

Unlimited Power - The Arcane Path (COMPLETED)

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"Food really is a powerful drug..." Leon said while he was chewing a huge chunk of dragon's leg. "I can barely feel that headache."

'In the end

Leon could increase the scope of Mana Magnetism quite easily while he was doing everything else. Although it wasn't as good as a potion

eating monsters' meat also could recover his energy and even heal his wounds. Thanks to that

Leon got carried away

killed three dragons

and brought them to Ilyana's world.'

"It looks like you are trying to fool yourself again

" Ilyana said

via telepathy. "Eating dragons won't solve the problem caused by Mana Magnetism and won't slow down the effects of Temporal Variation."

'As usual

Ilyana was fast to understand and see the changes in Leon's body. That being

she was quite lenient

considering that both skills would lead Leon to an early grave.'

"Oh

well... I guess she is tired of complaining all that much

" Leon shrugged.'

"Or perhaps she knows that you are a lost cause

" Celsius said.'

"I think that is highly possible..." Leon closed his arms and nodded. "Anyway you aren't talking all that much recently."

"Are you saying that I talked too much in the past?" Celsius frowned.'

"No... I'm saying that you are too quiet

" Leon scratched the back of his head. "Is that because I didn't spend half an hour praising you and Undine? If that is the case

I'm sorry. My social skills have grown rusty."

'Congratulations! The skill Fire Lance has reached the max level.'

'You obtained 01 status points.'

'Congratulations! The skill Mana Barrier has reached the max level.'

'You obtained 01 status points.'

'Congratulations! The skill Mana Concealment has reached the max level.'

'You obtained 01 status points.'

'Congratulations! The skill Stamina Restoration has reached the max level.'

'You obtained 01 status points.'

'Congratulations! The skill Mana Infusion has reached the max level.'

'You obtained 01 status points.'

'Maybe it was time for Leon to ask to be taught some new spells by his spirits

but everyone except for Rem and Shadow looked weirder than usual. Sekundez was always like that

so it couldn't be helped. In the end

Leon decided to wait for a while and just assimilate the knowledge his replica was obtaining.'

"That shadowy bastard had more or less eight hundred thousand points in mana

" Leon said to himself while thinking about the things he could really do at the moment. "To summon a mechanical dragon

almost the double of that amount is needed. Most likely

even more

it will be necessary to summon a dragon... So

at the very least

the woman who summoned the dragons that destroyed Earth nine hundred years ago had two million points in mana."

'That was the best scenario

but it wasn't that good since Leon had seven times less mana than the most terrifying enemy he knew of. Regardless

if Leon uses Mana Magnetism and nothing else

without even increasing its scope

he would be able to increase his mana by one point every three minutes. That wasn't so bad

but considering the status

he was obtaining just by absorbing the mind of that guy

it wasn't that good.'

"In the end

just having enough mana isn't enough... but at least that determines how much mana one can use per second

" Leon said.'

'It would be great if he could

but even if Leon reaches the level max in all his skills

his mana pool won't reach that level. Even if he focuses solely on increasing that... Of course

Leon had no intention of summoning dragons. That was just a milestone he had to overcome in order to confirm his own power.'

'Leon looked to his left arm and still could see Ilyana's tattoo in there. It looked like she wanted to make Leon use her vault. Maybe Leon would find more ways to get stronger by using that

but even if he uses the coins he obtains

he doubts that kind of power would help him truly.'

"I only felt really growing when I learned on my own Magma Spear and Plasma Bullet

" Leon said. "Magma Spear isn't that useful anymore

but the magic projectiles made of Plasma still are... I doubt that I will find anything better in dungeon shops. Ilyana's vault is definitely a treasure chest. Well

in the end... it will be better if she ends up obtaining those coins for... for... does she use coins for anything?"

'Coins more or less became useful for Leon since his power was always above the level of the planet

he had been... at least considering the offensive spells. But things were probably different from Ilyana... she probably knew many types of spells

but she never stopped training

which means that she was always learning a new spell. However

Leon was more interested in how she spends the coins.'

"Do you want to know?" Ilyana suddenly asked.'

"I don't want to think that... but I'm pretty sure that you watch me every single moment

" Leon frowned. "Don't you think that is a bit shameful?"

"Not at all

" If you get as old as I am

something like that won't bother you in any way

" Ilyana shrugged.'

"You don't even have the decency to deny it..." Leon sighed. "Well

tell me

how do you spend your coins."

"Just use Clairvoyance and think of the coins while you look for the entrance of the dungeons in all the worlds of the universe

" Ilyana replied.'

'Leon frowned when he heard that

but he tried to do that anyway. First

he did that in the dungeons of that world

and much to his surprise

even without being there

Leon could access the shop. Considering the density of mana there

Leon also managed to find dungeon shops in worlds that he hadn't go yet... he could even access the dungeon shops in worlds that were only on the second or first stage of assimilation.'

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'Just having access to all dungeon shops in the world seemed impressive

considering that he wasn't even there. Still

Leon couldn't believe that was the only thing that made Ilyana become stupidly powerful like that. In any case

as long as he has enough

Leon would be able to buy all kinds of tomes that would grant him basically an endless amount of skills

not only the magical and might ones that can found in Ilyana's vault.'

"This is pretty impressive

" Leon rubbed his chin. "But I was waiting for something more incredible."

"How about using the coins to create something that doesn't even exist?" Ilyana asked. "That should suffice

right?"

"Can you do that?" Leon frowned.'

"No... but I imagine coins do things like that

" Ilyana shrugged. "It doesn't make sense that tomes just suddenly appear and disappear according to the number of monsters that are being slain in that world."

"Well

... you are right

" Leon nodded.'

"I think that while a part of the mana when a monster is killed goes to the planet

while other part goes to the person who killed it

" Ilyana added. "But I also think that another part of the mana is used to create the things one can buy in the dungeon shops. At this point in time

it is obvious that someone created the assimilation system. That someone has a stupid amount of mana

but I don't think even someone who created something like this could create a system that could create magic artifacts without the need of mana."

"... That is interesting and all

but what is your point?" Leon asked.'

"My point is: everyone will be able to buy whatever they want... once they reach the seventh stage of the assimilation

" Ilyana replied. "I'm trying to do that before that happens since I don't know what will happen to me once I reach that stage

and I think you should do the same."

'That was easier said than done

but it wasn't like Leon could just suddenly learn things like that. He didn't have time to think of such things when assholes were targeting earth.'

'Congratulations! The skill Magma Bullet has reached the max level.'

'You obtained 01 status points.'

'Congratulations! The skill Sandstorm has reached the max level.'

'You obtained 01 status points.'

'Congratulations! The skill Fire Tornado has reached the max level.'

'You obtained 01 status points.'

'Congratulations! The skill Earth Wall has reached the max level.'

'You obtained 01 status points.'

'Congratulations! The skill Telekinesis has reached the max level.'

'You obtained 01 status points.'

"Oh

well..." Leon sighed. "At least thinking about that kind of thing will keep my mind occupied while I read all these notifications."

'Although Leon had some coins to spend

he didn't feel like learning anything new at that moment since training his first spells would be efficient in order to obtain status points. Regardless

while he was reading his notifications

he was thinking about what Ilyana said. Considering that he could use Transmute

it wasn't hard to believe that the system could create almost anything using the fallen monsters' mana. However

what was really bothering Leon was why someone would create such an elaborate and automated system. Putting the efficiency side

since Leon had no idea how mana could multiply like that when it was used and divided in so many ways

he wanted to know why someone would create the system.'

"Most likely... a conscient lifeform created the system

" Leon said. "I don't think a god did it... Considering that that lifeform has a goal and the system they created will make them reach that goal. I don't know why

but it looks like it is convenient for them if people like to grow stronger using mana..."

'For some reason

Leon was pretty sure that his suspicions were accurate. He couldn't tell why. Only his instincts were making him feel like that made sense... in the end

Leon knew that one of the goals of the system's creator was to cultivate mana. For what reason? Leon would never discover... unless he finds such a person.'

"Well

I don't think I will be able to hold a conversation with someone like that..." Leon shrugged. "Most likely

I will end up punching him

or her

or it... and that will get me killed. At this point in time

I know myself too well to understand that."

'In any case

thanks to the fact that Leon was finally thinking seriously about the creator of the system

he had a few new ideas. When he was in Sekundez's dimension

Leon thought of creating a small-scale version of the assimilation system

but he failed because he had no idea where to start. However

thanks to Ilyana

he knew something that he could do... the first one was to transform mana into coins. Coins that were being used and accepted by the system... at that point in time

the power of the mind was absolute

and Leon learned that much faster than he had expected.'

'Congratulations! You have learned the skill: Mana Transformation.'

'You obtained 01 status points.'

'Without even having to actually create the coins

just by concentrating. Leon could transform his mana into coins in the status screen. Although Mana Transformation was leveling up a lot

it wasn't becoming more efficient. To obtain a single coin

Leon had to spend ten points of mana.'

"I guess the higher the level of the skill

the more things I will be able to create with it..." Leon nodded to himself.'

'Congratulations! The skill Fire Wall has reached the max level.'

'You obtained 01 status points.'

'Congratulations! The skill Water Wall has reached the max level.'

'You obtained 01 status points.'

'Congratulations! The skill Wind Wall has reached the max level.'

'You obtained 01 status points.'

'Congratulations! The skill Ice Wall has reached the max level.'

'You obtained 01 status points.'

'Congratulations! The skill Gravity has reached the max level.'

'You obtained 01 status points.'

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'If Leon could learn Mana Manipulation and Mana Transformation... he immediately concluded that he could learn Mana Creation

but was that really possible? Would that help him in any way? Regardless

it wouldn't be simple to create even more mana if that was possible... so Leon decided to focus on the things he could do using Mana Transformation.'

"Let's see... if I can create coins

I will most likely increase my status permanently using mana

" Leon rubbed his chin. "Well

Mana Sacrifice can do that already

so that also proves my theory."

'Unfortunately

just using Mana Manipulation to increase his status wasn't working

so Leon had to do something else. Giving that order for his replica to learn the ins and outs of that skill would save him a lot of time

but since the replica was busy training several skills

it wasn't a good idea.'

"The transference rate won't be as high as it is with coins

so eventually

I will have to leave that kind of thing to my replica

" Leon said. "Still... I have a feeling such effects won't be permanent unless I do it myself. It would be weird if my replicas obtain status points

and then I get them once he disappears

after all."

'After a while

Leon finally discovered the tricks behind Mana Manipulation. In order to increase certain status

he would need to concentrate a vast amount of mana in certain areas of his body. For example

to increase his speed that had 390 points

Leon would have to sacrifice 39000 mana points to increase a single point in agility... the current level of the skill multiplied by one hundred.'

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

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

'You obtained 01 status points.'

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'You obtained 01 status points.'

'...'

"It is good to increase the status that are on low-levels

but eventually

it will be too inefficient..." Leon sighed. "Eating dragon hearts is much more efficient."

'Leon also thought about using that skill and create dragon hearts

but that wasn't something he could do just by wanting either. He couldn't understand the process of creating another lifeform of another species.'

'However

much to Leon's surprise

he managed to spend one million mana points to increase his intelligence by a single point... it still was terribly inefficient

but it was something.'

'Congratulations! The skill Strong Arms has reached the max level.'

'You obtained 01 status points.'

'Congratulations! The skill Throw has reached the max level.'

'You obtained 01 status points.'

'Congratulations! The skill Analysis has reached the max level.'

'You obtained 01 status points.'

'Congratulations! The skill Bash has reached the max level.'

'You obtained 01 status points.'

'Congratulations! The skill Dash has reached the max level.'

'You obtained 01 status points.'

'Although it was weird and curious about why his replica only trained physical skills this time

Leon decided not to ask. As long as he assimilates the experience obtained

the replica would most of the time do the things Leon planned

but now and then

some unexpected things would happen.'

'Regardless

Leon learned how to increase his status directly using mana. The chances of Ilyana know how to do that were already quite high

given that she wanted to use coins to create things that don't even exist

so Leon didn't bother reporting that to him.'

""Well... now what?" Leon rubbed his chin.'

'Although it seemed like an interesting idea

Leon started to wonder if he was doing the right thing focusing on that. Creating a similar system might make him understand what was the end goal of the creator of the system

but would help Leon directly that late in the game?'

'Perhaps the system he might develop would help other humans

but Leon was already spending too much time analyzing and giving the spirits' powers to those who would cause problems in the future.'

""Well

I should be thankful that I have the leisure to think about this kind of thing..." Leon shrugged. "While I didn't have many options on the process of becoming stronger

many others had even fewer choices.""

'In the end

Leon decided to continue and develop a system even more convenient than the assimilation system. Since he had the power of the spirits

he could add some features that might save his life more than once

but he was yet to discover how to make things like a 'retry.'

"Now that I think about it... you are pretty good at things like this

right Sekundez?" Leon asked.'

"I'm good at what?" Sekundez asked.'

"At creating process and rules in a system

" Leon replied. "How come you made the monsters spawn every minute in that dimension? I also would like to understand how you managed to increase the number of zombies that attacked me every week."

"You just have to wish for it when you use Mindscape Transportation

" Sekundez explained. "Of course

the rules of the ambient must be decided beforehand

and you can't change while the skill is active."

'In the end

Leon just had to do the same thing he always does when he sets the speed of time in that dimension. However

it looked like Sekundez couldn't apply that kind of thing to reality... unless Leon manages to alter the rules around his body

he wouldn't be able to create the system the way he wanted.'

'In any case

Leon already could bend the space to some extent

so the first step had already been taken. The only thing left he would need was time to finish that

and it looked like he wouldn't have.'

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"We have a problem

" Ilyana said via Telepathy.'

"That doesn't surprise me... something always happens when I decide something important

" Leon said after a long sigh. "What is it?"

"I detected a group of harvesters approaching Earth

" Ilyana replied. "They are stronger than the small fries we faced so far... and I don't think you are ready to face their leader."

"You already know who the leader is?" Leon asked

visibly surprised.'

"Yes... it is the dragonewt that summoned you to Miebos

" Ilyana hesitated a little bit. "His name is Netro

and fifteen more dragonewts are following him."

'Leon's body started to burn. Thanks to that bastard

many people on Earth died in terrorist attacks. Thanks to that son of a bitch... his friends didn't remember him anymore. Still

the last thing Leon needed at that moment was to let the rage control his body.'

"Most likely

Netro felt the effects of your rampage and recognized your mana

" Ilyana explained. ◆◆ Since he is leading the attack and is coming alongside all his allies

he probably recognized your potential and came to destroy you before you become a real threat personally."

"What are our chances?" Leon asked.'

"I divide harvesters into three groups..." Ilyana suddenly appeared and then crossed her arms. "There are the advanced

the intermediate

and the lesser harvesters. Netro is among the second group

so I can deal with him

but the others are almost reaching that stage... putting in simple terms

they are as strong as the guy you defeated."

'Leon nodded... Earth was about to be invaded by beings with the same level of power as the guy who caused many problems to Leon. He couldn't face all of them by himself. Maybe Ilyana could

but by the look on her face

if she goes too far

other harvesters would come to Earth after making a few preparations

and those would be as powerful as her... The human race wasn't ready to face

not even a single Ilyana

much less a few dozens of her.'

"We will have to rely on the people on Earth..." Leon massaged his eyebrows.'

"Yes

there is no other way

" Ilyana nodded. "Your friends didn't have a lot of time to prepare or even practice the power of the spirits all that much

so you should help them while you can. Since they are in different parts of the world

they won't have to deal with all of Netro's forces at the same time

but even two of them would cause a lot of trouble to each camp.'"

'Suddenly

Hector

Amanda

Maya

Gisela

Lennart

Tom

Yuki

Ren

and even Betty and Sasha were teleported to that world. At the same time

Ilyana disappeared. There was no time for explanations

so Leon just transported them to his mindscape and used Telepathy to make his replica do whatever he needed to do.'

'Congratulations! The skill Accuracy has reached the max level.'

'You obtained 01 status points.'

'Congratulations! The skill Archery has reached the max level.'

'You obtained 01 status points.'

'Congratulations! The skill Martial Arts has reached the max level.'

'You obtained 01 status points.'

'Congratulations! The skill Spearmanship has reached the max level.'

'You obtained 01 status points.'

'Congratulations! The skill Staffmanship has reached the max level.'

'You obtained 01 status points.'

"I just they don't hate me after this training..." Leon bit his lips. "Well

as long as they stay alive

I don't mind if they hate me. Everyone

I'm counting on you

do whatever you need to increase the chances of survival of my friends."

'After saying that

Leon transported all his spirits to his mindscape. It would be a bit too much to hope for that they would learn and make all elemental resistances

immunities

and absorptions reach the max level

but Leon would do everything in his power to make that happen.'

'Leon began to focus

and then in the blink of an eye

he expanded the scope of his Mana Magnetism to its utmost limits that his mind could support. Leon felt like something was trying to open a hole in his head with the precision and delicacy of a stone crusher. Still

he endured that because he was recovering one hundred thousand mana points per second

and thanks to that

time will pass one hundred thousand times faster in his mindscape. One second

in reality

would be more than a full day there...'

"Are you planning to sit this one out?" Ilyana asked. "If you are planning to fight

I would suggest decreasing the amount of mana you are using."

"Thanks for worrying about me

but I don't want to take any chances

" Leon replied. "If they die

I won't have any reason to keep fighting. I'm not a good person who can must all its power and determination to save strangers or a world full of them. I can only do that while people I care about are still among them."

'Leon wasn't young anymore to feel embarrassed by saying that kind of thing

but his back was quite itchy thanks to it. Regardless

Ilyana didn't say anything after that. Leon also wanted revenge

so he could understand her to some extent

but Leon knew himself too well to know that he wouldn't achieve anything just pursuing that. If his friends die

he won't live long. He was stupid enough to let rage control his emotions... In fact

Leon could easily imagine himself dying in a suicide attack that wouldn't bother even a little bit his enemies.'

'In any case

Leon knew that he was slowly killing himself

but even if he dies in a year or two

as long as he achieves his goals

he wouldn't complain. In fact

he would feel great. Everything was better than keeping failing at saving those he loved and kept finding their dead bodies.'

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'In the end

Leon only managed to help his friends for ten minutes. Ilyana appeared again to inform that the harvesters were about to reach Earth. So

Leon canceled Mindscape Transportation for a second then used again

but this time he asked his replica to let his friends rest.'

'Congratulations! The skill Stone Skin has reached the max level.'

'You obtained 01 status points.'

'Congratulations! The skill Mana Bullet has reached the max level.'

'You obtained 01 status points.'

'Congratulations! The skill Transfer has reached the max level.'

'You obtained 01 status points.'

'Congratulations! The skill Mega Punch has reached the max level.'

'You obtained 01 status points.'

'Congratulations! The skill Explosive Fire Arrow has reached the max level.'

'You obtained 01 status points.'

'A few moments later

he canceled the spell again. Leon saw his friends before

and they looked like they were about to die

but now they looked quite refreshed

but Yuki and Maya seemed pretty mad for some reason.'

"How much time passed here while we were in that dimension?" Yuki asked visibly annoyed.'

"Ten minutes... you can complain later. The harvesters are about to come

" Leon said. "Do what you can to organize your troops."

'Before anyone could say anything

they disappeared

and Leon was left alone

still suffering from the effects of using Mana Magnetism with that much power. His ears were ringing

and even though the pain decreased

it was barely bearable.'

"What is the plan this time?" Leon said while tried to endure those uncomfortable feelings.'

"We are talking about the future of your planet

" Ilyana appeared again. "You decide what we should do."

'In the end

Ilyana and Leon were alike in that aspect. They didn't want to take responsibility for some things

and that was why they would let others take responsibility for their actions after helping them for a while.'

"Sekundez

how did things proceed during the training?" Leon asked.'

"Their elemental resistances and immunities reached the level man

" Sekundez replied. "As for their elemental absorptions

it only reached level seven hundred."

"I see... you guys must have worked quite hard

huh?" Leon frowned. "My replica didn't level up several elemental spells

after all."

"When spirits do things

they do it seriously

" Sekundez added. "Although those humans aren't related to us

they are important to you

and since our existence is connected to you

their fate could make things different for us. So

it couldn't be helped that we tried hard to increase their survivability."

"What a roundabout way to say that you also care about them

" Efreet frowned.'

"Well... Sekundez is always trying to play cool

after all

" Undine added.'

'Although it wasn't time for that

Leon laughed quite a bit. However

he soon became serious to think about the things he could and should do. The enemies' level was too high this time... even if the training helped his friends a little bit

things wouldn't solve itself that easily. The enemies didn't plan to decrease the Earth's forces by using summoning creatures

so Leon had to make sure as many humans as possible will survive that battle.'

"I will take care of the Netro

and I would be grateful if you help my friends preventing casualties as much as possible

" Leon said.'

"... What part of that you are not ready you didn't understand?" Ilyana asked after a long sigh. "The enemy this time isn't a coward who uses cheap tricks to overpower his opponents. The opponent has the strength of one thousand dragons

and don't fool yourself by thinking that you can outsmart him. Netro had thousands of years of battle experience. The last thing he will do is underestimate you."

"I wasn't planning to outsmart him... I just thought that it might be possible to defeat him with the power of friendship

" Leon shrugged. "Anyway

at this point in time

we don't have more room to take things slowly. We already in the late game

and it is clear that I don't have the power to face the big shots yet... So

I have to use that chance to obtain the power necessary."

'Ilyana sighed again because she knew that Leon had a point. As expected

solving things herself wouldn't actually help all that much. Even if she defeats Netro

others will come eventually

and Leon wouldn't be of any help to defeat them.'

"Don't get the wrong idea here

but I don't have any intention of letting you die..." Ilyana said

showing the tension in her eyes. "I spent too much time and resources on you to let you die here. If you are about to die

even if your friends were dying as well

I will leave them behind and save you."

"Well... then I can't let Netro push me that far

" Leon shrugged.'

'Although it was kind of surprising for Ilyana to say something like that

Leon didn't let that get to his head. He didn't have time for that

anyway.'

'Health: 73442 +'

'Mana: 296782 +'

'Stamina: 70852 +'

'Strength: 227 +'

'Dexterity: 288 +'

'Speed: 390 +'

'Intelligence: 184123+'

'Endurance: 855 +'

'Control: 50000+'

'Mentality: 10000 +'

'Luck: 42 +'

'Recovery: 130000 +'

'Willpower: 545 +'

'Coins: 245

956

254'

'Status: 00'

'Skill List'

'Active Skills: Mindscape Transportation Lv Max

Mana Reinforcement Lv Max

Lightning Lv Max

Magma Spear Lv Max

Fire Arrow Lv Max

Ice Pillar Lv Max

Ice Arrow Lv Max

Earth Arrow Lv Max

Wind Arrow Lv Max

Earth Punch Lv Max

Ice Punch Lv Max

Earth Lance Lv Max

Ice Lance Lv Max

Thunder Bullet Lv Max

Appraisal Lv Max

Wind Lance Lv Max

Magma Bullet Lv Max

Sandstorm Lv Max

Fire Tornado Lv Max

Stamina Manipulation Lv Max

Strong Legs Lv Max

Backflip Lv Max

Steel Knee Lv Max

Telekinesis Lv Max

Checkpoint Lv Max

Earth Wall Lv Max

Strong Arms Lv Max

Throw Lv Max

Analysis Lv Max

Bash Lv Max

Dash Lv Max

Stone Skin Lv Max

Mana Bullet Lv Max

Transfer Lv Max

Mega Punch Lv Max

Explosive Fire Arrow Lv Max'

'Passive Skills: Accuracy Lv Max

Archery Lv Max

Martial Arts Lv Max

Spearmanship Lv Max

Staffmanship Lv Max'

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'The plan was simple

Leon would lure Netro to another planet

and his lackeys would attack Earth... at least they would try. The humans would fight back as much as they could

and once Netro is far away

Ilyana would cast a spell similar to the one where the angels used on Celosie and thus cut the connection between Earth and the rest of the universe. After that

Ilyana would help the humans deal with Netro's allies.'

'Leon couldn't remember all that much the conversation he had with Netro

but he seemed a prideful guy. So

the chances of that happening were relatively high. The problem was to how to defeat him. The only thing Leon knew about him was that he could use summoning magic to summon being like Leon to other worlds. Since they didn't teleport to Earth

they probably didn't have the power of Shadow on their side. So

if something goes wrong

Leon would be able to run away for a few minutes.'

"You never know what can happen in life..." Leon said that while he was standing on Mars.'

'For a moment

Leon was wondering if after surviving the plane crash

he stayed in a coma-like state and everything he experiences so far was just a dream. But if it was

that dream was the most intense dream he had... Regardless

Leon couldn't fight near Earth

not even on that solar system. So

he decided to draw Netro's attention there and then move to another planet

one that has mana.'

'However

such a thing didn't happen... the moment Netro felt Leon's presence

he stopped moving and then head to that planet. Meanwhile

his lackeys flew to Earth. Before he could even land

Netro raised his right arm

and then the whole scenario changed.'

'Leon saw himself on what seemed to be a dead planet. The skies were filled with thunder clouds

and lighting bolts were falling around endlessly. Leon also could see several volcanoes spitting magma to all sides... the ground was burned and lifeless. Leon was in a world that was in the sixth stage of assimilation... However

what made Leon think was how light the air and his body felt. That place was filled with mana

and yet

he couldn't sense any signs of life there.'

'Netro didn't say anything

but Leon could tell that he was already ready to fight... But instead of doing anything

Necro just gets rid of the cloak that was covering his body

and Leon saw the well-toned body of a half-dragon. That bastard had even more amazing muscles than the fake harvesters Leon met in Miebos

and he also had a reddish spear on his back.'

"A magic warrior... this will be troublesome."

'Leon never saw a warrior that could use summoning magic so easily

nor did he see one that could use spells like Seal and create choppers made of mithril... it was evident that fight would be much harder than Leon had imagined

but that wouldn't change anything.'

'Congratulations! The skill Spinning Earth Arrow has reached the max level.'

'You obtained 01 status points.'

'Congratulations! The skill Magma Arrow has reached the max level.'

'You obtained 01 status points.'

'Congratulations! The skill Magma Punch has reached the max level.'

'You obtained 01 status points.'

'Congratulations! The skill Earth Needle has reached the max level.'

'You obtained 01 status points.'

'Congratulations! The skill Acid Sphere has reached the max level.'

'You obtained 01 status points.'

'Even though he was about to face the most powerful enemy he had ever fought

he didn't deactivate Mindscape Transportation... Leon would need every single stat point to defeat that guy

so he could only endure and fight as much as he could using the bare minimum of mana.'

'Suddenly

Netro disappeared

and without even trying to find out where he went

Leon used Teleport and appeared five kilometers above the battlefield.
However

he still got hit on his back

and the next moment

Leon woke up kissing the burned soil of that planet.'

"Shit... another bastard that can ignore Mana Armor."

'Before Leon could even think how Netro managed to follow him so fast

he already could feel his presence behind him. Without wasting time

Leon activated Dark Aura... despite that

Netro didn't hesitate and punched Leon again.'

'The next moment

Leon saw himself in the middle of a volcano... those two punches nearly killed him

but Leon managed to heal himself before his body could react to all the damage caused.'

"Punches... there must be a reason why he isn't using his spear."

'Old habits really die hard... even though he was facing an opponent that was much faster and could ignore his magical defenses

Leon still was trying to analyze him instead of letting the surprise get the better of him. At that point in time

the fear of death wasn't something that Leon had to worry about. He only worried about how long his friends would last facing that enemy...'

'Leon was already using all the buffs he could use

but it wasn't enough. In order to keep his mindscape active

he couldn't let himself being hit constantly like that. It wasn't that easy to increase the scope of Mana Magnetism while he was getting his ass kicked

after all. It was a bit risky

but Leon had another buff that he didn't train or used due to its cost... it was Dragon Force.'

""Here goes nothing...""

'Leon activated the skill and immediately begun to feel his blood and energy boiling. That alone made Netro frown because the skill was at a low-level

so its efficacy wasn't that good yet. However

the next moment Netro charged forward

Leon jumped to the side and also grabbed the monster's arm. In a single moment

he drained twenty thousand points of health

mana

and stamina. Thanks to it... Leon canceled the damage his body received from the skill.'

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'Upon noticing that his opponent's reflexes had increased exponentially

Netro didn't let the surprise being shown in his face. Instead of that

he kicked Leon

who was focused on the task of draining his energy. However

before it could even touch the darkness

his feet were repelled by an invisible barrier. Given that each of his attacks could have killed Leon if he were a bit slower

he had expected to see Netro's leg-breaking

but nothing happened. Just like him

Netro was healing himself before the total damage could be caused.'

"I just had this idea and decided to put into practice... but I guess I'm not the first to try something like that."

'Congratulations! The skill Dragon Force has leveled up.'

'You obtained 01 status points.'

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'In the end

even though it was a bit more costly in terms of mana

Leon decided to deactivate Dark Aura and use only Reflect Armor alongside Dragon Force. For some reason

Netro was just observing Leon while seeing him using several spells to counter the cost of Dragon Force. As expected

by using the spells like Full-Recover before Leon's body could get damaged

he could nullify even the cost of nutrients he had to consume to heal his body. That way of fighting was as impressive as it was reckless since dozens of thousands of points were constantly used to keep Leon's body at top condition. However

thanks to the fact that they were in a world on the sixth stage of assimilation

Mana Magnetism was a lot more effective than usual.'

"Even if that is the case... my body is just of a human

something like this can't be relied upon forever. The fact that he is taking his sweet time to attack proves that."

'Even if they might have a similar status

the body of a human and a dragon's body was very different. It was obvious which body was the strongest... Regardless

Leon couldn't let his energy being spent while Netro was just observing him

so he decided to take some risks. Instead of letting the skill active every moment

he decided to use it only when he felt that his life was in danger. That battle was to protect his friends and Earth

but it was also to make him stronger for the final battle that was approaching... Leon couldn't afford to die before he obtains that power.'

'The very moment Leon canceled Dragon's Aura

Netro disappeared and tried to attack him from behind. Leon countered it by using that spell again

but this time

Netro reacted in time to avoid being touched by Leon. After jumping backward

he just observed his enemy consuming a lot of energy just to have the reflexes to react.'

"Son of a bitch... he is waiting to see me destroying myself using all these spells."

'Usually

Leon would only last a few seconds while using Dragon's Aura

but thanks to numerous spells that were being used to recover all the energy spent

he could prolong that period. However

it wasn't easy to use those spells so frequently... To make matters worse

Leon knew that Netro wasn't fighting with his full power yet. He still was studying Leon

trying to find his weakness in order to kill him in the most efficient way possible. Just like Leon

Netro was thinking about the future

and he couldn't use all his energy or get beaten up so badly when it was clear that Leon wasn't working alone.'

'Congratulations! The skill Stone Skin has leveled up.'

'You obtained 01 status points.'

'Congratulations! The skill Bronze Skin has leveled up.'

'You obtained 01 status points.'

'Congratulations! The skill Steel Skin has leveled up.'

'You obtained 01 status points.'

'...'

'Although Leon wanted to use his mindscape and make his replica train some skill that would help him defeat Netro

he couldn't obtain any information that might help him. So

his replica was only training the skills that he needed to survive. That alone wasn't enough since time in that world would pass ten times slower than on Earth.'

""Well

at least this means that Ilyana can finish things there a lot faster... Maybe I won't win that fast

but as long as I don't lose

Ilyana won't abandon my friends on Earth."

'Although being rescued by beauty such as Ilyana would be pretty nice

Leon didn't want to let that happen. He just didn't obtain Lion's Pride by coincidence

after all.'

'Regardless

it was a bit risky

but Leon's time to scare Netro a little bit. Although it wasn't a good idea to show his hidden cards

he couldn't afford to keep fighting like that without obtaining a single piece of information. So

the very moment Leon deactivated Dragon's Aura. He immediately created a small Dark Sun behind him. As expected

Netro fell for that trap... but when Leon turned around

he only saw his right hand emitting some smoke.'

"Hey

hey... are you for real?"

'Leon finally caused some damage

but after spending fifty thousand mana points

the wound in Netro's quickly healed. More important than that

Leon was interested in how that bastard destroyed a small sun with his bare hands.'

"No... if it were that easy

he would have attacked me soon afterward."

'Ilyana had warned Leon

but that opponent was truly several levels above the others. Netro wasn't showing any emotion

and he wasn't underestimating Leon

but he was studying every single part of his fighting styles and spells.'

"I suppose it can't be helped... this will be a long battle."

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'Congratulations! The skill Stone Skin has reached the max level.'

'You obtained 01 status points.'

'Congratulations! The skill Bronze Skin has reached the max level.'

'You obtained 01 status points.'

'Congratulations! The skill Steel Skin has reached the max level.'

'You obtained 01 status points.'

'Congratulations! The skill Mentality Augmentation has reached the max level.'

'You obtained 01 status points.'

'Congratulations! The skill Enhanced Mentality has reached the max level.'

'You obtained 01 status points.'

'Congratulations! The skill Perseverance has reached the max level.'

'You obtained 01 status points.'

'Several hours passed after the start of the battle. It looked like Netro expected to see Leon crumbling apart just by using spells to fight on equal terms

but that never happened. Thanks to that

Leon's replica had enough time to master several skills. It wasn't nearly enough to defeat Netro

but at least that forced the creature to give up on fighting using his bare hands.'

"It is finally time... I just hope that I won't regret this later."

'Leon thought that while he was observing Netro

grabbing the spear on his back. Leon didn't even see what had happened... he had relaxed a little because Netro's spear was being pointed toward the ground. All that Leon felt was his body being split by something absurdly hot.'

"What the..."

'Before he could lose consciousness

Leon used Gravity and made his lower and upper body that had just been cut apart

stay connected. At the very same moment

he used Full-Recover

and the wound disappeared instantly. However

Leon still could sense the effects of having almost died. His body was cold... because his spirit had almost left his body.'

'Leon bit his lips and prepared to be attacked again

but he only saw Netro facing him as usual without expressing a single sentiment. It looks like that attack couldn't be used repeatedly. However

Leon was fully aware that his defensive spells couldn't protect him from that. Now that he thought about it

it was also weird that he reflects Armor could reflect a physical attack when Mana Armor never did... most likely

Netro didn't know that spell.'

"Hey

Leon... you almost died there

" Efrete said

visibly worried. "It is time to count on our help."

"For a change

Efreet is right

" Celsius said. "Why are we just watching this battle? Aren't we supposed to help at times like these?"

"... I can't access or measure Netro's true power

so summoning any of you would be too risky

" Leon replied. "Unlike before

in your evolved form

you guys can be seen and thus being damaged."

"We are spirits. We won't die that easily

" Undine shrugged.'

"Not a single one of you will die on my watch..." Leon declared. "I can prevent that whenever necessary

but the opponent this time can do more than that. He is holding back his powers

so it isn't a good time for any of you to show up."

'Leon was thankful for the fact that they were willing to help

but he already knew that the one hundred or so harvesters Ilyana had mentioned had the power to kill the greater fragments. Although Leon didn't know them for long

they were as important as his friends from Earth... he wouldn't take any chances when they were part of the equation as well.'

'Suddenly

Leon felt like his life was at risk again. He didn't see Netro doing anything

but it looked like whatever he did

it could be done after waiting after ten or so seconds. Using Teleport

Leon left that area immediately and appeared ten kilometers above the battlefield. However

he again felt his upper body being split from his lower body.'

"Just what the hell is going on..."

'Leon reattached his body and healed his wounds. However

that was only delaying the inevitable... Leon couldn't understand that technique

so he couldn't make a plan to counter. However

he did understand one thing... Netro couldn't control that attack perfectly. If he could

he would have split Leon's head instead of just his upper and lower body.'

'Regardless

he had to find a way to deal with that because Leon didn't want to keep dying so frequently. After a few moments

Leon understood another thing... Netro couldn't move at all when he intended to use that attack... or perhaps he could and was just baiting Leon.'

"It can't be helped... any need to heighten my senses to understand attack better."

'Congratulations! The skill Dragon Force has leveled up.'

'You obtained 01 status points.'

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'You obtained 01 status points.'

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'Given that they wanted to help if the spirits didn't say anything

it was because they couldn't understand what was going on either. Even Sekundez was totally in silence. If even she never saw something like that

then Leon truly was in a bid.'

'Regardless

Leon didn't know if he could trust in something like that given that Netro could be holding back even on the use of that skill

but he still counted the time between the attacks. After fifteen seconds

he felt his life in danger again. This time

he teleported himself to outside that planet atmosphere... but he still got hit the very moment he appeared out there. Not even Mana Barrier

Reflect Armor

or Mana Armor could protect him from that... not even Mana Dominion could tell him what was going on.'

"Shit..." Leon bit his lips after healing himself again.'

'Leon used Teleport and moved to different parts of that planet. However

every fifteen seconds

his upper and lower body would be severed no matter what happened. At some point

Leon became able to heal his wounds a fraction of a second after suffering it... but it was clear that he still was slowly dying.'

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'While Leon was suffering from that inexplicable attacks

he even made his replica

trying to understand what was going on. However

even after thinking about it for the equivalent of a month

he didn't understand it either. None of them had enough information to come up with a hypothesis.'

'Congratulations! The skill Freezing Mist has reached the max level.'

'You obtained 01 status points.'

'Congratulations! The skill Thunder Punch has reached the max level.'

'You obtained 01 status points.'

'Congratulations! The skill Thunder Arrow has reached the max level.'

'You obtained 01 status points.'

'Congratulations! The skill Flamethrower has reached the max level.'

'You obtained 01 status points.'

'Congratulations! The skill Air Beam has reached the max level.'

'You obtained 01 status points.'

'Although the replica didn't come up with an explanation

he sure was doing a good job earning status points. It was a pity that not even that could help Leon at the moment

though.'

"Sekundez

I will send you to the mindscape

and I will ask you to check Ilyana's tome list as fast as possible

" Leon said. "Finding anything useful there for this moment with the coins I have won't be possible

but you should be able to find something that might explain a little what is going on."

"All right

" Sekundez said.'

'Leon was starting to understand little by little that kind of attack

but he still needed another push to make him tell with words what Netro was doing. In the end

Sekundez returned before even the next attack could land... Leon frowned thanks to that

but he decided not to express his doubts.'

"He is using Absolute Accuracy... that is why he is hitting you no matter what you do

" Sekundez explained. "As for why you can't see his spear moving

it is probably because he is attacking with a conceptual attack. He is attacking you by ignoring the process of normal attacks."

"Absolute Accuracy? That is kind of weird considering that he is hitting my head... gah!" Leon got split in two again but soon recovered. "The last part... are you telling me that he is causing damage to me that would be equal to his full power without even moving his body?"

"Mana can probably do anything... so he is using his mana to emulate the attack without even attacking..." Sekundez said. "I know that this doesn't make any sense

but that is what he is doing. Attacking you in a non-physical realm while causing physical damage."

'That was the kind of thing Leon wanted to learn no matter what

but he was too dumb to create or understand the concept. Regardless

Netro would be really useful if Leon defeats him

but the chances of him managing to do that were quite small.'

'Leon was quite good at destroying things

but now and then

it was better to combat fire with fire. The problem was: he couldn't just learn how to create a conceptual attack in the middle of a battle

and he couldn't buy a tome that had that kind of ability from Ilyana's vault. It was clear as day that that kind of thing couldn't become a spell. Because it wasn't an actual way of physically damaging someone... it was a process that ignored every single law of the physical realm

after all.'

"It is kind of scary that I think that not even by using this that damn monster is showing his true power

but..." Leon started to bit his nails. "Whatever... every single thing related to mana has weaknesses. As long as I stay alive

I'm bound to find it. Besides

I'm quite thankful for him to be gradually increasing his power instead of going all out to crush me."

'Although that seemed like a thing

a half-assed villain would do

keeping hidden certain techniques was a must when beings of such massive strength exist.'

'In any case

running away wasn't an option. By the look of things

Leon had been marked in his stomach at some moment

and that was why he was being hit whenever Netro could attack him. That was possibly one of the requirements for Absolute Accuracy to work

and that was the weakness of that skill.'

"As for the conceptual attack... he probably needs to reach stupid levels of concentration. That is why he isn't moving at all

" Leon concluded. "Approaching and attacking him by surprise seems like the best approach

but since it is obvious that is the only way to stop this kind of attack

he certainly has something waiting for me if I approach."

'Leon heard that once than ninety-nine percent of the wars are won outside the battlefield

but he didn't expect to experience something similar. Trying to find the opponent's weak points even without exchanging blows was something that he rarely tried before

after all.'

"Not even Mana Eyes are helping me to see his attacks..." Leon muttered.
"According to Ilyana

everything can be countered

but I can't counter something that I can't see or feel. So

it is clear that Mana Eyes and Mana Dominion can evolve."

'However

would evolving those skills prevent the attacks? As long as Leon is marked by Absolute Accuracy

the answer was probably no.'

"Well

if anything... I just have to disrupt his concentration by doing something unexpected

" Leon concluded.'

'Congratulations! The skill Thunder Ray has reached the max level.'

'You obtained 01 status points.'

'Congratulations! The skill Water Cannon has reached the max level.'

'You obtained 01 status points.'

'Congratulations! The skill Mind Armor has reached the max level.'

'You obtained 01 status points.'

'Congratulations! The skill Ice Beam has reached the max level.'

'You obtained 01 status points.'

'Congratulations! The skill Eruption has reached the max level.'

'You obtained 01 status points.'

'After assimilating his replica's memories in the blink of an eye

Leon gave his replica new orders... and he could only hope that things would work out before he dies.'

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'In the end

it didn't take long for Leon to feel that his body was already reaching its limits. He finally understood that Netro had given up on trying to make him run out of mana... Mages like Leon could recover as much as mana they wanted as long as they focus on it

but they couldn't recover their bodies that easily. After half an hour of being attacked by a conceptual attack

Leon's body was already skin and bones. He survived hundreds of those attacks

but that had been the price.'

"Shit... nothing yet?" Leon said

annoyed.'

'The equivalent of five years had passed inside his mindscape

but his replica didn't manage to do what he wanted. It looked like Leon had been too greedy trying to evolve that spell as well.'

"I guess this is it

guys

" Leon said to his spirits. "I hope all of you find a less dumb human to call master the next time... I would recommend my friends

but I recommendation of a dumb guy like me isn't appreciated

right?"

"Leon

it is too soon to give up..." Sylph said. "Hey

Sekundez. Can't you do something about Leon's body?"

"To make time move backward to a living being

a stupid amount of mana would be necessary

" Sekundez crossed her arms and said. "Even if Leon explode his head trying to obtain that amount of mana

his body can't handle it. So

I cannot do anything."

'Before

Leon had tried that before

making time move backward only on his body... he actually succeeded in making time in his body move backward by 0.002 seconds. He had spent two hundred thousand points of mana to do that. Of all spells Leon had tried so far

that was by far the costliest.'

'Regardless

even though Leon said that. He wouldn't go down without a fight... Leon had noticed that the closest he gets to Netro

the more powerful his attack would become. That was only obvious given that he was using mana to attack. Still

that means that if he gets too close

Leon will receive the full power of that conceptual attack. However

he didn't have any other choice. To cause as much damage as possible

he also needed to close to the target.'

"Let's see if that son of a bitch can destroy this with his conceptual attack

" Leon smirked while he was creating an altered version of Dark Sun.'

'Leon couldn't afford to die without even taking down the enemy with him

Ilyana didn't owe him anything

but perhaps if he kills Netro

she would protect Earth. Teleporting wasn't an option. Leon would need all the mana to make that attack cause as much damage as possible

and in the worst-case scenario

he also would need to send a copy of his memories to Ilyana. So

Leon would have to fly directly toward the enemy.'

'Congratulations! You have learned the skill: Dark Fire Shield'

'Cost: 300000 mana'

'You obtained 01 status points.'

'After learning the spell

Leon flew toward Netro at his top speed. Even if he dies

the momentum will let him crush the bastard with a massive shield made by darkness and fire. In the end

Leon only accepted his imminent death when he felt those shivers again.
However

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'...'

'Congratulations! The skill Foresight has leveled up.'

'You obtained 01 status points.'

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'You obtained 01 status points.'

'Congratulations! The skill Foresight has reached the max level.'

'You obtained 01 status points.'

'Congratulations! You have learned the skill: Dragon Mode.'

'Cost: 15000 health

15000 mana

and 15000 stamina per second'

'You obtained 01 status points.'

""You have got to be kidding me... Now? Of all times?""

'Somehow

his replica managed to cancel Mindscape Transportation on his own and also sent the knowledge Leon needed. He also understood why he took so long... just trying to evolve Dragon Force alone wasn't enough. His replica had to use Foresight and try many ways to strengthen the spell before discovering a way to do it. In the end

Leon had to burn his energy to learn that spell instead of increasing his body's power.'

""Dragon Mode!" Leon shouted.'

'Leon didn't have to

but he shouted because he was truly in a desperate situation. Immediately

all the senses in his body became numb

but at the same time

he felt an immense sensation of freedom while his skin was becoming black and turn into a scale-like shape. His speed increased

but Leon still got attacked before he could smash Netro. However

his upper and lower body didn't get separated this time... the attack only cut halfway through his belly

and Leon didn't hesitate in healing that wound.'

'At the last moment

Leon saw the surprise in Netro's eyes. Thanks to it

he smirked in satisfaction

but also

in the blink of an eye

the bastard started to glow like the spirits when they evolved. He didn't expect that he would kill the bastard that easily

but Leon also didn't expect he would have such a trump card... Netro had turned into a dragon and easily blocked Leon's attack with a single paw.'

'Somehow

Leon reacted on time to deactivate Dragon Mode and recover enough mana to Teleport away from there before he could get crushed by the other paw. While Leon could actually feel life leaving his body now that he didn't have enough nutrients to recover his wounds

he studied Netro's new form. A one hundred meters long fire dragon

his scales were red like blood

and his eyes were black like the void of outer space. Although Leon couldn't tell how much mana he had before in his humanoid form

Leon felt like the time he tried to access the total mana of the galactic snake... that was the difference in power of Netro

the dragon

and Leon

the human.'