# **Unlimited Power - The Arcane Path (COMPLETED)**

# 694 Chapter 691

'Currently

Leon was just a spiritual being who couldn't do anything

but weirdly enough

he could feel his blood boiling when he saw his sister and Sasha's corpses. It was only obvious that he would feel mad beyond reason. Showing him that wasn't only cruel. It was disgusting

despicable... something only a low-life would force him to watch.'

'For some reason

even before they would wipe out all the humans

the angels tried to create that massive magic circle on Earth. Using the mana of six planets wasn't enough to revive their good by the look of things. In any case

Leon and that Leon couldn't care less about their goals.'

'After fighting for dozens of years

the human race finally killed all the angels. That Leon and his friends finally had their revenge

but they didn't feel anything over it. Not only that

Hector changed. He was the group leader who now only had a couple of thousands

but slowly

he abandoned his position and eventually even disappeared

leaving Maya behind.'

'Things didn't get any easier after that. Although Leon's control over magic was increasing

there was only so much he could do given that he had to fight and protect the few humans who were still alive. Around that time

that Leon finally mastered his area of effect and healing spells. So

he began to research spells that increased one's status

and movement spells like Transfer and Checkpoint.'

"Yeah... this one here is very slow in comparison to me

" Leon sighed.'

'Leon was fully aware that he had some talent when it comes to magic

but it looked like the same way he had all the misfortune of the others. He also stole all their talent. Again

it was the only explanation.'

'At that point in time

Leon began to wonder if Ilyana really wanted just to torment him. If that were the case

there wouldn't be any reason for her to show him an alternate version of himself who wasn't very good at learning new spells. Despite that

the big picture was still unclear

but Ilyana's words began to echo inside his head.'

"When you wake up

I hope that you still will chase our dream."

'Although her intentions were unknown

at least Ilyana's behavior could make one thing that she was thinking about Leon. The black-haired woman's words also made Leon think that. However

Leon couldn't let himself in assume that so easily.'

"You really are pathetic

Ilyana. You always take your sweet time when he is involved."

'Those words were weird

but considering their meaning and Leon's goal that he had dreamed of many times but had forgotten about it due to the circumstances made him think of a few hypotheses... Regardless

perhaps that dream would give Leon some insight and the opportunity to chase that dream still.'

'The dream continued

and Leon managed to find Hector a few times. It was only obvious

but he had changed to the point that he could barely listen to Maya. She asked him to come back many times

but he ignored her all those times. Until eventually

no one saw Hector anymore. That Leon concluded that he had died

doing what or why that he couldn't tell.'

'The fighting for survival lasted for seven hundred years. That Leon and the few friends he had managed to survive until the planet reached the fifth stage of the assimilation. Although that wasn't unexpected

Yuki and Makoto didn't appear in those dreams a single time. Not only that

Leon was supposed to have met Ilyana

but he didn't... and then they returned... the dragons. As if those beasts weren't troublesome enough

the lower-class harvesters also came to Earth and used it as their playground.'

'That Leon was powerful enough to drop fifty meters long meteor on his enemies

but his spells didn't do a thing against the harvesters and dragons. Gisela could split mountains with a swing of her sword

but she couldn't block a single attack of the harvesters. Maya could fly fast around the globe in a couple of seconds

but the dragons could easily block her attacks... after coming this far and obtained such power

only to be easily crushed by his enemies

only left them with a single thing. Utter and total despair.'

Without any other choice

that Leon

Gisela

and Maya were forced to leave the planets. As the sole survivors of their group

they were forced to do so. However

not even the right to escape was given to them. The harvesters chase them in several planets for weeks. Fighting back wasn't an option

so the inevitable happened... Gisela and Maya died

and that Leon was the sole survivor... perhaps of the whole human race.'

"I guess this guy wasn't that lucky..." Leon said and then sighed. "To think even this alternate version of myself would have to endure this..."

'It was like a sickening joke of destiny

but if it was

no one was laughing. As one would expect from someone who had fight monsters his whole life

that Leon swore revenge on all monsters and the harvesters

they took everything away from him

and Leon would take their lives in exchange for it. However

that Leon was fully aware that he was weak and couldn't even take down a single dragon on the fifth stage of assimilation... he needed more power

and to obtain it

Leon would have to train a lot.'

'"Well

at the very least

this alternate version of myself has the guts to face the odds

" Leon said. "I guess this is the time for another fast forward..."

'As Leon had expected

time began to pass faster on that movie. While he was trying to escape from the harvesters

that Leon traveled from planet to planet and studied everything he found. Ancient registers about magic

runes

even monsters' skills...'

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'It took Leon several hundred years

but he eventually mastered hundreds of spells and even learned how to use Plasma spells. However

the surprises didn't end there. When his alternate version learned something that Leon didn't know

he saw something unexpected.'

'Congratulations! You have learned the skill: Mirror Shield.'

'Cost: 10000 mana per second'

'You obtained 01 status point.'

'...'

'Congratulations! The skill Mirror Shield has reached the max level.'

'You obtained 01 status point.'

"What the..." Leon frowned. "I can see how this skill works

but... it is not like I tested and practiced. So

how..."

'That was strange... it wouldn't be weird if Leon learns a spell that let him learn the skills of his alternated versions

but he didn't learn that spell yet

and that was why he couldn't understand what was going on. At that point

his alternate version was probably as strong as Leon was when he took Sekundez's test. So

it wasn't weird that his alternated version could learn spells that Leon didn't learn yet.'

'Leon thought it was a bit soon for him

but that Leon began to hunt down and kill all the harvesters he found. However

after returning to Earth

he didn't find a single one of them

nor did he find other humans. The planet now only looked like a black marble that had no life and could explode at any moment. Seeing his home planet like that made Leon feel only more resolute on his revenge. So

he began to travel through the stars by using dungeons.'

"Mmm... I wonder why he didn't find a single spirit

" Leon frowned.'

'Again

it took a while since it was rare for a plane to reach the fifth stage of assimilation and still have survivors

but Leon found one that was on the verge of collapse. Just like before

dragons were rampaging and eating the few survivors left and right. Meanwhile

the harvesters were killing both inhabitants of that planet and dragons as if that was the world's greatest sport. Strangely enough

the people of that world resembled humans quite a bit. The only real difference was their pointy ears and the fact that all of them had red hair. Amidst that carnage

Leon found a single woman that was exploding the dragon's head with a single movement of her hands while she was also stopping the harvesters who were chasing the few survivors who were trying to leave the planet... that woman was Ilyana.'

"Is this... her home planet?" Leon frowned. "If this isn't an illusion... then that means..."

'Unlike the Ilyana

he knew

that one was a lot more savage. It was only obvious that someone sane wouldn't smile on the battlefield

but that Ilyana looked like a war goddess or a war demon since she was covered in dragon's blood from head to toe. However

since she wasn't as strong as Ilyana Leon knew

she eventually collapsed from overusing her mana. Despite the fact that she fought for who knows long

not a single of the survivors she fought to protect turned around to rescue her while falling on the ground. That was the complete opposite from that Leon's life. Leon fought hard but ultimately failed to protect those he loved but in the end

those he tried to protect died to give him the chance to survive.'

'That Leon bit his lips in annoyance

he couldn't forgive traitors or those who showed their backs when their allies were still fighting. Still... Leon wasn't there to kill them; he had come to kill the harvesters

and he did that.'

'When Ilyana woke up

she saw a weird figure fighting five harvesters alone. Despite the odds

he was calmly facing them with his arms crossed. The next moment

after a single blink

Ilyana saw them falling on the ground without their limbs. As if that wasn't weird enough

the man who defeated them with ease didn't kill them. It only dragged their bodies toward a dungeon.'

"Who are you?" Ilyana asked. "What are you going to do with them?"

"Why do you care?" Leon frowned. "You just need to know that they won't bother you anymore."

'After saying that

Leon returned to the dungeon he used. Although he wanted to kill them

that would be a too good end for those assholes. So

Leon decided to find a way to use them... at least until he obtains all the power necessary to deal with all the harvesters. In any case

that was the first time Leon saw Ilyana.'

'Since that Leon's power was at the halfway point to the sixth stage

he couldn't hide his prisoners in any place. Earth had become a lifeless planet

that could die at any moment

but Leon still decided to hide them there because he didn't know many unhabituated planets yet.'

'After creating a deep underground hideout

that Leon began to work on his next spells. Although he easily managed to defeat those five guys

Leon was sure that he could increase his power by two if he succeeded in his plans. It took Leon five years of non-ending research and training

but he eventually learned and also leveled to the max level certain spells.'

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

'You obtained 01 status point.'

'Congratulations! The skill Health Link has reached the max level.'

'You obtained 01 status point.'

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

'You obtained 01 status point.'

"Notifications again..." Leon frowned. "Regardless

it looks like I only have crazy ideas when I'm against the wall..."

'Although it was weird

Leon confirmed that he could access his status screen there. Not only that

but he also received the points when those skills received those updates. It was weirdly convenient but also worrisome...'

### 696 Chapter 693

'For some reason

that Leon didn't know any summoning spells. So

the only thing he could do considering the utility of Health

Mana

and Stamina Link was to capture dragons and use those spells on them. However

that Leon also didn't have any spells that could control the mind of monsters. Although that Leon could make intelligent beings stay unconscious for long periods of time just by letting those spells active on them

the same thing couldn't be applied to dragons. Even though harvesters could defeat most dragons

those creatures have an indomitable will. After trying to leave a dragon unconscious just by using those spells and failing

that Leon concluded that he needed to learn something less destructive.'

"I guess even an alternate version of me is also a muscle head

" Leon laughed for a short time. "It took him and me a very long time to try different spells like Mind Control or even using illusions.""

'Leon didn't think of that because he lacked time to do it

but that Leon decided to look and investigate races of monsters and even intelligent beings that were particularly talented at using illusions and spells that directly affect the mind. Although that was a roundabout way to do things

it was necessary. Besides

the harvesters wouldn't suddenly vanish. The path of destruction they would leave behind was easy to find. Besides

that Leon knew that he lacked strength. There was always someone above and stronger

after all.'

'After some years of search

Leon found the vestiges of a race that could fly even without mana. Although their bodies were weak since their only source of food was their moons' light

they were particularly good at using spells that affected the mind. Leon had a hard time finding vestiges and any registers of their powers since they all had died

he had even a harder time trying to translate their language

but eventually

he succeeded.'

'Congratulations! You have become a Level one Oracle!'

'Your dexterity and stamina will increase by ten points

your speed

health

mana

and control will increase by five points whenever you level up your class.'

'Congratulations! You have become a Level one Adept!'

'Your dexterity and stamina will increase by ten points

your speed

health

mana

and control will increase by five points whenever you level up your class.'

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

'You obtained 01 status point.'

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

'You obtained 01 status point.'

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

'You obtained 01 status point.'

'After confirming that those spells could turn even the wildest dragon into a lifeless doll

Leon resumed his work of searching for harvesters. He only truly stopped when he found monsters that had a lot of mana and recovery because those were what he needed the most. In any case

after a few months

Leon found another planet in the middle of the fifth stage

and this time he found three harvesters fighting Ilyana. That was weird since it wasn't her planet.'

"You..." Ilyana frowned

imagining that Leon might also join the enemy side and fight her.'

'Leon didn't recognize those harvesters

but he could feel that they were a bit stronger in comparison to the others he fought before. That would be not easy... unless that Leon works alongside llyana.'

"Shall I lend you a hand?" Leon asked. "If you accept my terms

I don't mind helping you."

"Your timing is too convenient..." Ilyana glared at Leon.'

"So what?" Leon shrugged. "We don't have all day

and I don't need to explain why I only appeared now. If you are that scared of me backstabbing you

just don't show your back."

'Ilyana understood that Leon was right. That stranger saw her unconscious before and didn't try to kill her

so what would he gain by trying that now while she was awake? Regardless

Ilyana was used to fighting outnumbered

so it wouldn't surprise her if anything happens.'

"Just don't get in my way

" Ilyana said.'

"Likewise

" Leon suddenly appeared at her side. "By the way

don't kill them. They will be part of my collection."

'The three harvesters who watched their exchange silently finally recognized Leon as another enemy

so they readied themselves to fight. Leon was quite interested in the fighting style of those harvesters. At that point in time

he was obsessed with learning new things and try to perform them

but much to his surprise

the fast forward suddenly activated.'

"Don't fast forward at such a time..." Leon sighed.'

'Since he didn't receive any notification

Leon assumed that the battle hadn't been all that important. Regardless

the fast-forward only stopped when that Leon was already transporting the unconscious harvesters to his hideout.'

"I agree in letting you take them to wherever you want to

" Ilyana said. "But what exactly are you going to do with them?"

'Truth to be told

that Leon didn't feel like answering Ilyana's questions. He helped her because he would kill two stones with one bird

and she also got something out of it. Still

that Leon concluded that if she wasn't a harvester herself

Ilyana could prove to be useful in some other way.'

"Give me some interesting piece of information

and I will answer you

" Leon said.'

'Ilyana frowned when she heard that. Still

at the very least

he wasn't a stranger who wanted to help her solely for his good reasons. Although Ilyana wasn't fond of someone so greedy

it was better than not knowing what he wanted. In the end

Ilyana taught him how to use mithril

and he explained how he would use those harvesters as batteries. Of course

Ilyana frowned once again when she heard that. Harvesters were the worst type of assholes

but they deserved quick death instead of being used like that.'

"It looks like that Ilyana was quite naïve... even though she lived for hundreds of years as well

" Leon muttered. "In any case

I completely didn't notice that this alternate version of me didn't know how to produce mithril... what a useless guy. Well

the current me only learned how to create it thanks to Darya

so perhaps I'm no better."

#### 697 Chapter 694

'Over the years

Leon and Ilyana met each other several other times on the battlefields. Again

it was rare for people to survive until the fifth stage of assimilation

so they only saw each other once or twice every ten years. Whenever they met

they teamed up and defeated the harvesters.'

"How many did they defeat?" Leon asked himself. "A few hundreds already? The current me only fought a few dozen of them... still

I guess it makes sense that new harvesters appear when others are defeated."

'In a sense

that Leon was also a harvester. He wasn't destroying worlds for power

but he was using living beings to do that. Living beings that deserved death or even worse

but living beings nonetheless. Also

each time Leon and Ilyana fought together

they learned new things by watching each other. That Leon finally learned how to summon monsters.'

'Congratulations! You have become a Level one Necromancer!'

'Your mana and intelligence will increase by ten points

your stamina

health

recovery

and control will increase by five points whenever you level up your class.'

'...'

'Congratulations! You have become a Level Max Necromancer!'

'Your mana and intelligence will increase by ten points

your stamina

health

recovery

and control increased by five points.'

'However

after a while it started to get harder to find harvesters and even though they didn't find the enemies

Leon and Ilyana met each other while looking for them many times... until they decided to really work together since their goal was the same: to hunt all the harvesters.'

"I was starting to think this really was the life of an alternate version of myself

but now Ilyana is appearing so much that I'm having doubts again

" Leon frowned. "Well

she is anything but stupid... so

I doubt that she would use such a cheap trick knowing that I would blindly believe... so... I guess this is really the life of another me."

'It was hard to know for how long I have been watching that

but he didn't feel like days have passed... Still

so much knowledge was being absorbed by him that it was also hard to believe that was the case.'

"What happened to those guys you tried to protect?" That Leon asked while they were investigating some ruins that had a lot of runes.'

"They died..." Ilyana answered with her head down. "While I was fighting those three

other harvesters ambushed them on another planet."

'''So

you are the last of your race?" That Leon asked.'

"I guess I am

" Ilyana forced a smile. "I warned them so many times... but no one believed me when I said that we should prepare for the next stages of assimilation. They thought again and again that when new monsters appeared

that was just a coincidence."

'By the look of things

Ilyana foresaw some future events. That was something that Ilyana Leon knew didn't tell him. Well

when they talked about it

Leon didn't ask many questions since he still was aware of her

after all. Although Ilyana also wanted revenge

she didn't become obsessed over it like that

Leon. Even when the people called her crazy and abandoned her

she still fought for them. That Leon thought that they were kindred spirits

but that wasn't the case.'

'Congratulations! You have become a Level one Runemaster!'

'Your mana and intelligence will increase by twenty points

your stamina

health

recovery

and control will increase by ten points whenever you level up your class.'

'...'

'Congratulations! You have become a Level Max Runemaster!' 'Your mana and intelligence will increase by twenty points your stamina health recovery and control increased by five points.' 'Congratulations! You have become a Level one Runecaster!' 'Your mana and intelligence will increase by twenty points your stamina health recovery and control will increase by ten points whenever you level up your class.' '...' 'Congratulations! You have become a Level Max Runecaster!' 'Your mana and intelligence will increase by twenty points your stamina health recovery and control increased by five points.' 'After studying the runes of several ruins for decades Leon and Ilyana mastered their use

but it was weird. Some of them could turn into skills

while others couldn't. That was something neither Leon nor that Leon or Ilyana could understand why. Also

after receiving those notifications

Leon confirmed that Leon didn't have the class system. So

he wasn't receiving the notifications. That was weird

but at that point in time

Leon was already used to it.'

'Although Leon had obtained the knowledge of how to use the runes before

the things he could do with it were limited. However

with the knowledge he obtained now

he could do many things

and his other version also began to test the things that he wanted to test. Maybe the system couldn't recognize certain runic spells because there was an equivalent that could grant him the same effect

but both Leon felt more excited in using runes than normal spells. Why? Because runes could become infinitely stronger

the more mana one uses to create it. One didn't have to level up the skill to obtain that ability. Just wish to use all the mana inside your body was enough. That being said

like skills

runes could only be used for a while

but Leon manages to replicate interesting effects with it. For example

he could write a rune that could negate gravity's effects and thus make a big rock float for quite a while.'

"This kind of effect would be very useful if I still wish to create a giant robot made of mithril..." Leon sighed. "Well

I will welcome this knowledge."

#### 698 Chapter 695

'Just as Leon wished for it

his alternated version used runes in different ways

and while watching that

Leon received some notifications.'

'Congratulations! You have become a Level one Runic Knight!'

'Your mana and intelligence will increase by ten points

your stamina

health

recovery

and control will increase by five points whenever you level up your class.'

'Congratulations! You have become a Level one Runic Wizard!'

'Your mana and intelligence will increase by ten points

your stamina

health

recovery

and control will increase by five points whenever you level up your class.'

'Congratulations! You have become a Level one Runic Archer!'

'Your mana and intelligence will increase by ten points

your stamina

health

#### recovery

and control will increase by five points whenever you level up your class.'

'Everything was fine

and all

but Leon couldn't help but frown while looking at those two. Ilyana knew how to summon monsters

and she was always developing a new technique in that regard

so it didn't make sense that she hadn't a single spirit with her. The fact that they hadn't been mentioned a single time bothered Leon deeply. As if that wasn't crazy enough

after training together for a while

Leon saw his alternated version learning something that he wasn't supposed to learn alone: light magic.'

"What the hell is going on here?" Leon frowned.'

'Although his alternated version trained really hard and for hundreds of years

it didn't make any sense that he could learn that. However

the surprises didn't end there. After a couple of decades

that Leon also managed to learn dark magic.'

"It looks like I was mistaken..." Leon muttered. "I didn't steal all the talent of my alternated versions... I knew that I shouldn't have trusted the words of strangers. I don't regret finding the spirits

but perhaps I could have learned those types of magic alone."

'Soon Leon realized that his alternated version was about to reach his own level of power. However

that Leon trained for what seemed to be one thousand of years without using time magic... so

something like that was to be expected. Instead of something that cannot be learned alone

light and dark magic were something that comes naturally to their users naturally after a long life of continuous training.'

'At that point in time

it wouldn't be weird if that Leon learns time magic. However

that didn't happen. Who learned time magic first was Ilyana

while Leon learned space magic. That happened when Ilyana decided to use the same strategy Leon was using. However

instead of capturing random dragons and harvesters to continuously receive their health

mana

and stamina

Ilyana used that on her summoned monsters.'

"So... this Ilyana also had that idea that I have?" Leon frowned. "I guess it would be much more convenient than capturing monsters... she didn't have to use mind control spells on their monsters

after all."

'Once Ilyana used that

she suddenly got much more powerful and even stronger than Leon. After thinking for a while

Leon noticed that such an event was deeply connected to the moment she learned time magic. Maybe it wasn't a rule

and it was just a coincidence

but Leon was having a hard time confirming that. However

he noticed that he learned light magic when he could use half-million points of mana per second

while Ilyana learned time magic naturally when she could use one million points of mana per second.'

'After a while

Leon confirmed that his theory was right... Ilyana tried to teach Leon how to use time magic

but he failed. He only succeeded when he reached that power level. Once that happened

their training speed increased by leaps and bounds

that was good

and all

but Leon was already worried about something else. That Leon and Ilyana were getting way too comfortable near each other. Eventually

both sides were looking at each other without hiding their intentions... and then it happened. Ilyana and that Leon slept together.'

"This is so weird..." Leon frowned. "It has been hundreds of years since I watched porn

but I didn't expect to see someone who looked like me doing the deed. Well

it was only a matter of time

those two aren't machines

and unlike me

this Leon's body is healthy."

'After losing all his friends and his wives

that Leon didn't think he would be able to love someone else again

but after working with someone who had the same goals for so long

that Leon recovered more than a little bit of his humanity.'

"Now it is a good time to use fast forward

but knowing Ilyana

this won't happen" Leon shrugged.'

'Watching a life where he and Ilyana hooked up and worked together as equals? That wasn't something Leon wanted to watch because he couldn't find a single explanation as to why she lied and hid so many things from him. Still

even though it was annoying seeing another version of himself with Ilyana

it was better than keep watching him have a miserable life. Someone once said that misery loves company

but Leon wasn't someone who would wish that for others

even though he only had that for who knows how long...'

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

'You obtained 01 status point.'

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

'You obtained 01 status point.'

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

'You obtained 01 status point.'

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

'You obtained 01 status point.'

'Now that they could train together at every moment possible

that Leon and Ilyana's skills grew by leaps and bounds. When his alternated version reached the level max in some spells

Leon received those notifications and the status points. It was convenient

but Leon couldn't help but think that Ilyana was trying to bribe him by giving him power so shamelessly.'

## 699 Chapter 696

'Leon already knew that

but once again

he discovered that there was always someone stronger when after a long time

he found a single harvester destroying an entire world: The black-haired woman.'

'The very moment that Leon and Ilyana laid their eyes on her

they understood that they couldn't defeat her. Flying over a destroyed planet without showing any sign of emotion

that woman controlled a horde of thousands of dragons that had hundreds of skills at the max level. Even though that Leon and Ilyana also had hundreds of skills at the max level

and they could use light

dark

and time magic

it was clear that they would have a hard time defeating one of those dragons.'

"Sylas isn't with her..." Leon frowned. "Maybe only in my current universe

she decides to train him to become her ally. Still... she didn't show those dragons before... did Ilyana killed them all while they fought on Ilyana's planet?"

'Regardless

even without using any skill to confirm that

that Leon and Ilyana froze on the spot when they realized the difference in power... it was like they were newborn babies hoping to defeat a powerful martial artist. Obviously

the black-haired woman noticed their arrival but only looked at them for a single instant before losing interest. They weren't opponents even worth to be killed by her. So

she suddenly disappeared without leaving a single vestige.'

'That Leon was the one who first recovered from the shock

only to see Ilyana showing an expression that was a mix of terror

fear

and ecstasy. That was one hell of an expression...'

"Those dragons..." Ilyana muttered. "I recognize them..."

"Do you?" Leon asked

surprised. "All dragons are pretty the same for me

... with the exception of their colors."

"It was their presence..." Ilyana fell to the ground and hugged her knees. "It was the same presence of the dragons when the monsters first appeared on my world."

'Just like that

Ilyana concluded that the black-haired woman was the one who released all the dragons on her planet. That Leon thought she was jumping to conclusions. Still

after living for so long and now considering that hypothesis

he also understood that dragons were way stronger than any other monster he had faced when Earth was on the first stage of the assimilation.'

"I see now..." Leon muttered. "The Ilyana I know probably confirmed that after asking the black-haired woman when they talked

they acted as if they had faced together many times..."

'Although he had been consumed by vengeance before

that Leon didn't let his mind get filled with murderous intent upon finally finding someone that caused the death of his parents. Why? Because a lot of time had passed since their death. Another reason was the fact that killing her would be close to impossible

and even if he succeeds

it won't change the past. Lastly

there was a very special reason... Ilyana's tummy was getting bigger... she was pregnant even though she didn't tell him.'

"Seriously?" Leon massaged his eyebrows in surprise. "How two beings of different species can... forget about it..."

'That Leon was playing dumb trying to act as if he had not noticed

but it was obvious. However

a problem appeared... Despite her condition

Ilyana changed a little. Finally

finding the being that made her lose so many of the people she cared about triggered in her the same dark feelings that Leon developed after running away from Earth.'

"We have to hunt that woman

" Ilyana said. "She may not be the core of all the problems we faced before

but she certainly is responsible for a big part."

''Well

I agree

but..." That Leon hesitated.'

"But what?" Ilyana frowned. "We don't have any other option here."

"... Even if you are right

why should we risk ourselves against her?" That Leon asked. "If by some miracle we win

nothing will change

we will only feel good about themselves for a short while and then nothing. It isn't worth the risk anymore

Ilyana. Besides

soon you won't be in a condition to fight anymore."

'Ilyana bit her nails and then looked away

she had been hiding the fact that she was pregnant

but only someone blind wouldn't notice that. Although they were both mages and could heal themselves

they couldn't treat the baby the same way they treat themselves. Get half-dead in the middle of a fight and then heal them could be deadly for a being so vulnerable.'

"What are you suggesting?" Ilyana asked angrily. "You want to forget those who died and gave us the chance to be here?"

'"No

but right now isn't a good time

" Leon replied. "The difference in power is too big

and we also have to consider the baby. We are from different species

so we don't know what might happen. For the time being

let's focus on the kid

and we can resume our hunt in the future."

'Ilyana was visibly exasperated. She knew that Leon was right

but she also knew that the black-haired woman was very powerful

and she was constantly getting even more powerful. There was no other reason as to why she would destroy other planets aside from making herself stronger after all. After surviving this far

the idea of having a normal life wasn't something that Ilyana could accept

and that troubled that Leon deeply.'

"As expected

" Leon muttered. "This really is an alternate reality... that Ilyana is way too hot-blooded. I thought pregnancy makes most women more sensitive

but the same thing didn't happen to this one. Well... it is not like I have any experience in this matter."

'Although that whole situation made Leon really uncomfortable because the mother of his first child was Ilyana

he wholeheartedly agreed that Leon was right. In his place

he would be done the same thing. Vengeance wouldn't grant them anything

but seeing a new life be born and then grown-up would

without a doubt

be a new light in their dark lives.'

#### 700 Chapter 697

'They were no doctors

but after obtaining so much magical knowledge

Leon and Ilyana could just by feeling if the baby's condition could change. Knowing that Ilyana didn't slow down on her training. In fact

she was so eager to get stronger than she forced Leon and herself to do nothing those months aside from summoning monsters and then use Health Link

Mana Link

and Stamina Link on them.'

'However

both of them stopped when Ilyana gave birth to a girl that resembled her quite a bit. It looked like Ilyana's blood was strong

and the girl only had inherited from Leon his deep-brown eyes.'

'Given the situation

Leon thought that his alternated version would cry like a little kid

but he only smiled like a fool for days. Just watching the angel-like face of his daughter was enough for him to leave. After a while

Leon began to have mixed feelings about that whole part in his alternated version's life. Those were moments he never experienced or never will

the joy of being a parent... sadness

anger

jealously... at the same time

Leon felt proud

fulfilled

and worried since the baby was like too healthy and never made any fuss.'

"What is the name you want to give her?" Ilyana asked.'

"How about Serena?" That Leon asked. "She never makes any fuss and spells quite a lot

after all."

"What do you think

Serena?" Ilyana asked while holding the sleeping baby. "What do you think of your father's lack of creativity?"

'Although Ilyana stayed calm for a few weeks

soon

he resumed her harsh training. Given how much Serena liked to sleep

they had a lot of free time in their hands

after all. Still

something unexpected began to happen simultaneously when they resumed their training. Serena's mana and body began to grow quite a bit fast. When she was only six months old

she already could walk... and use Telekinesis. When she was one year old

Serena already could run without falling

she could speak clearly

and she also looked as if she was three years old. At that point in time

it was obvious... but Serena could use time magic

and she used it to speed up her growth.'

'That Leon and Ilyana were impressed by their kid

but Leon

on the other hand

was shocked... why? Because more and more

Serena was beginning to look like Sekundez. Putting her magical abilities aside

Serena was like a mini-version of Sekundez.'

"Just... what the hell is going on here?" Leon muttered while his mouth was hanging open.'

'That was too weird to be a coincidence

but if Sekundez were actually a spirit created based on Serena

then a lot of things would make sense. Her behavior

the fact as to why she was way more powerful than the other spirits... it also would explain why the spirits have been mentioned so far. Ilyana probably created them... why? That was a good question.'

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

'You obtained 01 status point.'

'Congratulations! The skill Aquatic Breathing has reached the max level.'

'You obtained 01 status point.'

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

'You obtained 01 status point.'

'...'

'Regardless

with lightning speed

Serena began to learn the skills that Leon and Ilyana have just by observing them

and eventually

she even began to help them with the training. Even though she didn't have all that much mana

she already could manipulate time way better than her parents.'

"I thought to be able to use so much mana every moment was a rule to control time

but I guess I was wrong

" Leon frowned. "That much mana is needed to control time forcefully... Still

I already knew that my kids would have insane control over magic."

'In any case

as if things weren't weird enough

things in that movie began to make Leon embarrassed. His alternated version was a good father

but she acted like a fool in front of Serena and was always trying to spoil her rotten.'

"You are so talented

Serena

" That Leon smiled like an idiot. "Papa is very proud of you! Here

your reward for being so talented is a bear hug from me."

"Father..." Serene looked at that Leon reproachfully. "Stop fooling around and take things more seriously

like Mother. You two are mages

but her skill exceeds yours. Unless you want to be surpassed by me sooner than I expected

you should train more."

'Serena was also too smart for her own good... she was talking as if surpassing that Leon was only a matter of time. Although that was true

that Leon couldn't care less about it. Because while he was with Serena

he felt like a normal human being again and a decent one. That Leon wanted to enjoy those precious moments before he inevitably disappoints her.'

"I guess it is only natural that someone would feel that way being the sole survivor of the human race

" Leon looked away and then imagined what he would do in his shoes. "Still

I can also relate to the feelings of this Ilyana. Eventually

they would become powerful enough to become targets of the black-haired woman... instead of being hunted. It is better to hunt."

'Regardless

even though she was just a child

Serena also used summoned monsters to increase her overall capacity to recover mana. It was astonishing... something that Leon only obtained after fighting and training for hundreds of years

Serena had when she was just five years old... which was the power to use dark and light magic.'

'In any case

even without her parents telling her to do so

Serena understood that using Time Manipulation to speed up her growth process wasn't something she should frequently do

so she stopped doing that when she was ten years old. Still

at that age

she looked exactly like the Sekundez that Leon knew... there was no mistaking. They were the same person.'

### 701 Chapter 698

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

'You obtained 01 status point.'

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

'You obtained 01 status point.'

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

'You obtained 01 status point.'

'...'

"This is enough

right

Leon?" Ilyana asked on the day of Serena's twentieth birthday. "We will hunt her down now."

"... I guess it can't be helped

" Leon said after a long sigh after they finished another training session alongside Serena.'

While that Leon and Ilyana mastered several other spells

Serena finally was powerful enough to make her body stop aging. Serene was virtually immortal

or so to speak... Although it was weird that she had too much affinity with Time Manipulation

Leon and Ilyana could only shrug at it. In any case

Serena understood a long time ago how serious her mother was about hunting a certain harvester and

without thinking too much about it

decided that she had to help.'

'That Leon was the only one who didn't feel like hunting anyone or anything anymore. Even though he could use millions of mana points per second

he didn't want to risk his current life for something as petty as revenge. Instead of letting Serena experience a life of never-ending battles like he did

that Leon wanted to have a normal life... Although that was difficult since he could control time in a manner that no one could explain.'

"Mmm... now that I think about it

" Leon frowned. "Earth was already on the fifth stage of assimilation... is that why Serena was developing so fast? I wonder why there isn't some counter effect on beings that are weaker in comparison to the planets they were in..."

'Ilyana and Leon's bloodline couldn't be the only thing that granted Serena her powers... then again

just like their parents

Serena was also a training maniac. She didn't lose a single day of training since the very day she managed to use magic for the first time.'

'After thinking for a while

Leon concluded that the whole Sekundez he knew was just a persona. He already had thought about her many times and wondered why

as a spirit

she would be so different from others. Even more so

it made sense when Leon recalled the first thing she did after suddenly canceling one of his replicas. It was a reference from a sci-fi movie very famous. Something that she wasn't supposed to know... even if the spirits could see Leon's memories and read his mind

that Sekundez wasn't supposed to say something like that.'

"I also can't compare Serena and Sekundez's behavior..." Leon rubbed his chin. "Still... it would make sense if the act differently since Serena is much younger

and who knows how old Sekundez is..."

'Regardless

while looking for the black-haired woman

those three didn't slack off on their training

and since Serena was more than a fine addition to the team

they began to explore other aspects of magic. Spatial magic was one of them... it was weird

but Mindscape Transportation was part of the domain of spatial magic. Still

in their eyes

it also made sense.'

'Before those three could find any trace of the black-haired woman

they mastered Mind Summoning

Omnilingualism

and even the power to create spirits by copying a part of their minds. It was a bit unsettling and weird

but given that they were using their memories as a medium

they didn't feel so bad about it.'

"As expected

" Leon said. "Things could have developed a lot faster if I had found some mages like them

but based on my experience

only those two could have become allies. All the others who had comparable powers turned and followed the dark path..."

'It was only natural

but good people are always the first ones to die in apocalyptic scenarios. Why? Because they are decent and perhaps crazy enough to risk their well being for others. That Leon saw that happen time and time again...'

'Congratulations! You have become a Level one Shadow Blade!'

'Your speed and intelligence will increase by twenty points

your mana

health

recovery

and control will increase by ten points whenever you level up your class.'

'...'

'Congratulations! You have become a Level Max Shadow Blade!'

'Your speed and intelligence have increased by twenty points: your mana

health

recovery

and control have increased by ten points.'

'Once that Leon learned Teleport and started to use to assassinate monsters in the blink of an eye

Leon obtained those notifications

but things didn't end there. Once Leon buffed his attacks with dark magic

he obtained several classes: Dark Knight

Shadow Stalker

Ninja

Shadow Ninja

Fallen Knight were a few of those. Although that was interesting and all

Leon felt his back getting itchy by seeing those classes... it made him recall the time of his adolescence

where he passed through his emo phase.'

'Such thoughts disappeared when that Leon

Ilyana

and Serena finally found the black-haired woman destroying all the inhabitants of another planet. However

she didn't look surprised at all. Instead

the black-haired woman looked as if she had been waiting for them.'

'Ilyana madly rushed at her only to see herself in the blink of an eye surrounded by four massive meteors. Ilyana was caught off-guard

but the meteors suddenly stopped when they were about to hit her. Not only that

they soon disappeared as if they never existed in the first place. Serena reacted on time to protect her mother

but she used all the mana she could reunite in a full minute to do so.'

'''So

she is the one who Mother wants to kill

" Serena forced a smile. "This will be difficult..."

"I told you two that we are not ready for this

" that Leon sighed in exasperation. "Too late to notice that..."

'Despite all that training

despite adding Serena's power to their routine... Leon couldn't feel as if the distance between them and the black-haired woman had got smaller. Despite that

she didn't think of running away... she would fight because he won't let Ilyana and Serena die. No matter what..."

## 702 Chapter 699

'Leon was by far

the least skilled of his family. When it comes to time magic

that was even more visible. Still

despite all that

when it comes to crazy and destructive ways to strengthen himself

Leon was the best. Probably in the whole universe

she didn't have any regard for caring about his well-being.'

'Although Leon didn't see his alternated version practicing that skill

by the look of things

he did it when he was meditating and without even using Mindscape Transportation. He had the idea in his head but since it was a dangerous spell

he didn't want to show it to Ilyana and Serena since they were both more skilled than him

and the effects of such technology would be even more deadly on them.'

'Suddenly

that Leon's body begun to gather a lot of mana. Both Ilyana and Serena frowned when they saw that because the mana levels in his body reached a point they never saw before. Even the black-haired woman didn't try to stop Leon. Instead

she observed him with great interest.'

'As if that wasn't weird enough

that Leon's body begun to change... his body begun to look as if it was losing its physical form

but at some point

it stopped. That Leon's body looked transparent... as if he was a ghost.'

"That technique..." Leon muttered

shocked. "It was Sylas'..."

'Congratulations! You have learned the skill: Alternative Future Possession'

'Cost: 1.000.000 mana per second'

'You obtained 01 status point.'

'Leon frowned when he saw that notification. Then he realized that it wasn't the same skill that Sylas had used. It was an even more insane version of it. The glow in that Leon's eyes didn't change

so it was clear that he didn't have forgotten about anything. Regardless

when the knowledge entered his head

Leon opened his eyes widely in surprise... that skill not only could grant Leon the power and abilities of a future version of himself

but he also could customize that version to his liking. For example

if Leon needed a near infinite reservoir of mana

he could wish to summon a version of himself that would train until the day he obtains all the skills and levels them up to max level while he also created a massive reservoir of mana every single day during that happens.'

"It is like conceptual magic..." Leon realized. "I can summon a version of me that will create the reservoir of mana or anything else that I need for countless years

but the cost is..."

'The cost of mana couldn't even be compared to Leon's body's cost would have to pay. Since it was a possession

the real Leon wouldn't obtain the power to himself. It was an insane but temporary power boost. Although the power was temporary

Leon would sacrifice his lifespan for it. If he could live for ten thousand years and obtain that power

he would need to train and fight for nine thousand. He would lose those nine thousand years in a single instant.'

'"Well

if anything

this is the skill I was looking for

" Leon smirked.'

'Sacrificing lifespan was something that Leon was already doing on a daily basis. So

he wouldn't mind in dying soon after using such a skill

as long as he defeats his opponents. Regardless

since Ilyana and Serena knew very well about time magic

she understood that skill's effects. That had been enough to calm down those two hot-blooded fools.'

"Leon..." Ilyana muttered in shock.'

"Father... Why?" Serene asked.'

"Because I'm your cool father

" Leon smirked. "And because I would rather die than see any of you dying before me."

"Don't speak such nonsense!" Ilyana shouted.'

"I'm not done yet

" that Leon said. "Once we defeat this woman

let's make more babies. Serena looks the type who wants to be the eldest daughter of a big family. So

how about... eight more kids?""

"Shut up

idiot!" Ilyana said

and then looked away

a bit embarrassed. "Don't say such a thing in front of your enemy and soon after using such a stupid technique."

"Gross..." Serena said

visibly displeased and while frowning. "Don't say such a thing in front of your daughter."

'That Leon laughed loudly after hearing their responses. Despite the situation

he was really enjoying himself. At the very least

if he dies there

he wouldn't die

leaving a dark atmosphere behind.'

"So awkward..." Leon covered his face with both arms and then sighed. "To think I would become such an idiot just by becoming a father... Someone

please kill the fool. The universe will be better without him."

'The black-haired woman watched that whole exchange while furrowing her eyebrows. She thought that a fool was trying to defeat her and soon lost all interest in the fight by the look of things. In the blink of an eye

she summoned thousand of dragons and gave them the order to finish off those worms

but much to her surprise. The very moment the dragons appeared

they began to fall and hit the ground. After a while

she saw their eyes and nose bleeding.'

'Congratulations! You have become a Level one Armageddon Sorcerer!'

'Your mana and intelligence will increase by twenty points

your stamina

health

recovery

and control will increase by ten points whenever you level up your class.'

"You... you destroyed their brains without using an ordinary spell

" The black-haired said

a bit surprised. "Interesting..."

"Interesting?" that Leon frowned. "I wouldn't find it interesting to see someone killing my pets."

"They weren't my pets; they were merely tools..." The black-haired woman said and then tried to replica the same skill Leon used but then failed. "You ignore the whole process of attacking them directly... you somehow just destroyed their brains. Can you show it to me again?"

'Suddenly

the black-haired woman summoned a black dragon. In fact

it looked exactly like the first that had fallen on the ground

and Leon understood that she had used Mind Summoning.'

## 703 Chapter 700

"You are seriously weird..." that Leon frowned. "I'm not here to satisfy your curiosity... now

die."

'That Leon didn't even have to point his hands toward the black-haired woman. Just suddenly

her head suddenly when that Leon's magic conceptual attack destroyed it. However

less than half of a second later

her head was back to normal.'

"I see now... you call this magic conceptual attack?" The black-haired woman rubbed her chin and then nodded. "It is a fitting name since you just ignored the process of the attack and just dealt with the damage."

'Leon knew that he eventually found an enemy like that

an enemy that could survive the power of his conceptual attacks

but what he saw now was beyond his expectations. The black-haired woman could literally return to death in a mere moment when her head was destroyed

and she treated it like something ... curious if anything.'

"That Leon reached a level of mastery where he can control perfectly those kinds of attacks and still..." Leon frowned. "Even if I use this technique on her

there is a change that I won't win... in fact

if this dream is what I think it is

the black-haired woman probably already have a way to counter this... hell

this one here doesn't even care about the damage

so maybe there isn't a need to counter it."

'To make matters worse

the black-haired woman didn't lose a single gram of her weight. That Leon decided to go all out and destroy her whole body by using a massive Black Hole and his conceptual attacks. That worked against Sylas

to the chances of that succeeding was pretty good.'

'That Leon attacked

and in a single moment

the black-haired woman's whole body disappeared. However

soon after

she was back and completely fine. Ilyana and Serena

who didn't understand what was going on

couldn't help but be astonished.'

"You aimed for my body now?" The black-haired woman smiled. "How devious of you."

'That Leon tried the same thing over and over again

but the result didn't change. If a black hole couldn't decimate her existence

Leon had no idea what else could. There was one spell he wanted to try

but that one would be deadly and would destroy everything

perhaps in that whole galaxy

but he couldn't do that while Ilyana and Serena were there.'

"Sorry... maybe this will be the last time we will see each other

" that Leon smiled and then waved his right hand at them.'

"No... you wouldn't dare ... " Ilyana said

and before she could say anything

she was forcefully teleported to another planet on the other side of the cosmos alongside Serena. "That bloody fool!"

"Mother... what is Father going to do?" Serene hesitated.'

"He is crazy enough to explode himself along with the enemy

" Ilyana bit his nails in exasperation. "Let's try to find his presence and then teleport to where he is."

'Ilyana was particularly good at tracking living beings

but she didn't feel Leon's presence despite that. Both Ilyana and Serena tried to find him using Clairvoyance

but the skill didn't work either. That Leon was simply too far away from them. However

suddenly

they felt a big explosion of energy

and at the center of that explosion

they felt Leon's mana.'

'Trying to recover as much mana as they could

Ilyana and Serena teleported many times toward the direction they felt the energy. However

despite their powers

they had to travel through the stars for three whole months to find where Leon was

and in there

they only found one thing: A Supernova.'

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

'Cost: 1.000.000.000.000 mana per second'

'You obtained 01 status point.'

'Congratulations! You have become a Level one Cosmical Sorcerer!'

'Your speed and intelligence will increase by one hundred points; your mana

health

recovery

and control will increase by fifty points whenever you level up your class.'

"Seriously?" Leon asked while his mouth was hanging open.'

'At that point in time

Leon already knew that mana could do everything. Create and destroy things

change things

and improve them. Still

to think that an alternative version of himself could cause something like that... Leon watched that massive colorful sphere of light expanding endlessly for quite a while. Then he began to question somethings

why was he seeing things from Ilyana's perspective now? Did the other Leon die?'

'In any case

if the black-haired woman didn't die after that attack. Nothing could destroy her. That Leon used all his mana to make the nearest sun go Supernova

after all. If black holes and supernovas couldn't kill her

then it was weird that she didn't reach the seventh stage of the assimilation.'

'After searching for ten whole years

Ilyana and Serena finally found Leon's body crossing the cosmos as if he had become a meteor himself. Somehow

his body was intact

but he was sleeping... a slumber that Ilyana and Serena failed in trying to make him wake up from. Both of them used their best healing spells thousands of times

but there was no reaction coming from Leon's body.'

'It was weird. There was no sign of the black-haired woman

and healing spells weren't working on Leon. Even though Ilyana and Serena traveled the cosmos again

searching for clues of new and more powerful healing spells

they didn't find anything that could help them.'

'Leon was only sleeping

his while wasn't in danger

and weirdly enough

his body was using its own mana to sustain his life

so food and water were unnecessary. Years became decades

decades became centuries

and Leon still continues to sleep profoundly. However

exactly one thousand years after causing that cosmical disaster

Leon woke up.'