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Chapter 311: Ants on the Same String

Jiang Yi was not bothered by Mo Fan's action. She said with a cold and disdainful tone, "Do you think you're better than my soldiers?"

Mo Fan's plan was fairly simple, to totally stir up chaos.

The Giant Lizards would surely attack the humans, regardless of their sides. Mo Fan would end up being flanked by the Giant Lizards, but so were Jiang Yi and her soldiers!

It all came down to who would be able to survive the ambush.

Jiang Yi thought Mo Fan's resolution was too naive. Her soldiers were elites in the army. Each of them was responsible for hundreds of demon beasts' deaths. To them, surviving in the wild and battling against the demon beasts was considered nothing out of the ordinary.

Meanwhile, the kid himself was only a student on his first training. To be blunt, he was just like a rookie in the army. Why would such a person think that he could rely on the demon beasts to escape?

Even if the kid had ten lives and died ten times in a row, all of the soldiers on her side would still be alive!

"Stop disgracing the term Battlemage. You're just a bunch of scum in the army. Were your sacred vows and oaths nothing but mere talk?" Mo Fan cursed them without reservation.

Mo Fan could tell that the female advisor Jiang Yi had the pride of a Battlemage, as if she were utterly confident in the soldiers that she had trained.

Indeed, it was impossible to tell who would be the last one standing in a situation like this. Mo Fan was only betting his life on the fact that he had a higher chance to survive with his four Elements.

Mo Fan had never minded giving others a piece of his mind. His mouth had never stopped.

However, the accusations seemed to deal a heavy blow to Jiang Yi's backbone. She was proud to be a Battlemage, thus it was her nature to obey orders, even though what they had done today was totally unforgivable.

They had lost their titles, and would be thoroughly cast aside by the public soon. Lu Nian might be crazy over his ambition, but Jiang Yi was not the same. She could feel overwhelming guilt inside, but she tried to tell herself that it was all for a greater cause, even if it meant more sacrifices and committing serious offenses!

Jiang Yi saw the Giant Lizards and Tyrant Lizards gathering around them in a circle.

Any other Magician would totally lose their minds seeing such an insane number of demon beasts. However, in their eyes, they were nothing but a bunch of filthy lizards.

"If you think you will be the one surviving, I'll give you a chance," Jiang Yi laughed grimly. She ordered the soldiers behind her to get into position as she spoke.

"Oh?" Mo Fan was rather surprised. Could it be that this ugly female advisor was attracted to his handsomeness, that she suddenly had a change of thought and would like to discuss things with him?

"I won't be attacking you. I'll be having a bet with you using the lives of these soldiers. If one of them dies while you're still alive, I'll fulfill one of your requests!" Jiang Yi said.

Jiang Yi could not kill Mo Fan. As a matter of fact, she would have to protect him to a certain degree. Otherwise, how could he be their test subject, if he was already dead?

Mo Fan's action would result in either the fish dying or the net splitting. It would not bring any good to either side, so she Yi might as well suggest a competition between the two sides.

"Any request?" Mo Fan wore a grin. However, when he saw the Giant Lizards were less than five hundred meters away, his smile stiffened a bit.

"Apart from letting you go." Jiang Yi said.

"You're not being sincere at all, even though we're ants on the same string now," Mo Fan replied easily.

They were currently being surrounded by countless Giant Lizards. None of them would be able to leave without a fight. It was difficult to tell if any of them could survive in the end. Who would have the mood to start a competition now?

"That's the most I can offer. If you were only a student, I won't even show you any respect," Jiang Yi replied

"I don't understand?" Mo Fan was confused.

"I've read your information. The favorable turn of Bo City's calamity, and the wipeout of the Black Vatican in Shanghai were both related to you," Jiang Yi said calmly.

"I see, if you really have respect for me, then step aside. I don't think any good will come out of it if all of us were to die here." Mo Fan could tell that Jiang Yi was not too willing to be part of the operation, but she had no choice but to obey orders.

"Can't do," Jiang Yi simply said.

"Screw it, I'm not in the mood," Mo Fan snapped back.

He initially thought he could convince the advisor and redeem her fallen soul. Who knew that she was a piece of cold metal.

They no longer had the time to exchange words. The closest Giant Lizard to Mo Fan was less than a hundred meters away. Mo Fan noticed the beast was the size of a truck as it charged towards him. Its wide eyes were showing him how strong of a desire it had to eat some human flesh!

"Fire Burst!"

Mo Fan cast the spell adeptly. The Blazing Rose Flame drew a red arc down the street.

The flame exploded on the Giant Lizard's body. The huge impact from the explosion knocked its body sideways while the fire spread rapidly across its body.

The Giant Lizard was not dead, having an extremely thick layer of skin. A Basic Level Magic was far from enough to kill it.

The Giant Lizard engulfed in flames recovered and dashed right at Mo Fan furiously, as if it could not sense any pain.

"Die, you piece of shit." Mo Fan threw another Fire Burst forward with a disgusted look.

This Fire Burst was directed at the Giant Lizard's lower jaw. The explosion blew its mouth apart. It was still alive as it dropped heavily to the ground, but it was pretty much useless.

As Mo Fan engaged his Giant Lizard, the thirteen soldiers cast their magic too.

Since there were more people on their side, their scent was heavier, which attracted a greater amount of Giant Lizards. The dense shuffle on the street indicated the insane amount of Giant Lizards making their way towards the group of soldiers. Their cries were exceedingly sharp, like a scream of thunder right beside their ears.

Jiang Yi held her arms in front of her chest and stood in the middle of the group with an expressionless face. Not a single hint of fear could be seen.

As a matter of fact, it was basically the same for her to die here or be sentenced to death later. However, she had to finish the mission!

She cast a cold glance at her surroundings.

If Mo Fan managed to survive, and her soldiers were dead...

No, no way. She couldn't let him go.

Since she had already made the wrong choice, she had to stay with it.

The Commander might be out of his mind, but since she had sworn an oath to remain loyal unconditionally, what difference would it make if she were to regret her actions now?

Chapter 312: Fighting the Lizards Solo

"Lightning Strike!"

The lightning from Mo Fan's hands lunged forward wildly, forking into arcs that spread wildly through his surroundings.

The fourth-tier Lightning Strike was able to fork more bolts than before. They could even arc along the ground. Mo Fan was currently conducting the spell through his feet, which could spread anywhere within twenty meters from him.

Inside the electric field, the lightning arcs could merge with one another. The Giant Lizards who stepped into the field would be paralyzed, as if countless pythons had wrapped around their limbs.

As their movements were hindered, they burst out crying in rage.

They were so close to eating the human alive, but were bound to their spots after being paralyzed by the Lightning Strike. They stared at their prey with wide, hungry eyes.

"Such a remarkable Lightning Strike..." Jiang Yi had been watching Mo Fan all this time. Her face was filled with a hint of astonishment.

Even a Lightning Strike enchanted by a Soul Seed would not have such a strong paralytic effect. It must have been further strengthened by some method, or its power would not be so close to an Intermediate Magic.

Lightning Strike was a Basic Level Magic, thus Mo Fan was able to cast it as his heart wished. The moment the electric field had dissipated, Mo Fan instantly produced another one to replace it. Despite the overwhelming number of Giant Lizards, none of them were able to get within twenty meters of him, making him momentarily unbeatable in the battle against the Giant Lizards.

Jiang Yi could not help but admit that she was rather impressed. Being able to master a Basic Level Magic to such a level was enough to indicate his extraordinary talents.

That being said, the soldiers were in a fairly similar position, too. They had formed a circle and utilized the combination of Ice Element's Freeze and the slowing effect of Earth Wave to form a magic field to keep the Giant Lizards away. All they needed to do was to look out for the Warrior-level demon beasts.

Glancing ahead, their entire field of view was filled with moving Giant Lizards. The Demon Beasts were flowing toward them like a tide, to an extent that some of them were actually moving forward by sliding across the bodies of their comrades. The street alone had run out of space for them to move forward.

There were still many, many Giant Lizards within five hundred meters moving toward the Magicians. Some of them were even climbing the buildings in the surroundings.

More than ten Giant Lizard corpses could be seen close to Mo Fan's feet. Killing these Servant-class Giant Lizards did not seem too difficult, but the number he had killed was nothing compared to the number of them which were still alive. There was no way he could kill all of them before his energy depleted.

He cast a glance at Jiang Yi and her soldiers. They were utterly experienced with battles. They did not waste their energy unnecessarily casting Intermediate Magic...

The students who had come on the training sometimes had the urge to blast the Servant-class demon beasts into pieces with their Intermediate Magic. However, it was a very stupid thing to do. Their energy was just like their HP bar in the wild. Wasting their energy was the same as wasting their HP. They could never eliminate all the demon beasts. Knowing how to control the usage of their energy was the key to surviving.

The soldiers were conserving their energy. They would never cast an Intermediate Magic unless it was their last resort. They were aware that it would take some time to drive the Giant Lizards back, as they were only a kilometer away from their nest.

"Swift Star Wolf!" Mo Fan called out to signal the Swift Star Wolf to look out for the Tyrant Lizard approaching from the left.

He could still handle the Giant Lizards, but the Tyrant Lizards posed a great threat to him. They were like lizard-tanks on a rampage on the street. They could even knock the buildings down.

The Swift Star Wolf clenched his teeth as he glared at the Tyrant Lizard among the pack of beasts.

The Tyrant Lizard was blazing red, like a roasted giant crocodile. As it made its way between two buildings, they even slanted sideways slightly.

It was utterly eye-catching among the Giant Lizards. The Giant Lizards around him that were moving rather slowly would create a path for it.

"A Tyrant Fire Lizard..." Jiang Yi had seen the Tyrant Lizard too. Her eyes flickered with the alignment of Stars.

She would not allow Mo Fan to die here. If need be, she would have to attack to guarantee his safety.

That being said, she would use her magic to detain Mo Fan too if she had the chance, as capturing him was her priority now!

"Don't come to me, don't come to me... F**k, is your lizard brain actually made of pig's DNA? Why do you have to come here when there are so many people there!" Mo Fan was furious when he saw the Tyrant Fire Lizard crawling toward him.

Despite the curse, Mo Fan did not relax at all.

Regardless of the number of the Giant Lizards, he could still use Lightning Strike to set up a safe zone for himself. However, it was not as effective against a Tyrant Lizard. The fourth-tier Lightning Strike would only be useful against a Warrior-level demon beast when all the lightning arcs were focusing on attacking a certain body part.

"Swift Star Wolf, find a way and lure it to them!" Mo Fan said to the Swift Star Wolf.

Swift Star Wolf and Mo Fan shared the same thoughts. Their first instinct in a situation like this was to add to the misfortunes of their enemies.

However, as soon as the Swift Star Wolf was about to draw the Tyrant Fire Lizard's attention to the other group, Jiang Yi suddenly made her move.

The woman was trying to protect Mo Fan while finding a way to detain him. However, since Mo Fan was trying to break the rules, she would not mind being the judge for once.

Jiang Yi's strength was similar to Tangyue back in the old days, thus the Swift Star Wolf would not dare provoke her. Mo Fan had no choice but to give up on his plan. Same as usual, the Swift Star Wolf would deal with the big guy, while he would handle the small ones.

Without the help of the Swift Star Wolf eliminating the Giant Lizards nearby, Mo Fan could sense the pressure building up.

He had to rely on the collapsed building behind him as a shield as he stood on slightly higher ground.

It was impossible to relocate himself now. The area before him was covered with a rug made of Giant Lizards. If he were to join them together into a string, he could wrap it around the perimeter of the city twice!

Mo Fan cast his magic continuously. The remastered Lightning Strike gave Mo Fan the ability to drag the battle along.

In a hit and run situation, he would be able to eliminate ten times the number of the beasts he had killed so far. However, it was totally impossible when he was being surrounded like this. If it weren't for the paralyzing effect of the electric field, and being lucky that the Giant Lizards did not know any ranged attacks, Mo Fan would have been chewed into bones by now!

"Just surrender. Your Lightning Strike is rather impressive, but when your energy depletes eventually, you will be turned into their food. Give up, and you might still have a chance at surviving. The Commander said that you're the best test subject. Although there hasn't been a successful specimen before, you definitely have a higher chance to succeed!" Jiang Yi glanced at Mo Fan across the endless Giant Lizards in the way.

Jiang Yi did not dare to get too close to him. She had to consider the possibility of Mo Fan committing suicide if she pressured him too much.

Any normal person would consider dying in glory rather than living in dishonor. Since he was dead either way, why would he allow himself to be a test subject? Wouldn't that be helping the evil side to achieve what they wanted?

Jiang Yi wanted Mo Fan to surrender himself.

It was a pain to deal with the huge pack of Giant Lizards, but they could still make their way out with ease, as long as she joined the battle.

However, Mo Fan was still venturing deeper into the demon beasts' territory, preventing her magic from reaching him and the soldiers from capturing him alive.

If Mo Fan ended up feeding himself to the Giant Lizards, the mission would be deemed a failure. She was hoping that Mo Fan would be thinking rationally. If he continued to act as he wished, he would end up killing all of them. Shouldn't he be accepting the truth instead? Being a test subject didn't mean he would die!

Mm, maybe...

Chapter 313: Blood Sarira

Mo Fan would not believe any of Jiang Yi's bullshit.

The woman might seem to be a bystander, trying to be reasonable with him, but he clearly remembered that she was the one responsible for killing Qingqing and Zhao Mingyue at the start.

Mo Fan believed that Jiang Yi still had some conscience as a Battlemage deep inside her bones, but its ratio was like a thumb mark to an entire heart that had turned black.

He would survive the experiment?

Enough with the jokes, it was not like Mo Fan had not witnessed the pain of the girls when they were taken over by the Mother Scale Skin Phantom. It was not like he had not witnessed the torture that Xu Zhaoting had gone through when he was turned into a Cursed Beast. The only way Mo Fan would surrender was to someone like Tangyue, who had big boobs and buttocks, who was sexy and strong at the same time, not to some female Battlemage who had dark skin, a large face and a totally darkened heart!

Mo Fan hated people like her the most, trying to sound so righteous to justify their inhumane actions. Just admit that you're scum and a heartless maniac!

"Stop with the meaningless struggle. If you waste any more time, even I won't be able to save you!" Jiang Yi yelled.

"Even if you all are dead, I'll still be standing here. Try and get me on your own; otherwise, stop screaming like a b**ch... These damned lizards, do you really have the lineage of the dragons? How stupid can you all be? Were you born the same way as that crossbreed scum Lu Nian? There are so many juicy humans over there, but you have to come to me instead!" Mo Fan stood above a pile of debris and yelled out. It was how he had always tried to relax from the pressure he of life-threatening danger.

Jiang Yi felt her lips contorting.

This kid was rather special, being able to curse both humans and lizards at the same time.

Fine, I'll wait until you finally gave up!

The demon beasts had the same routine with their attacks. They would first send some pawns to consume the Magicians' energy. Once they began to feel the fatigue, the Warrior-level Tyrant Lizards would then show themselves.

Judging from the situation, the Tyrant Lizards would show up sometime soon. Mo Fan, who was totally on his own, would definitely beg for her assistance. There was no way he would be a warrior who could take death calmly.

"Even though the new Element relies on the lineage of the mutating species to alter the human's flesh, it won't be as bizarre as the Black Vatican's inhumane curses. You won't die, and you won't end up like a monster either!" Jiang Yi said.

"What has been the biggest weakness for the humans, and for the magicians? Clearly, it was the fact that we don't have strong enough bodies! The mutating beasts were able to mutate the humans and give them flesh that was as strong as the demon beast!. Therefore, after many experiments, we've finally invented the Blood Sarira which can alter a Magician's body. It would grant you incredible might, and if you were to merge with a certain kind of beast, you would possess inhuman powers. You could even fight against the demon beasts with your bare hands, without relying on magic!"

Jiang Yi continued trying to brainwash Mo Fan. She was trying to let Mo Fan know how marvelous their experiment was.

How significant would it be if humans were able to fight against demons with their bare hands?

It would mean there was no longer any difference between an ordinary human and a Magician. Ordinary people would be able to fight against the demon beasts, while the Magicians would become even stronger with the new strength.

Lu Nian had gone crazy because the experiment was too appealing to them. It would bring a chance for the entire world once it succeeded.

Therefore, no matter the consequences, they were willing to do it, even when the government tried to stop them, even if it were banned by the Magic Association across the five Continents, and they were blacklisted by the Hunter Union!

"If it's really that useful, why don't you try it on yourself? I believe you can easily find lots of crazy people like Lu Nian himself!" Mo Fan was busily dealing with the Giant Lizards. It took him quite some time before he had a chance to respond.

"The test subjects in the past were all volunteers. We've still got many volunteers now, but they are all doomed to fail. Using the Blood Sarira on them either turned them into a mindless monster, or dry corpses when their energy was completely drawn away!" Jiang Yi replied.

Mo Fan finally had a chance to catch his breath. The Swift Star Wolf had managed to drive the Tyrant Lizard away and come back to his side, giving him a chance to rest up slightly.

As he was doing so, he cast a side glance at Jiang Yi, who was being protected by the soldiers.

"Fellow advisor, if you find it hard to pursue your dreams in the army. I would recommend a new role for you. This position has great benefits, and will provide you with double identities and many subordinates too, with countless holidays. The people taking up the role have remarkable ambitions, and the way they do things are similar to you, too. Luckily, I'm quite familiar with the people of the Black Vatican too. I don't think they would ever forget me. I can ask someone to introduce you to them. They will surely welcome you with open arms. They can even save some time in trying to brainwash you."

"Don't you mix us with those scum from the Black Vatican!" Jiang Yi screamed, as if the words had pierced through her heart.

Maybe she knew in her heart that what they were doing was similar to the Black Vatican, but she was not willing to admit it, she was fulfilling a sacred duty as a soldier!

Jiang Yi took a deep breath, her face shuddering.

She was trying her best to control her emotions, trying to observe her surroundings with a calm mind.

More Giant Lizards had shown up in the direction they were planning to retreat to. It would be even more difficult to clear a path if they were totally surrounded by the Giant Lizards.

"The Blood Sarira will take in different levels of energy, depending on the Magician. An Intermediate Magician only has two Nebulas, but the energy that the Blood Sarira required was more than that of two Nebulas... so the Magician's soul could not withstand the burden!" Jiang Yi continued.

"If too much energy was drawn away, it would result in a huge impact to their soul, collapsing it in the end. However, without enough energy, the new Element won't activate..."

"Hence why you've found me, just because I have Double Innate Elements?" Mo Fan laughed grimly.

That explained it all. The Blood Sarira would need to draw out a huge amount of energy, which would always surpass the limit of its bearer.

If the bearer were a Basic Level Magician, it would draw more than a Nebula's energy.

If the bearer were an Intermediate Magician, it would draw more than two Nebulas' energy.

If the bearer were an Advanced Magician, it would draw more than three Nebulas' energy.

Furthermore, the difference margin would surely be significant, as it was overwhelming enough for the Magicians to lose their rational thinking, collapse their souls, or dry out their flesh.

He had Double Innate Elements. He was the only person in the world who would have more energy than an ordinary Magician.

Therefore, he was deemed the best test subject!

"You had the highest chance to succeed. Theoretically, it would only cause your cultivation to decline, but it won't cost you your life!" Jiang Yi added.

Time was running out. She had to convince Mo Fan to surrender. Otherwise, even she would not be able to guarantee their safety...

"Is that the same thing you told those who died?" Mo Fan inquired coldly.

Jiang Yi fell silent.

As a matter of fact, she did say the same thing to the test subjects who had ended up dead, including her own brother who had volunteered himself. He had died a horrible death. His eyes were full of hatred for his own sister. She could still see his eyes at night every time she closed hers.

It would only make their cultivation decline?

Even she had believed the nonsense...

Chapter 314: Breaking Through, Escaping from Danger!

Mo Fan glanced at the soldiers.

Luckily for him, more Giant Lizards were attracted to their group. Several of the Tyrant Lizards were launching their attacks at the temporary fortress they had set up, too. Otherwise, he would have lost his ground long ago.

Glancing ahead, the number of the Giant Lizards did not seem to dwindle. He could not even see the end of the street due to the beasts swarming in his direction. He had no idea how many dens of the Giant

Lizards were awakened by his Fiery Fist, or maybe it was because the Giant Lizards had also summoned their comrades after mere humans dared to trespass into their territory.

Mo Fan panted heavily. His supply of energy was still sufficient, but he was having trouble keeping up with the speed of the Giant Lizards.

His electric field did control the Giant Lizards within twenty meters that were trying to attack him, but there were so many of them that they were able to use the bodies of their paralyzed comrades as stepping stones.

Their fangs were within reach. They could easily smash him into mush with their tails.

"This is bad, I will surely die at this rate." Mo Fan clenched his teeth and glanced into the sky.

"Swift Star Wolf, buy me some time. Don't let any of the Giant Lizards get close to me!" Mo Fan said.

The Swift Star Wolf quickly glanced at the surrounding Giant Lizards. Fortunately, the Tyrant Lizards did not seem to be interested in them. If it were only the Giant Lizards, he could help hold them back for a period of time.

He nodded, telling Mo Fan to carry on with his plan.

Mo Fan trusted the Swift Star Wolf. He sat down with his legs crossed above the debris.

He began to meditate.

He had decided to gamble. His Fire Element's Nebula had been refined the most in the Three-Step Tower. Since then, he had been actively involved in battles and training. He could feel that he was close to arriving at the doorstep of the third-tier.

Even though trying to have a breakthrough while being surrounded by demon beasts was extremely risky, Mo Fan believed that his talents were easily aroused in situations like this, where his life was in danger.

As such, he would have to rely on the Swift Star Wolf to look after him for the time being.

"Awoooo"!!!"

The Swift Star Wolf raised its head and uttered a deafening howl into the sky.

A great tornado began to sweep around his body. Its scale was significantly bigger than the one before, with stronger wind. It was slowly turning into a sandstorm as it gathered its momentum!

The tornado rolled forward and swept the Giant Lizards along its trajectory into the air.

The sands spinning inside it might be tiny, but at such incredible speed, were like bullets that could penetrate walls.

The sand bullets ground away at the demon beasts, producing a bloody mist inside the tornado. It had turned into a killing sandstorm.

The street, the boards, and the walls of the shops nearby were heavily damaged. The densely packed holes looked like they were left by a rain of arrows.

The troop of Giant Lizards ended up as dead bodies full of holes, their flesh splattered everywhere. Their thick skin stood no chance against the rapid firing of the sand bullets. A huge number of Giant Lizards were killed in this bizarre manner!

Previously, the Swift Star Wolf was only fighting the Giant Lizards in close quarters combat, as casting a spell with a huge area-of-effect like this would consume a significant amount of his energy.

The Swift Star Wolf panted heavily after casting the Thousand Piercing Sandstorm. However, the attack was super efficient, as it had instantly killed dozens of Giant Lizards in a certain direction.

The Giant Lizards were not agile, due to their bulky size. Swarming toward them in large packs, the attack turned out to be rather efficient.

The number of Giant Lizards had slightly decreased. More precisely, the number of Giant Lizards who could still move had greatly reduced, as the corpses of the Giant Lizards dropped heavily onto those that were still alive, knocking them to the ground.

The Swift Star Wolf was utterly attentive to the duty he had been given. In order to ensure that no beast could get closer to Mo Fan, he continuously attacked with spells that would consume a significant amount of energy, holding the Giant Lizards back.

Mo Fan was aware that time was precious. The Swift Star Wolf would not be able to hold on for too long.

The Fire Element Nebula burned blazingly in his Spiritual World, like an ever-lasting sun.

However, it was still lacking more heat.

Mo Fan wanted it to be stronger, to be more vigorous!

"Daddy has been very kind to you all. Now that my life is in danger, can you stop going into a huff and expand your territory to the neighbor kindergartens, please?" Mo Fan went all out with his ironic humor. As a matter of fact, he was feeling extremely nervous.

Holding his breath and calming his thoughts, Mo Fan began to focus on his breakthrough.

All his focus was gathered on the Fire Element Nebula. He was guiding his Spiritual Force to support the entire Nebula.

The Nebula used the force to expand, like a galaxy of stars trying to conquer the void and darkness nearby, allowing its brilliance to reach further.

The entire process required the Magician to drive their Spiritual Force.

If it were described as a tide, in order for the Nebula and its energy storage to expand it had to splash upon the chaotic wall of the nearby darkness and break the chains restricting it, thus allowing the Stars to rise to a higher level!

Mo Fan did not have much time for several attempts. He had to accomplish it within a few seconds. Otherwise, he would have no choice, but to surrender to that mentally-disordered woman.

Why would he surrender?

In Mo Fan's opinion, death was definitely the final resort. He considered using death to proclaim pride a cowardly act. Instead of using death to escape from reality, it was more heroic to stay alive and bear the burden.

"Awoooo~!!!"

The Swift Star Wolf howled to signal Mo Fan that time was running out.

It was not because he had failed to hold the Giant Lizards off, but because his rather powerful attacks had attracted a Tyrant Lizard nearby.

Once the Tyrant Lizard engaged them, the Swift Star Wolf would have to fully focus on the battle against it, which meant that the Giant Lizards would be able to climb up the debris and eat Mo Fan alive.

On the other side, Jiang Yi had joined the battle too.

There were more people in her group, thus they had attracted more Giant Lizards to them. Her soldiers began to have trouble handling the situation on their own. If Jiang Yi continued to be a bystander, there would be casualties soon.

However, Jiang Yi was aware that Mo Fan was in a pinch, too.

"Is he out of his mind, trying to expand his Nebula here? Damn it!" Jiang Yi clenched her teeth and forcefully fought her way out from the formation.

She could not let Mo Fan die, at all costs. He was their final hope for the experiment of the Blood Sarira.

"Advisor..." "Advisor Jiang!" The soldiers cried out in panic when they saw Jiang Yi breaking away from the formation.

"Don't mind me, just protect yourselves. I'll go and save him. Hold your formation. We'll have to clear a path out of here soon!" Jiang Yi ordered.

"Affirmative!"

The soldiers clenched their teeth and held their ground as they helped Jiang Yi clear a path.

As Jiang Yi advanced a hundred meters forward, a blazing hot Rose Flame rose from the debris ahead.

The light from the fire dyed the entire street red, as the overwhelming heat spread toward the surroundings like a wave.

Jiang Yi raised her head from among the Giant Lizards in astonishment. She could sense strong fiery energy coming from Mo Fan, completely different than before...

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Chapter 315: Nine Halls Fiery Fist!

"How is this... how was he able to make a breakthrough in this situation?" Jiang Yi was utterly astounded.

Even the most daring soldiers in their ranks would not dare to act so boldly after being surrounded by demon beasts. A Magician could not be disturbed by any external factor during the process, as they had to put one hundred percent focus on it.

He was surrounded by hundreds of Giant Lizards, who could easily take his life with a single bite!

Wasn't he worried that the Swift Star Wolf would fail to protect him, allowing just a single Giant Lizard to break through? Didn't he doubt that his life would be at risk while he was trying to expand his Nebula?

The fiery Rose Flame burst out above the debris, engulfing his entire body. His appearance, similar to burning lava, was more imposing than the heat of the flames.

"Swift Star Wolf, well done. Leave it all to me!" Mo Fan wore a smile. It was relatively wild under the illumination of the flames.

The Swift Star Wolf quickly withdrew to Mo Fan's side.

The raging flames were quickly withdrawn under Mo Fan's control, including the heat wave surging toward the surroundings and the fire spreading across the ground. They were rapidly drawn to his right wrist.

His wrist was wrapped by a ring of flames, which were swaying slowly to the wind.

"Rose Flame!"

"Fiery Fist!"

Mo Fan's hair was standing upright in the overflowing flow of energy. Even his eyes burned like fire in the process.

He threw a mighty punch from the top of the debris. An enormous amount of energy was directed straight into the ground.

The energy was transferred at an insane speed. The surrounding ground began to crack open as if it could not hold the energy within it.

"Nine Halls!"

The energy finally reached its limit. Under Mo Fan's ferocious roar, pillars of flames began to spurt upward in the area a hundred meters around him!

The pillars of flame were bursting out from deep beneath the ground. Not only did they cause lava to surge to the surface, they had also transformed into burning pillars.

The first one appeared right on Mo Fan's body. The flames rising from his body sprang into the air!

The second pillar appeared a great distance ahead. The two pillars were around thirty meters apart, but it felt like the area between the two pillars was being utterly destroyed.

The third pillar appeared behind Mo Fan, which was parallel to the pillar on Mo Fan's body and the pillar in front of him.

Another great explosion took place.

Three pillars parallel to the ones that had sprouted from the ground appeared on both sides as the ground cracked open once again, which meant there were six other fire pillars bursting into the air from underground.

The first three pillars had already eliminated every single Giant Lizard within a hundred meters around Mo Fan, almost a hundred of them.

However, the remaining six pillars had brought utter destruction across the place. The troops of Giant Lizards were burned into black ashes under the blazing fire, including the piles of corpses on the ground.

Nine Halls!

The nine pillars were the formation of Nine Halls!

The fiery pillars were bright red due to the Rose Flame. The Giant Lizards were gradually burned into ashes, regardless of if they were alive or dead. The pillars were around five or six floors high, the Giant Lizards looked incredibly tiny and helpless before them.

Jiang Yi was also an Intermediate Magician who had ranked up to the third-tier, but she did not have a Soul Seed.

Mo Fan's Soul Seed had made his Fiery Fist: Nine Halls extremely powerful. It was strong enough to annihilate an entire Giant Lizard's den!

They were still surrounded by the Giant Lizards, but Mo Fan's surroundings were totally empty, with no sign of flesh or corpses, just piles of black ashes.

On a side note, there was a Warrior-level Tyrant Lizard among the troops of Giant Lizard. It had been confidently making its way towards its prey, but after its whole body was scorched by the Fiery Fist: Nine Halls, it immediately fled for its life.

Even a Tyrant Lizard with an outstanding defense was unable to endure the damage from the Fiery Fist: Nine Halls. It would share the same fate as the Giant Lizards if it did not run away in time.

The Giant Lizards surrounding Mo Fan seemed to be commandeered by the Tyrant Lizard that had fled. As their commander ran away, the Giant Lizards in the distance remained in place with blank faces. None of them were daring enough to move forward.

"This is our chance, time to run!" Mo Fan climbed onto the Swift Star Wolf's back while the Giant Lizards were dazzled.

The space around the Swift Star Wolf was more than enough for him to gather his momentum up for a sprint. He dashed forward and used the scorched ground as a springboard, jumping onto the collapsed building nearby.

He ran across the roof before dropping down. Even though the path below was densely packed with Giant Lizards, the fearless Swift Star Wolf ran across using their bodies as stepping stones for a short distance.

The Giant Lizards revealed their fangs and tried to snap at him. There were times when Mo Fan almost felt that the Swift Star Wolf's tail was being bitten, but in the end, he was too fast for the sluggish Giant Lizards, who only ended up biting the air and the fur on the Swift Star Wolf's tail.

The Swift Star Wolf only sprinted across the Giant Lizards for three seconds, but the fear and excitement from it urged Mo Fan to curl his legs upward subconsciously.

Brother, don't pull such a prank on me next time. I almost shit my pants!

The Swift Star Wolf turned the corner and arrived at another street covered in shadows, with only a few Giant Lizards around...

Mo Fan instantly released the Swift Star Wolf into the Summoning Plane. He hugged the walls and immediately cast Fleeing Shadow.

Mo Fan had been keeping an eye out at the sky throughout the whole battle. He was not pretending to be an artistic emotional young man before his death. He was waiting for the sun to poke out from the clouds!

The buildings would only cast shadows when there was sunlight!

Mo Fan had disappeared around the corner, and when the Giant Lizards chasing after them reached the spot, they had already lost sight of the human and the wolf.

Meanwhile, the Giant Lizards who were being attracted to the street due to the sounds produced from the battle had not seen Mo Fan and the Swift Star Wolf, nor did they notice a lump of shadow moving between the buildings. They continued to move toward the group of soldiers who were busy killing their comrades.

Jiang Yi had seen Mo Fan disappearing around the corner. However, by the time she reached there, Mo Fan was no longer there...

He had vanished into thin air!

Even though he had only turned the corner, and the entire street was still filled with Giant Lizards, the demon beasts were only rushing toward her men. They did not act as if they had seen anyone rushing past them.

"He's gone?" Jiang Yi stared into the distance in disbelief.

Jiang Yi initially assumed that there was an element of luck when she learned that the kid had saved Bo City and fought back against the Black Vatican. However, she was more convinced that that was not the case now.

She had lost sight of Mo Fan!

Her instincts were telling her that Mo Fan had escaped with some hidden abilities. She would be able to track him down eventually, but the problem was, her troop was still surrounded by the Giant Lizards. She did not even know if they could make it out alive!

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Chapter 316: Just in Time, Zhan Kong!

"Crap, a pack of Tyrant Lizards are heading toward us!" a soldier who was in charge of observing the surroundings blurted out.

The Giant Lizards would never be able to break through their defense. After all, they were Battlemages who had gone through countless battles. They knew how to exploit the weaknesses of the demon beasts to set up a temporary fortress.

However, the Tyrant Lizards were a completely different story!

Each Tyrant Lizard that had appeared would inflict some damage to their formation. They would need a couple of Intermediate Spells to hold them off.

However, a pack of Tyrant Lizards was definitely a nightmare for them.

They were all trying to hold the overwhelming number of Giant Lizards back. Who would have the spare firepower to deal with the Tyrant Lizards?

Seeing the pack of Tyrant Lizards taking up half of the street with their different-colored skins indicating the Element they possessed, the soldiers could no longer remain calm as before, as death was just around the corner!

"Clear a path, now!" Jiang Yi demanded.

They had to break free from the demon beasts. Otherwise, their entire troop would be wiped out here!

Meanwhile, Mo Fan had used the Fleeing Shadow to distance himself from the main street.

He was still at the center of Jinlin City, but for some reason, the buildings nearby had all collapsed. The whole place was full of debris. He could not see the end of it with a glance.

There was no swamp nearby. Although he could still see the towering nest in the distance, there were barely any Giant Lizards nearby.

Mo Fan stood on the remains of an observation tower and looked at the soldiers who were slowly drowning among the demon beasts.

He could imagine the fear replacing their arrogant looks. He could also imagine the disbelief on Jiang Yi's face when she lost sight of him.

This bunch of idiots, still thinking they stood a chance against him. They would never expect him to be a Shadow Magician, too. He could easily move around as long as there were shadows near him.

The Giant Lizards were extremely slow with their reactions. They would never notice him when he was using their shadows to move around. It was the main reason why Mo Fan had decided to venture deep into their territory.

Most importantly, he had managed to rank up!

Mo Fan now understood why many of their seniors had encouraged the younger Magicians to have more battles against the demon beasts.

Meditating was indeed important, but the best way to improve a human's potential was through fighting. If he weren't surrounded by the demon beasts, Mo Fan believed that he would have needed at least another half a year to improve his Fire Nebula to the third-tier.

"Fiery Fist: Nine Halls... I've finally mastered such a domineering attack." Mo Fan clenched his right fist as he recalled the destruction wrought by the giant fire pillars.

He still remembered his first time seeing the attack from Tangyue. Back then, Tangyue was so powerful that Mo Fan had the urge to bow before her. She might have reached a greater height by now, but at least he had caught up to her strength back then. Besides, she was an agent of the Magic Courts!

Leaning back, Mo Fan began to take a rest.

He was slightly worn out from the battle before. Now that he was safe, he was not in a rush to leave, since he was interested in admiring the fate of the evil Battlemages when they ended up dead!

"Mm, what's that?" Mo Fan realized a pair of white wings were flapping in the sky.

He gathered his thoughts and glanced ahead, taking a clearer look.

The following second, his body began to tremble as if he had been struck by lightning.

It was a Heavenly Eagle with a pair of snowy white wings, slightly bigger than an ordinary one.

It was flapping its wings as it soared across the sky above Jinlin City...

Its claws were extremely huge, and were carrying a giant net.

Four people were trapped inside the net. It looked like they had lost control of their minds. They were utterly helpless against the net and were being dragged around like little chicks. Their eyes were looking at their surroundings helplessly.

Mo Fan was utterly familiar with them, as they were Zhao Manting, Mu Nujiao, Mu Ningxue and Bai Tingting...

Flames of anger ignited within Mo Fan's heart. He finally realized why Lu Nian was not going after him. It turned out that the devil was chasing after his friends. He was hanging them in the air just to display his bargaining chips.

Mo Fan was exceedingly furious!

How could someone be so despicable! If he could turn his anger into fire around his fist, he would surely have smashed that son of a b**ch's face with his bare hands!

"Mo Fan, I'll only say this once, whether if you can hear it or not!"

"Come and kneel in front of me at once. Otherwise, I'll be throwing them down from this height!

"Don't you worry, I've sealed their souls. I can guarantee you that they won't be able to cast a single spell during the fall. According to my experience, even a Warrior-level demon beast will be smashed into

minced meat from this height. Forget about the little kid from the Zhao Family who's on the verge of dying after I've beaten the crap out of him. However, it would be a pity for the girl with the Ice Element who's still unconscious. I believe she's very important to you. If that's not good enough, how about the three of them together?"

Lu Nian's devil-like voice echoed in the sky. He had purposely enhanced his voice with his magic, making sure that it would spread to every corner of the city.

As Mo Fan heard the words, flames uncontrollably burst out under his feet. He could no longer control the rage inside him.

Even the outrageous Black Vatican had never made him so angry before. He never thought it would be a person wearing the uniform of a Battlemage!

"Mo Fan, this devil will still kill us even after you've shown yourself. Go back to the capital, to the Magic City. You have to let the Enforcement Union and the army know what happened here..." Zhao Manting who was severely injured let out a scream.

He was unable to yell out with magic, as his soul was being sealed. He could only scream at the top of his voice, hoping Mo Fan could hear him somewhere down there.

That being said, there was no chance Mo Fan could hear him due to the height!

Bai Tingting and Mu Nujiao remained silent. Their ears were filled with the echoes of Lu Nian's terrible laughter.

Up in the sky, a great burst of wind swept forward, parting the clouds in a blue line...

A pair of Wind Wings slowly appeared in the blue sky, as a man wearing a wind jacket embroidered with a different pattern on its back flew toward the city rapidly.

The man had a handsome, stubbled face. Although his collars were upright, an obvious scar going across his neck all the way to his chest could still be seen.

"Lu Nian, you've committed a terrible crime! Let go of the students at once!" the man approached the giant Heavenly Eagle and snapped furiously.

Chapter 317: Constellation, Advanced Magic!

Lu Nian stood on the back of the Heavenly Eagle and stared at the stubbled man driving the Wind Wings.

Zhan Kong?

Isn't he guy in charge of the army in the south? Why would he come all the way to Dongting Lake to meddle with his business?

The entire operation had been carried out behind the scenes. There was no way the military would have noticed it. Could it be that someone had alerted them? Could it be the students who had escaped?

Impossible, even if they had some sort of a communication device, the military would not be able to respond so quickly. It was too much of a coincidence if Zhan Kong just happened to be nearby, too.

Lu Nian grinned, revealing his yellow teeth. He waved his pipe calmly before speaking with a challenging gaze, "A useless commander like you, who failed to protect Bo City, dares to challenge me? Zhan Kong, I believe you've come alone...You knew that the kid had Double Innate Elements all along, but you have been keeping it to yourself. Does that mean you're planning something on your own, too?"

"Bullshit. Do you think everyone is as reckless as you? Blood Sarira my ass, with the kid's potential, he could easily rise up as a hero one day without relying on that filthy piece of crap. I'd feel greatly ashamed if I were you, to use such inhumane methods on students. If your father knew you would turn out to be such a piece of crap, he would prefer to shoot you on the wall and let you dry in the wind!" Zhan Kong did not care how rough it sounded when he was cursing people.

He was extremely furious.

Zhan Kong assumed that Lu Nian would only be trying to capture Mo Fan alive.

To his surprise, Lu Nian had totally lost his mind. He somehow decided to kill all the students, just to silence them.

They were the elite students from the Imperial College and the Pearl Institute, with a great future ahead of them. However, they had died horrible deaths here just because of Lu Nian's wild ambition.

How many years had it been since the military had a failure like him!?

"Zhan Kong, do you really think you can defeat me?" Lu Nian smiled. It slowly turned into a savage grin.

Since his actions had been exposed, there was no longer a need to be mindful of keeping it all a secret.

There was no need to care too much. A high achiever should never be bound to the restrictions around him. It was better now that he was no longer tied to his rank. There were only a few Commanders in the army that could match his strength, and this Lu Nian was definitely on the list.

It was time for the massacre to begin!

Anyone who was slightly related to this incident would die!

"Feed them to that thing." Lu Nian glanced at the giant beast who had just woken up on top of the nest with a cruel grin.

"Commander, I believe... that's a Razortail Drake!" the soldier driving the Heavenly Eagle said with a trembling voice.

Lu Nian was referring to the dominator of the desolated city, currently sitting at the top of the Giant Lizards' nest: the Razortail Drake!

Feeding the four students to the Razortail Drake?

Wasn't that a little bit too far?

If he were to fly toward it, the Razortail Drake would surely eat both him and the Heavenly Eagle too!

"Are you disobeying my order?" Lu Nian glared at the soldier.

"Ne...negative." The soldier saluted and directed the Heavenly Eagle to fly toward the nest.

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In the net, Bai Tingting's face was as pale as a piece of paper.

Zhao Manting and Mu Nujiao might not know the beast, but she had seen it herself.

The Heavenly Eagle was flying directly at the beast. Despite the distance between them, Bai Tingting was already soaked with the cold sweat of fear.

"What's that?" Zhao Manting caught onto the net and stared at the top of the nest with a blank face.

"It's...it's the thing that had eaten the Pseudomorphing Demon Beast with a single bite," Bai Tingting said in a trembling voice.

Zhao Manting and Mu Nujiao could not help, but shiver in fear.

So, that's the thing... eating the Pseudomorphing Demon Beast with a single bite...

The Pseudomorphing Demon Beast alone was impossible to deal with, wouldn't that make the Razortail Drake as deadly as the Grim Reaper...

They preferred to fall to their deaths from their current height rather than being fed to the Razortail Drake as a snack!

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"Lu Nian, are you insane? Are you seriously going to continue making mistakes?" Zhan Kong roared furiously.

"Zhan Kong, are you really that naive to believe the world is within your grasp? Don't you know that someone is still waiting for you under the cracks of Tianshan Mountain? You don't even have the courage to retrieve her corpse!" Lu Nian burst into sinister laughter.

Lu Nian's words made Zhan Kong's expression turn extremely dark, as if they had touched a spike at the bottom of his heart that he had been avoiding all this time. His eyes flickered with a strong murderous intent.

The devil Commander seemed to enjoy Zhan Kong's reaction, and added with a laugh, "You couldn't even protect Bo City from a bunch of low-intelligence demon wolves. You've shown me again just how useless you are. I feel sorry for you."

Zhan Kong's muscles twitched. The scar under his collar almost burst open as it throbbed.

"And now you're back pretending to be a hero, trying to condemn us like a sacred judge. Don't you find it funny? Look at those students. How innocent, how pitiful. They might be the future of mankind if they

were able to survive. If you really are capable, then try and get over my dead body and save them. Prove to me that you're not a useless piece of crap! Unfortunately, you're trash, a complete piece of trash!" Lu Nian's voice was extremely ear-piercing.

Despite being utterly furious, there was no expression on his face.

Zhan Kong wore an expressionless face. He pointed at Lu Nian and said in a firm tone, "I might have failed before, but I've never stopped trying."

That person who was frozen under the cracks of Tianshan Mountain... Even if his hair turned white by the time he became a Super Magician, he would still revisit Tianshan Mountain to retrieve her, either alive or dead. It was a promise that he would keep for the rest of his life!

He knew he was responsible for Bo City's calamity, too. The Darkwing Wolf, the Black Vatican, he would never forgive them. He would surely use the wolf's blood and the heads of the Black Vatican to mourn the deceased of Bo City!

Now, Zhan Kong had sworn to himself that he would slay Lu Nian to get rid of this disgrace of the military, even if his life were at stake!

His Wind Wings beat rapidly. His priority now was to save the four students who were being delivered to the Razortail Drake. Zhan Kong swept across the sky at his fastest speed, resulting in a trail of turbulence behind him.

"Eyes of the Rock Demon!"

Lu Nian would never let Zhan Kong pass so easily. Several brilliant Stars appeared close to him, which were densely joined together in the sky like a stunning Nebula.

The Stars aligned into patterns. The patterns glowed brightly while they slowly combined. They gradually merged into an astonishing Constellation near Lu Nian's position.

The brown-hued Constellation looked incredibly complex, but Lu Nian had constructed it in a very adept manner!

The evil Commander was casting an Advanced Earth Spell. The brilliant, astounding Constellation was enough to serve as an indication.

"Petrify!"

The evil Commander uttered coldly. The clouds in the sky were covered in a grayish-white layer...

The dust from the petrification process lingered in the air. The clouds were turned into a stony substance within a few seconds, which began to break into pieces while floating in the air.

Even the clouds were petrified, what about humans?

Chapter 318: This is the Blood Sarira

The first time Mo Fan had met Zhan Kong, his Wind Wings had only consisted of a pair, resembling an ordinary pair of wings.

Currently, Zhan Kong had two pair of Wind Wings on his back. The wings were generating a strong gust between them, which was quite impossible to see without a closer look.

Zhan Kong was controlling the four Wind Wings mentally. A pair of them wrapped in front of him as a shield, forming a layer of protection around him.

The gray-white force of Petrify approached its target. However, the Wind Element circulating around the wings was effective against the particles, even those invisible to naked eyes. It formed a layer of protection that could blow any energy away...

Protected by the Wind Wings, Zhan Kong's eyes were burning.

Wind was only his supportive Element!

Fire was his main Element. Facing a strong opponent like Lu Nian, Zhan Kong had no intentions of concealing his strength!

Fiery Stars quickly aligned around his body. The paths between the Stars lined up and drew a perfect Intermediate Star Pattern.

The Star Patterns continued to join together as Zhan Kong floated right in the middle of them. He was like a dictator who had control over the lives of all living things, able to bring utter destruction with a single rise of his hand!

The Constellation took form!

As the Advanced Magic was being cast, Zhan Kong maintained his altitude while holding his hands above him. A fiery magic ring sprang up high in the sky.

The fiery magic ring covered a huge area above the clouds. It dyed the sky the color of sunset, resulting in a spectacular view.

"Sky-Flame Funeral!"

Zhan Kong, who was right in the middle of the Fire Constellation glanced down at Lu Nian. His hands were actually supporting the fiery magic ring that had set the entire sky ablaze. Following his roar, giant fireballs swept across the sky like a meteor shower and dove down!

The sky above the city was turned blazing red. The meteor shower was visually astonishing. It was definitely worthy to be called a funeral, since each of the fireballs was enough to stir up utter destruction, smashing a huge chunk of the city into ashes!

Although the Sky-Flame Funeral was targeting the evil Commander Lu Nian, the packs of Giant Lizards on the ground ended up as victims, too. Countless numbers of them were burned into ashes as the flames poured down upon the place...

When the destructive force reached a certain level, the Servant-class demon beasts became extremely tiny. The spreading force from the Sky-Flame Funeral was enough to annihilate the Giant Lizards from an entire street!

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Mo Fan was not in the mood to spectate the duel between Lu Nian and Zhan Kong.

He raised his head while chasing after the Heavenly Eagle on the way to the nest.

Zhan Kong was occupied with the battle against Lu Nian. There was no way he could save the students in time. Mo Fan was torn with anxiety as he saw Zhao Manting, Mu Nujiao, Bai Tingting, and Mu Ningxue approaching the gates of hell.

What now?

What could he do to save them?!

The place ahead was an ocean of Giant Lizards. He had no idea if he could make his way through them, besides...

For God's sake, the Razortail Drake was awake!

At the top of the nest, a giant pair of wings slowly extended, like a human stretching after waking up from a nap.

Its giant eyes slowly opened as it exhaled a deep breath, splitting the clouds in front of it apart.

It slowly turned its head around. It first looked down at its citizens, to check if they were sticking to their daily routine. However, it suddenly caught a glimpse of something moving ahead.

The Giant Lizards were not sensitive to things that were stationary. However, they naturally had a grudge against those that flew in the sky!

The giant beast stared at the Heavenly Eagle's approaching it. Its eyes fixed on the humans hanging in the net.

It stuck out its tongue with an avid gaze, and a hint of anger directed at the imbeciles that had dared to trespass into its territory!

On the ground, Mo Fan was getting closer to the Giant Lizard's territory.

Mo Fan had no fear of the overwhelming number of Giant Lizards. He would not mind stacking their dead corpses into a mountain.

Unfortunately, the Razortail Drake had awoken. The Commander-level demon beast, which had been able to kill the Pseudomorphing Demon Beast with a single bite, had set its eyes on Mu Ningxue and the others...

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"You're going to kill yourself..."

As Mo Fan stopped for a brief moment to catch his breath, a woman's voice appeared from the debris beside him.

Mo Fan glanced toward it and saw Advisor Jiang Yi.

The woman was indeed quite impressive, being able to escape from the tide of Giant Lizards in one piece. That being said, half of her troop was missing. Even Jiang Yi herself was covered in wounds. It was clear that they had completely lost their ability to fight.

"If you were planning to stop me, I'll kill you all right away!" Mo Fan glared at the remnants of the troop.

He had no time to waste on them. Either way, there was no way he would watch Mu Ningxue die!

"Let's ignore the fact that you can't make your way past the swarm of Giant Lizards in front of you. Even if you somehow made it to the Razortail Drake, it would smash you into minced meat with a single slap. You're just getting yourself killed." Jiang Yi uttered a piece of cold advice instead of trying to detain him.

"As if I'm not aware of it. If it weren't for you lunatics, why would it have ended up like this!" Mo Fan cursed.

He was using his Blood Tabi to chase the Heavenly Eagle across half of the city. It was currently on cooldown.

How could he possibly weave through the Giant Lizards which had totally filled up the two-kilometer-long street?

Even if he somehow made it to the other side, how could he possibly face the Razortail Drake? Zhan Kong was occupied with the battle against Lu Nian. There was no way he could make it in time, while Lu Nian was purposely dragging the battle further just to let Mo Fan knew the consequences of not following his demands!

"The Commander is out of his mind." Jiang Yi's eyes were filled with despair.

Jiang Yi could barely justify the Commander's decision from before, and now, what he was doing had completely surpassed her final limit.

Their Commander Lu Nian had really changed. He had gone insane!

He was no longer doing it just to complete the invention of the new Element. He was trying to satisfy his lust to kill!

As a matter of fact, she should have realized it as soon as she set out for the operation.

"I believe you understand too. There's no way they could survive the Razortail Drake. Even if Zhan Kong managed to make his way pass Lu Nian, he won't be able to save them, either," Jiang Yi added.

Mo Fan's actions were utterly meaningless.

He could not even make his way through the street filled with Giant Lizards, and still, he was thinking of saving the four students.

"Shut the f**k up!" Mo Fan snapped.

Fire began to sprout from his body uncontrollably, followed by a few lightning arcs flickering in the air. It was a sign that a Magician had totally lost control of his emotions.

Jiang Yi could tell that this young Magician was reluctant to give up until the final moment. He was still planning to rush into the territory of the Giant Lizards still.

"Are they really that important to you?" Jiang Yi asked.

Mo Fan did not respond.

He did not even consider the question. His only thought was to eliminate the Giant Lizards so he could reach the nest. He wanted to knock the Razortail Drake flying with his fist!

No one was allowed to touch the people inside the net!

"Mo Fan, if you really want to save them..." Jiang Yi's eyes flickered with strong emotion as if she had made a decision that she could not even believe herself.

She opened her palm and continued...

"Here is the Blood Sarira."

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Chapter 319: New Element, Demon!

"A crazy woman whose mind is filled with thoughts of killing people like you should just stay as far away from me as possible. Otherwise, I wouldn't mind killing you all right now." Mo Fan had had enough of Jiang Yi's bullshit. He had to calmly think of a way to make his way to the nest, while the Razortail Drake was still drowsy after waking up from a long nap!

"This is the only way, if you really want to save them," Jiang Yi said calmly.

On her filthy hand floated a bright red container, which looked like a drop of liquid. It was impossible to tell what Element it consisted of from its eerie gloss. However, Jiang Yi could easily sense the overwhelming power it contained!

Magic Associations across the five Continents were unwilling to admit its existence, to the extent that the governing body of every nation had forbidden its experimentation.

Maybe it was evil and wild, but no one had denied its unmatched power. It was always the case when a new Element was invented. The whole world would always be against it at the start. Humans were always afraid of the unknown, and had deemed it evil...

However, how could power be deemed righteous or evil? Just because it was too overwhelming?

If someone were able to fully control it, it would be up to the person to decide if it were truly evil!

Double Innate Elements, the young man who possessed three Elements at the Intermediate Level.

He was fearless, and intelligent. Jiang Yi had never met any Magician who would dare to trigger a breakthrough while surrounded by demon beasts.

Jiang Yi believed that he was the only person who could control the new Element.

"Maybe it's our fault that all this is happening, we're willing to accept our fate, but that's because of the sins that we have committed. You and your friends shouldn't be treated as a sacrifice.

"It's a very simple decision. Either you charge into the demon beasts and die like an idiot, or break this Blood Sarira into pieces. Well, you could just turn around and leave instead. Maybe the people inside the net aren't that important to you, after all." Jiang Yi held her palm up, allowing Mo Fan to take a closer look at the Blood Sarira.

Turn around and leave?

Mo Fan glanced at the Heavenly Eagle, which was getting closer to the Razortail Drake...

If Mo Jiaxin were in the net, Mo Fan would not hesitate. If Xinxia were in the net, Mo Fan would not hesitate, either.

How about them?

Even if he were able to calm himself, the urge to save them was definitely stronger than any fear of going against the Giant Lizards!

It was actually not so complicated. The same thought had been occupying his mind all along: no one was allowed to touch them, not the devil Lu Nian, nor the Razortail Drake!

Finally, Mo Fan said to Jiang Yi, "Give that piece of shit to me."

"We call it the Demon, or you can call it the Demon Element, too. It's still considered Black Magic." Jiang Yi handed the container to Mo Fan.

Mo Fan had no time to waste with Jiang Yi. He couldn't care less about the specific procedures, nor did he care what it was called.

The Blood Sarira looked like a drop of blood that had been frozen in midair. However, it felt like it was made of glass. He could easily break it into pieces with his fingertips.

"You have three Nebulas due to your Double Innate Elements. You should be able to provide sufficient energy to the Blood Sarira. You also possess the Summoning Element. According to the information we collected from our 788th test subject, you will be affected by your Summoned Beast's lineage once you transform. Therefore, your transformation will lean toward something related to the lineage of wolf species," Jiang Yi quickly explained to Mo Fan.

Unfortunately, Mo Fan failed to listen to a single word. The Razortail Drake had almost fully awakened. On the bright side, its attention was currently attracted to the astonishing attacks between the two Advanced Magicians. Otherwise, it would easily reach Mu Ningxue and the others with a single flap of its wings.

Clenching his teeth, Mo Fan crushed the Blood Sarira between his fingers!

Jiang Yi, who was still in the midst of her speech, was startled by Mo Fan's action.

Meanwhile, the soldiers who were hiding a fair distance away were stunned when they saw Mo Fan's action. Their eyes were completely filled with terror, as if they were about to witness the birth of a devil.

As the Blood Sarira broke into pieces, a layer of thick, bloody mist gradually engulfed Mo Fan's body...

Jiang Yi immediately backed off. She was well aware of how terrifying the blood mist was.

As the blood mist circled around Mo Fan, it seemed to be inspecting him, as if it were alive. It was deciding whether the sacrificial lamb would suit its taste, as if it were something that had just been released from Pandora's Box!

Suddenly, the blood mist drove into Mo Fan through his pores.

Mo Fan was taken by surprise. Just as he was about to check his body, his movements stiffened.

The colors of his pupils turned dark, a depth capable of containing the entire galaxy. It switched from endless darkness to a mysterious silver color, then a fiery ocean, then a wild purple flicker!

Meanwhile, his hair grew longer at an insane rate, while its color turned from black to white, similar to the smooth fur of the Swift Star Wolf!

His bones emitted crackling noises as they grew. His muscles expanded rapidly. Mo Fan let out a roar as he experienced a huge pain coming from his soul. The sharp fangs of a wolf could be seen sticking out from his mouth...

The blood mist had vanished. However, Jiang Yi had discovered an eerie outline around Mo Fan, followed by blood-colored lines spreading under his skin. The outline was growing at a fast pace, similar to a newborn infant!

Gradually, the image looming over Mo Fan's body finally resembled something. It was the evil-looking, savage silhouette of a werewolf!

"The Swift Star Wolf... His blood was indeed under the influence of his Summoned Beast. A Summoner who has established a strong bond with their Summoned Beast would be able to control their mind and soul better, and they will be granted extra power due to their mutated blood." Jiang Yi blurted out in excitement after taking a closer look at the Soul Shadow.

The number of bloody lines continued to increase. They were joining together to form a pattern similar to what the Swift Star Wolf had on his body. However, the power of the lineage they contained had significantly surpassed that of the Swift Star Wolf!

A beastly roar burst out from Mo Fan's mouth.

Although he still retained his human appearance despite the blood lines that had overrun his body, the aura emanating from his body was way more terrifying than a demon beast!

His inhuman eyes and the long white hair that had reached his ankles thoroughly showcased his fiendish nature.

His bare feet stepped heavily on the ground, leaving a trail of scorched footprints. The path he walked upon was instantly turned into a burning hell.

His entire body was surrounded by flickering electrical chains tied to his body, actually forming a destructive domain!

The Soul Shadow of a werewolf loomed over his back, showcasing the power and darkness it had full control of!

Humans always had a tendency to imagine something that had never existed. They would combine the things they knew to invent something new, and if the thing they had invented was evil, they would call it a devil.

The Demon Element was unacceptable by the masses, but it had limitless potential at the same time!

Currently, four different Elements had been combined together in a perfect balance in Mo Fan's body. He was the true depiction of a demon that had existed in the ancient drawings!

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Chapter 320: Spit It Out!

More than a thousand test subjects were involved in the Demon Element experiment. However, Jiang Yi had never seen any of them react the same way Mo Fan was now!

Normally, the transformation would contort their appearance beyond recognition. Even their bones would be twisted by mutation. One time, a test subject even had bones like blades poking out from the flesh all over his body, completely resembling the appearance of a demon beast...

In comparison, the young man before her had retained most of his appearance. That being said, his transformation was way more terrifying than the twisted looks of the other test subjects.

The demonized young man suddenly turned around. His eyes with rapidly changing colors were staring at Jiang Yi.

Jiang Yi stiffened. She could not even move her fingers. She was utterly clueless why she would be overwhelmed with fear and not dare to have the thought of resisting.

"I forgot to mention..." The demonized young man spoke in human's tongue, just that his tone was accompanied by a hint of savagery.

Jiang Yi could not believe what she had just heard. It was the first time a demonized Magician had spoken normally. The transformation was basically the same as humans who had been possessed by parasitic beasts, which would turn them into demon beasts!

Forgot to mention?

Forgot to mention what? Jiang Yi looked at the young man who was so much more extraordinary than the other test subjects. It was like he had turned into a different person due to his demonic appearance.

What is he trying to say? And what did he forget to tell me?

"I don't have just three Elements." Mo Fan's voice was filled with a hint of a sneer, even though he was not actually sneering. She could hear the mocking laughter echoing in her ears.

Jiang Yi was stunned once again. She could not tell if the young man were still the same person as before.

Don't have just three Elements?

Could it be...

Jiang Yi suddenly realized something. She stared at the Soul Shadow that resembled a werewolf looming over Mo Fan's back with great astonishment.

The shadow...

Where did it come from?

Before Jiang Yi could answer her own question, the demonized young man stooped. He was like a human-shaped bow that was accumulating power!

The ground beneath him cracked open as his body sank down slowly, implying the amount of force he was gathering.

Mo Fan sprang into the air, like an arrow being fired into the sky. He disappeared from before Jiang Yi and her soldiers.

Raising her eyes, she discovered that Mo Fan had landed right onto a signal tower nearby. It was over a hundred meters tall. He had just jumped onto it with pure physical force!

The ground cracked open like a giant spiderweb just from his feet, indicating that his body possessed greater explosive power than a demon beast.

"Doesn't have just three Elements...doesn't have just three Elements..." Jiang Yi murmured with a blank face as she looked into the sky.

A Magician with Double Innate Elements was already considered the perfect candidate for their experiment, but what if the young man had four Elements?

On top of the nest, the enormous Razortail Drake had locked its gaze onto the Heavenly Eagle approaching it.

With a flap of its wings, the Razortail Drake flew from the nest and lunged toward the Heavenly Eagle carrying the giant net. It opened its large mouth, yawning open like a giant cave, planning to swallow the Heavenly Eagle and the humans in the net with a single bite.

It was only treating them as a snack before going back to sleep. It was planning to swallow them and digest them without chewing!

The saliva in its oral cavity was exceedingly sticky. Bai Tingting, Zhao Manting, Mu Nujiao and Mu Ningxue were swallowed right into its mouth. It was just big enough to contain them. If the Razortail Drake were using its teeth instead, they would be turned into minced meat instantly...

They would soon slide down its tongue into its esophagus. The compression of its stomach wall and the corrosiveness of its gastric acids would result in a horrid death for the students!

Bai Tingting and Mu Nujiao had already shut their eyes. To be fair, even if their eyes were opened, they would see nothing but darkness too...

"Filthy Lizard, spit it out now!" A savage roar shook the place, like a blasting clap of thunder in the clear sky!

A figure encapsulated within a wolf-like shadow on top of a signal tower launched himself toward the enormous beast.

His fist generated an incredible fiction with the air, the fire engulfing it combusting fiercely. As the figure approached the Razortail Drake, a significantly enlarged Fiery Fist was thrown right at the Razortail Drake's neck!

The Razortail Drake, caught in the midst of enjoying its snack, fell backward as its neck received the powerful blow.

It automatically spat out the food it was just about to swallow before its enormous body flew backward and slammed heavily into a hole on the nest...

The burning flames were like a fiery cloud half-dragging Mo Fan into the air.

Mo Fan glared at the hole on the nest which the Razortail Drake had disappeared into, as if he had yet to release all his anger. He raised his leg and kicked down in an arc, firing off a crescent shockwave!

The shockwave swept across the sky at an insane speed, aiming right at the Razortail Drake...

The shockwave was sharp like a powerful slash. It swept past the nest silently and disappeared!

The tip of the nest began to slide downward, revealing a clean cut across its surface. The cone-shaped stony structure dropped from a height of over three hundred meters and slid into the ground in the middle of the city.

Jiang Yi and the soldiers had eyes wide, their jaws dropped.

Did he just knock back the Commander-level Razortail Drake flying with a single punch?!

Did he just fire a crescent-shaped projectile with his leg and cut off the top of the Razortail Drake's nest open?!

Even with the transformation from the Blood Sarira, there was no way he would be granted such terrifying power.

"Four Elements!! He's a magician with four Elements!" A huge wave rose in Jiang Yi's heart.

She finally knew why the demonized Mo Fan could still speak, and why he possessed greater power than the rest of the test subjects. The power granted by the Blood Sarira was directly proportional to the energy it had drawn from the Magician. Since the kid had four Elements, he would be more than four times stronger after the transformation!

He had demonized perfectly!

Only an Intermediate Magician with four Elements would be able to transform perfectly!

His consciousness...

That's right, he was able to retain his self-awareness too. Otherwise, a demonized Magician would only have a strong lust to kill, just like a demon beast. Unlike the test subjects in the past, he was aware of what he wanted to do. He still had control of his mind.

It worked!

Their Demon Element was a success.

Their Demon Element was finally a success!

Jiang Yi knew she could not escape the punishment of her wrongdoing. However, she was relieved that she could witness the true strength of the Demon Element with her own eyes...

No, what she had just seen was merely the tip of the iceberg of the Demon Element.

He had the power of a demon with four Elements!