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Chapter 251 Mu Mu

Ralph's mother, Avelyn, called him out and ran towards him after entering the suite.

Ralph tried to run away when he heard her shout like that but it was all in vain. How can a mere Rank 2 run away from an Emperor Rank?

Avelyn caught Ralph and hugged him from behind. She touched her face with his and swayed side to side.

“Ralph chan~ Mama missed you~” Avelyn said happily.

Ralph's face was slightly red as he was caught in her embrace. He tried to hide his embarrassed feeling and said,

“M-mother, stop! It's embarrassing...”

Avelyn didn't listen to him and did her own thing. She knew that her child didn't actually hate such things. He was just reserved and thus didn't show much affection like other people. It had been like that since a young age for him.

This one time when Ralph was around six years old, he got bullied by kids from other Emperor Rank families and from that day onwards, he decided to be stronger and while training and doing other things, Ralph developed a formal, reserved and cold attitude.

There was nobody in the family with whom Ralph opened up except for Avelyn. It took Avelyn a lot of effort to melt his cold heart and have him open up to her. She was the only person in the world currently who knew Ralph the best.

Lith and Dennis were the two around whom Ralph opened up other than his mother, Avelyn. He was starting to trust them and was getting close to them. If what was going on continued for a few more years, Lith and Dennis would definitely become the people who would know Ralph the best apart from Avelyn.

The three's friendship was strong at the moment and it would only get stronger as time passed, given that they were together through thick and thin and in the various endeavours of life.

Lith looked at Ralph's mother being affectionate to him and felt happy for Ralph. At least there was some lady in this world who could warm his cold heart. This guy was just too serious and reserved every minute of the day. He definitely needed some extra love.

Emilia walked towards Lith and Dennis and sat down on an armchair beside their sofa. She took out a big box from her ring and placed it on the table in front of them. She looked at Lith and Dennis and said with a smile,

"I brought some snacks for you guys."

Lith and Dennis smiled.

"Thank you, teacher." Lith said.

"Ah, that's so nice of you teacher! Thank you! Haha!" Dennis said enthusiastically. Food was the key to happiness, according to him and he was happy currently.

Ralph's mother and Ralph, after a few minutes, joined Lith and the other two.

They were sitting in the non-elevated part of the lounge room of their suite. There were two sofas and two armchairs and a sofa around a glass table here. Opposite to the sofa, a few meters away was a big tv.

Lith and Dennis were sitting on the sofa, Emilia was sitting on the armchair beside the two and Ralph was sitting along with his mother on another armchair.

Avelyn had him in her embrace as she sat there and didn't leave him. She wanted to spend as much time with him as she could and thus didn't leave him alone.

Ralph would work on cultivating and raising his Magic Rank in the near future, he'll be very busy. He won't have much time for Avelyn and also, when he grows up, he may start to dislike her affection. So Avelyn tried her best to spend as much time and affection as she could with him.

Ralph was oblivious to his mother's taunt and if he knew she was thinking of such a thing, he obviously would've given her assurance that no such thing would happen in the future no matter how busy he got.

Ralph was a reserved and cold child, not a disrespectful and hateful child. He loved his mother more than anyone in this world, he wouldn't break her heart and do such a thing to her.

Those things aside, for now, he didn't know her thoughts and was just feeling a bit embarrassed. He wasn't too embarrassed as he realized Lith and Dennis were behaving normally. They apparently weren't thinking much of his state. Ralph felt a bit relieved knowing this.

The five people talked over food and Avelyn got to know Lith and Dennis a bit. Emilia talked from time to time too and they all had a good time together.

The five had dinner and they all went to sleep in their respective rooms.

Avelyn of course went into Ralph's room and slept while having him snuggle up in her embrace. She didn't leave him alone in bed either. She definitely was a very clingy mother.

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Few days later.

Lith's dorm, Abalax World Academy.

Lith was training with Rena and Dennis was training with the cow. Ralph was sitting at the side and Emilia had gone to her office.

They toured Espat for the remaining time they had and they had Ralph's mother join them in it too. Nothing special happened all this while and they had fun. The four parted ways with Avelyn after their tour was over and were back in the academy.

Now, the trio was back to their usual routine of training and studying.

Since Dennis had a magical beast with him too now, the trio spent an hour of the day training with them. Ralph didn't have one so he just rested or did other things while sitting at the side.

Rena and the cow fought together. They were given commands by Lith and Dennis and were fighting each other by following those.

An hour passed.

Their training was over and they were sitting on the training ground and having some refreshments. Ralph joined them this time.

Lith took a sip of his lemonade and said,

“Dennis, how long are you going to keep that guy nameless? You should give him a name.”

He was talking about the magical beast Dennis had.

Dennis put down his lemonade and said in realization, “oh! I completely forgot that he had no name.”

Lith, Ralph, and the cow gave Dennis a stern look that read ‘are you serious?’

“What? It's no big deal. I can still do it now. Ahem, stupid cow, do you by any chance have a name?” Dennis tried to cover up his mistake.

The cow shook its head and said, “moo.”

Dennis nodded. “I see. Then, from today onwards, you are Mu Mu. It's kind of a nickname, I'll think of a good name for you later.”

The cow nodded and mooed. Anything was better than being called stupid all the time.

Lith and Ralph looked at each other and shook their heads with a helpless smile. Creativity definitely wasn't Dennis's forte.

After their break was over, Rena and Mu Mu were sent to the dorm to rest and the trio began training together.

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In a mountain range somewhere in the world.

A bluish silver-haired, blue-eyed lady wearing silver robes was walking towards the edge of a tall cliff. She soon reached the edge and had a look at the view in front of her.

She couldn't see anything besides a sea of clouds in front of her. She was at an extremely high altitude.

The lady took a deep breath and doing so caused the elements around her to fluctuate violently; so much so that they broke the equilibrium and became colorful rays around the lady.

The region she was in had the least amount of elemental energy in the entire world. Where she found this place and where this place was, was a mystery. Not many knew of this place.

"There should be no one disturbing me here and I can finally break through. I hope the breakthrough is fast and I can go meet him as soon as possible." The lady muttered softly while looking in front with a stern gaze.

She sat down at the edge of the cliff cross-legged and started meditating.

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In a certain corner of the world.

A man with long messy hair and beard was meditating in a cave. He had no clothes on his upper body and had one accessory on him, it was a white pearl necklace. His lower body was covered with a black cloth and he was barefoot.

The man was covered in white dust of some sort and he totally appeared like a caveman. If not that, he definitely seemed like a beggar then.

The man opened his eyes abruptly after a few seconds and said in a hoarse voice, “another one?”

He got up from his meditative position and stretched himself. He walked out of the cave he was in and looked in a certain direction.

“Let me see how you breakthrough.” He said and took a step forward, vanishing from his spot.

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Empress’s Castle, Star Dragon City.

A purple-haired, black-eyed lady wearing majestic silver-purple robes was sitting on a throne and giving commands to the people below her.

It was the Dragon Empress, Mayzin.

Mayzin was listening to him speak but after a few seconds, she suddenly felt a bad premonition. A few more seconds later, she felt a threat; something she had never felt in thousands of years. Mayzin thought to herself,

‘What’s with this bad premonition? Is something going to happen? Hmm? Wait a second...’
Suddenly, realization dawned upon her.

‘I can’t let this happen!’

Without saying anything to the people and thinking further, she vanished from her spot immediately.

The people below were left surprised as they saw her leave so suddenly. But they didn’t think much as they felt she must’ve had some urgent things to do. The people went about their ways and got busy with their work again.

Chapter 252 Meditating

BAM!

Ralph and Dennis were hit hard by Lith's kick and slammed on the ground.

He walked towards them after doing so and gave them a hand each to help them get up.

"I am done for today. You guys continue, I am going back to my room." Lith said to the two while walking away.

The two said their byes to him and started training together after a short break.

Lith in the meanwhile freshened up and was sitting cross-legged on the floor in his living room.

"Training won't help anymore, I need to meditate and comprehend the elements to break through. I can feel my breakthrough being close. The tour sure gave a good boost." Lith muttered softly as he sat in a lotus position.

Lith closed his eyes and started meditating and comprehending the elements around him. Everything around him was dark and only after a few minutes, a few colorful strands started appearing in his dark vision.

The strands started becoming brighter and stretched to a long distance as Lith's meditation went on.

These strands were nothing but the elemental energies around Lith in his room. He was sensing them, watching them, and was trying to comprehend them.

A few hours passed as he meditated and there were still no signs of him stopping. The elemental energies started flowing towards Lith and his room was starting to become an energy dense zone in the entire dormitory.

Ralph and Dennis felt it but didn't think much of it as it was completely normal for such a thing to happen.

A few more hours passed and the elemental energy in the entire dormitory was concentrated around Lith.

Lith focused on the energies and his previous dark vision had become colorful and bright. It felt like he was in a rainbow tunnel and due to the colorful strands waving and fluctuating randomly, he felt like he was hallucinating and was on some intoxicants.

A few more hours passed and it was the morning of the next day.

Ralph and Dennis walked downstairs to have breakfast. The two had talked in their group chat on phone as to what they're gonna eat and had ordered food. Lith wasn't online and he didn't reply, making them understand that he's still meditating.

The two's breakfast was present in a box in front of their dorm door which they picked up and brought inside in the dining room.

Dennis brought the cutlery from the kitchen and Ralph served all the food present for the two.

Dennis ordered from the Demi-Humans cuisine and was having a Tier 2 salmon, miso soup, rice, vegetables, and fried tofu along with barley tea.

Ralph shook his head as he noticed him eating stuff he did not even like. It was clearly the influence of anime that was making him eat these things. Ralph knew that Dennis liked foods with strong flavors and not milder ones such as these.

Dennis on the other hand was feeling sad for Ralph. This guy only had sweet food all the time and hardly ever tried other flavors. Currently Ralph was having pancakes topped with butter and maple syrup along with a toast made of chocolate sourdough bread lathered with a generous amount of butter and chocolate chips. For a drink he was apparently having boba tea.

It definitely felt a weird combo to Dennis. But, he was a bit less sad today knowing that there was some other flavor on Ralph's plate today, that being the sour flavor from the sourdough bread.

"Hey Ralph, what's with the change today?" Dennis asked curiously while stuffing a fried tofu in his mouth.

Ralph bit on a piece of toasted chocolate sourdough bread and after eating it, he wiped his mouth with a napkin and asked Dennis,

“What change?”

“You’re having sourdough bread today. What made you have it?” Dennis asked while chewing the fried tofu.

Ralph furrowed his brows a bit and said, “finish your food first and then talk. As for this bread, why are you asking about it? It’s just bread.”

Dennis gulped down the tofu and then asked, “indeed, it is bread. But isn’t it sour?”

Ralph sipped on his boba tea and said, “no. It is called sourdough bread but there’s nothing sour in it.”

“What? For real?” Dennis asked in surprise.

“Yeah.” Ralph said simply and cut up the pancakes and forked a mouthful and chewed on them.

“Damn. Lemme have a bite.” Dennis said and took a piece of toasted chocolate sourdough bread. He took a bite of it and just at it reached his palate, he didn’t feel anything sour at all.

“What’s this scam? Where’s the sour in the sourdough?” Dennis said with a frown. “But, this bread definitely seems like something that a Sugar Freak like you would like. There are probably others like you having it.”

Ralph shook his head and said, “I am not a Sugar Freak and no, there aren’t other people who are having this. This is a custom order. I made this combo up on the spot when I was ordering food today.”

Dennis looked at Ralph with an amused look. “The denial is strong. Anyway, what do you think His Highness is doing that is making the energy concentrate in his place so much?”

“Meditating and comprehending the laws, can you not figure it out?” Ralph said in a neutral tone.

“I was just confirming.” Dennis replied.

The two continued to chat and eat their breakfast.

Halfway through their breakfast, Emilia arrived in the dorm.

“Good morning, children.” Emilia said to them with a smile.

The two greeted them back and Emilia turned her up and looked at the ceiling. It wasn’t really the ceiling she was looking at but Lith meditating. ‘He would need more energy it seems. But there’s a little time.’

She walked close to Ralph and Dennis and joined them for breakfast. She talked with the two about their training and also started clearing their doubts that they may have.

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In a certain mountain range.

A man with a dusty and rough appearance was standing a few hundred meters away from a tall mountain. The mountain seemed to pierce the sky and only a little portion was visible as the rest was covered by the clouds.

“So it’s her.” The man said with an indifferent look.

He took a step ahead and the space around him fluctuated violently, so much so that there was a tear made, causing the darkness of the void to be visible.

However, right at this instant,

BOOM!

An explosion occurred and the spatial fluctuations stopped and the man was back to the spot he previously was at.

Space fluctuated again but this time a few hundred meters away from the man. The fluctuations stopped when a purple-haired, black-eyed figure wearing majestic robes appeared.

It was Mayzin, the Dragon Empress.

“Don’t think you’ll be able to touch my people, Ilyas.” Mayzin walked towards the rough looking man and said in a fierce tone.

“Ho? Do you think you’ll be able to stop me?” The rough looking man called Ilyas said with a smile on his face.

“Take another step and you’ll find out.” Mayzin said indifferently.

“You sure have the guts, I’ll give you that.” Ilyas said. “But, there are already too many dragon supremes. There’s no need for more. It’s time they stop. The world doesn’t need more of them.”

“That’s not for you to decide.” Mayzin said while walking towards him.

“HAHAHAHA!” The man laughed like a maniac.

“Do you seriously think it’s not upto me?”

“HAHAHAHA!”

Mayzin didn’t speak any more with him and immediately charged at him with her sword.

BOOM!

An explosion was made as Mayzin’s sword hit Ilyas.

Ilyas however was unscathed and he blocked Mayzin’s sword with his bare forearm.

“Weak.” Ilyas said and kicked Mayzin in her stomach.

Mayzin willed the Space elements and created a tear near a place the man had just kicked, making his leg get sucked into the void.

“Hmm... not bad.” Ilyas said as he saw his leg get chopped off and blocking another attack of Mayzin. He then looked at Mayzin with cold glint in his eyes and said,

“But it’s not enough to stop me.”

Chapter 253 You sure are daring

Lith’s dorm, Abalax Sky Island.

Lith was still meditating and was comprehending the laws. The elemental energy around him was concentrated to such a degree that any more influx would cause the equilibrium to be broken and the energies to roam around freely.

A few minutes passed.

‘No more energy is gathering around. This is troublesome.’ Lith thought to himself while meditating.

He started making plans to do something about this problem side by side while comprehending the elements. However, all his worries were for naught as within a few minutes, he started feeling the energies gushing towards him.

Lith felt weird as to why it suddenly happened but since it was a good thing, he didn’t dwell much on it and continued to meditate.

Meanwhile, in front of Lith, Emilia was standing and looking at him with a smile.

‘As expected, he’s the first one to breakthrough in his batch.’ She thought to herself as she walked towards a chair and got seated.

She had inscribed a few magic circles around his room and this caused the energies to flow towards Lith, who in return channeled and placed them around him.

Within a few seconds, the equilibrium broke and the colorful strands of energies appeared around Lith and were revolving around him, making the scene look like Lith was in the center of a colorful tornado.

‘He’s trying to break through here and she’s probably doing the same somewhere in the world. I wonder how’s her progress currently.’ Emilia thought to herself as she watched Lith.

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CLANG!

Mayzin’s sword was held between two yellow rows of teeth of Ilyas and a loud sound was heard.

Ilyas willed the Destruction element around his fist and it was so done so fast, the elements broke the equilibrium and were stuck to his hand, making it appear a mix of oranges and garnet color.

He punched Mayzin on her stomach with full force but she escaped from it after willing the Space element around her and appeared behind Ilyas’ back and sent a thunder spear into it.

The thunder spear only caused a slight burn on Ilyas’ back and wasn’t able to penetrate him. Mayzin obviously didn’t wait for it to penetrate and she had moved to do her next attack as soon as she sent the spear

Ilyas used the Space element and just like Mayzin, he teleported in and out of the void repeatedly and was attacking Mayzin.

His body was so sturdy, no attacks of Mayzin affected him, whereas Mayzin didn’t have such privilege in her human form.

Ilyas kept attacking Mayzin who kept defending as well as attacking and the two were moving towards the peak where Arya was while fighting.

Mayzin was trying her hardest to not let him move there and she tried her best to push him back. But Ilyas’ defense was very solid and slowly but surely, he was moving bit by bit towards Arya.

There was a long way for him to reach here, as she was at the peak of the mountain, teleporting wasn't an option for him either as Mayzin had blocked the Space elements around and made it unable to be used by him.

She wasn't called as the Star Dragon for show. Space was her main element and the rest were secondary. As for Ilyas, though he may have the Space affinity, he wasn't as proficient in it as Mayzin.

The two kept clashing and Mayzin used various different techniques to stop Ilyas.

After a few hours, she felt that they both had reached to a saturation point. She attacked and defended while he kept attacking and pushing forward.

Mayzin thought to herself, 'if this continues any longer, I'll use my trump cards.'

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Royal Castle, Nightingale.

Lilith was standing on the rooftop of the castle and was gazing in a certain direction. She had been doing it for a while.

Her beautiful silver hair and majestic silver robes shined in the darkness of Nightingale due to the radiance of the moon reflected back from it.

The wine caused her hair and robes to flutter and she had a calm and indifferent look on her face as she stood on top of the castle's highest pointy tower.

"My baby is cultivating diligently in his room and my future daughter-in-law is organizing herself to have a breakthrough. There's also Mayzin trying her best to ensure my daughter-in-law breaks through safely.

If this continues, the guy will reach Arya within a few days. Either that or Mayzin used her trump cards and stops him. Hmm... to help them or to not help them?" Lilith said to herself softly.

A few seconds later, she took out an amethyst coin from her space ring and held it between her fingers.

“Heads, I’ll not interfere unless absolutely needed. Tails, I kill the guy and ensure she breaks through safely.” Lilith said softly while looking at the coin in her hand.

The amethyst coin had a bat inscription on the heads side and the insignia of the Royal Clan on the tails side.

Each country’s amethyst coins had different inscriptions on them with the exception being the Vampire Continent where all the countries maintained uniformity.

Different counties in different continents had different inscriptions on their coins. Everyone had only one thing in common, that being the material from which the coins were made.

Lilith tossed the coin in the air and had it flip.

The coin landed in her palm in a few seconds and looking at the result, she smiled and said, “alright then.”

Lilith vanished from her spot after putting the coin back in her ring, leaving the tower empty again.

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BAM!

Mayzin hit Ilyas on his back with a thunder club. Ilyas staggered slightly as he felt the brunt but didn’t affect him much.

He jumped in the air and sent a roundhouse kick to Mayzin who once again caused a tear in space and had his legs cut off.

“Okay, enough with the warmup. It’s time I get serious.” Ilyas said with a cold glint in his eyes.

He snatched his black pearl necklace and ate it. Just as he did that, the energies in the surrounding fluctuated violently and a thick and colorful fog was formed around Ilyas.

“I’ll show you what’s called true power today!”

“HAHAHAHAHAHA!”

Ilyas said and started laughing loudly like a maniac. The hick fog started entering Ilyas’ body and it was happening a very rapid rate.

Mayzin tried to cut off the flow of energy but was only successful in doing it with the Space element.

She used various different spells and attacked Ilyas to stop whatever he was doing and got busy with it.

Ilyas kept laughing and absorbing the energy and was rushing towards the peak. Mayzin was unable to stop him from doing so despite her strong and serious attacks.

‘It seems I have to use my trump cards.’ She thought to herself.

Right at this moment, she felt a pat on her back. Mayzin looked behind her in alarm and before she could say anything,

“Good to see you again, Mayzin.”

“Lilith?” Mayzin asked, looking at the silver-haired, purple-eyed figure standing in front of her with a smile on her face.

“Yes?” Lilith asked back.

“Eh, what are you doing here?” Mayzin asked, a bit confused. She totally forgot about Ilyas closing in on her and attacking her.

“HAHAHAHA!”

“TRUE POWERRRRR! ROOOAAAARRRR!”

Ilyas shouted while running towards Mayzin, making her turn her attention back towards her.

Lilith patted Mayzin’s shoulder and said, “to ensure that my daughter-in-law breaks through successfully.”

Hearing this, Mayzin turned her head back and asked, “your what?”

Lilith smiled and as she was about to answer Mayzin, Ilyas closed in on them.

“FEEL THE WRATH!” Ilyas yelled and jumped from his place and was making his landing on Mayzin’s body while having his arms extended out to smash her.

BOOOM!

CRACK!

Before Ilyas could touch Mayzin and turn her into meat paste, he was kicked in the stomach by Lilith and was sent flying so fast that he broke the sound barrier and caused a sonic boom.

Due to the sheer force of Lilith’s, the ground cracked wherever Ilyas touched after landing down and it was only after a few minutes and him flying away for hundreds of kilometres, did the cracking stop and him as well.

“...hu ...w-who?” Ilyas tried to get up but was only able to move his face slightly and question in a horrified manner.

He only had half of his body with him as he lay down on the ground with the rest half flying somewhere else.

Lilith's kick was so powerful that his body was broken into two pieces and had she put a bit more effort, he would've become a meat paste then and there.

"H-h-how is t-this po-possible?" Ilyas questioned again with the same horrified look.

He was horrified after feeling the sheer amount of power he felt from that one kick. Not only that, before he was about to hit Mayzin, he felt an aura that made his hair stand out in fear but it was too late to back out.

Who in the world was so powerful here? Ilyas wondered in horror.

Before he could question again and have his body regenerated and get up, he once again felt the powerful aura and felt a chill down his spine, with the horror on his face intensifying.

Right at this moment, a silver-haired lady that looked like a goddess, appeared in front of his eyes and she said with an indifferent look,

"You sure are daring to touch my daughter-in-law."

Chapter 254 Lilith and Mayzin Bet

As Ilyas heard these words, he felt a chill down his spine that he had never felt in ages. Warning alarms rang in his mind and it was practically screaming at him to run away right at this moment.

However, Ilyas' body was not able to move even a single inch from its place and he could only await his fate while being in such a miserable state.

Lilith gave Ilyas a look and waved her hand, making his body burst.

Ilyas died right at this moment.

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Inside a cave.

Rays of sunlight shone on a black box that lay on a stone platform inside the cave. The cave was pretty lifeless and quiet and seemed as if no one had visited it in hundreds of thousands of years.

A few moments later, the black box trembled.

The trembling was slow at first but gradually picked up pace and the box started shaking violently just a few seconds after.

The box burst open, causing a bright radiance to spread throughout the dimly illuminated cave.

Light converged together at the spot the box was in, into the shape of a burly figure.

Soon, a man wearing a black cloth, like a towel, was visible.

He was Ilyas.

Ilyas' body shook as he recalled the scene moments before his death. He touched his face and body to check whether he really was alive or not.

"W-who... w-was i-it?" He stuttered and said.

After many hundred thousand years, Ilyas came out of seclusion to stop the dragons from having another Supreme Rank, but he failed.... Miserably.

Previously when he got news that the dragons were having a second supreme, he didn't place much importance on it as races were bound to have another person sooner or later.

However, it had not even been a hundred thousand year and they were already having a third one, this wasn't acceptable. The power balance of the world would topple and that was something Ilyas could not accept.

However...

It was only now did Ilyas realize that the power balance of the world had already been toppled.

“M-monster!” Ilyas exclaimed as he realized this fact.

The scene of him getting a hit from Lilith kept playing in his mind and even if he tried to forget it, he couldn't. It was too vivid.

Ilyas took a deep breath and tried to calm himself down. It had been so many years since someone made him be in such a condition, and him panicking and shivering was a natural instinct that still wasn't gone even after so many years.

“If she had wanted to, she could've killed me. But she didn't. Why? And who was she?” Ilyas questioned himself as he sat on the stone platform and went deep into his own thoughts.

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Below a tall mountain.

Mayzin was standing beside Lilith and looking at the crater formed in front of her, she asked out of curiosity, “why did you not fully kill him?”

She could tell that Lilith had let him resurrect and that he wasn't really dead.

Lilith smiled and said, “he's an important pawn for future events.”

Mayzin felt confused as she heard this. “Future events?”

Lilith smiled and patted Mayzin's shoulder. She looked towards the peak of the tall mountain, and said,

“Don't bother about it. It's nothing too important. Anyway, look at her, and witness the birth of another Supreme Rank.”

Mayzin looked towards the peak. Her gaze pierced the clouds that covered the mountain and fell on Arya who was sitting in a lotus position at the edge of the cliff, meditating.

Mayzin turned her head back after a few seconds and asked Lilith, “you said something about Arya being your daughter-in-law previously, right? Did I hear it correctly?”

Lilith nodded her head in approval. She smiled proudly and said, “can you believe it? My baby, he’s not even an adult vampire, yet he was able to conquer one of the top dragons so easily.”

Mayzin had a surprised look on her face as she heard this. “Are you serious?”

Lilith nodded. Her proud smile grew wider a second later and she boasted, “not only that, they even kissed.”

Mayzin facepalmed immediately after hearing this. This carefree lass who didn’t give a fuck about anyone in the world, she was captured by an underaged vampire? Not to mention, how was this so fast? If she remembered correctly, it hasn’t even been one season of the year and they already kissed too?

“No need to be so surprised, he’s my son after all.” Lilith praised herself as well as Lith this time.

This was a hidden side of her that not many got to see everyday. Her playful and cheery side which she only showed to her friends and family.

“Hai. Hai. Enough with the praises now. What are we supposed to do next?” Mayzin asked after agreeing with Lilith.

“We wait, what else can we do anyway? She should ascend within a few weeks. I’ll stay here with you till that time. Lucy is busy with the governance and is out of Nightingale, the maids and butlers are with her and there’s hardly anyone in the castle. It’s really empty.” Lilith sighed and said.

Lucy sure was very busy nowadays with things related to the administration of the vampire society. She was acting as a queen in all sense and had it not been for her being only a King Rank, the substitute in her title would have already been taken from her.

Mayzin nodded in understanding and said, “sure thing. But I don’t think there’s going to be any more trouble that may arise.”

“Don’t jinx it, Mayzin.” Lilith smiled and joked.

Mayzin looked back at Arya and asked Lilith, “by the way, do you know how this girl was taken by Lith?”

“Oh, I am glad you asked... Fufufu.” Lilith clapped her hand as she said this and chuckled.

The ground below became a fresh grassy patch and on it was a round table and two chairs with tea utensils present on them.

“Have a seat, I’ll let you know about everything.” Lilith said and sat down on one of the chairs.

Mayzin too sat down and waited for Lilith to speak.

Lilith took a sip of tea and after putting down the cup, she looked at Mayzin and smirked. “Do you know Mayzin-chan, you should be a bit more careful around Lith.”

Mayzin didn’t understand why Lilith changed topics so suddenly and putting her own teacup down, she asked curiously, “why do you say so?”

“Well, conquering the strong, ferocious, and prideful dragons is one of the greatest achievements in the world. It has been going on for ages, you know about it right?” The smirk on Lilith’s face was gone and she instead put up a smile and asked Mayzin.

“Yes. Since the dawn of the late Primordial era, when creatures became sentient and civilization started, the dragons have been killed innumerable times for this thing. How can I not know?” Mayzin said, as a matter of fact.

Lilith smiled and continued, “so stay on guard. My son can come for you anytime and conquer not just your heart, but spirit, body, mind, soul—everything of yours.”

Mayzin looked at Lilith in surprise. “Aren’t you praising him too much? I understand that he may be the strongest of his generation, but is romance really his forte too? I can’t possibly imagine myself falling for someone so young though.”

Mayzin put out her honest thoughts in front of Lilith.

The two were best friends and hardly sugar coated anything while talking to each other. It was for this reason that Mayzin's words were so blunt.

Lilith didn't mind such a blunt answer from Mayzin. She simply raised her eyebrows to tease her and said with a smirk, "you'll know soon."

Mayzin nodded her head and said, "we'll see about that."

Lilith put her hand out in front of Mayzin and said with the smirk still on her face, "wanna have a bet?"

"What bet?" Mayzin asked, a bit curious.

"Whether you're gonna fall for my son or not." Lilith said with no hesitation.

Mayzin shrugged and said, "sure. It's not like it'll happen in the future anyway. I can't really imagine a Supreme Rank, a ruler of one of the world's biggest and strongest races, would fall for such a young person. What would be my image when people see me dating your son? I'll be called shotacon and what not."

Mayzin then shook her head and continued, "yeah, I am one hundred percent sure, I am not gonna fall for him. Alright, let's bet. I'll kick your butt and laugh at you the day you lose."

She chuckled after finishing and was very sure that she wouldn't fall for such a young guy.

Dragons will be dragons, no matter the bottom most ones or the ones at the top of the food chain.

Mayzin's prideful nature was kicking in at this time and she did so subconsciously. It was an innate nature, she really couldn't control it fully.

Lilith chuckled too but didn't say anything to her. It was better to keep quiet now, as the future sure would be fun.

“Alright, let’s bet then. What do you want me to do if Lith really doesn’t conquer you?” Lilith asked the important question.

Mayzin thought for a bit and shrugged. “No idea. Maybe... uhh... how about you do any one thing that I ask of you? A simple request and a pretty generic one.”

Lilith nodded in agreement. “Alright.”

“Now, if Lith really does conquer you, and you lose the bet, I want you to...”

Lilith paused and smiled evilly while looking at Mayzin.

Mayzin felt confused as to why she was smiling like that and asked, “to what?”

Lilith chuckled and continued,

“I want you to... Twerk.”

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“I want you to... Twerk.”

Mayzin spit her tea as she flustered after hearing this statement from Lilith.

“I what!?” She exclaimed, a bit dumbfounded by such a request from Lilith.

Lilith smirked and said, “you heard me right. That’s the bet. Any problems?”

Of course there are problems! How can there not be? Her prideful nature won’t allow her to do such a thing, that was very obvious. Lilith was basically asking something impossible from her.

Lilith took a sip of her tea as he watched Mayzin struggle internally in front of her. She put down the teacup and said,

“Yeah, that... your prideful nature won’t allow you to do such a thing, that’s the reason I made this bet. If it isn’t challenging, then what’s the point of having it as a bet, right?”

Mayzin stared at Lilith for a good few seconds. She then asked, “how did you even come up with such a weird request?”

Lilith shrugged and said smiling, “who knows?”

Mayzin sighed and shook her head. ‘Its fine, I shouldn’t worry too much. It won’t happen anyway and I for sure will win this bet.’

“The bet is on, don’t go back on your words.” Mayzin said to Lilith after a few seconds.

“You too.” Lilith said with a smile.

Mayzin then asked, “so, are you going to tell me about Arya and Lith’s relationship now or not?”

Lilith nodded and started narrating Lith’s developments with Arya slowly.

Mayzin listened intently and didn’t interrupt Lilith much.

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Lith’s dorm, Abalax Sky Island.

Many hours had passed since Lith was in his meditative state and comprehending the laws.

The concentrated energies around him had broken the equilibrium and now appeared as a thick colorful fog revolving around Lith

Emilia was sitting on a chair all this while and was keeping watch on him and the thing that made her stay and constantly watch was her own curiosity.

As far as she knew, there was no Rank 2 who could pull in so much energy and concentrate it around him. It was not just impossible, but also dangerous and nobody even dared to try it.

Sure Emilia put up some spells around Lith, but those were only to ensure that Lith's spiritual power could reach a greater distance and pull in more energy. She was, in no way, providing him with energy and whatever was around Lith, were the elemental energies present normally around.

No Rank 2's spiritual power was capable of handling such concentration of energy around them and it was dangerous to be around such a pure and concentrated form of energies. It could cripple as well as kill a person in the worst case scenario.

Emilia had to stay to ensure Lith's safety as well, but who knew that he wouldn't need any help from her at all.

A few more minutes passed and Lith opened his eyes.

He took a deep breath and after exhaling, he focused on spreading the concentrated energy around him back in the surroundings and to replace the equilibrium that he broke.

Snap!

Just as he was about to do so, he heard a snap and the equilibrium was restored instantly. The thick and colorful fog was gone.

Lith turned to look at the source of the sound and found Emilia sitting on a chair and looking at him through her glasses.

He got up, stretched, and walked towards her.

"Thank you for your help, Miss Emilia." Lith said to her with a smile.

"No problem." Emilia replied with a smile and got up to leave.

"Please wait." Lith said hurriedly.

“Hmm?” Emilia turned around and looked at him, a bit confused.

“It’s dinner time already and I haven’t had food in the whole day. I assume you haven’t either, right?” Lith asked with a smile.

Emilia nodded and said, “that’s right, but it’s fine for me. I don’t really need to consume food.”

“I know, but you helped me a lot today, so please let me cook for you and express my gratitude.” Lith replied.

Emilia thought about it and nodded. “Alright. But, do you know how to cook?”

“I do.” Lith said confidently.

“Okay. Let’s go, let me help you in it too.” Emilia said while walking towards the kitchen.

“Wait, wait. Don’t go.” Lith said hurriedly.

Emilia stopped and asked after turning around, “yes?”

“Miss Emilia, wait a bit. I need to freshen up first, then I’ll go cook. It won’t take long, I promise.” Lith had been meditating for a day, he wanted to freshen up first.

Emilia nodded in understanding. She walked towards the sofa close to her and sat down on it.

Noticing that she was being so understanding, Lith didn’t waste time and rushed to the bathroom closest to him to freshen up.

A few minutes later, he walked out, wearing a new set of clothes. A bit of water was dripping down as he walked towards Emilia from his slightly wet and messy hair. He was in a rush and forgot to dry his hair up.

“Alright, let’s go now.” Lith said to Emilia with a smile.

Emilia looked at him and instead of walking towards the kitchen, she walked towards him and ruffled his hair, making them dry up. She then combed it slightly towards the side with just her hand and fixed his messy appearance.

“Let’s go.” She backed off after and said while walking towards the kitchen.

Lith was surprised with Emilia’s actions. But he didn’t say anything about it to her as it was just a trivial matter. He shoved aside these thoughts and walked towards the kitchen to cook food.

The two were now in the kitchen.

Lith planned to make a simple and comforting dinner. It was rice along with chicken and vegetable curry for the main dish. As for the side dishes, it wasn’t anything too fancy, just chicken cutlet along with hot and sour soup.

Lith walked towards the wardrobe present in the kitchen and took out two aprons from it. He gave one to Emilia and had the other for himself.

Emilia looked at him and smiled slightly. For what he said about the menu to him bringing out the aprons, he seemed serious about cooking to her.

This would be her first time cooking with a student. No, not just that, it would be her first time eating food made by a student, she was pretty excited for all these things and this made her enthusiastic and slightly excited, causing her to smile.

Lith wore the apron and started tying his hair into a rough bun, to avoid them being a hindrance and bothering him. He tied it in a rough man bun and after finishing, looked for the utensils and ingredients in the kitchen.

“Miss Emilia, please take out the chicken and vegetables from the fridge.” He said while squatting and removing a pot from the cabinet present.

Emilia nodded and did as she was told to.

Within a few seconds, everything was set up.

The ingredients were on the center isle of the kitchen and the utensils were placed in their respective areas.

Lith looked at the ingredients and after thinking for a bit, he instructed, “Miss Emilia, please cut the vegetables, I’ll wash the chicken and rice first.”

Asking Emilia to cut chicken would not be a good idea as it would not be of the size Lith would want to be in the curry. He also didn’t know whether she knew about ‘curry cut’ or not and so to not bother her too much, he simply asked about the vegetables which would be easy to do.

Emilia nodded and took an onion and started cutting it.

Lith washed rice and put it in a pot to cook it. There was no rice cooker available in his kitchen and has to resort to cooking in a pot.

‘Sorry uncle in orange polo, I have disappointed you. But it is what it is.’ Lith thought while looking at the pot with a smile on his face.

He then washed the chicken and cut it into medium sized pieces, very suitable for curries.

He turned to look at Emilia and found her looking back at him with a smile. He smiled back and looked down to see the status of the vegetable cutting and felt amused.

The vegetables were all cut and were arranged well on the chopping board in a neat and tidy manner. All pieces of the vegetables were uniformly cut and if someone has OCD, they sure would love this scene.

“That’s nice.” Lith said to Emilia.

Emilia nodded and asked, “anything else you want help with?”

Lith nodded and said, “yes. Please take out three big bowls and place eggs, flour, and breadcrumbs in each bowl respectively.”

This was for the cutlet preparation and he didn't shy away from instructing her.

Emilia nodded and started working on it. She didn't use magic for doing these things as she wanted to have a better experience.

Lith turned on the stove and fire started heating up the pot. He put in the ingredients and started to cook the chicken and vegetable curry.

Emilia prepared the things Lith asked and said about it to him.

The chicken and vegetables in the pot were fried and Lith added water into it. He stirred it a bit and after covering the pot with a lid, he walked towards Emilia.

"Miss Emilia, do you know how to make a cutlet?" Lith asked her with a smile.

Emilia shook her head. She didn't bother much about cooking all her life and she could only cook a few things.

Lith nodded and said, "then, let me show you how it's done."

Emilia nodded and watched Lith intently.

She saw him seasoning the flour and smiled. She thought to herself,

'A teacher being taught things by her own student, that's also a new experience I am having. I guess we really are never too old or experienced to learn about new things it seems. Cooking seems interesting, let's see how far it goes.'

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"So, it's flour first, then eggs, followed by breadcrumbs. The flour helps the chicken get cooked evenly and helps in preventing it getting burnt. It also helps in seasoning it. The eggs ensure that the crust is intact while frying and also acts as a glue for the breadcrumbs. These breadcrumbs make the cutlet crunchy and it's a nice contrast to the juicy and tender chicken."

Lith explained to Emilia while putting the chicken into the flour, eggs, and breadcrumbs respectively.

Emilia was watching intently and didn't interrupt him. She was getting more and more interested in cooking as Lith continued to explain things to her.

In Lith's previous life, his parents were working and his mother used to make food in the morning. This food was made in large quantities and it was supposed to be had for lunch and dinner as well by Lith and his siblings.

Lith had no choice but to eat whatever was at home. A few years later, his siblings joined outdoor activities where there was food for them and Lith also decided that he'll cook for himself when at home.

Their mother got a bit of load off of her when this happened and she stopped cooking the whole day's meal and only made breakfast during the weekdays.

Lith spent most of his time studying and when he was free, he first cooked food for himself and then spent a bit of time using his phone. He had no choice but to study to have a better future for himself and the only other skill that he had in his previous life was cooking.

Cooking helped him later in that life as he saved a lot of money. He went to a foreign country to study when he got a scholarship and take out was expensive there so he cooked meals for himself and saved money on it.

Yes, it was difficult on him to attend college for six hours a day, study at dorms, do a part-time job as well as cook, but such was the life of a poor student like him in that world.

Lith recalled many things while he cooked and it sure did make him a bit melancholic. It affected his mood and also the tone as he explained things to Emilia.

And of course, this didn't go unnoticed by Emilia. But she didn't call him out for it and just listened to him explain things.

"Alright. So that's two big pieces of chicken thighs ready for frying. Of course, two aren't enough so I'll do a few more and while I do this, Miss Emilia, can you please put some oil in the pot?"
Lith's melancholic mood was starting to fade as he got back to focusing on cooking.

Emilia nodded and went to do her work.

Lith finished covering all the pieces of chicken and after washing his hands, he put another pot on the four burner stove to make hot and sour soup.

It was a vegetable soup so there was not much work needed to be done. He just sautéed some vegetables in oil and put in sauces and stirred them for a few minutes. After that, he added water and cornstarch to thicken it and covered the pot.

“Please open the lid of the rice pot and sprinkle half a tablespoon of salt and mix it with a wooden spatula.” Lith instructed Emilia, who was standing beside him and watching him put the chicken in the oil.

Emilia nodded and did as she was told to..

“When cooking rice, it’s best to avoid adding salt as the curry and the cutlet have salt in them. Rice would be bland but it would taste better that way when the flavors of the curry and cutlet mix in. That’s what everyone thinks and makes food. But it’s just me who prefers to season the rice a little bit for extra flavor.” Lith explained to Emilia with a smile as the chicken was getting fried.

Emilia had no opinion on this and simply nodded in understanding. She was someone who didn’t eat food, so it was a normal thing.

Lith then opened the curry pot and spooned a little curry out. He tasted it first to check if it needed something to be added or not and realized that indeed did.

He spooned out a little again and raised the spoon close towards Emilia and said,

“Here, have a taste and tell me what feels less or more.”

Emilia didn’t think much and simply put the spoon in her mouth and tasted the curry. She tried her best to think what was missing but she couldn’t come up with an answer even after a few seconds.

Lith chuckled looking at the spoon still in her mouth and her thinking. He smiled and said to her, “Miss Emilia, the spoon isn’t edible, and also, tell me the answer now.”

Emilia noticed the spoon still in her mouth and immediately let go of it. She felt a bit embarrassed but didn't show it on her face and said normally,

"I can't think of anything, so I don't really know."

Lith nodded and said, "it's understandable. The curry is missing heat. We need to add more red chilli powder in it. It also does miss a little salt but that's on purpose."

Emilia nodded hearing it.

Lith added red chilli powder to the curry and mixed it well and closed the lid on it. He then opened up the soup pot's lid and tasted the soup with a spoon. It was good, there was nothing that was needed to add more in it. He spooned a bit more and raised it towards Emilia once again.

Emilia knew Lith wanted to have a taste of it and like before, she didn't think much and tasted it. She let go of the spoon this time right as the soup entered her mouth.

Just as the soup was intended to be, Emilia felt the heat of the chillies from the soup and also the sour flavor coming from the different ingredients in it. But, what surprised her was that it wasn't too spicy or too sour. There was also the saltiness balanced well with the spicy and sour flavor.

Emilia gulped down the soup and said to Lith with a smile, "it's delicious. The spicy, sour, and salty flavor are balanced well."

Lith nodded and said, "yes. You must've also noticed that the spicy flavor, although intense, isn't overpowering and too spicy. Wanna know the reason why?"

Emilia nodded with interest.

"It's because I added a little sugar in it. There's a little trick which everybody knows but everybody fails to implement into their cooking. When cooking a sweet sugary dish, adding a pinch of salt enhances the sweetness instead of making the dish saltier. Same applies with spice and sugar." Lith explained with a smile.

Emilia felt amused knowing this. She never would've known that there was so much depth to cooking had she not decided to help Lith with cooking today. She could also correlate these things with many aspects of life and thus her interest for cooking grew more and more as Lith continued.

These things continued until all the food was made and the two stopped the cooking talk after the food was served on the dining table.

Lith and Emilia sat opposite to each other on the dining table and started having their food.

Emilia took a spoonful of curry rice and ate it.

Just as she did so, she felt explosions of flavors happening in her mouth. The food felt the tastiest she had ever had in her life. She closed her eyes and slowly savoured every bite of the simple curry rice.

Lith was looking at Emilia to see what was her reaction. In the end, he wasn't disappointed at all when he saw her show a face of pure bliss. She really seemed to be enjoying it.

He didn't interrupt her and ruin this moment and slowly spooned a little curry rice himself and ate it. As he did so, even he felt surprise as the flavors spread on his palate.

'What happened? Why does it feel so tasty? If I remember correctly, I was never able to make something this tasty back on Earth.'

What Lith didn't know was that it was due to himself that the food became much tastier. Back on Earth there was no magic or special physique like he had currently. There weren't special tools available either for cooking like there were available here.

There were a lot of such factors that went into play as he cooked seriously today and that was the reason for it to become so tasty.

'Is it because of Miss Emilia helping me make it? Hmm... I should cook again, this time, solo, and test it out.'

Emilia opened her eyes after she gulped down the curry rice and this time she forked a piece of cutlet and tasted it.

The piece was very crunchy at the outside and she bit more onto it, the tender chicken just melted in her mouth, causing the flavorful oil of the chicken fat to ooze out and spread all over her palate.

“Mhm~”

Emilia felt so amazed by it that she accidentally let out an ecstatic murmur.

Lith’s thoughts were broken as he heard this and he looked at Emilia in surprise. ‘She sure seems to be enjoying the food a lot it seems.’

After the cutlet was finished, Emilia tried the soup and it was amazing too but not as much as the cutlet. She then had a sip of sweet iced tea and her palate cleansed. This time, she tried the same things again and this bite felt just as amazing as the previous one.

Lith ate his food quietly and didn’t disturb Emilia. Watching her blissful face felt amazing and he didn’t want to let her get conscious of her actions and stop.

Within a few minutes, the chicken cutlet on Emilia’s side was over and Lith had only finished half the curry rice on his plate, one-fourth of the soup in the bowl and just one chicken cutlet.

He was too busy watching Emilia and didn’t focus on his food properly.

He noticed Emilia to run out of chicken cutlet and he could tell that she enjoyed that dish more than any other present on the tablet. He smiled and said to Emilia,

“Miss Emilia, there’s more cutlet on the tray.”

“Hmm?” Emilia turned to Lith and hummed in question. But soon her gaze fell on the cutlets present on the tray. She wanted to take it but realized that she shouldn’t do such a thing. She had her share of cutlet and those were Lith’s.

She controlled herself well and said to Lith by shaking her head, “no, it’s your share. I can’t have it.”

Lith shook his head too and said to her, “no, it’s fine. Please have it. I insist.”

Emilia shook her head again and said, “no, can’t do.”

Being polite was an angel’s innate nature. It was the same as dragon’s being prideful.

Thus, Emilia’s polite nature took the better of her and made her deny the food Lith was offering her.

Lith smiled and said to her, “Miss Emilia, watching you happily eat the food cooked by me would make me more happy, than me having that. Please, I really insist, have it. There’s a lot of other things present on the table for me to eat anyway. Also, it’s not like I didn’t have the cutlets at all, right? I did taste it too.”

Emilia thought about it for a few seconds and nodded. Lith’s words convinced her easily.

She took the tray and put one cutlet on her plate. She cut it with a knife and hearing the crunch that was made, she smiled. She forked a piece and ate it. Once again, she made the face of pure bliss and got absorbed into the flavor.

A few minutes later, the two were finished with the food and all this while, they hadn’t talked to each other at all as the two were too busy.

One eating, another watching.

Emilia looked at Lith and said with a rare smile, “thank you for the food. It was amazing.”

Lith nodded and said, “happy to serve. Also, Miss Emilia, can I ask you a few things?”

Emilia nodded and said, “yes, let’s clean this up first and go to the living room and talk.”

Emilia was in a very good mood today. All these months, ever since the entrance exam, there was one headache after another that she was getting. It was only today that she finally got a chance to relax and truly feel happy.

It felt very weird to her as well knowing that just some food could make her this happy. Had she known about it previously, she would've ordered some and ate it.

But then again, it wouldn't taste as amazing as this. She had no knowledge or experience related and she didn't know its value. It was the same as someone not knowing what a diamond is and just treating it as a cool looking shiny stone.

After finishing up, they sat on the sofa present in the living room. There was only one sofa so both were sitting together.

Emilia turned to look at Lith and asked, "so what is it that you want to ask, Lith?"

Lith smiled and said, "firstly, I would like to thank you once again for helping me today. I would've fell short on elemental energies had it not been for you."

Emilia shook her head and said, "no need to thank me. It was my responsibility to do so. I am your teacher after all."

Lith then said, "that aside, I feel that within a month I'll be able to break through to Rank 3. But for that, I would need to meditate in the same way as today for the coming month."

Emilia nodded hearing it. She roughly understood what Lith was trying to ask her but didn't interrupt him and waited for him to speak.

Lith then smiled and continued, "I just want to ask, are you free for a month by any chance?"

Emilia raised her eyebrows in surprise as she heard this. He sure was pretty straightforward about things.

Instead of answering Lith directly or saying anything, she first thought about things a bit and then took out her phone to text.

She opened the messaging app and texted Sel. The chat of hers with Sel looked as such:

Emilia: Sel, am I free for a month?

Sel is typing...

Sel: No.

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Emilia looked at her phone with her brows knitted as she saw Sel's straightforward and blunt response. She then texted:

Emilia: Really?

Sel is typing...

Sel: Yes.

Emilia: Understandable :SadCatThumbsUp:

Sel: ...

Sel: Madam, those emojis work on a different messaging app. We have changed from that to this long ago.

Emilia: :SadBear_CircleTheGround:

Sel: ...

Sel: Anyway, anything else you'd like to ask?

Emilia: Yes. Please postpone everything from this month to next month. :Hehehe:

Sel is typing...

Sel: Madam, you shouldn't do this...

Emilia: Just do it Sel. I have some other work. :))))))

Sel is typing...

Sel: Is it more important than your current ones?

Emilia: I don't know :shruggie:

Sel: ...

Sel is typing...

Sel: I'll do something about it.

Sel: Anything else?

Emilia: That's nice. ㄣ(???)?

Emilia: And no, nothing more is needed. I'll see you later then. Byebye :wave:

Sel: Bye

Emilia put her phone back in her ring and then put on a pondering expression once again. After a few seconds, she looked at Lith and said,

“Why'd you ask?”.

Lith raised his eyebrows in surprise and looked at her with a dumbfounded gaze. She took so much time and so much thinking to ask him this? What was up with this lady?

Lith however, didn't voice out his thoughts and said, “I need your help.”

Emilia nodded. She could roughly guess what it was that Lith needed help on but she waited for him to say it himself.

Lith continued, "I feel that I'll make a breakthrough to Rank 3 within a month, but for that, I would need to meditate everyday. As for the help that I need from you, it's the same as what you did today."

"So... are you free for a month? Can you help me out, Miss Emilia?"

Lith felt it was worth a shot to ask Emilia for help. If she denied, there were no problems either way since he had backup options too. He could always go home and his mother or sister would happily help him out for the same.

But, Lith tried his best to not rely on them too much and take advantage of his family. If he kept doing it, what would be the difference between him and a young master of a rich family?

Somewhere during the tour of Espat, looking through Minzoi's Memorial or helping Muron, Lith felt that it was amazing to adventure outside. There was just so much to do and it seemed so fun too.

Being in the academy, Lith felt he was being caged. It wasn't fun at all. He was with a bunch of teens who weren't above Rank 5 and it was a sad sight for him. There was no challenge for him, no fun at all. He wanted to go through the ups and downs of life and for that, he would have to adventure outside.

So during the Espat tour, just like any shounen protagonist, Lith also made up his mind to get stronger.

But, but, his goal wasn't to dominate the world or to rule over everyone or to build a big empire for himself, his goal was simply to have fun, adventure and explore this world. Having a goal would help him adventure better, that was the only reason he made up his mind to have one such.

Of course, he wasn't going to aimlessly try to be strong or had any vague idea about it. When someone says they want to be strong, a question would pop-up which would be, 'how strong is strong?'

Lith obviously didn't know about the answer to this question so he just chose a few targets whom he would try to surpass. They were the benchmarks he would hope to cross in future.

First would be Lucy, then probably Arya, and then finally, his mother, Lilith.

Lith just assumed that his mother was the strongest, then after her it was Arya, followed by Lucy and made his goals accordingly.

But, there was a long way to go to surpass any of the three. It would take a lot of time and effort to do so. That being the case, he was in no rush and he would make one breakthrough after another in a relaxed manner and not rush it. He would adventure and have fun while doing so.

Back to the current situation, Lith looked at Emilia with a smile and waited for her answer.

Emilia thought about things for a bit and said nodding, "I'll be here for you then. But only for a month, okay? Not a day more. And there's also another condition."

"What condition?" Lith asked, a bit confused as to how this sudden thing came up.

With a small smile on her face, Emilia said gently, "cooking sessions, to have cooking sessions like we had today, everyday for a month. That's my only condition. Can you do it?"

Lith smiled and nodded. "Sure. It's not a big deal anyway."

Emilia felt happy when she heard it but she didn't express it or have a change of expression on her face. She simply nodded and said getting up, "it's done then. I'll see you tomorrow."

Lith nodded. "Have a good night."

"You too." Emilia said and left.

After she did so, Lith slumped on the couch he was sitting on and slept immediately. He was too tired and exhausted after cultivating so hard and was in deep sleep in no time.

Next day.

Lith woke up and felt refreshed. He yawned and got up from the couch to stretch. But before he did so, he heard a gentle voice.

“Good morning. Did you sleep well?”

He turned his head towards the source and saw Emilia sitting on a chair a few meters away from him on the side. He smiled and said,

“Good morning, Miss Emilia. Yes, I slept well.”

Emilia nodded and asked, “so, when are you going to start?”

Lith stretched and said, “after I freshen up and have breakfast.”

Hearing about food, Emilia’s eyes lit up slightly. There will be a cooking session now! Amazing! Such were her thoughts. But like before, she maintained her composure and didn’t have a change of expression on her face. “Alright. I’ll wait till then.”

Lith stretched and walked to the bathroom to freshen up. After he was done, he went to the kitchen to cook a simple and healthy breakfast.

Emilia followed him there and like before, Lith instructed her to bring ingredients and took out the utensils and placed them in their respective places. After he was done, he gave Emilia her apron and wore his own.

“Any guesses on what I’ll be making for breakfast, Miss Emilia?” Lith asked with a smile while pointing towards the ingredients.

Emilia shook her head. She had no idea.

Lith nodded and said, “I’ll be making french toast. It’s an everyday food in the Vampire Continent. Many love it. There’s also scrambled eggs, pancakes, and hash browns. For drinks, it’ll be hot coffee.”

Emilia took note of what could be made with the ingredients present in front of her and nodded in understanding.

Lith made Emilia shred the potatoes while he sifted all purpose flour into a bowl.

“Any guesses as to why I am putting the flour through a sieve?” Lith asked while sifting.

Emilia thought for a bit and said while shredding the potatoes, “to have uniform particles of the flour?”

Lith nodded and said, “that’s correct. It is done so that there won’t be lumps formed and uneven pieces while eating. It also would help ensure that the batter is cooked well all together.”

Emilia smiled hearing it. At least she got something right today.

Lith then continued instructing her, telling her various different things, and finally was ready to prepare the last dish for breakfast, the scrambled eggs.

He had Emilia on his side this time and was standing right in front of the stove.

Lith opened the cabinet below him and took out a pot from it. He got up and shut the cabinet with his leg while flipping the pot in a fancy manner and putting it on the stove while simultaneously turning the stove on.

His body was capable of doing such fancy movements and if he could do so, then why not try it?

Lith felt happy when he succeeded in doing it. He then put some butter in the pot and spread it in it. While doing so, he looked at Emilia and joked,

“I’ll try my best to make creamy scrambled eggs and not overcooked torn omelette.”

Emilia didn’t get the joke and wondered what was overcooked torn omelette.

“So the best way to make creamy scrambled eggs is to cook them slightly on heat and then slightly off heat and add a little milk into the egg. Firstly, we’ll prepare the egg mixture.” Lith said.

He walked towards the center isle and took some eggs in his hands and said, “while the butter is getting heated up, in a bowl, add eggs, put some milk, and then whisk it slightly so that they get combined well. Cracking eggs directly into the pot is also an option but this is a much better and refined way.”

‘Thank god I used to watch a lot of cooking shows in my free time and that one cook’s video who kept cursing people by calling them a donut, idiot sandwich, and whatnot. My cooking has improved because of him, I am thankful for that man.’ Lith thought with a smile on his face as he whisked the eggs.

He then went towards the pot and cooked the scrambled eggs.

“I haven’t seasoned it yet, I’ll do so now when it is almost finished cooking. The seasoning will be a simple salt and pepper one.” Lith said while sprinkling some salt and freshly grounded pepper on top of the eggs.

He mixed the eggs again and cooked them. He spooned a bit from it and brought it near his mouth. He blew on it to cool it down and tasted it to check whether everything was proper or not.

It was not, there was something missing. He spooned some more eggs and raised the spoon towards Emilia’s face and said,

“Have a taste and guess what’s the problem.”

Emilia didn’t shy away from Lith’s offer and put the spoon in her mouth. After having the eggs in her mouth, she let go of the spoon immediately.

From the last incident, she had become conscious of this action and always ensured that she left the spoon immediately after having food.

Emilia tasted the eggs and after thinking for a bit, she said, “there’s less salt?”

Lith smiled and said happily, “bingo! That’s the right answer. You’re learning things very quickly, Miss Emilia. Hi-five!”

Lith raised his hands to hi-fived Emilia and Emilia too went along with it and hi-fived.

Emilia was in a good mood when she heard Lith praise her. But in a few seconds, she felt slightly weird as she became conscious about it.

‘Why am I feeling happy by getting praised by him? He’s so much younger than me. Shouldn’t things be the other way round?’ Emilia thought to herself as she looked at Lith add some salt in the eggs and cook again.

A Rank 2 vampire made a Seraphim, an Emperor Rank angel happy, how weird was this thing? Emilia had these thoughts.

But soon her thought process was broken when Lith said that breakfast was finished cooking and it was time to eat.

Breakfast was served on the table and the two started having it.

‘Mhm, just like yesterday, I really have gotten good at cooking it seems. Good job me, haha.’ Lith thought while eating a hash brown.

Emilia cut into her stack of pancakes and had a bite of it. The soft and fluffy pancakes felt a bit dry at first but then they got mixed with the maple syrup and butter and things balanced out.

“Mhm~”

Emilia once again let out an ecstatic wail when she felt the sugary goodness on her palate which of course wasn’t gone unnoticed by Lith.

Lith was happy that his cooking made her feel like that and just like yesterday, he didn’t disturb her and had his food in silence.

After they were done with food, Lith sat down in the middle of the living room and started cultivating.

Emilia inscribed the needed circles around the room and sat on the couch to observe Lith.

Lith began cultivating and only stopped when he felt that he was done for the day.

It was night time and just a few hours were left before bedtime.

Lith freshened up and got to cooking dinner and like before Emilia followed and made dinner with him.

After they were finished cooking and eating, Lith walked Emilia out of his floor and towards the staircase. Just as they said their byes and she was about to leave, Lith said hurriedly,

“Miss Emilia, wait a minute.”

“Hmm?” Emilia turned and hummed.

Lith smiled and said, “you know, it’s not just breakfast, lunch, and dinner that is made and eaten. There’s snacks that are eaten in between these meals and as far as I know myself, I’ll probably wake up in the middle of the night to have a midnight snack. You interested in cooking that and eating?”

Emilia’s eyes lit up as she heard this. Was she interested? Of course she was! That shouldn’t be a question.

Emilia, who from yesterday got interested in cooking, today became a foodie, and also a cooking enthusiast.

She smiled slightly and said nodding her head, “yes.”

She then walked downstairs and said to Lith with a small smile, “I’ll be in your living room and work then. Whenever you wake up, just let me know and we’ll go cook again.”

Lith nodded. It sounded a good plan.

They both went towards his room again and Lith slept in the bedroom while Emilia took out her laptop from her ring and worked on a few things.

At three in the morning, Lith woke up when he felt the urge too pee. He was a vampire but only a mortal one right now. Going to pee and other stuff had to be done until one passed Rank 6 in cultivation.

Lith went to the toilet to pee and when he came out of the bathroom, he saw the time. It was 3 am.

He realized that he had said about having midnight snacks to Emilia. But he was too sleepy to cook anything.

Still, he mustered up some energy and walked out of the bedroom and towards Emilia in the living room.

He saw her sitting in gray sweatpants and a white hoodie, wearing her gold rim glasses and working on her laptop.

Lith walked towards Emilia and held her hand. He pulled her with him and said yawning and in his sleepy voice, “lesh go make shnack.”

Emilia was surprised with Lith’s actions but realized that he was asleep. She giggled slightly when she noticed this and was slightly happy knowing that he didn’t forget about the things he had said to her even in such a sleepy state.

They reached the kitchen and Lith looked for oats in the kitchen. He soon found them and placed them on the center isle in front of Emilia.

He said in his half asleep voice, “oatmeal.”

“Oatmeal?” Emilia asked gently.

“Yesh. Add oats to bowl. Add peanut butter, honey, nuts, and hot water. Mix and cover with a lid. Few minutes pass, mix again and when water gone and oat become porridge, add berries, honey, banana and strawberry. Little salt too. Oatmeal... shnack... ready... zzz...” Lith slumped on the center isle after he was almost done explaining.

Emilia giggled slightly again when she noticed this but a few seconds later, she knitted her brows and thought to herself, ‘does this mean I have to cook now? Will I not mess it up if I do so? I haven’t cooked before at all...’

But right after a few more seconds, she became determined to make food and thought again, ‘it’s okay. I’ll be able to do it! C’mon Emilia, you’re a powerful Seraphim, this thing should be easy to do and should mean nothing to you! You can do it!’

Emilia waved her hand and an apron came out of the wardrobe. She wore it and became determined to make the oatmeal.

‘I can do it!’ She thought and hyped herself up.

Emilia did as she was instructed and after finishing up making two bowls, she was about to wake up Lith to have him eat it but stopped herself from doing so.

‘Oh no, I forgot to taste it to check if something’s missing or not.’ She thought and immediately tasted a little from both bowls.

Emilia knitted her brows as she ate the oatmeal and thought, ‘thankfully I tasted it. It feels a bit bland and I should add a bit more honey.’

Emilia did so and tasted again and this time she smiled happily when the taste was good.

She woke up Lith to make him have it.

Lith was still half asleep when he woke up, so Emilia had to resort to holding his hand and walking with him towards the living room.

They sat on the couch and Emilia handed him his bowl that was floating beside her and took her own bowl in her hands.

Lith spooned big heaps of oatmeal and ate them quickly while Emilia was eating her's slowly.

It was her first time cooking something, she won't just eat it in one go, would she?

Lith finished eating and put the bowl on the table. He got back to the couch and slumped on it, accidentally placing his head on Emilia's lap. He fell asleep almost instantly after.

Emilia was surprised with his actions but she didn't wake him up or blame him. He was half asleep, it wasn't his fault.

She simply smiled and said in a gentle and soft tone while patting his head,

"Sleep well."

Chapter 258 Pure Angels

Days passed one by one.

Everyday, Lith used to cultivate, cook, talk with Emilia or his family and friends, and sleep. It was a monotonous routine but it wasn't boring.

In these days, Lith had become much closer to Emilia and they were now more like friends than teacher-student.

Emilia stayed on Lith's floor all these while and her culinary skills were improving as days passed.

To make things more fun and interesting, Emilia decided to not use any magic while cooking and just did it normally. Magic was used only a little bit for minor things.

Emilia had learnt enough from Lith and could now cook things on her own, which was what she was doing. She was making pizza and cookies.

The pizza was in the oven and she was making the dough for the cookie. After mixing everything and having a taste of the dough, she felt something was missing. She tried to recall from her memories what it was that was missing but wasn't able to do so.

‘Maybe it’s something I missed listening to,’ She thought to herself. Emilia then smiled and thought again, ‘maybe I should go and ask him.’

She took the bowl containing the cookie dough and walked towards Lith’s room.

She entered his bedroom and saw Lith standing in front of a mirror, wearing just a towel and drying his long and wet silver hair.

Emilia stopped in her tracks as she noticed this and said, “umm... I’ll come back later.” .

Lith had noticed her coming into his room and when she said that, he turned around and said, “it’s no problem, Miss Emilia. Is something the matter?”

Emilia shook her head and said, “no, no, it’s nothing. I’ll come back later.”

Lith smiled and said, “it’s fine, it’s fine. Just tell me the matter and I’ll try my best to help you. I am not too busy anyway.”

Emilia felt bad for intruding like this and wanted to leave to not disturb him, but now looking at him insist like this, she had second guesses on whether she should leave or not.

After a few seconds, she decided that since he’s insisting and not too busy, she should ask him the thing she was here for, get done with those things and leave quickly to not disturb him too much.

She walked close to him and showed him the cookie dough and asked him a few questions on it. A few minutes later, she could smell something burning.

“Oh no! Oh no! No! No!” Emilia cried out in alarm and ran towards the kitchen in panic.

“What happened to her?” Lith thought to himself and went behind her to see what was it that was causing her to panic.

When he reached the kitchen, he saw Emilia take out the pizza from the oven. She was holding the hot tray with her bare hands and there was smoke coming from the oven as well as the pizza.

The smell of the burning pizza hit Lith's nose and he realized why she had panicked and ran back here.

Emilia took the burnt pizza out and placed it on the table. To get a better look, Lith walked close to center isle and while doing so, he said,

“Ah, so the pizza got bur—”

Lith's towel got stuck to the edge of the cabinet drawer that was left open by Emilia and it came off.

“Oh my...” Emilia said in surprise and hid her face with her hands. There was a tinge of red on her beautiful face that hid behind her hands.

“Oh crap!” Lith let out a surprise cry when he felt the towel come off and hurriedly tried to wrap it back on his waist.

After finishing, he looked at Emilia and said, “I am so sorry about that. The towel got stuck and then that happened.”

Emilia slowly took her hands off and noticing that he had everything wrapped up, she smiled awkwardly and said, “it's fine. I understand it was an accident. Anyway, about the pizza...”

Emilia still had a blush on her cheeks as she tried to change the topic. It didn't go unnoticed by Lith and he could tell that she was purposely playing cool when in reality she wasn't.

His guess was correct, Emilia really was doing this. It was her first time looking at a man's thing and if it were any other angel in her place, they would immediately pass out instead.

Angels were pure beings. They believed in sex only after marriage and before that, they never really saw each other or anyone else nude as a matter of fact. They were very pure and innocent.

Many angels don't even kiss before marriage and the most conservative ones don't even hold hands or touch the person they love. As that's apparently considered sinful to them.

The holy books of the angels had only the thing about not having sex before marriage but there were many loopholes in that statement. But, the angels being angels, that is innocent, gullible, and pure, they simply overreacted to things and made a mountain out of a molehill.

The angels thought that the statement also meant not holding hands or being in physical contact with the person of opposite sex. They thought it was sinful and thus passed down these teachings and even now, there are a lot of angel families who think like this. These were the conservative angels.

There were also some angels who found the loophole in it. These were the ones who did everything with each other except for intercourse. This was completely valid in reality and the angels were allowed to do this.

Some angels found the loophole in the conservative angels' teachings and thought that only touching the person of the opposite sex was not allowed. What these people did was, they had sex with the person of the same sex, which wasn't in accordance with the teachings of the holy books and they fell from grace.

This caused angels to freak out and think that loving someone of the same sex wasn't allowed and things became very complicated and problematic.

There were a lot of other things that happened as well and many more such problems occurred due to that one simple teaching. All the holy books mentioned were that having sex before marriage was sinful but things became too heated in the angel society.

At a certain point in time, the angels were hated by the world for having such a toxic society and teachings whereas in reality things were much simpler.

It was only a few hundred thousand years ago that all misunderstandings were cleared and the angels were deemed as the most innocent, gullible, pure, and holy beings in the world.

The misunderstandings of the angels was cleared by the Angel Kings who made a public appearance in a long while and told people about the things in the holy books and updated them with their teachings.

They taught the angels the correct things and soon, the angel society was back to being normal. Of course, the conservatives still stayed conservatives and bent on their own opinion that everything said by the Angel Kings wasn't really true.

They could say such things as their own teachings were formed by the Angels Kings of the previous generations. These people were disliked by the Angel Society.

All in all, angels really were very pure and Emilia was no exception to this.

She hadn't seen a man's thing up until now.

Though that was the case, she was an experienced lady and she didn't show how embarrassed she was on her face. She played it cool by changing the topic but internally she wasn't cool and her heart was beating crazily while in her mind, it was Lith's thing that she was constantly seeing.

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A/N:

Hi dear readers, author here. I am really very sick and so the chapters have gotten delayed. Don't worry though, I haven't missed a single day and I update daily. Once I get back in good health, I'll upload 2chpt/day.

Also, webnovel crashes sometimes during I upload so please clear cache and refresh. Things are problematic when uploading from the app of webnovel.

I hope you understand my concerns. Sorry for the inconveniences.

Have a nice day ??

Chapter 259 Hateful Fellow

Lith looked at Emilia's blushing face and understood that the previous incident wasn't off her mind yet. He wondered what she was thinking about it.

Judging by her face, she doesn't seem disgusted or anything of such sorts. The blush on her face and her overall reaction made her appear curious and embarrassed instead.

Lith was amused noticing this and he was also a bit relieved knowing there weren't any problems.

The two discussed a bit about the food and Lith left the kitchen to go wear clothes.

Emilia sat on a chair present near the center isle and breathed heavily right after Lith left. Her cheeks turned more rosy than before and covering her face with her hands, she said softly,

“W-what d-did I see...”

Emilia put her hands on her face and covered them to hide her blushing face and tried to calm down.

A few seconds later, she was back to normal and wearing her gold rim glasses back, she cleared her throat and said to herself calmly,

“Get a hold of yourself, Emilia. Look at you blushing so much and letting out reactions like a young girl in love.”

She got up from the chair and shook her head lightly, waving her silky blonde hair around. She slightly massaged her head and slicked her hair back, tying them into a bun.

“Time to cook the pizza again.” Emilia said.

She took out the pizza dough from the fridge and spread it on the table. She rolled it flat and after having the base ready, she put the sauce on it and then the cheese.

“Ah, the toppings are over. I need to prepare them again. I would need to cut the veggies and the sausage and... uhh... sausage... oh... no...” Emilia’s face turned back to the rosy color as the sausage reminded her of that thing again, making her picture it once more..

Having photographic memory was sometimes an inconvenience. Emilia didn’t want to recall it but she was helpless and couldn’t stop it. It was involuntarily and her thoughts weren’t in her control.

Lith stopped in his tracks as he heard Emilia say those things. ‘What’s with this reaction from her? Not that I am complaining though. Her reaction as well as her face, both seem so cute, haha.’

Lith walked close to Emilia and said to her, with the smile still on her face, “what’s going on, Miss Emilia?”

Emilia got surprised as Lith came out of nowhere and asked her that. She was still in her thoughts about the sausage thing and was in a daze.

Emilia looked at Lith and when she saw him, she once again recalled his thing. Her face flushed slightly but this time she suppressed her reaction and said to Lith calmly, “I am making a pizza again.”

Lith nodded and said, “alright, let me help you. Hmm... you’ve made everything already. Just the toppings are remaining to be added. What are you thinking of the toppings?”

Emilia took out some veggies and started chopping them. While doing it, she said, “some veggies and sau– pepperoni.”

Emilia changed her answer midway when she realized how wrong things went just a few seconds ago when she said that word.

It obviously didn’t go unnoticed by Lith and he smiled internally knowing that she was trying to avoid saying sausage. He could connect the dots and came up with a conclusion that sausage reminded her of naughty things.

‘So that’s what making her let out such cute reactions. Amazing.’ He thought to himself. He got the general idea on what’s needed to be done to make her have that reaction again.

He had nothing better to do right now, apart from cultivate, cook, and sleep. So to have some fun, he decided to tease Emilia to pass time while cooking. They were much closer than before and he could very easily talk to her in a friendly way and tease her.

Lith nodded hearing her answer and said, “that’s nice. I suggest adding some olives and more meat in there. You’re adding pepperoni right? Add sausage in it too. Sausage and pepperoni are a good combo.”

As soon as Emilia heard this, the blush on her face returned but since Lith was here, she tried her best to control it and not embarrass herself.

She didn't say anything to him and simply took out a sausage from the cabinet below. As soon as she held the sausage in her hand, her mind started having dirty thoughts. She felt as if she was not holding the sausage but something else.

Emilia's hand trembled slightly but she put the sausage on the table and decided to cut it into small circular pieces. But picked up her knife and held the sausage down with her other hand. Just as she was about to cut into it, the picture in front of her changed.

It wasn't the sausage anymore that was under her hand but Lith's shaft she saw earlier.

'Nooooooooo!'

She could tell that it was hallucination and not real but it seemed too real and she didn't have the power to cut into it. Doing so would seem like...

'No, no, Emilia. What are you thinking and doing? You're an angel, no, you're an Emperor Rank, a Seraphim... You shouldn't react like this. Let these dirty thoughts out. Let them go, let them go, let them...'

Emilia started chanting the same thing over and over again with her eyes closed and her face flushed, hoping to drive the dirty thoughts away.

Lith covered his face and tried his best to not laugh out loud. He was enjoying every bit of watching Emilia. Her reaction was too exaggerated but also too cute and funny.

A few seconds later, Emilia tossed the sausage back in the cabinet and said to Lith with a serious face, "I'd like to eat less meat today. So only veggies and pepperoni."

Lith nodded and said, "okay, no problem."

He decided to not tease her too much and cause trouble for her. He knew just how much of a big deal it was for the angels to have naughty or impure thoughts and he didn't want to put Emilia into a difficult position. He just wanted to have a bit of fun and his motive wasn't to hurt her in any form or way.

Emilia made pizza for Lith and herself and the two got busy after finishing. Lith got back to cultivating and Emilia sat a few meters away and did her work while keeping a watch on him.

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A week passed.

This was the last week Emilia would be here for Lith. After that, everything would go back to normalcy.

In these three weeks, after the sausage incident, Lith teased Emilia even more when he wanted to have fun and Emilia obviously found out that Lith had found her weak spot and was using it to his benefit.

She asked him to stop teasing her so Lith did just that. He stopped saying anything about the sausage but teased her with a lot of ecchi and sussy stuff. Like purposefully stroking a cucumber in front of her while washing it or kneading a dough in a slightly sexual way, etc.

Emilia asked him to stop doing these things but when Lith asked her why, she was at a loss on what to do. Lith caught her in that moment and asked her to not have any dirty thoughts and teased her again, causing Emilia to lose face against him.

Things like this happened on many occasions and Emilia felt that she had no face left anymore. She was currently sitting on the sofa while looking hatefully at the meditating Lith a few meters away from her.

‘This fellow... so hateful. I never would’ve thought I’d be corrupted to such a degree. It’s such a shame... If others got to know about it, I’d be laughed at.’ Emilia thought to herself.

“Tsk.” She clicked her tongue in annoyance and then thought, ‘What happened to the innocent and gullible guy from the entrance exam? How did he change so much? How did he become so shameless? How— Oh, wait a minute.’

Realization dawned upon Emilia right at this moment. She got up from the sofa and looked towards a certain direction and glared with an even more hateful gaze and thought,

‘This damn stinky lizard! It’s all her fault. It was definitely her that corrupted Lith. And her corruption was so strong, it got to me through him. Damn it!’

She cursed Arya in a polite way and her thoughts were broken only when she felt the magical fluctuations around her to become violent.

She shifted her gaze back towards Lith and saw the thick colorful fog of elemental energies to revolve around him violently like a raging tornado.

She furrowed her brows and prepared herself to take action immediately if something went wrong. The moment seemed tense.

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In a certain corner of the world.

Two beautiful ladies were playing chess together at the base of a tall mountain. They were none other than Lilith and Mayzin.

Lilith was about to make a move when she felt something. She looked towards a particular direction and it was the one where the Abalax World Academy was.

She turned her gaze back to Mayzin and said with a smile, “do you know, my baby is going to have a breakthrough today.”

Mayzin nodded and said, “good. I’ll be watching him with great interest after this thing is done.”

Lilith felt happy as she heard this. She too nodded and said, “yes, let’s watch him grow together. It’ll be very fun.”

Mayzin nodded again and said, “alright, now make your move.”

Lilith smiled, played her move and said,

“Check.”

Chapter 260

Changes.

A simple word that’s so profound yet so flexible to use.

A word containing so much depth, so much meaning, while at the same time meaning nothing.

A simple word that answers the most primitive philosophical questions.

The word, the thing, the act, the action; one that moves everyone and everything.

It’s change.

Never would I have imagined that sitting amidst violent fluctuations of elemental energies, I would be trying to comprehend about a single word.

So many days of cultivation, so many days of meditating, practicing, and whatnot; the final thing that I needed to do was to comprehend this one word.

I don’t know whether I should be happy that I realized it soon, sad that I didn’t realize it soon, or be content with whatever has happened.

Anywho, the comprehension is finished, my core color has almost changed, all that’s needed to be done now is to break through, then consolidate my cultivation and stabilize everything.

Exhales

Alright, time for ascension.

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Lith was sitting cross-legged in the middle of his living room and around him was a thick colorful fog waving around and also rotating like a raging tornado.

The elemental energy was so concentrated here that anyone below Rank 6 would get gravely injured.

Emilia had no idea how Lith was faring so well in such a condition and she wondered whether this was a result of him having a good physique, or due to having superior control over the elemental energies.

Still, even if everything was fine currently, things could become a problem at any time and she had her maximum focus and attention on Lith. She was prepared to help him at any given moment's notice.

Lith on the other hand was relaxed. He wasn't thinking anything and his mind was at peace. He was currently in a lucid dream-like state where he knew that he wasn't in the real world but he couldn't tell if everything around him was real or not and he also couldn't tell if it was a dream or not.

This is a fantasy world Lith lives in and the concept of dream worlds wasn't anything foreign. Lith could visit his own dreams if he wanted to and could also replay them.

So he was familiar with dreams and the state or place he was currently in, he did not know what it was. All he could do was to go with the flow and see what'll happen next.

Lith was sitting cross-legged in the middle of a large pond, on the water. Around him was thick gray fog and he couldn't see anything besides water. There also didn't seem to be any sun or moon here and everything was gray and dim.

Lith couldn't move from his place, nor could he speak or do anything. The only thing that let him know he was here were his thoughts and his ability to see and feel.

He could feel the water touching him and he could also feel the coldness of this place. The breeze that came periodically here made him feel much colder and made his hair as well as clothes flutter.

Soon, Lith heard a drop and the calm water of the pond rippled. He then heard another drop and the water rippled again. Then as time passed, there were more and more drops falling in the pond and

the still water was now violently rippling. There were tides starting to form in this pond and the water was gushing out due to it.

The tides engulfed Lith and he was soaked from head to toe with water. But despite that, he couldn't do anything.

The color of the pond started changing and it was becoming bright golden in color.

Soon, the entire pond's color changed to bright golden and...

BOOOOOM!

A bright golden beam shot out from where Lith was and reached so high in the skies, there didn't seem to be any end point to it.

Right at this moment, in a place far far away.

Inside a majestic dark palace.

A lean handsome man in red robes was sitting on a throne and was looking at the people below him with a sharp gaze.

But soon he frowned and looked up, his gaze pierced through the palace and he looked at the dark night sky of the world.

In the sky shimmered three blood red moons and there was nothing but empty space and darkness all around them.

The man tried to focus more but found nothing.

He closed his eyes and pinched his glabella this time for a change and when he opened his eyes, his purple pupils saw a golden beam of light shooting through the skies with its end nowhere to be seen even for him.

The man's eyes opened wide and he immediately got up from his throne.

He extended his hand out and soon, lightning crackled around his palm and a large purple colored spear was made. There were three white dragons made up of lightning revolving around this spear.

The closed his eyes, took a deep breath, opened it again, and looking towards the golden beam of light, he said in his deep voice,

"I won't let it happen again."

BOOOOOOOM!

The spear was sent with such force that the in the next instant of it being thrown, the people below the man's throne were all crushed into meat paste and the entire palace collapsed.

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At the edge of a cliff.

An old man was standing and gazing at the night sky that lay in front of him. Below him was a sea of clouds and as far as he could gaze from the place, there were only clouds available.

Soon, the old man felt something. He punched his glabella and soon saw a golden beam of light soaring the skies.

The old man stroked his long white beard and said, "Again? It's not even been a thousand years yet. What's happening in the Astral Plane? This is the third time now."

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In the middle of an arena.

The day was bright and a burly man was sharpening his martial skills by practicing them.

Soon, he felt something and he looked in a certain direction towards the sky. He pinched his glabella and saw a huge golden beam of light.

“Ho! ho! A third genius! But I wonder who it is? I didn’t even know who the other two were and was never able to meet them. But, but, last time I didn’t do anything, this time I’ll try to send a message and also test this new genius, haha!”

The burly man stepped hard on the ground with one of his legs, causing a crater to form around him and a big metallic silver sword to fly out from it.

The burly man kissed the sword and ran his fingers through the blade once and threw it towards the golden beam of light.

BOOOOOM!

“I hope you clear this and meet me, genius.” The burly man said with a smile and continued to do his training.

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‘Ugh, what’s happening, I am suffocating. I can’t breathe and there’s water everywhere.’ Lith thought to himself.

He was still sitting cross-legged and in the same position, but, the level of water in the pond has risen for some reason, making Lith drown.

The water was fully golden and Lith could see nothing but the golden color around him. His suffocation was intensifying with each passing second.

A few seconds later, Lith heard a gentle voice. It seemed to be that of a female. Lith could make it out properly.

The gentle voice said to him, “do not panic. Comprehend the thing that you were trying to do right before your ascension.”

‘Huh? What’s with that answer?’ Lith thought to himself.

But since there was nothing better he could do and he was almost dying here in this unknown place or state, Lith decided to take the risk and follow what the voice had said.

He started comprehending the thing from before.

‘What’s the thing that’s everlasting?

What’s the thing that’s constant?

What’s the thing that’s omnipresent?

The thing that drives each and everyone forward, the thing that does not know what’s possible or impossible, the thing that follows logic, yet at the same time it does not and is completely illogical yet relevant.

The process, the reaction, the movement; one that has been present since the beginning of time, and the one that’ll stay till the end of time.

The one that caused the creation of universe, the one that may also cause the destruction of the universe.

The thing present in everything, the simplest act of all,

It’s...’