'

'Cooldown time: 10 seconds'

'You obtained 01 status points.'

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

'Cost: 50 mana per second'

'You obtained 01 status points.'

'Congratulations! You have learned the skill: Tiger Stance.'

'Cost: 5 mana and 5 stamina per second'

'You obtained 01 status points.'

'Although Leon wanted to learn several more skills

he only learned a few because the cost was too high. Until he finds a way to obtain coins again

it wasn't a good idea to spend so much without caution. Even though he still had millions. Regardless

Leon had a hard time practicing those skills for obvious reasons. Fortunately

Leon leveled up Tiger Stance quite fast

since it was a skill that was similar to Iron Fists

the real difference it was the fact that increase the power and speed of attacks and blocks using his arms.'

"This time

I should level up my offensive skills up to the level one hundred fifty... It won't be very easy

but I don't have any choice but to endure. Besides

I have a lot of free time here."

"Why don't you learn some new spell from us

Leon?" Sylph asked.'

"It will take too much time

and I will kill two birds with a single stone using the spells I already have and using them against myself

" Leon explained. "Status-wise

learning new spells is more efficient

but I also need to train my elemental resistances before returning to Earth."

'Even though they didn't have any memories of the last two hundred days

the spirits were quite worried about Leon's mental state. Only a few individuals were crazy enough to harm themselves to near-death points

and the chances of one escaping the training without mental issues were very low. Unlike them

Leon was pretty confident in his mental health because he could see one thing that tempted him every moment...'

'Teleport tome'

'Cost: 5000 mana'

'Cooldown time: 5 seconds'

'Requirements: 10000 Intelligence

5000 Control

Lv Max Checkpoint

Lv Max Transfer

Lv 100 Darkness Manipulation.'

'Cost: 0 or 10000000 coins. (Since you are stupid

I know you will spend your coins.)'

'Although Leon could buy it

he didn't have all the requirements to learn it. Besides

he was pretty sure that Ilyana decreased the prices... Regardless

Leon would have to find the spirit of darkness before he can have the chance to learn that.'

'In the end

Leon managed to level up around seventy percent of his skills up to level one hundred fifty in the next fifty days. It wasn't half bad. Still

Leon wasn't satisfied either... it couldn't be helped since he was basically torturing himself day in and day out. However

things changed when he completed the fiftieth run.'

"Time never waits... I congratulate you

traveler. In enduring my trial up to this point

" Sekundez's fragment said. "You have earned the right to see me. I'm waiting inside the temple."

'Leon had a really hard time controlling himself not to say something that would put himself in a bad situation

but in the end

he avoided that. He walked toward the temple

and Leon finally noticed himself actually approaching the building. The place was huge

but it was only one hundred meters away from his original position.'

"Try not to screw up after coming this far

" Celsius said.'

"It would be a pity to disappear

but I guess it would be pretty interesting seeing Leon picking a fight with such powerful spirit

" Undine said.'

"Bahahaha! If you want to fight the spirit of the time

you can count on my help!" Efreet declared. "Even I am bored after such trial... not to mention that everything you endured was just to meet them. What an egocentric excuse of a spirit!"

'Leon ignored his spirits and just kept walking inside the totally dark temple. Although he thought of killing the spirit of time numerous times

now that he finally calmed down

Leon was fully aware that he didn't have any chance against it. The power of that fragment was far greater than Leon's. If they wanted

the spirit could torment Leon for all eternity

just making Leon experience thousands of times what he already experienced in that world.'

'Regardless

much to Leon's surprise

Sekundez's fragment actually was made of flesh and bones

unlike the other spirits. As usual

it had a humanoid body that was hard to identify if it was a male or female. But by judging by its voice

Leon concluded it was a female.'

"Welcome

I'm one of the three fragments of Sekundez's

the spirit of the time

" Sekundez's said.'

"My name is Leon... I imagine that you already know why I am here

***** Leon narrowed his eyes and showed that run on his left arm. "But before going to the main topic

is one of your fragments with the woman who created this?"

"That is incorrect

the woman who created that also has a fragment like me

not a fragment of me

" Sekundez explained.'

"I see... is the third fragment in some part of the space like you or is with another being?" Leon asked.'

"The third fragment is with someone else. I'm the only remaining fragment that can be found in the universe

"Sekundez explained. "If you manage to show me that you deserve my cooperation. The original spirit of time will be the only one that still will be free."

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'It was hard to say if that were good news or bad news. The fact that the original Sekundez was still free was good news because it means that Leon could obtain her cooperation

but it was terrible news because it showed how difficult it was to find it. Besides

just a small version of her power caused a lot of trouble for Leon... He was sure that the real Sekundez would be a massive pain in the ass.'

"One more question... do you know how many days

months

or years have passed on a planet called Earth since I arrived here?" Leon asked.'

"This place works following a pre-determined set of rules since it is a place lost in time and space

"Sekundez explained. "One of them is that the time passes according to the challenger's notion of time and level of power. It is hard to say how many days and nights you stayed here since there is no day or night

but according to the cycle of mana in your body

three hundred and twenty-three days have passed since you appeared here."'

'Leon bit his lips

that was roughly eleven months. The harvesters might have already arrived on Earth. Still

there was a chance that he could return on time. Ilyana already proved that she wanted Leon as an ally

so she would do her best in order to help the human race and make Leon feel indebted to her. If she at least manages to protect his family and friends

her goal could be accomplished.'

"I want your cooperation

not only your power

"Leon declared. "What do I have to do to deserve that?""

"It is pretty simple

just keep your sanity while you experience the same amount of time and things I experienced so far

" Sekundez answered.'

"... Will time continue to move at the same speed here and on Earth if I decide to take the test?" Leon asked. "There is no meaning in obtaining your power if I return to Earth in thousands of years in the future."

"You can rest assured

just like you can't afford to waste time

I also don't want to wait for so long to see if you deserve my cooperation or not

"Sekundez said. "I will transport you to a place where the concept of time doesn't exist

so while you will experience thousands of years of solitude

only an instant will pass on this reality."

"Thousands of years..." Leon said.'

"Yes

I can't tell the precise amount of time you will have to stay there since that is also part of the trial

"Sekundez added. "While you will be able to use powers and make them stronger

you won't be able to receive help from the spirits you already have with you."

"Hey

this isn't fair

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" Celsius protested.'
"My
my... she wasn't joking when she said thousand years of solitude
" Undine said.'
"I thought the mental torture couldn't become worse
" Volt said
and Leon felt the uneasiness in his voice. "I was obviously wrong."
"Forget about this
Leon
" Efreet said. "The power of a single fragment isn't worthy of so much trouble.
Even if I were the original Efreet
I wouldn't make someone to endure so much trouble to obtain my
cooperation."
"Right! It isn't fair!" Sylph said.'
"I didn't finish my great labyrinth
Leon
" Gnome said. "So
you can't accept such a dangerous trial."
'The spirits were worried about their ways
but after coming this far
there was no way that Leon would return to Earth empty-handed. He only
could do one thing
obtain Sekundez power no matter what.'
"Can I ask you a favor before starting the trial?" Leon asked.'
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"Sure

the trial will be difficult

so I can take some worries out of your mind in order to let you focus on the trial alone

" Sekundez nodded.'

"Drain some of the mana while I'm in that place

" Leon said. "If I fail

I want you to send the spirits within me to Earth. Although it would be preferable to let them join my other friends

I don't want to force them to do that."'

"I can do that

but you must know there is only one way for me to do that

" Sekundez said. "If you just lose your mind

I won't be able to do anything

but if you..."

"I know..." Leon sighed. "Anyway

thanks for hearing my wish. You can begin the trial."

'Leon couldn't help but frown

considering that the conversation happened without any troubles so far

and the fact that he was so pissed at Sekundez a few minutes ago that he was still considering killing her. Regardless

before the spirits could protest again

Sekundez sends Leon to the place where the trial would be held... a moment later

Leon frowned when he saw himself back on that island where everything began or ended for Leon.'

"Man... she doesn't really hold back

"Leon sighed after he checked his surroundings and confirmed the place he was in. "I thought those four years were long

but I guess that eventually

I will feel like that those years will be just like a random weekend."

'There was only one thing Leon could do on that island to pass the time

train to get stronger. However

before that

Leon bought a certain tome on the shop that Ilyana created for him.'

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

'You obtained 01 status points.'

'Those years will be long

very long... so Leon created some pictures using that spell. He didn't have a single image of everyone together

but Leon created photographs of everyone he cared about at some point in his life. His parents

Amanda Maya

Sasha

Hector

Betty

Gisela

Lennart
Sarah
Tom
Yuki
Ren
Makoto
Darya
and his spirits
even though he never saw how the spirits really looked like. In the end
Leon also created one for Ilyana and Sekundez despite everything
all of them would give him the strength to endure the years that are to come.
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'Although that place seemed to be an illusionary space created by Sekundez
everything looked exactly like how Leon remembered
and he also could change the environment. If he chops down a tree
it won't regenerate
and if he creates something like status
it won't disappear.'
"Pretty well made for an illusionary space"

'Before Leon could keep staring in amazement at every single thing around him

he heard something weird coming from behind. Leon turned around to find a group of ten slimes coming out of the ocean. Leon didn't feel their mana when they were underwater

but he could clearly feel when they reached the beach

and that was very weird.'

"So

she can even create something like this..."

'Slime - Lv 01'

'Health: 50/50'

'Mana: 50/50'

'Stamina: 50/50'

'Strength: 10'

'Dexterity: 10'

'Speed: 10'

'Intelligence: 10'

'Endurance: 10'

'Control: 10'

'Active Skills: Fireball Lv 10

Earth Arrow Lv 10

Water Spear Lv 10

Wind Blade Lv 10'

'Passive Skills: Wind Resistance Lv 01

Fire Resistance Lv 01

Earth Resistance Lv 01

Underwater Resistance Lv 01

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"Their statues are bit different than I remember... probably because it is just a copy from Sekundez's memories."

'Instead of destroying them

Leon created three of slimes and let them fight. The difference in power was evident since his creatures passed the level two hundred. Although they defeated the creatures without suffering a single scratch

one minute later

another group of slimes came out of the water.'

"Well

I suppose this isn't a problem... I obtained coins

after all."

'Leon tried to leave the place and make his slimes do the work

but the enemies coming out of the sea always ignored everything just to approach him. In order to avoid problems

Leon had no choice but to stay close to the battle.'

"It is just a minor nuisance; those things can't even scratch me

so it is fine."

'Leon resumed his own training since he didn't have anything better to do. Although that was no longer necessary

he started to use his spells against himself again... after doing that for almost a year

that already became a habit. This time he wasn't in a hurry

and he doubted that a spirit would lie so blatantly while creating such an environment that could make him grow much stronger. So

Leon decided to stop harming himself.'

'Usually

Leon would be able to level up one skill up to the level fifty every single day

but the process became four times slower since he wasn't harming himself again. It couldn't be helped. Although there was food around and he could heal himself

it was dangerous to put his body into such a perilous state. Regardless

Leon frowned after sunset because he didn't imagine he would have days and nights there

but that was just one of many surprises. The next day

Leon used Appraisal on the slimes again and noticed a few differences.'

'Slime - Lv 10'

'Health: 55/55'

'Mana: 55/55'

'Stamina: 55/55'

'Strength: 10'

'Dexterity: 10'

'Speed: 10'

'Intelligence: 10'

'Endurance: 10'

'Control: 10'

'Active Skills: Fireball Lv 12

Earth Arrow Lv 12

Water Spear Lv 12

Wind Blade Lv 12'

'Passive Skills: Wind Resistance Lv 04

Fire Resistance Lv 04

Earth Resistance Lv 04

Underwater Resistance Lv 04'

"I guess summoned monster and ordinary monsters work to grow stronger in different ways...'

'That was a bit surprising

but then again

it was just a minor nuisance. Although the number of coins Leon obtained didn't increase

he wasn't expecting much from slimes. Regardless

Leon was pretty sure the slimes would continue to grow stronger and eventually cause problems for his own monsters

but they would never do anything more than that.'

"Will those slimes level up every day until the level max? What is going to happen after that?"

'It would take a while

but Leon was the kind of man who didn't like to be surprised

so he couldn't help but think about it. As expected

the next day

the slimes that appeared were at level twenty. Although staying alone for thousands of years was one of the worst ways of torture Leon could imagine

he would love to learn how to create such a place with such features in order to train other people. Maybe he could learn

but only after he finishes the 'game' Sekundez's prepared for him.'

"Mmm... I wonder If I can plant or even find blue angel leaves here. I need to level up Alchemy and Farming as well."

'The mana liquid would also help Leon in the long run

but after searching for a while

Leon didn't find any on that island. Without any sign of hesitation

Leon decided to look for those plants on the continents

but after using Transfer a few times toward East

he found himself flying over the island again.'

"I guess it can't be helped... it would be crazy if Sekundez had made a copy of the whole Earth just for me. Illusion magic or not

that would be insane."

'During those four years

Leon felt like he was in a prison

there were no cells

no guards

and he could walk as much as he wanted. His prison was pretty big... but now that Leon could do so many things like fly and even cross between massive distances in the blink of an eye

the island felt small like a small cell.'

'Still

this time Leon didn't feel even a little bit uneasy or worried. He decided to trust on Ilyana that she would be able to protect his family and planets for a year. Once he passes Sekundez's trial

Leon knew that he would have the strength to protect everything he cherished. However

only that wasn't enough... Ilyana probably obtained the cooperation of the other fragment but didn't obtain absolute power to annihilate her enemies. Leon wanted to even beyond that...'

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'Since Leon couldn't use blue angel leaves

he had two options

buy potions or increase his recovery and then make better items to duplicate that effect. Both options were possible since Ilyana also stored mana potions in her vault. Besides

Leon could obtain a single coin by every slime killed

so he could obtain almost fifty thousand coins every day. However

that changed when the slimes reached level one hundred. Instead of one

the slimes gave him two coins.'

"I guess that is to be expected... Still

while potions are useful

some time is lost to use them. Increasing recovery will help me more in the long run."

'Although that was the case

Leon decided to first increase his health and stamina up to recovery's level. In order to make things as efficient as possible

he had to make good use of the full effects of all his status.'

"I will have a lot of time here

so it will be a good idea to level up Zen and Meditations up to the level max in order to pass the time. But before that

I must create a few more slimes in case I lose the notion of time."

'Although Zen was at the level max on his skills screen

it was due to the ring he created. Regardless

instead of a few

Leon made hundreds of slimes just in case. Even though he was pretty sure Zen would be deactivated if his Mana Armor takes too much damage

caution was necessary.'

'Congratulations! Your mana has increased by one point.'

'Congratulations! Your intelligence has increased by one point.'

'Congratulations! The skill Meditation has leveled up.'

'You obtained 01 status points.'

'Congratulations! Your mana has increased by one point.'

'Congratulations! Your intelligence has increased by one point.'

'Congratulations! The skill Meditation has leveled up.'

'You obtained 01 status points.'

'Meditation would be the easiest to level up

so Leon decided to start with that one. Although it would be more efficient to learn new spells

Leon needed to relax a little bit because his pace had been too frantic since Ilyana transported him to Sekundez's temple. Although meditation wasn't one of the most exciting things to do

time passed much faster since Leon also was thinking about new spells to learn. Besides

he didn't have to hurry or get worked up because of his worries.'

'Thanks to his constant meditation

Leon managed to level up most of his skills up to the level one hundred and fifty. That happened around the time the slimes that appeared where at the level five hundred.'

"I knew I couldn't expect much from the slimes potential

but this is worse than I expected."

'The smiles stats were five times stronger than those they had at level one

but they were still just too weak. Still

thanks to them

Leon now could obtain seventy-five thousand coins every day and even while he sleeps. It was better to treat them like a fountain of coins and time. It was hard to be sure if they would disappear once they reach the level max

but Leon also decided to use them to count the time he stays on that illusionary space. In order not to forget a single day

Leon decided to create a slime mithril statue

and he would make one for each monster that appears.'

"I don't know if this kind of thing will help me to keep my focus or just drive me mad faster

but... oh

well. I have to keep my notion of time at least here somehow."

'Leon's days on that island were pretty simple. When he was tired of using his mana

he would run

and when he was tired of running

he would use his mana. Every day was an uneventful day. Still

Leon didn't feel all that bothered by it. He already had accepted that kind of situations when he decided to take Sekundez's trial

after all '

'Around the time the slimes coming from the sea reached the level seven hundred

Leon decided to challenge himself stupidly. It was a very silly thing to do

but he decided to try to level up his Summon Slime skill to the level max before the slimes that were coming from the sea reaches the same level. Why? Because he would have a very long time ahead of himself

and he could stay in combat or training mode every single moment. Otherwise

the situation would really drive him mad.'

'To make things more interesting and less pointless

Leon decided that he would purchase for free one of the many tomes Ilyana put up for sale on her vault. In the end

Leon lost the bet... his slimes only reached level nine hundred even though he did nothing aside from summoning them for one month.'

'Congratulations! You have learned the skill: Acid Bullet.'

'Cost: 20 mana'

'Cooldown time: 05 seconds'

'You obtained 01 status points.'

'The skill Lion's Pride lost ten levels.'

'In a very strange manner

Leon discovered how to keep himself disciplined.'

'Health: 5000 +'

'Mana: 24985 +'

'Stamina: 5000 +'

'Strength: 127 +'

'Dexterity: 88 +'

'Speed: 250 +'

'Intelligence: 18523+'

'Endurance: 603 +'

'Control: 6745+'

'Mentality: 295 +'

'Luck: 42 +'

'Recovery: 5000 +'

'Willpower: 315 +'

'Coins: 203

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563'

'Status: 00'

'Skill List'

'Active Skills: Strong Arms Lv 150

Throw Lv 150

Analysis Lv 150

Bash Lv 150

Dash Lv 150

Mana Transfusion Lv 150

Earth Manipulation Lv 150

Water Manipulation Lv 150

Wind Manipulation Lv 150

Mana Dominion Lv 309

Cure Burns Lv 150

Heal Lv 150

Regeneration Lv 153

Summon Zombie Lv 312

Full-Recover Lv 150

Summon Slime Lv 900

Avalanche Lv 150

Sleep Lv 150

Savagery Barrier Lv 150

Quagmire Lv 150

Fear Lv 150

Tiger Stance Lv 150

Thoughtography Lv 50

Acid Bullet Lv 01'

'Passive Skills: Mental Fortitude Lv 230

Perception Lv 150

Rage Lv 242

Fire Resistance Lv 600

Accuracy Lv 156

Poison Resistance Lv 265

Underwater Resistance Lv 340

Wind Resistance Lv 450

Ice Resistance Lv 410

Sleep Resistance Lv 375

Thunder Resistance Lv 500

Earth Resistance Lv 420

Gravity Resistance Lv 300

Curse Resistance Lv 305

Lion's Pride Lv 520

Zen Lv Max

Steel Nerves Lv 150

Bloodthirst Lv 150

Vigilance Lv 150

Wind Blessing Lv 280

Ice Blessing Lv 290

Water Blessing Lv 290'

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"I see now... while Lion's Pride can increase my status and level up while I fight alone

the skill can lose levels if I do something that is against my pride. It is a very weird skill..."

'Leon wondered why that didn't happen before but soon noticed that even though he was prideful

he never crossed a certain line. Still

he also started to wonder if Ilyana knew that something like that might happen and still granted Leon the chance to obtain things for free.'

'Regardless

finally

some things changed on the island. Slimes at the max level only appeared for a single day

and then Leon finally noticed that new monsters would appear at every one hundred and two days.'

'Sahuagin - Lv 01'

'Health: 100/100'

'Mana: 70/70'

'Stamina: 80/80'

'Strength: 30'

'Dexterity: 10'

'Speed: 10'

'Intelligence: 30'

'Endurance: 10'

'Control: 30'

'Active Skills: Water Arrow Lv 20

Swim Lv 30'

'Passive Skills: Spearmanship Lv 20

Water Manipulation Lv 30

Water Creation Lv 20

Wind Resistance Lv 10

Earth Resistance Lv 10

Underwater Resistance Lv 40'

"It has been a while since I saw those guys... it is a pity that these ones don't drop weapons since they are basically illusions."

'Although the Sahuagins were stronger than slimes

they were still at level one

and the island was full of slimes. In fact

Leon had to kill some of them since he could create one every two seconds. The poor Sahuagins immediately got killed when they left the ocean. Another group of ten appeared one minute later

but they suffered from the same destiny.'

"I guess I can leave with them the task of getting rid of my slimes."

'Leon had to level up Acid Bullet and then decide what he should do next. Although he obtained a lot of points summoning slimes for one month straight

he could have obtained a lot more by training seriously. So

he had to take things seriously for a few days before doing something silly again.'

"It looks like gradually the difficulty of this place will increase

while that is good to make me stronger

it is also dangerous if someday ten dragons started to appear every minute... Still

following that logic

the best way to proceed is by learning as many skills as possible and practice them against powerful monsters."

'Still

most likely

it would take a while for any strong enough monster to appear. It was possible that only monsters that appear in the world that were on the first stage of assimilation would show themselves for the time being.'

'Congratulations! You have learned the skill: Fire Meteor.'

'Cost: 1000 mana'

'Cooldown time: 05 seconds'

'You obtained 01 status points.'

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

'Cost: 1000 mana'

'Cooldown time: 05 seconds'

'You obtained 01 status points.'

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

'Cost: 1000 mana'

'Cooldown time: 05 seconds'

'You obtained 01 status points.'

'After leveling up Acid Bullet to the level one hundred fifty

Leon decided to learn some flashy spells. It would be less tedious and time-consuming to use those

after all. Although Leon could use them on the sea

it was a bit troublesome to get hit by mini-tsunamis afterward. He only did that because the Sahuagins gave him two coins each

and considering everything he knew so far

eventually

they would give him twenty.'

"The meteors are just one meter long

and they are quite round at level one... I guess their size will increase by leveling up."

'Jertien's Ice Meteors were five meters long

so Leon was expected a lot from those new skills. Still

thanks to their cost

Leon only finished his job of leveling them up to the level one hundred fifty

one month later. It was around the same time his slime summoning skill reached the level max.'

'Congratulations! The skill Summon Slime has reached the max level.'

'You obtained 01 status points.'

'Slime - Lv Max'

'Health: 500/500'

'Mana: 500/500'

'Stamina: 500/500'

'Strength: 100'

'Dexterity: 100'

'Speed: 100'

'Intelligence: 100'

'Endurance: 100'

'Control: 100'

'Active Skills: Fireball Lv 100

Earth Arrow Lv 100

Water Spear Lv 100

Wind Blade Lv 100'

'Passive Skills: Wind Resistance Lv 50

Fire Resistance Lv 50

Earth Resistance Lv 50

Underwater Resistance Lv 50

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"I know that I obtained one thousand points by using those guys

but... looking at their status

I think that I only wasted time. It would be great if the skill had evolved or something

but not even that happened..."

'To make matters worse

even though the Sahuagins reached the level three hundred

they only killed a small number of slimes. The island was still crowded

and Leon would have to summon golems. Summon water golems would be a waste of time

so Leon decided to summon fire and earth golems for the time being. While they also fought against the Sahuagins that appeared

they also destroyed the slimes. In the end

Leon made them stop because he noticed that he could drain their mana while doing the dirty jog.'

"This will save me some time

but it is very weird..."

'Thanks to Haste

that was always active

Leon get rid of his slimes quite fast

and soon afterward

one-third of the island was being used by golems. The poor Sahuagins who didn't manage to kill not even a few hundred slimes barely could scratch the golems. The difference in power was evident

so Leon wouldn't have to create thousands of golems... at least for the time being.'

'Although it was a bit strange living a gradual process of assimilation

Leon felt a bit satisfied with it because he didn't experience anything so far on the same order or at least at the same speed as the other human being. Besides

it was a bit exciting imagining what kind of monster would appear next... even though the time waiting was almost fifteen weeks.'

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"Now that I think about it... it would be a big waste if I can't take these back to reality."

'Leon was about to finish the mithril statue of a Sahuagin when he noticed that. Although he could use the rings and the skills he had in reality

could he take the things he created there to the real world? It was impossible to know...'

'Regardless

Leon didn't waste time

and as soon as he bought or learned a few spells

he immediately practiced them until the desirable level. Leon thought that the number of spells he could learn had a limit

but it looked like he was wrong. The problem was Leon's creativity.'

'Congratulations! You have learned the skill: Acid Shower.'

'Cost: 100 mana per second.'

'Duration: 05 seconds'

'Cooldown time: 05 seconds'

'You obtained 01 status points.'

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

'Cost: 10 mana per second.'

'Cooldown time: 05 seconds'

'You obtained 01 status points.'

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

'Cost: 50 mana per second.'

'Cooldown time: 05 seconds'

'You obtained 01 status points.'

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

'Cost: 50 mana per second.'

'Cooldown time: 05 seconds'

'You obtained 01 status points.'

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

'You obtained 01 status points.'

'Congratulations! You have learned the skill: Wall Crawling.'

'Cost: 05 mana and stamina per second.'

'You obtained 01 status points.'

'Leon had to spend fifty million coins

but he learned several useful things. Unlike previously that he thought that guy who could control a megalodon was the owner of the beast. He was just controlling it for a time. Leon didn't notice before

but that guy probably invested all his points into recovery.'

'Although there was no one he could talk to

Telepathy also worked on monsters. The Sahuagins couldn't understand his language

though... that was why Leon learned Zoolingualism. By using that alongside Telepathy

Leon could translate his words to a monster and an animal

and he also could understand their thoughts. That being said

Leon didn't hear anything useful when he used those on the Sahuagins.'

"Kill him! Kill that strange man!"

"Kill him! Kill! Kill!"

'Although it was a bit depressing

Leon forced himself to hear that in order to level up his skills. Wall Crawling and Hibernation were self-explanatory. Even though there were no walls on the island

Leon could create some made of earth or steel. The skill also worked on trees. Hibernation was even more useful than any of those. By activating the skill

Leon couldn't instantly fall asleep and even determine for how long he wanted to sleep.'

'One hundred and two days later

after the first group of Sahuagins appeared. A new species of the monster came out of the ocean

'Goblin - Lv 01' 'Health: 150/150' 'Mana: 70/70' 'Stamina: 200/200' 'Strength: 50' 'Dexterity: 20' 'Speed: 40' 'Intelligence: 10' 'Endurance: 40' 'Control: 20' 'Active Skills: Bash Lv 20 Strong Arms Lv 30' 'Passive Skills: Spearmanship Lv 20 Swordsmanship Lv 30 Rage Lv 30 Wind Resistance Lv 10 Earth Resistance Lv 10 Pain Resistance Lv 30' 'Pointy ears short green

and Leon couldn't help but frown while looking at them.'

and bald... the goblins were like Leon saw in many games and comics. They also had those vicious eyes that could make even the most violent person few shivers... Still

they didn't pose a threat against Leon's golems.'

"The goblins I found in Miebos are probably the evolution of those... Still

making them appear out of the water it is weird. I guess even the illusionary magic of Sekundez has limits."

'Although they were stronger than the Sahuagins

the fact that they could only attack up close was their biggest weaknesses. Leon's golems defeated them in mere instants

and even if they manage to get close enough

Leon doubted that they wouldn't manage to do anything.'

'Little by little

Leon was becoming quite sure that the wouldn't be able to take anything back to reality from there. The fact that not only the Sahuagins but they also goblins didn't leave their weapons behind confirmed that theory.'

"Well

at least by creating those statuses

I will train my crafting skills."

'It wasn't much

but the level one goblins also granted Leon three coins. Little by little

his income increased

but then Leon started to wonder if he buys some accessories

would those accessories return to reality once he completes the trial? Most likely

the answer was yes. If Ilyana's vault was still working

it was because she had control time to some extent. The answer to his problem was to Leon create a space similar to that

but Leon doubted that he could do it without Sekundez's power.'

"Now that I think about it... isn't this place like the interior of a magic box?"

'Leon knew that time never passed inside his magic box

but he was pretty sure that imaginary monsters didn't spawn inside of it. Leon shook those thoughts out of his head because that kind of thing was troublesome

and he would end up questioning himself if dreams didn't happen in some parallel universe.'

'Regardless

even though Leon wanted to summon some water golems since the opponents this time weren't aquatic monsters

Leon refrained from doing so because the island was already too crowded

and the fire and earth golems weren't leveling up fast enough. Adding another group of elemental golems would only make things less efficient.'

"Wait a minute... if I managed to level up my spells using against myself

won't that work on my golems as well?"

'There was only one possible way to find out the truth

but Leon was already certain that his torment would begin again.'

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

'You obtained 01 status points.'

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

'You obtained 01 status points.'

'Congratulations! The skill Meditation has leveled up.'

'You obtained 01 status points.'

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

'You obtained 01 status points.'

'Congratulations! The skill Restoration has leveled up.'

'You obtained 01 status points.'

'In order to make things more efficient

Leon had to chop some trees. Fortunately

the trees could still grow on the massive earth platform Leon created above the island. Thanks to that

Leon managed to keep his food safe and also give a clear vision to all the golems of the island in order to attack him. Although the magic attacks of the golems barely could damage Leon

he was feeling quite troubled because their attacks had the same power of a mosquito bit... now imagine yourself being bit by thousands of them at the same time.'

'���I thought Pain Resistance would nullify this annoying feeling

but I was wrong..."

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

'You obtained 01 status points.'

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

'You obtained 01 status points.'

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

'You obtained 01 status points.'

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

'You obtained 01 status points.'

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'At least Leon was managing to obtain a lot of status points while enduring that annoying situation. In fact

it was one of the few situations Leon could use his 'Zone' skills.'

"I will need to increase my mana regeneration a lot more

but I guess with this many monsters around me

I will be able to level up Health Zone

Stamina Zone

and others skills like that pretty fast."

'There were thousands of golems around Leon

and as long as he stays in the center of the island

his skills would reach his monsters. Although it wasn't a convenient way for monsters to grow stronger

it wasn't half bad to make them fight much more powerful monsters.'

'That kind of situation could also help Leon to level up skills like Mana Armor

Mana Shield

but the cost of mana would be even higher. So

that was a plan for the future. Although that kind of situation was a bit annoying and unsettling for Leon since whenever he uses too much mana

he would wake up

Leon decided to keep Mana Zone active even while he sleeps. Most likely

that would make him wake quite frequently

but at least the golems would reach the level max much faster.'

"Now that I think about it... I should learn the Summon Corrupt Tree of Mana. If I can absorb the mana within my monsters here

that plant can eat those monsters and generate the mana fruit."

'Unfortunately

even though Leon had enough status to learn

Water and Earth Creation weren't at the necessary level. So

he would have to train those for a while before learning the skill. It would be a bit dreadful to see a carnivorous plant eating a corpse

and Leon was pretty sure that the efficiency wouldn't be that great since the goblins didn't have all that much mana. Still

Leon decided to stop using Mana and Restoration Zone to level up the skills he needed to learn what he wanted. Two weeks later

Leon finally learned it.'

'Congratulations! You have learned the skill: Summon Corrupt Tree of Mana.'

'Cost: 15000 mana'

'Cooldown time: 10 seconds'

'Corrupt Tree of Mana – Lv 01'

'Health: 300 +'

'Mana: 300 +'

'Stamina: 300 +'

'Strength: 30 +'

'Dexterity: 30+'

'Speed: 20 +'

'Intelligence: 80+'

'Endurance: 30 +'

'Control: 60 +'

'Mentality: 60 +'

'Luck: 20 +'

'Recovery: 40 +'

'Willpower: 50 +'

'Coins: 00'

'Status: 00'

'Skill List'

'Active Skills: Steel Whip Lv 50

Razon Leaf Lv 50

Devour Lv 80'

'Passive Skills: Water Resistance Lv 100

Earth Resistance Lv 100

Wind Resistance Lv 40

Thunder Resistance Lv 40

Ice Resistance Lv 50'

'The monster was quite ugly

but Leon learned how to summon it because he was interested in its abilities

nor its appearance. It was very weird since it had a big mouth and teeth on the top of its body

but had no eyes or ears... it was indeed a plant that had several tentacles that could be used as whips and leaves around its body that could be used as projectiles.'

'Without wasting any moment

Leon gave the corrupt tree the order to eat a goblin. Fortunately

the creature was quite big and managed to devour the whole corpse in a single moment. However

it spent one full minute chewing it... at the final of the process. Nothing happened.'

'The same thing happened a few more times until a blue apple-like fruit appeared at the bottom of one of its tentacles. That was the mana fruit

but Leon hesitated since he had never eaten something so blue... Although Analysis or Appraisal didn't work on the fruit

Leon ate it and confirmed that he restored one thousand of his mana points.'

'Congratulations! The skill Summon Corrupt Tree of Mana has leveled up.'

'You obtained 01 status points.'

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"Not bad... it tastes like a mix of orange and lemon

"Leon said."

'Unfortunately

after generating the first fruit

it took a few more minutes for the plant to create another. However

Leon soon understood why. The creature could produce a fruit that restored mana equivalent to its level multiplied by one thousand

but it needed to consume half of the mana to produce fruit. So

if the level of the plant was thirty

it could only produce a fruit that restored thirty thousand mana points

after eating corpses that in total had at least sixty thousand mana points.'

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'In order to make things as efficient as possible

Leon decided to summon several corrupt trees. Although it would take a while for those produce the mana fruit as fast as Leon wanted

it wasn't a waste of time since they could clean the battlefield.'

"Oh boy... it looks like the list of weird spells won't end."

'Leon thought monsters could only learn some spells

but it looked like Ilyana found a way to cheat the system. At least that was what Leon thought at first

but soon he changed his mind when he saw his new skills in action.'

'Congratulations! You have learned the skill: Silk Creation.'

'You obtained 01 status points.'

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

'Cost: 50 mana per second.'

'Duration: 30 seconds'

'Cooldown time: 05 seconds'

'You obtained 01 status points.'

'Congratulations! You have learned the skill: Aquatic Breathing.'

'Cost: 30 mana per second.'

'You obtained 01 status points.'

'Congratulations! You have learned the skill: Enhanced Smell.'

'Cost: 50 mana per second.'

'Duration: 30 seconds'

'Cooldown time: 05 seconds'

'You obtained 01 status points.'

'Congratulations! You have learned the skill: Poison Creation.'

'Cost: 30 mana per second.'

'You obtained 01 status points.'

'Although it was weird that Leon was learning a lot of animal-like skills as of late

it couldn't be helped since he was focusing on learning skills that were cheap and could be easily used. Fortunately

those skills were easy to use

and Leon didn't have to produce silk or poison from certain parts of his body.'

'Sonar

Aquatic Breathing

and Enhanced Smell were self-explanatory. Although Silk Creation and Poison Creation were relatively simple

their use wasn't that convenient. Since those were skills Leon learned by using tomes

they could only be used one at a time

and since their level was low

their effectiveness was still questionable.'

"It is weird that I can create some very elastic and yet durable silk

but I guess that is only a small bonus considering that I can create new clothes."

'The world Sekundez created was really weird. Leon thought that it was an illusionary space

but more and more

he thought that actually was some sort of small parallel reality or at least a world inside her head. Leon could sweat

feel hunger and thirst... his clothes were getting damaged. It wasn't an illusion...'

"This is one god-like ability... if a fragment of Sekundez can do this

the original spirit might as well be stronger than Ilyana and all the other harvesters."

'Putting such thoughts aside

Leon focused on his task of leveling up his new skills. Although the mana fruits were increased the speed of his training a lot

there was still so much mana Leon could use at a single moment. One week later

Leon leveled up his new skills up to the level one hundred and fifty

but instead of spending more coins to buy new tomes

he decided to make another race against time.'

"Well

this is silly as always

but at least I don't have to focus too much. It will be relaxing

and as long as I punish myself for failing

it will be a good lesson."

'This time Leon bet on making his fire and earth golems reach level max before the goblins reach level five hundred. Although there was a limit of how much monsters he could create on that island

that drawback could be countered easily by making them use their attacks against himself again. Even better

thanks to the mana fruit

Leon could give them mana much more frequently.'

"I just recovered the levels I lost by accepting a tome for free... I can't fail again."

'Seven months have passed since Leon started that trial

and life was boring in that place

and it would continue to be boring until some dragons began to spawn

so Leon had to do that kind of thing to feel challenged in some sort of way. In the end... Leon failed again. His golems only reached the max level when the goblins reached the level six hundred. As much as that difficult

Leon punished himself again...'

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

'Cost: 100 mana per second'

'Cooldown time: 05 seconds'

'You obtained 01 status points.'

'The skill Lion's Pride lost ten levels.'

'To make sure that Leon would try even harder the next time in order to not fail

he acquired a spell that would be difficult to level up. Clairvoyance was basically the evolved version of Sharp Eyes.'

'Congratulations! The skill Clairvoyance has leveled up.'

'You obtained 01 status points.'

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'You obtained 01 status points.'

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'Much to Leon's surprise

he used all his mana when he tried to see Sekundez's temple. Although he felt a massive headache

he leveled up that skill mana times

and that wasn't half bad.'

"I will be able to cross over longer distances using this and Transfer... That is when I leave this place."

'Although the mana consumption would be higher than usual

by using that combo

Leon would be able to overcome the major flaw of Transfer. It was his line of sight. Although Teleport still far more useful

he believed that Clairvoyance would grant him the chance to arrive in certain places without being noticed even after using Teleport. That skill would probably grant him the power to move to places he had been before or to places where he could feel certain things

but positioning himself would be difficult.'

'Regardless

even though it wasn't comfortable

Leon soon made Clairvoyance reach the desirable level by trying to see things outside that dimension.'

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'Leon was checking the list of tomes he could buy

and now that he could see things without worrying about time

he noticed several questionable spells. Spells to control mind and body... even spell to possess the body of something else. While those were useful

they had some severe drawbacks. For example

if the body Leon possesses dies

he would die too. Also

even if he is outside his body

if his body gets destroyed

he would die... so it was impossible to seek immortality by transferring to other bodies.'

'Congratulations! You have learned the skill: Mind Control.'

'Cost: 100 mana per second.'

'Cooldown time: 05 seconds'

'You obtained 01 status points.'

'Congratulations! You have learned the skill: Body Control.'

'Cost: 100 mana per second.'

'Cooldown time: 05 seconds'

'You obtained 01 status points.'

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

'Cost: 500 mana'

'Cooldown time: 05 seconds'

'You obtained 01 status points.'

'Congratulations! You have learned the skill: Earth Spikes.'

'Cost: 150 mana per second'

'Duration: 20 seconds'

'Cooldown time: 05 seconds'

'You obtained 01 status points.'

'Congratulations! You have learned the skill: Magma Nova.'

'Cost: 500 mana'

'Duration: 20 seconds'

'Cooldown time: 05 seconds'

'You obtained 01 status points.'

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

'Cost: 500 mana'

'Cooldown time: 05 seconds'

'You obtained 01 status points.'

'Leon was spending more coins than he was recovering

but it couldn't be helped since he wasn't that creative to think of new spells. Although he could recall one or another ability he saw in movies and cartoons

replicate them was too difficult. Regardless

thanks to that

Leon found some interesting spells

Corruption and Purification.'

"Corruption can slow down regeneration speed and decrease the effectiveness of healing spells. Meanwhile

Purification can nullify such status effects and even clean the body of the target... I guess I will never feel dirty in here. Still... why not even Purification can cure my ED? This is just too much..."

'Putting Leon's personal problems aside

the cost of the mana of the skills increased a lot

so it took sometime before Leon could make them level up. Besides

since Leon's fire and earth golem reached the level max

he also had to summon water golems and train them as much as possible in case the next enemy surprises him.'

'Killer Bee- Lv 01'

'Health: 150/150'

'Mana: 150/150'

'Stamina: 220/220'

'Strength: 40'

'Dexterity: 40'

'Speed: 50'

'Intelligence: 30'

'Endurance: 30'

'Control: 30'

'Active Skills: Pierce Lv 25

Poison Sting Lv 30

Poison Bullet Lv 20'

'Passive Skills: Rage Lv 35

Wind Resistance Lv 30

Earth Resistance Lv 20

Pain Resistance Lv 10

Ice Resistance Lv 20'

'However

much for Leon's surprise

the next monster was just a bit stronger than the goblins. Although the compatibility between his golems and the enemies was bad since the poison could damage the golems' bodies

Leon didn't feel troubled by it. If anything

that would give him the chance to level up his Health Zone.'

"Mmm... I guess it is about time to find my next summoning skill."

'That would be difficult since Leon only wanted to summon inorganic creatures. Although he had some time until the water golems reach the level max

it wasn't all that much since he was continually transmitting his mana to them. Fortunately

Leon soon finds a new type of monster he could summon

mimics. They were essentially like the ghost-swords

objects that absorbed the wishes of the dead... it was weird

but it looked like mimics were born from coffins of those who lived to satisfy their gluttony.'

"This will be hard to level up

but I guess even them must have some sort of magic projectiles to use."

'It would be weird to be surrounded and attacked by thousands of chests

but since Leon had seen far weirder things in the last sixteen years

that would be the last of his worries.'

'While Leon was training

he also checked Ilyana's vault to see the other tomes he could buy there

and since he had a lot of free time

he ended up founding some really suspicious tomes.'

'Eromancy tome'

'Cost: 50 mana per second'

'Cooldown time: 10 seconds'

'Requirements: 12000 Intelligence

8000 Control'

'Cost: 0 or 1000000 coins. (Why are you checking this tome?)'

'Leon frowned when he found that tome. Why the heck Ilyana learned that? The last sentence in the description annoyed him a little

but he decided to forget about it because Leon was quite interested in that type of magic and its applications.'

"Maybe if I use that... the holy sword will be unsealed. If that skill reaches the max level and still nothing happens

then... I won't have much of choice. I will just have to accept the forced celibacy."

'Leon wondered why he hesitated in buying tomes that would grant him the power to drop meteors on monsters but didn't hesitate in purchasing that tome. Putting such worries aside

Leon brought the tome and immediately learned and begun to use it on himself.'

'Congratulations! The skill Eromancy has leveled up.'

'You obtained 01 status points.'

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'You obtained 01 status points.'

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'Leon thought that Illusion Resistance or some other resistance would counter the effects of such magic

but it didn't. Leon only felt some resistance when he activated Mind Armor... Unfortunately

even though he used the skill almost non-stop until it reached level two hundred

Leon didn't feel anything. The goddess of love had cursed him... it was crazy

but it was the only plausible explanation.'