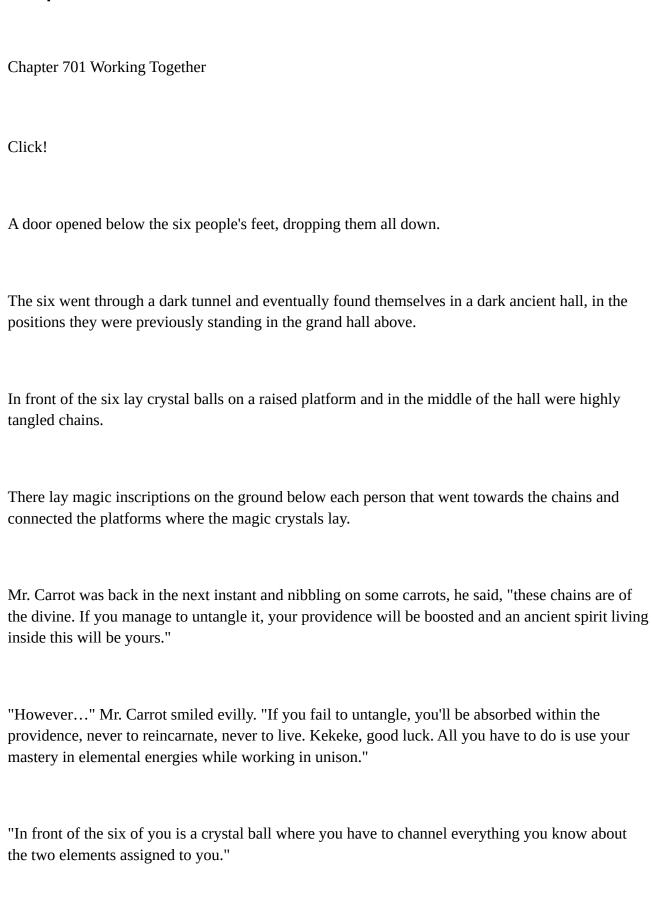
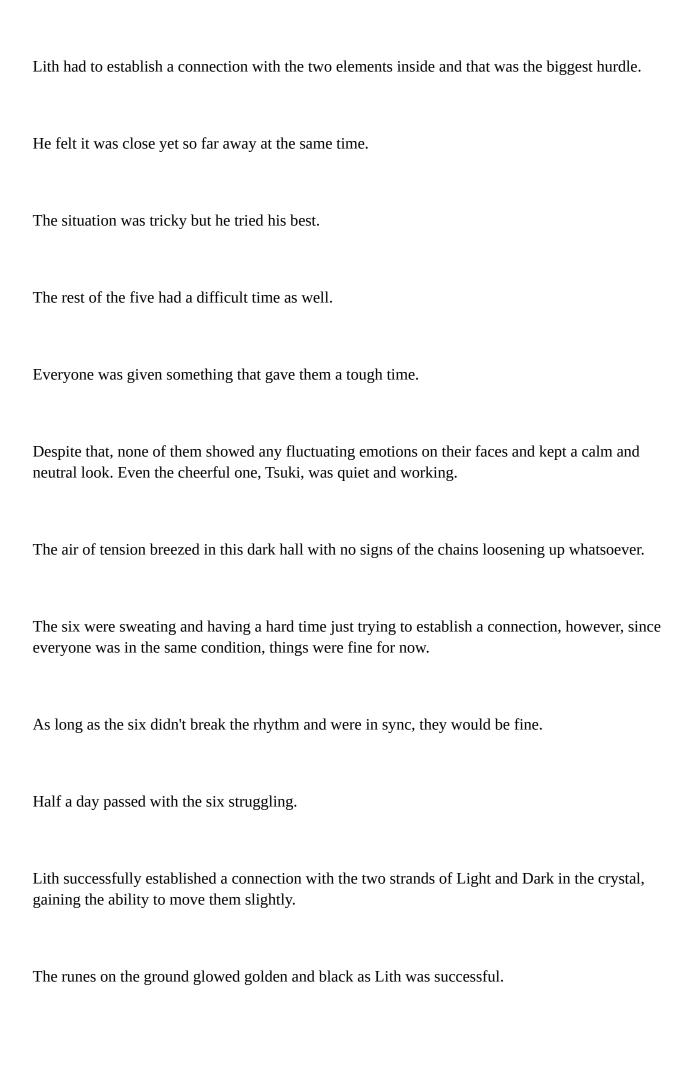
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Mr. Carrot didn't say anything else and disappeared, leaving the six confused and flabbergasted.

Lith, for the first time, had a thought: 'Is my life at risk now?'	
He had never been in a life threatening situation before and this seemed to be the first.	
This time, things depended not only on him, but the other five in this room as well. If they messed up, Lith was sure to die.	
This task here was all or none types — either all of you will pass or all of you will die.	
Lith had full faith in himself, but he didn't have faith in others. He didn't know whether they'll be able to perform properly or not.	
Just like what was going in his mind, the same were the thoughts running inside the rest of the people.	
Sebastian looked at everyone and then diverted his attention back to the crystal ball.	
Everyone else did the same too.	
Nobody in here were rookies or beginners. They were the best of the best in the entire universe.	
They believed in talking less and doing more.	
What ran inside Sebastian and everyone else's mind after looking at each other was:	
'I am gonna do my best, everything else is totally on luck.'	

They believed in luck more than they believed in the others.
It was simple; if their destiny was to die here, they would. If it wasn't, they wouldn't.
They didn't focus on what wasn't in their hands, rather, what was in their control and worked on it.
Lith touched the crystal ball and felt the small energies inside it.
From the looks of it, there was Light and Dark in there, two opposing elements.
Dark wasn't an issue since his proficiency in it was considerably high. Light, however, was.
Lith hadn't gotten much time after waking up to cultivate his Light element and increase its proficiency. Whatever he knew right now were things he had learnt before he went to sleep.
Although he didn't have a mastery in the element, his understanding of it was far greater than anyone in the same Saint Rank realm.
Taking a deep breath, Lith focused on the elements in the crystal ball.
He peered into the ball while injecting it with some elemental energy, but his energies repelled back, making him understand that he could only work with what was inside the ball.
It was kind of like bending what little amount of energy was inside the crystal and not bring any external ones.



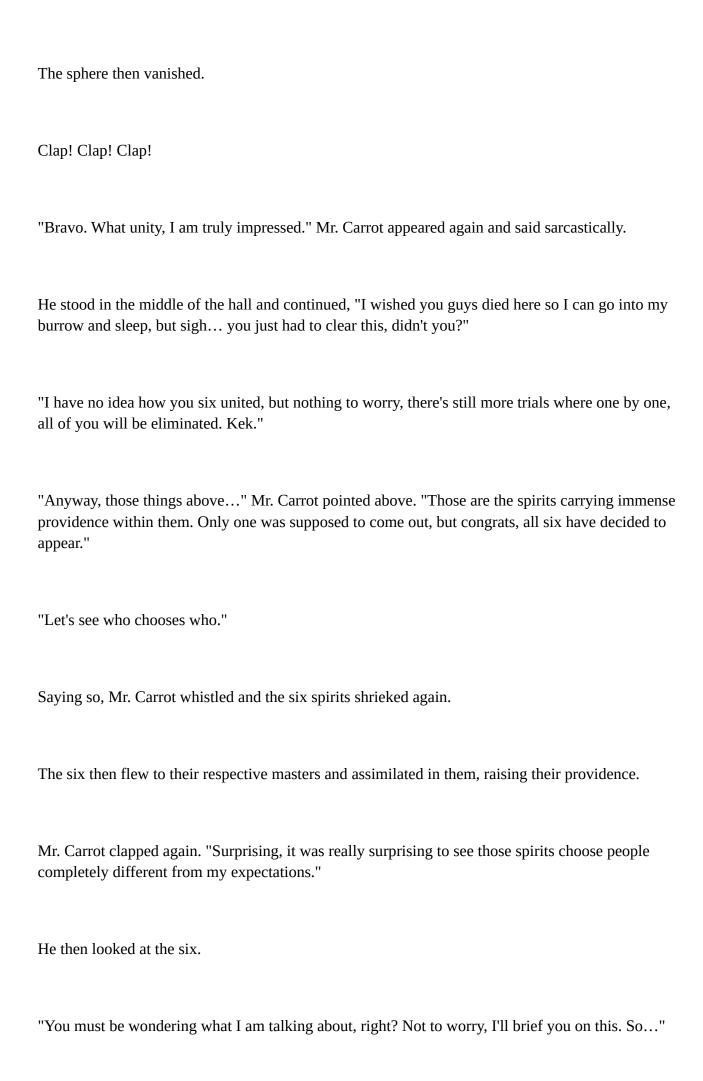
The other five were surprised by this, but eventually got motivated to work harder as they realized at least someone among them was slightly reliable.
Time continued to pass and one by one, the runes on the ground glowed with the colors of their respective elemental energies.
The dark hall was getting brighter as the six formed a proper connection with the elements.
Once everyone could control the two strands of elements in their respective crystals, they tried mending them in ways that would make the chains in the middle show some movement.
Lith tried to coil the Light and the Dark strand together. It was difficult as they both opposed each other, but once a braid started appearing, he could hear some clanks from the chains, getting a signal that what he was doing was indeed working.
Lith channelled all his knowledge of Light into that one strand and tried to cast spells with its help.
The first spell Lith cast was something related to creating a trap.
In this trap, Lith made the Dark element dissolve.
It was unsuccessful and Lith felt his connection weaken with the two strands.
The glow of the runes below shunned and Lith faced a backlash.
The Light and the Dark elemental energies within his body started wreaking havoc and hurt him.
Lith faced pressure from both sides, the weaking connection and the chaotic energies within him.

Any mishap on any end would result in him as well as the rest of the five dying completely in this place.
A drop of sweat trickled down Lith's face as the moment he was in turned heated.
Among the rest, except Iki, Ariel, and Anne, Sebastian and Tsuki were having as much of a hard time as Lith.
Around Tsuki, there were chaotic winds and lightning while around Sebastian, void cracks had appeared that were not only pulling him inside, but spouting out cold storms that gave him a frost bite in many different regions of his body.
It was evident that things were becoming a mess.
"Focus on the flow of Water and let the Space expand."
Iki, the quiet samurai guy, finally said something.
His eyes were closed and his focus was completely on the crystal in front of him. Yet, his words reached the person he was saying it to.
Sebastian took a deep breath and said, "thanks, mate."
He focused on the advice and got to doing his thing.
In a matter of few seconds, the storms started disappearing and the cracks in space were filling up.

Although Sebastian's body wasn't healing, he was getting the situation under control. "Let the Light be your guide and pave a path in the everlasting darkness." Ariel, the quiet one like Iki, spoke. Lith was taken aback for a second as he didn't expect someone to help him, but eventually started heeding her advice because why not? "Light and Dark aren't unrelated. They're the two sides of the same coin." Ariel said calmly once again. Lith suddenly had an epiphany as he heard that and the once weak connection successfully became strong again. Lith gripped the two elemental strands and instead of braiding them together, he wove them in a mesh-like structure and created a sphere, wherein he trapped the remaining energies of the two elements. KLLINGGGGG! The chains clinked together loudly and untangled slightly, creating the most movement till now. Ariel flashed a small smile while the rest heaved a sigh of relief. Lith got himself some room to breathe and fixed the energies wrecking havoc within his body. Eventually, looking at Tsuki struggle with Lightning and Wind, he adviced,

"There's no storm without a loud thunder, and there's no chaos without a great storm."
The rest had no idea what the hell Lith just said, but the runes below Tsuki shined a bright purple and green, making them understand that whatever Lith said, made sense and helped Tsuki.
The chains untangled greatly once again due to Lith's advice and the six learnt that they would need to help each other if they wanted to clear this trial.
Thus, they finally began talking and helping, and the room was eventually filled with the clanging sounds of the chains, untangling itself little by little.
Chapter 702 Providences
Shiiiiinnggggggg!
The chains untangled themselves completely and fell to the ground, showcasing a bright sphere that illuminated the entirety of the dark hall.
KUUUUU! KUUUUU!
A blue-colored phoenix flapped its wings and soared high into the sky.
ROAAAARRRR!
A black tiger jumped into the sky from the bright sphere, roaring loudly.
HISSSSSS!

A giant twelve-headed serpent hissed its way up in the air.
Three more beasts joined this party, with the rest three being a bear, a boar, and a sugar glider.
The six beasts roamed the skies of the dark hall while shrieking as loudly as they could.
These were the spirits the rabbit-man was talking about which held immense providence within them.
The six were expecting to see one spirit as Mr. Carrot had mentioned, however, it was a surprise to see six for one person each.
While the spirits circled the air, within the bright sphere emerged six similar wooden sticks.
They flew to one person each and lay beside their crystal ball.
Then emerged artifacts, each of different shape and size, completely different from one another.
They also flew to their respective owners and lay near the crystal ball.
What Lith got was a bracelet while others got a sword, a lance, and so on.
The bracelet lay near the crystal ball, beside the wooden stick.
Finally, six manuals emerged from the sphere and went to their owners.



The twelve-headed serpent, which represented adaptability, overcoming challenging hurdles, personal growth, guardianship, and transformation, went to Sebastian instead of Iki which Mr. Carrot was expecting.

As for Iki, he got the boar spirit which represented tenacity, ferocity, strength, protection, abundance, resourcefulness, and prosperity. Pretty surprising.

Then, Ariel, the white-haired woman with golden eyes and a warrior-like appearance, was another surprise for Mr. Carrot.

The bear spirit represented wisdom, endurance, fighting spirit, healing, nurturing, vitality, harmony, balance, and the most important of all, provided a deep insight into the natural world and the spiritual realm.

As for the sugar glider, which was an odd one out among the rest of the beasts, it represented cheerfulness, healing, playfulness, intelligence, joy, communication, and one who possessed providence of this spirit would usually end up becoming a great peacemaker.

It wasn't surprising that Tsuki got this.

The tiger spirit, representing agility, strength, speed, ferociousness, fearlessness, keen senses, courage, assertiveness, vigilance, and watchfulness, went to Anne.

These providences were surprisingly very good and everyone was already amused by it.

However, Mr. Carrot continued, "...not only is it that, there's also something special about the tiger spirit."

"It paves a path to navigate the unseen or the subconscious realms. Not just that, but..."

It offers insights into spiritual awareness and the fucking mysteries of life and death!
That was a really cool providence if Lith were to personally say.
Finally, when it was Lith's turn, Mr. Carrot seemed oddly shocked.
The shock from Lith was much greater than he had from others.
The phoenix spirit chose him and that was no joke whatsoever.
The phoenix spirit held great significance and was often associated with rebirth, transformation, and resilience.
The providence encompassed several aspects, like its ability to rise from its own ashes, representing renewal and immortality.
The spirit of a phoenix granted individuals the power to overcome adversity, recover from setbacks, and embrace a new beginning.
Furthermore, the phoenix was linked to fire and the element of fire — representing passion, power, and purification.
The presence of a phoenix spirit brought warmth, inspiration, and a fiery determination to those connected with it. The bearer would ignite creative energy in others, illuminates paths, and offer guidance during challenging times.

The most important aspect of it all was the ability to peer into the cycle of reincarnation and even have the ability to alter it!
Life, death, reincarnation, it flowed into one another like water and the cycle has been continuing since eons.
Lith just gained the providence to jump into the reincarnation aspect of it.
Mr. Carrot only said this much, but Lith knew there was more to it than what he just mentioned.
What it was, the question was something yet to be known.
Mr. Carrot, for the first time, didn't have a good feeling about something and looked up into the starry skies.
What was going on in his mind was:
'Heavens, if he and that red-haired got together, the cycle of Life, death, and reincarnation would be completely altered. There was no need for such providences to come out. Why what's going on
Mr. Carrot had many questions and didn't speak for quite a long time. He just stared up in the sky.
After ten minutes, he looked down and shaking his head, continued, "Whatever. Enjoy your providences."
He pointed his finger at the wooden sticks. "Hold them."
Nobody questioned him and just did as asked.

As soon as Lith held it within his palm, he felt the stick to suck some spiritual energy out of him and transform.
The stick turned into a beautiful black earring that was the shape of a cross.
As for the others, someone's stick turned into a bracelet, someone's into a ring, someone's staff, and so on.
"Those are communication artifacts. You six can communicate with each other. I have no idea why you got it since in the next few trials, you're gonna die anyway. But whatever."
Annoyance could be seen starting to appear on Mr. Carrot's face.
Lith ignored him and removed the white cross earring from his ear. It had been so many years since it became useless. He only kept it as is because it looked cool.
There was no need for it now since he got something better.
Lith swapped the earrings and wore the bracelet as well.
Once everyone was done, Mr. Carrot clapped his hands again and the six were teleported away.
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Opening his eyes, Lith saw himself standing atop an enormous active volcano, lava splashing and turning inside it.
There was so much warmth coming from down there that Lith believed he would be turned into ashes if he tried to move closer to it.
He had no idea why he was here or what the trial was, but suddenly, he started hearing a puppy's whispers.
"Wooo"
Looking down, what Lith saw turned his eyes wide open.
"REN!" Lith yelled in reflex as he saw his puppy holding onto his dear life at the edge of the volcano.
He wanted to run and take him away, however
"Your Highness?"
"Lith?"

From the other side, Lith heard two familiar voices.
Turning, he saw Ralph and Dennis held hostage by a massive red centipede that was crawling on the edge and making its way down at the lava.
Lith was shocked to his core once again and wanted to yell, but didn't, in fear of startling the centipede and making his two friends fall into the lava.
The situation here was very dangerous.
From the heat Lith felt from the lava, he was a hundred percent sure that dropping down into it would kill him, even though he was a Saint Rank immortal.
Ren and his two friends were not even a question.
Lith used thought acceleration and sped up his thoughts to analyze the situation as fast as he could.
From the looks of it, he was in such a difficult situation that he could only choose one to save.
Ren was still a small puppy, not strong enough to hold on for long.
Ralph and Dennis would die any moment they touched the lava.
Both the parties were close to him and he didn't want to lose any of them at any cost.



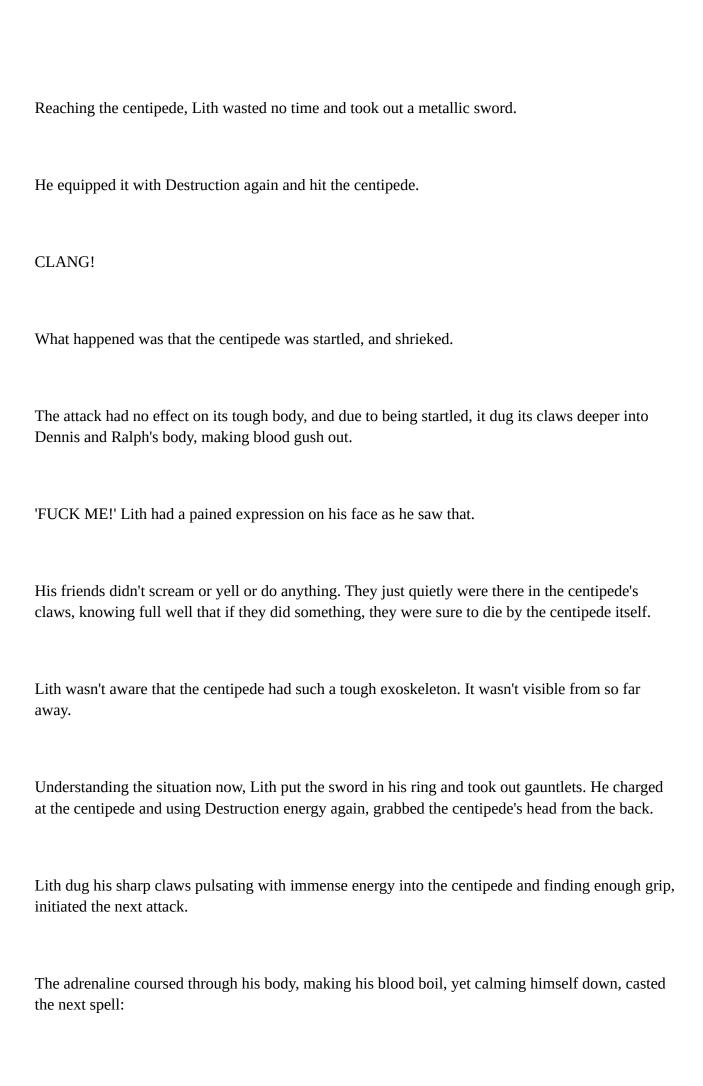
This would give him freedom to have a wider understanding of things and eventually look for alternatives to what can be done.
This was what Lucy was trying to teach Lith.
After what she had said, Lith remembered his mother's teaching about illusions.
"If you cannot differentiate between an illusion, dream, and reality always treat it as if it's real, but, let your thoughts run free as if you're in an illusion and could bend realities."
Having sudden enlightenment from it, Lith immediately closed his eyes and looked everywhere through his senses instead of focusing on Ren or his two friends.
Not even a second later, Lith found out this active volcano could burst any moment.
There was a small vent at the bottom which was letting of hot vapors from it and keeping it from erupting, but it wasn't big enough to handle it much.
This would let the volcano erupt and eventually consume everything in its path.
Lith got the needed hint and immediately dashed downwards, ignoring Ren and his two friends.
His sudden action surprised Mr. Carrot who was watching as a spectator.
"Kekeke, your both closed ones will die."

Mr. Carrot wanted to see Lith lose someone close to him. He really wanted to, thus intervened and kept saying weird things to hurt Lith.	
He was a spectator and couldn't interfere physically; words were his only way.	
Lith's brain automatically ignored something which wasn't coming in his way. His full focus was or the vent at the bottom of the volcano.	1
As he reached the vent, he could see lava flowing from it.	
Without wasting a single moment, Lith cast an AOE Water element spell on the areas near the vent.	
A loud explosion occurred.	
Such a disturbance would've caused the lava to erupt like a bomb, but the water cooled down and solidified the lava, causing it to turn obsidian as well as various other precious rocks.	
Tumultuous changes occurred within the volcano. Lith ignored them all and went to attack other weak places at the base.	
Streams and streams of lava erupted from the volcano in just a matter of seconds and Lith dashed u towards where Ren and his friends were.	p
Getting up, he saw Ren whimpering while being caught by the spider.	
On the other side, the centipede that was going down had its movement delayed because a good amount of the lava's level had dropped.	

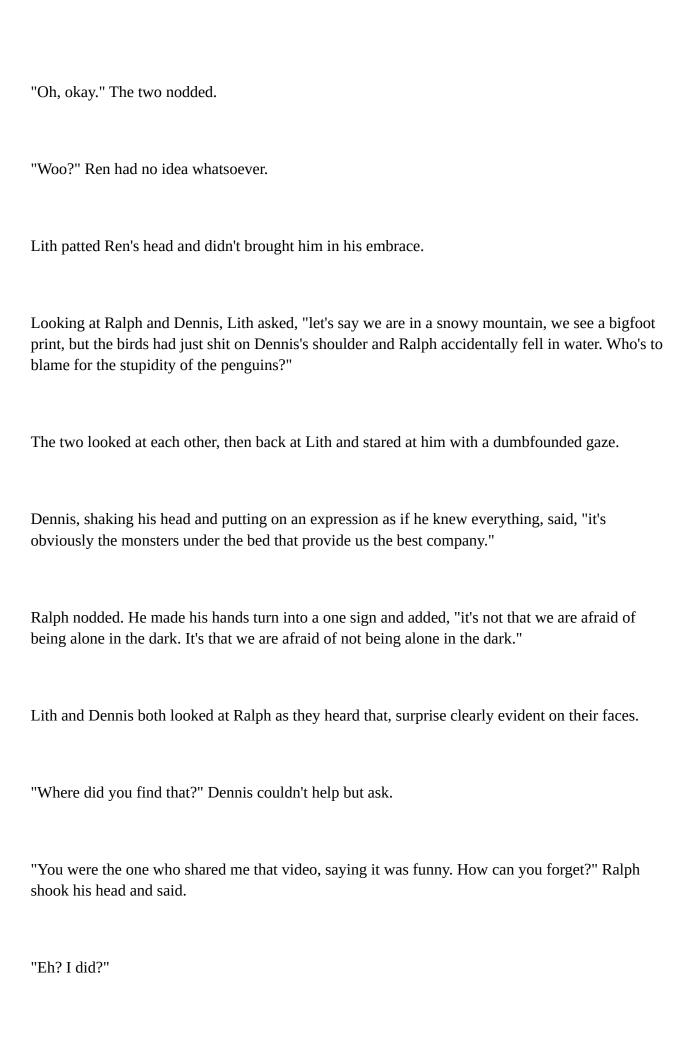
Lith took a deep breath and took out a lance from his ring. He equipped it with a Destruction spell and sent it flying towards the spider that was holding Ren. The lance was sizzling with the Destruction elements around it and bending space, it crushed the spider's skull in one bloody shot and pinned it to the surface behind it. Ren was in the spider's clutches and since the body of a spider was still alive and moving for a while, he hadn't been dropped down. It would take a few minutes for the spider to be fully dead, just enough for Lith to get his friends. If possible, Lith would've used the Space element but there were too many restrictions on him. The only available elements were Time, Destruction, Water, and Wind. The only saving grace was being able to use the Water element. Although the concentration was really low and Lith could only just use one more attack for it. Space would've made things so much easier with Lith being able to teleport immediately and save the two in a jiffy. However, that wasn't much of a guarantee since the lava levels were way too high and his two friends would've died by the centipede going down already.

Lith used the Wind elements and using knowledge of proper aerodynamics, charged at the front with super sonic speeds.

The lava levels had dropped by a good 50% by this time.



'Ten thousand fragments.'
A loud rumbling resounded in the atmosphere and Lith's claws could be seen vibrating at a speed faster than sound itself.
The centipede shrieked its life out and wiggled violently, causing more harm to Dennis and Ralph, however, the claws dug deeper into its body and in just a few seconds
BOOOOM!
The centipede's body exploded into ten thousand fragments.
Ralph and Dennis were caught by Lith in time and didn't fall into the lava below.
Lith took them to safety on the ground and went to fetch Ren.
Once all three were down, Lith looked at the three's injuries.
He got to work and started healing them.
Chapter 704 Dennis Is Unemployed
Once the three were healed, Lith looked at the three and asked, "Ralph, Dennis, before we talk, answer my question first."
The two looked at him with a confused expression.
Lith pointed out, "I do not know if this is an illusion, dream, or reality."



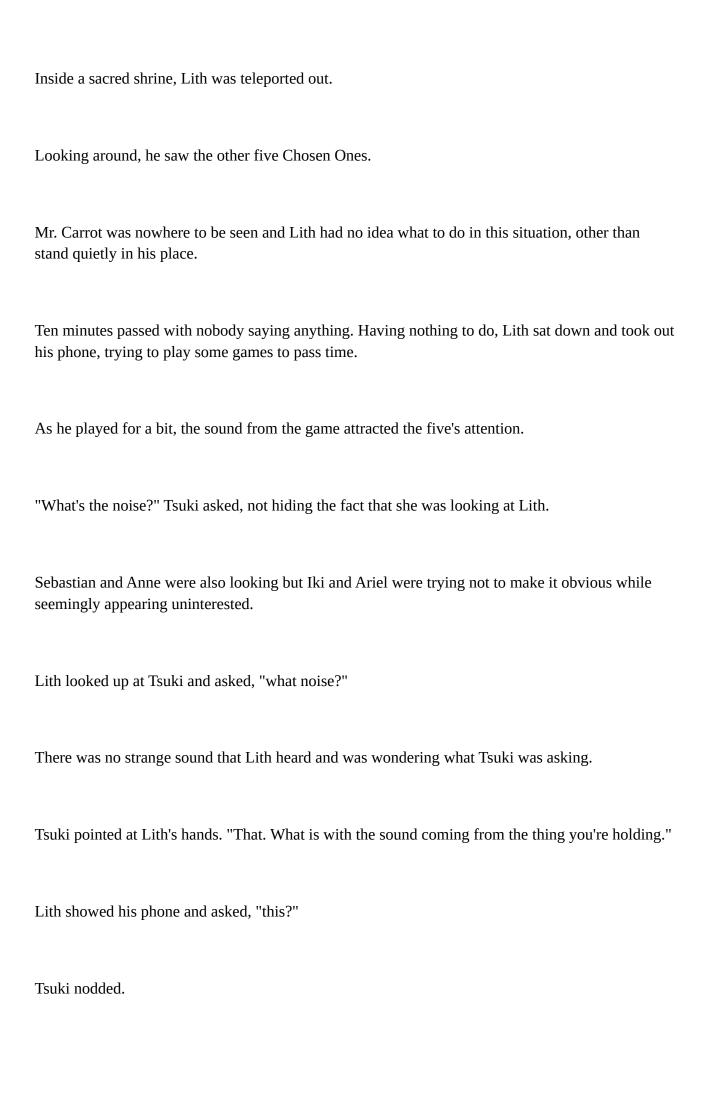


Then they were taken into quests and cleared them one by one.
Eventually, the two stumbled across a difficult one and messed up, thereby getting caught by a final boss level centipede.
It was way higher than their own strength and almost felt like cheating. Also, with how things were, they were sure that it was no coincidence that they saw Lith here after getting caught.
Lith agreed with them. It really wasn't.
The three were the top geniuses of the world, smart enough to actually figure things out easily.
Lith told them what had transpired and the two were shocked to know about them.
Eventually, something clicked Ralph and he asked, pointing at Lith's earring, "is that thing off? Or can others always hear you?"
Lith shook his head. "It's always off. If someone wants to say something, this thing will vibrate and let me know that there's a message."
Ralph shook his head. "I don't know. You must take precautions. You might've gotten that so that someone could monitor you constantly. Think about it."
It made sense, but Lith didn't find anything odd about it, at least till now.
He knitted his brows because what Ralph said might be true. And if it was, he was in real trouble.

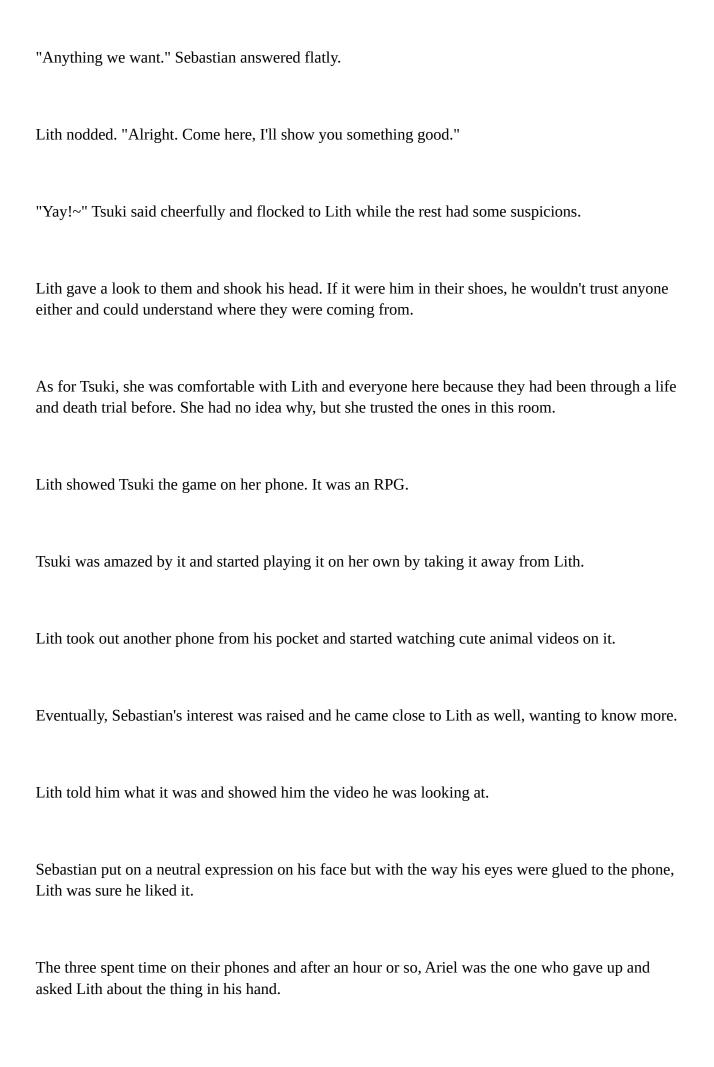


Apparently, one was supposed to be sacrificed in the past trial since it was a trial about sacrifices.
However, both survived, and thus were put back into the place they had been taken away from.
As the trial came to an end, Lith, Ralph, Dennis, and Ren got many rewards.
Lith got a lot of extra things and they were so good, even the system made a chime and said:
[Ding!]
[Host has obtained the Spirit of Neutrality.]
This made Lith confused and he asked what it was. This was something out of his knowledge.

Spirit of Neutrality:
— Gain 40% trust of two sides in an instant.
— While de-escalating any conflict, increases your overall potential by 15%. Chapter 705 Amused By Phones

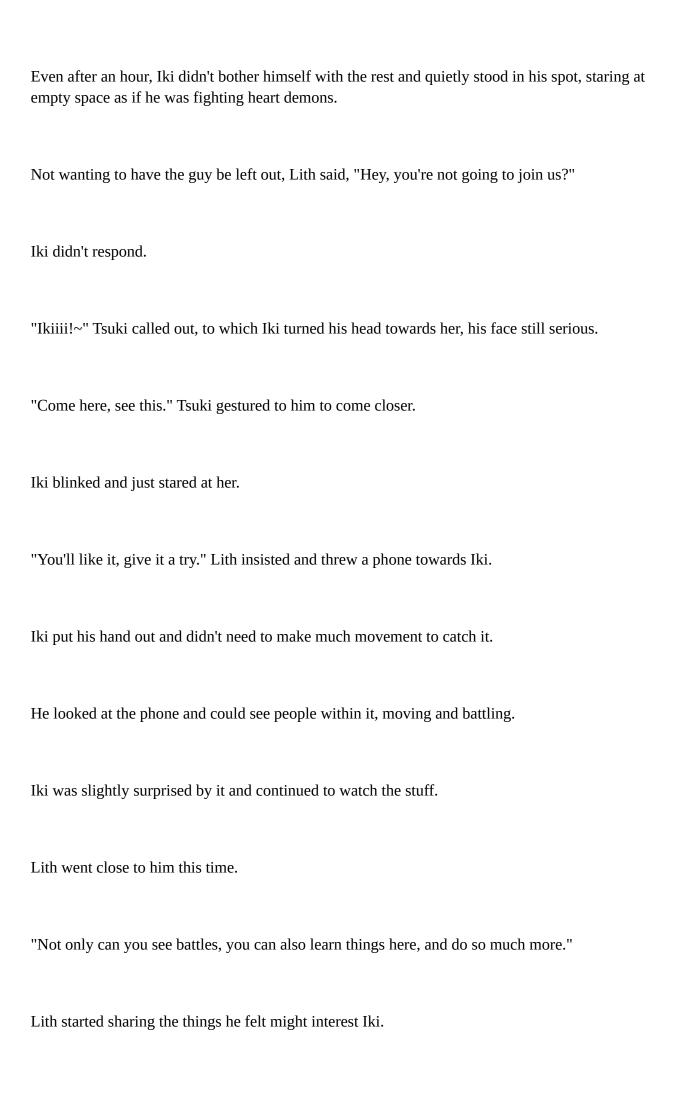






She was someone hungry for knowledge and was really curious about this strange artifact that made noise.
She went close to Lith and asked in a soft tone, "can I see it?"
She had overheard the things about it and there was only a practical experience remaining.
Lith nodded and handed her another phone from his ring.
He had quite a few phones on him because they offered various features such as one having a good camera, one working only in the Dragon Continent, and so on.
Ariel took the phone and started looking through it.
Not even a second had passed when she became amazed and said in a calm yet surprised tone, "I I can see magic circles on this."
"It's like a mirror but only shows reflection"
Her ways of describing a phone were cute.
For the first time Lith realized phones could be described in so many ways by a person who was just experiencing it.
Ariel's descriptions made Anne curious as well. She said she could see magic circles and Anne wanted to see what it was that contained it.

She went to Lith and looking at him with a serious gaze, said calmly, "Can I see it as well?"
Her tone wasn't haughty nor was it pleading. She spoke to Lith as equals and there was nothing more to it.
Anne was a prideful person and getting her to be in such terms was something not anyone could do.
Lith wasn't aware of it and even if he was, he wouldn't feel much about it anyway.
"Here." Lith handed her a phone.
Anne took it and examined it. She had no idea what this black looking flat brick was.
"Press the button on the side." Lith guided her.
Anne did and the screen lit up, surprising her.
She kept her surprise within her and followed Lith's instructions.
Eventually, she started looking at the content she wanted.
At first Lith showed her some cute animals, but Anne didn't like it. She preferred necromancy content and Lith guided her to it.
Except Iki, everyone was busy with their phones.



Soon, when he was done, Iki did a small bow and said, "my gratitude."
That was the only thing Lith had heard from him after the last trial where he gave out an advice.
Lith smiled and said, "it's not a big deal. Come with me, join the rest. It's not good to be lonely like this."
Lith convinced Iki to get into the group looking at phones and just like that, due to a simple phone, Lith ended up bringing the group much closer than before.
The five talked to Lith whenever they felt they didn't understand something and eventually, everyone got the hang of it and could use the phones on their own.
Half a day passed and the rabbit-man was back again.
"Kekeke, looks like you all are enjoying yourselves, aren't you?"
Chapter 706 The Shining Star
Listening to the rabbit-man's words, the entire six frowned.
"What? Are you not happy to see me? Kekekeke!" Mr. Carrot said and started gnawing on some carrots.
Nobody showed any reactions to hisquestion.
Mr. Carrot smiled and continued, "all the past trials were eliminations round, yet none of you failed anything. It really pisses me off."



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The Chosen Ones.
The Ghosen Offes.
These six that were made to go through one trial after another, they weren't any ordinary beings.
These six were the strongest of the strongest, geniuses among geniuses, talent born one in not a million, billion, or gazillion, but the entire universe they belonged to!
Out of the infinitely vast array of universes, these six kids were the ones chosen by a higher entity.
The reason was yet to be known and the entity was yet to surface, however, the trials that were made for them to go through, it was a rigorous testing method to check if they truly were worthy to do what the entity wanted or not.
The trials, as mentioned by the rabbit-man, were meant to act as elimination. However, the talent these six kids possessed was heaven-defying and the entity couldn't do anything but change the trials and formulate it in such a way that these six would band together and work in unison.

The formula worked as with each life and death situation the six went through, they became closer and got to know more about each other during the break between each trial.
Out of the three that they were supposed to clear, the first trial tested their tenacity and their will to never give up.
This trial was a survival one where the six were thrown into a mighty dungeon filled with strong monsters and traps.
Within the trial, there were many sub quests which didn't let the six rest even for a bit.
The six still somehow managed by taking turns to complete the challenges.
Whenever there was a battle, Anne Ashcroft, the necromancer in the group, would be made to fight.
She definitely had a screw loose in her head and the smell of blood as well as battle made her crazy to fight more. It awakened her primal instinct to fight and this madwoman wouldn't stop until she was dead or the monster in front was.
Needless to say, she never lost.
Not a single battle.
Her summons were extremely powerful and even during the times that she did seem to fall, the rest got up and helped her.
After each battle, she had to be carried because she would feel weak.

Of course, she denied any help and told the rest that she could walk on her own.
Lith being Lith, he didn't let her be so helpless.
It was due to her that he got some rest and eventually went to her to carry her.
Anne was extremely pissed when she noticed Lith come close to her to help her.
She was going to kill him, but the lady-killer with his unmatchable charisma swayed her heart, and eventually, got her to take a piggyback.
Among them, it was only Lith who could do such a thing as neither Sebastian nor Iki, Ariel, or Tsuki had the potential to help such a battle freak.
Sebastian was the first Chosen One and knew that everyone was wary of him. Anne would naturally not take any help from him.
Even though he had shown no hostility to anyone, except Lith, there was no one else who wasn't wary.
He was thus crossed out.
Iki barely talked and what was going on in his head was something nobody knew. Was he on their side or against them was still a question that lingered in everyone's head.
Iki might be helping out the others because he would die as well if someone died. This was what might have kept him going, the others were thinking.

He was naturally crossed out as well.
As for Ariel, her aura disgusted Anne since she gave off a pure and holy one. She was out too.
Tsuki's stature was small and she was needed for healing. If she took Anne, she wouldn't be able to heal others. She was out too.
All that was left was Lith, the one with no imperfections among the rest.
He was so well rounded in everything that it was almost scary to the five how one could be so perfect in everything.
But his easy going and straightforward approach made everyone understand that he wasn't a threat to them. If nothing, it was them who would be a threat to him.
Lith was put on such a high pedestal that he could lead the five easily if he wanted and also manipulate them into doing what he wanted.
But of course, Lith had no such plans as there was nothing he would gain by doing this.
He was someone who had everything with him and didn't need to scheme or use different tactics to gain things.
Amongst everyone, he was the only one without a tragic backstory.
The five chosen ones, the emotions they were showing, and the way they behaved, it was just the tip of the iceberg.

What they truly were, it was something that could only be found by diving into the deepest recesses of the ocean.
Their suffering, their pain, their hard work, their sacrifices
There was nothing that these five hadn't experienced.
It was also due to this reason that Lith stood out among them.
He was a shining star that started illuminating the dark lives of these five.
Anne, who had never experienced any form of warmth, for the first time was experiencing how it felt to get carried in such a manner and get help.
Her pride was making her want to strangle Lith and get away from him, but the warmth coming from the bottom of her heart stopped her from doing so.
She could only stare dumbfoundedly at the front and let her be carried. She showed no emotions or movements and let the things flow.
Just like that, unknowingly, Lith became their unsaid leader.
Chapter 707 Sebastian's Past
The six Chosen Ones, with their cumulative efforts, cleared two rounds and were now resting as well as waiting for the third round to start.
The first round was an extremely dangerous dungeon and the second round was to find a forbidden fruit located in the heart of a chain of islands.

Things were difficult and the six were getting drained not only physically, but also mentally.
Monsters, traps, quests, challenges, these kept coming one after another, testing their perseverance as well as teamwork.
When monsters appeared, it would be Tsuki who would first try to talk and make peace with them. She had some unknown gift that let her talk to any creature she wanted.
To some extent she could even talk to plants.
If talking didn't work, Sebastian would go and try to tame the monster.
He was a beast tamer as well as a great leader. He would accumulate beasts during the start of the rounds and use them as sacrifices or cannon fodders.
If Sebastian's taming also didn't work, it would usually be Iki who would go and try to finish the monster in one slash of his powerful katana.
Iki, by all means, was a cold-blooded samurai who didn't bat an eye to killing anything.
Lith was sure that even if there was a small child in front of him, Iki wouldn't hesitate to cut his head off if needed.
Of course, Iki was usually the last resort in all things and the first thing these guys did was ensure if things could be resolved peacefully.
This way, they conserved a lot of their energy.

Next, when it came to traps, Ariel was the one with the greatest wisdom among the six.
With her help, it was easy to crack down traps and pass through them.
As for Lith, as he was an all rounder, he had mastery in almost everything.
He could tame beasts if he wanted, he could solve traps if he wanted, he couldn't communicate with creatures like Tsuki, but he could understand their body language and take appropriate measures.
Like Anne, he also had necromancy powers. His proficiency was almost on Anne's level, if not, then just slightly worse.
He also possessed a mastery in swords and it was a level above Iki's.
Lith hadn't shown his sword skills yet so Iki wasn't aware of it.
However, he had a hunch that Lith may really know it too.
Lith didn't even try to do anything special yet his all rounded skills made him really likeable by all.
With his great communication skills, Lith talked to the others and learnt a bit about them during the break.
Anne, Ariel, and Iki didn't talk much or give out info about themselves but Sebastian and Tsuki did.
As mentioned before, everyone was broken here except Lith.

Sebastian shared a small memory of his with Lith and it was about how his house burnt down and his parents died in the fire.
The vivid picture in Sebastian's mind was shared with and there, Lith could see the small crying Sebastian.
Sebastian was so depressed this time that he had thoughts to jump into the fire and end himself.
However, a puppy came to him at this time and comforted him.
From that day onwards, Sebastian and the puppy roamed around in search of food and shelter.
Sebastian grew up and so did the puppy. They became really close and just interacting with it, he started learning how to communicate with animals.
Eventually, Sebastian got into a conflict and in this, the puppy was killed by the enemies.
It broke Sebastian's heart again and made him realize just how powerless he was.
The enemies took advantage of his weakness and attacked him, bringing him on the verge of death.
In this dying moment, Sebastian, instead of feeling cold and numb, felt himself to be in the warm embrace of his mother.
He was in a small hut, his mother was hugging him because Sebastian had just caught a fish and she was proud of him.
Sebastian's father was laughing at the back and preparing to cook the fish.

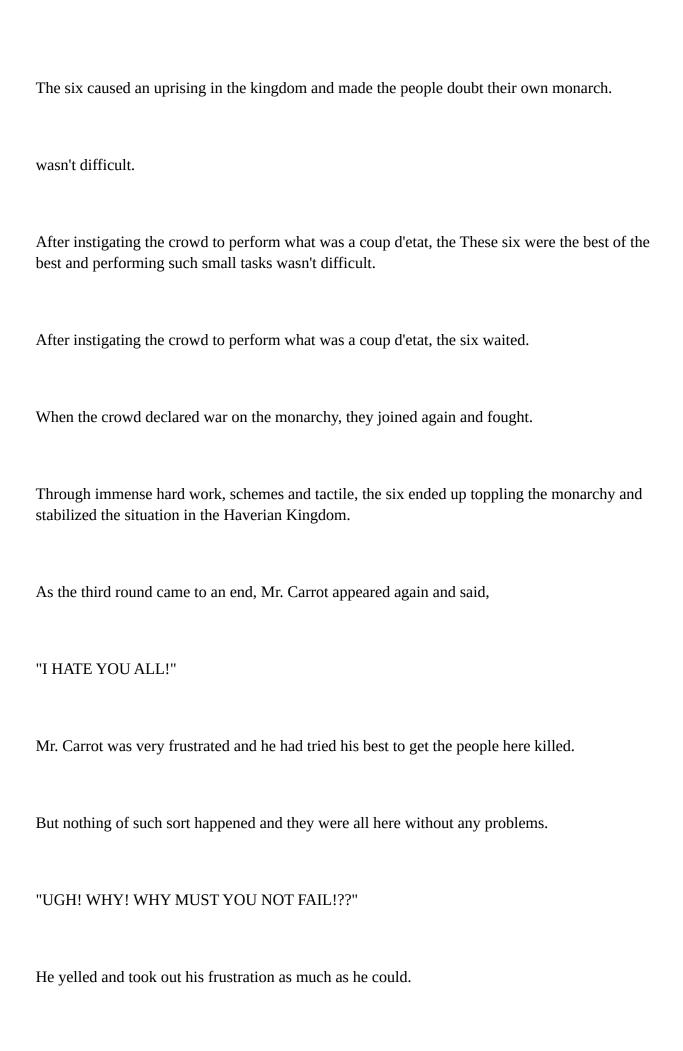
Times were peaceful and relaxed.
Sebastian was getting absorbed into this and his life was slowly passing away.
However, the entire scene crashed as the house burnt down and his parents were caught into the fire.
Sebastian got a shock with the sudden change in scene, and once it was over, he saw a muscular tall tanned lady wearing tiger skin.
Her appearance was rough and she was carrying a whip while smoking a cigar.
This lady was the one who saved Sebastian in his dying moments and also trained him to be a beast tamer.
Why she did that? It was because she found potential within Sebastian once she saw him tame animals.
She had been watching him for a long time and could see that he gave his all while fighting a bunch of mortals, despite not knowing anything.
She was the one who ended up showing Sebastian a path where he could find the warmth he so craved for.
Sebastian was yet to find that but that was pretty much his story.
He didn't share a lot of information about him and hid some bits, but he did share some info to Lith.

It was because Lith seemed like someone who could bring warmth bright aura.
in his coldest and darkest times.
Sebastian didn't know if Lith possessed the warmth he was looking for, but Lith's happy aura was contagious and made him stick to him.
Tsuki's case was also similar and she stuck to Lith because of his bright aura.
She too had a tragic story and it was even more worse than Sebastian's.
However, she couldn't share it with Lith or even mention it as the six were teleported away as the third round began.
The third round was once again something they could only finish as a team.
They were turned into prisoners who were on their way to get hanged because of their crimes.
Their task in this round was to topple the monarchy and stabilize the mighty Haverian Kingdom.
Chapter 708 Third Round As the six were being taken to publicly be hanged, the crowd around them was booing and throwing stones at them.
All six took considerable damage due to this and realized the chains binding them were restricting them from using any magic.
Lith's mind was focusing fully on the current situation and he came to a conclusion that even if he tried to run from here, there was no possible way for him to get out unscathed.

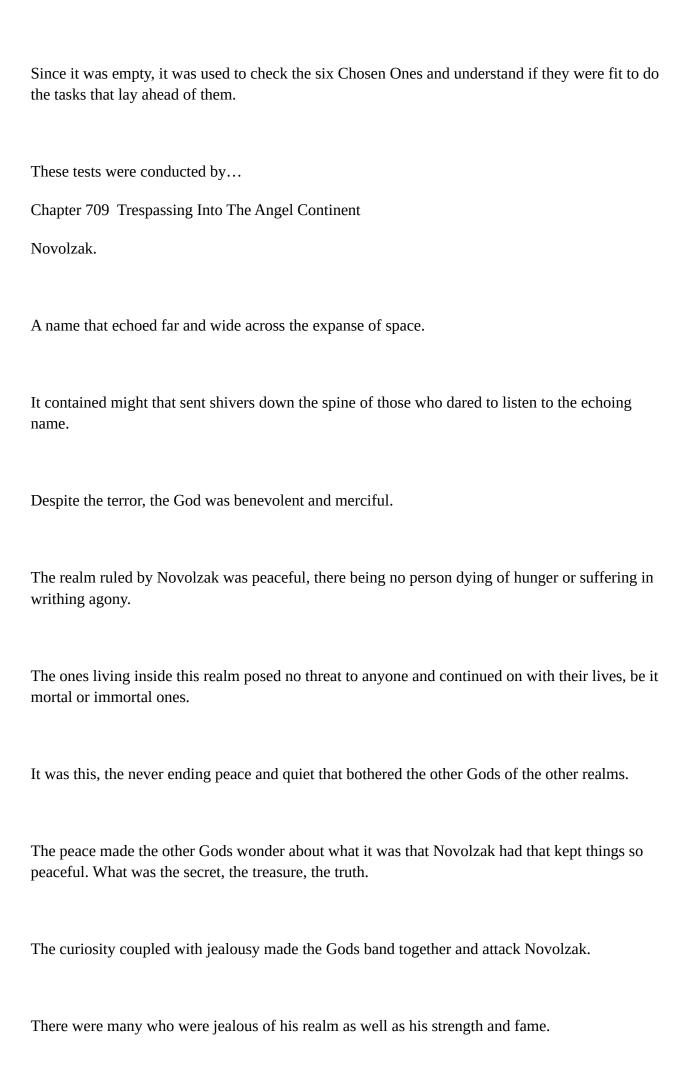
There would be major injuries and he could even end up losing his limbs or his head.
To luck would have it, Ariel was right behind Lith and she whispered, "these chains can break easily if someone attacks with magic."
Lith nodded in understanding and without wasting any time, whispered something in Iki's ears in front.
Iki's cold look morphed into one of surprise, but suppressing it, he passed Lith's message to Sebastian in front.
As Sebastian heard it, he turned around to look at Lith.
Lith nodded his head in agreement.
Sebastian took a deep breath and turning to the crowd, said, "OI YOU THERE, THIS GUY SAYS SHE IS HOT AND HE WANTS TO SLEEP WITH HER!"
Sebastian was referring to the girl standing beside a guy in the crowd. He was trying to instigate a fight with the crowd and the guards.
Needless to say, such a pathetic comment from him made the crowd turn silent and look at him with weird gazes.
Whatever Sebastian just did backfired and the crowd turned angry and threw more stones at them.
Lith clicked his tongue and wondered how Sebastian got the things wrong.

In any case, he thought of something else and finally made another plan.
Lith pushed the guard beside him into the crowd and made him accidentally assault a woman.
This caused some minor troubles but the guard came back without any problems.
He wanted to hit Lith for his audacity, but then stopped himself from doing so as he realized Lith was going to die soon anyway.
However, despite this, the seed of conflict had been sown and this was only the beginning.
With Tsuki's help later, Lith made the animals nearby to wreak havoc in the crowd.
With Iki's skillful movements, he ended up having a crowd member killed but got the blame put onto a guard.
Even the guard was dumbfounded and was wondering whether it was him who had killed the person or someone else.
Little by little, more fuel was being added to the fire that was just lit up.
Lith yelled at the crowd when he felt the time was right and talked about the unfairness of the current monarch.
He then talked about a common man's problem and made the crowd further furious.

The guards tried to kick Lith and made him shut up, but the crowd started attacking them as they felt that Lith was right.
Lith was a monarch himself, although not a practising one, he was the Vampire Prince and was familiar with all such things.
It wasn't difficult to guess what problems these guys might be facing and said things that pleased them.
More guards had to be called as the situation was de-escalating and in a matter of minutes, the crowd started fighting with the army of the monarch.
Magic spells were being used in this fight and somehow, Lith managed to get Anne's chains get hit by one of the spells.
Her chains broke and she became a free bird.
Anne made the people who died in this conflict rise as undeads and sent them to attack the army.
She cast a spell on the rest five and freed them.
The five immediately got to work and in no time, escaped.
The six people arrived in the middle of a forest at the border area of the kingdom.
They made a plan to topple the kingdom and fight the monarch.
Once their plan was ready, they rested for a while and charged straight at the main city.



Once he was done, he clicked his tongue and said, "I have to abide by the rules, otherwise I would've ripped your faces off."
Without further ado, he sent the three into a well illuminated hall and
"So amazing!~" Tsuki commented as she found everything around her bright and shiny.
The six were inside a crystal palace of some sort and it seemed really ancient.
There were a lot of engravings on the walls and stairs were also available to climb higher into the higher floors of the palace.
As the six checked the engravings, Sebastian who touched them was surprised and commented, "touch the engravings."
Lith didn't waste time and did as asked.
As soon as he touched an engraving, his mind was flooded with information.
What palace they were in, what was happening to them, why were there such rounds, everything was being made clear to Lith as the information poured in.
This crystal palace that Lith was in belonged to a strong God.
The God had died and had put his inheritance hidden into this palace.



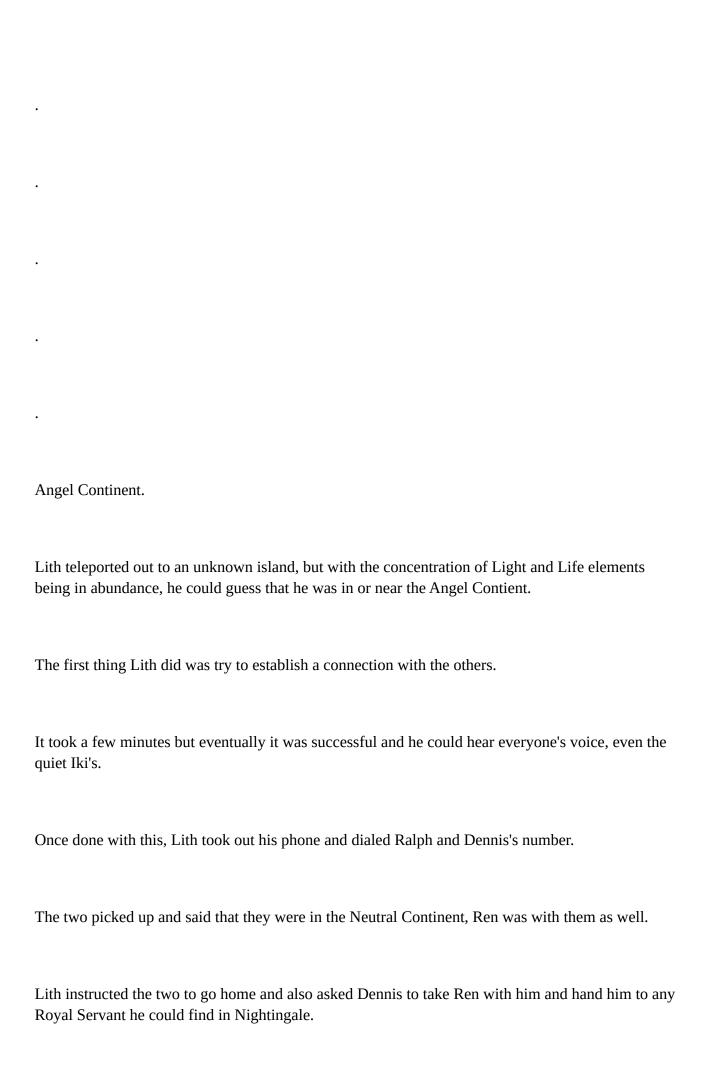
Despite not doing anything, Novolzak had made enemies. A big battle descended and Novolzak eventually disappeared. Did he die or did he live, that was not known... until now. The test that these Chosen Ones had been through was conducted by none other than Novolzak himself. After getting attacked by so many Gods and knowing their dark truth, Novolzak decided to shed light about it to a select few who would lead the future and shape the universe into a better form. What occurred to him must not occur to others, that was the goal of Novolzak. Novolzak's realm was wiped out by other Gods and to this day, remains as desolate as it could be. One by one, information regarding the various Gods flooded Lith's and the other people's minds. They finally realized that this trial they were in, it was an inheritance as well as a message of the great Novolzak. As for if the God was dead or alive, it wasn't clarified properly. Lith didn't know about others but he felt there was more to things than this. Not to mention, everything seemed way too simple for it to be true.

In any case, he kept his doubts to himself and went with the flow.

This place asked him to side with Novolzak and hate the other Gods, he was gonna do just that.
After the information, treasures appeared one by one in front of the six, followed by a glowing red gate, which the six assumed was the exit.
In front of Lith was a black pearl anklet. It was something that could let him warp space and traverse to greater distances much faster than any teleportation Space spell below Half Emperor Rank.
Along with that, it also provided great agility in general as well as increased his understanding of Space, Time, Dark, and Wind elements.
The others got some treasures as well and once they had all done checking it, Lith said calmly,
"This is farewell."
Everyone's attention was on him now.
Tsuki's expression saddened and her lips curved downwards. "It is."
The rest had no reaction to it at least on the outside.
Sebastian walked towards Lith and extended his hand forwards. "It was nice meeting you."
Lith smiled and shook his hand. "Likewise."
"I hope to see you soon," Sebastian continued.

Lith nodded and Sebastian walked back.
Then came Ariel, the white-haired girl with golden eyes.
She kept her distance from Lith and did a small bow, saying the same things as Sebastian.
The next person that came forward wasn't Anne, but Iki, which was surprising.
Iki kept his distance too and bowed. "I hope we meet soon."
Lith bowed as well and getting up, said, "yeah, and the next time I see you, I hope you talk more."
Iki flashed a small smile in response but it went unnoticed as he was bowing down.
Finally, Anne turned to look at Lith and walked towards him.
She had a neutral look on her face and said flatly, "you're strong. The next time I see you, I'll be coming for your life."
Anne was a hunter, a necromancer, a ruler, and someone who took pleasure in killing people stronger than her.
Her acknowledging Lith's strength was something that had happened for the first time.
Lith didn't find her threatening. He smiled instead and said, "you'll be coming for me? Good. I hope that day arrives soon."





There were Royal Servants guarding the outer periphery of the castle which was close to the Queen's district, so Dennis shouldn't have a lot of trouble getting in.
Lith then cut the call and sighed. He cracked his neck and checking the date on his phone, realized it was almost the end of the year and in just one month, he would be 101 instead of 100.
Realizing this, a sense of urgency appeared within him and he was about to teleport away, but the space around him stopped bending.
"Halt."
Two men and two women wearing similar white uniforms appeared in the air, holding a spear.
They closed in on Lith and placing the spears around him, locked him in place.
"Do not try to resist or we might need to use force. On account of trespassing into the Angel Continent, you will now be sent to the Justice Court in Ascendria. You will be given a chance to speak there, until then, it's best you keep quiet."
"Anything you say or do will be used against you, and the punishment could even lead to death without trial.
Chapter 710 Justice Court
Justice Court, Ascendria.

Ascendria was one of the many countries present in the Angel Continent, ruled by the Angel King Zadkiel.
The Justice Court was located in this place.
It was one of the major courts of Justice in the Angel Continent and all the first trials of people who have committed any offence was done here.
Justice was provided quickly and in case someone felt things weren't fair, they could challenge their case into a higher court which was the Vatican Court of Justice located in the Vatican City of the Angel Continent.
This was the highest one could go for a challenge and in case it didn't work either, one could send an appeal to the Heavenly Court.
If the appeal is valid, the case is conducted further into the Heavenly Court and this is the supreme verdict. There's no going beyond this and one had to accept the sentence given to them.
As for Lith, he had not done a major offence, but it also wasn't something small and was taken straight to the Justice Court.
The Angel Continent, as one would've imagined, was very vibrant and bright.
The blue skies, the clean places, the golden and white themed places, it was all something that reeked of purity and happiness.
Being a Vampire, this place wasn't well liked by Lith, but the former human in him could finally make out how heaven would be.

The Justice Court was located in a sky island with water falling from all sides of it, disappearing into the clouds, and creating a serene environment.
The Justice Court looked like a giant white lotus and there were a lot of people going in and out of it.
Lith was brought to the ground and made to walk on the gray stone pavement towards the giant lotus shaped architecture.
Once inside, he was taken straight into a small chamber where there was a judge sitting on one end and opposite to him was an empty chair.
There were six other people sitting in the court and who they were, Lith had no idea.
Lith was made to sit on the empty chair and his judgement had begun.
The judge went through his file and then turned to look at Lith.
"You have crossed the borders of the Angel Continent without permission. What reasons they were I'd like to know."
Lith sighed. "Will you believe me if I tell the truth?"
"It depends," the judge said flatly.
Shaking his head, Lith said, "Well, I accidentally teleported here from an inheritance trial and then those guys caught me."

Lith pointed at the four people in uniforms.
The judge nodded and wrote it down. "What was the inheritance trial and where was it?"
Lith shook his head. "It's confidential. In any case, let's not waste each other's time and get this done quickly. I wanna make a call, I am sure things would be easier for you and me both after that."
The judge looked at Lith for a few seconds and then at the uniformed officers.
The officers shrugged and the judge ended up nodding his head.
"Go ahead, make the call."
There was nothing the court would be losing and the accused had the option to bring in people they felt could help the case.
Angels were the most merciful beings and also very tolerant.
What was happening right now was that the Angels were following protocols given by their higher ups to ensure stability in the society.
There were no hard feelings or grudges. It really didn't matter to them if Lith went without punishment as they believed it could very well be an accident like he had just described.
Lith was surprised with this outcome. These guys gave him no trouble to make a call, no resistance to anything either.
In any case, he took out his phone and dialed a number.

