

Warlord 311

Chapter 311 Switch

[[Switch] Ungraded ★ |Growth|

The Host can reallocate his 10 stats points once per use.

Ability can be activated once every 10 minutes.

Duration: 1 Minute]

There was not much to go on based on the information provided about the ability but Dilan felt that this ability was extremely interesting.

“A Growth-type ability that can reallocate stats for a duration of one minute...that’s amazing!” Dilan exclaimed, which attracted the interest of the three women, who had been focused on the Bulletin Board of Gates near the training ground.

“Did you find an ability you like?” Victoria asked with a bright smile on her face. It looked like she already knew that Dilan had found a great ability and as if she was the reason for him to have stumbled across a suitable one.

Kathrine frowned yet again upon seeing Victoria’s bright smile but she did nothing except try to calm herself down.

Rather than being bothered about Victoria’s weirdness, Kathrine pinpointed a Gate that attracted her interest.

“Yvonne, what do you think about this Gate? I heard that it’s pretty dangerous but it shouldn’t be much of an issue for us, right?” She asked her sister, who turned her head away from Victoria and Dilan.

Yvonne read through the information that was written on the Gate before she pointed at the level restriction.

“Only those at or above Level 18 can enter it. Dilan is Level 14, so it won’t work,” Yvonne stated before she pointed at another Gate that was marked on the map.

“This one should work though. It may not have as many powerful monsters as the one you showed but Dilan can enter it!” She declared and Kathrine nodded her head in response.

The sisters turned back to Dilan, who flashed a bright smile at them as if he had just won a lottery.

“Is the ability you picked really that good?” Kathrine asked him in confusion. Dilan just nodded his head before he flashed the ability’s information at them.

He had not bought it yet but he could share the notifications he received with others. Thus, the three women could read the information.

“Eh...you are so happy because of that ability? Isn’t it...way too weak?” Victoria asked suddenly. She thought that Dilan had found something of exceptional use but the ability didn’t really seem all that useful to her.

“What the hell are you talking about, Victoria? As long as he can upgrade the ability’s star rating and its Tier, it will be of exceptional use for Dilan. With his high Health stats [Switch] will be even stronger....and it will be easier for him to upgrade his abilities, including the [Regeneration] Origin ability!” Yvonne clarified with a faint smile on her lips.

She hadn’t expected Dilan to find an ability like this so soon but it was certainly helpful.

Yet, when Yvonne saw something on the right corner of the notification screen Dilan had shared with them, her smile disappeared.

“Dilan...I don’t really want to shatter your dream...but do you have 100,000 Dungeon Points to purchase [Switch]?” She asked while trying to be careful about the topic.

Dilan frowned when he heard her question and he wanted to say that everything will be fine. However, when he activated the 30% Discount Coupon he had received in exchange for conquering the Group Mode of the Pagoda of Time, Dilan realized something that caused his expression to change drastically.

“I...am missing 2,000 Dungeon Points...” Dilan muttered before he released a deep sigh as he scratched the back of his head in frustration.

“How about we meet up in three hours or so? I want that ability, so I will have to raid the Pagoda of Time four times...I guess...” He was annoyed that he was missing 2,000 Dungeon Points even after so much hard work and receiving a 25% Discount from the Title [Grand Dungeons Conqueror] and the 30% Dungeon Shop Coupon.

The [Switch] ability was also something that was only posted in the Sale list that would reset in half a day.

“There is no need for you to do that. Just give me your hand for a moment,” Yvonne said all of a sudden when she had already appeared in front of Dilan. He looked at her in confusion but didn’t doubt her intentions.

Instinctively his hand reached out for her and held her hand tightly before a notification appeared in front of his eyes.

[Yvonne Berg transferred 2,000 Dungeon Points to the Host Dilan Cier! The transfer fee has been paid by Yvonne Berg!]

Dilan’s sky-blue eyes gleamed after he realized what just happened. He didn’t let go of Yvonne’s hand and stared deep into her dark eyes.

She didn’t react at first but when she felt the intensity with which Dilan was staring at him, her cheeks began to burn. Her face turned beet red and she turned away before shyly muttering,

“There is no need to thank me...but can you let me go, p-please?”

Dilan smiled at her embarrassed expression but he let go of her just as she requested.

“Even if you don’t think that I need to thank you, you saved me lots of time, thanks!” Dilan genuinely expressed his gratitude before he bought the ability [Switch].

[The Ability [Switch] has been purchased by the Host: 52,500 Dungeon Points have been deducted!]

When the notification appeared in front of him, a bright light emerged in his palm as an ability crystal was being formed right in front of Dilan and the others. The white light dispersed after a few seconds, revealing a seemingly ordinary ability crystal.

Dilan didn't waste any time and the ability crystal crumbled while numerous pieces of information flooded Dilan's brain.

[Ability [Switch] Ungraded ★ |Growth| has been bound! Congratulations!]

Usually, one would require a minute or two to cope with all the information that flooded one's mind but Dilan regained his composure after a few seconds. He didn't feel much different than before, except that he now knew how to use the new ability which he had bound to his Essence crystal.

But there was something else that attracted his interest as well.

"I really like my Occupation..." He mumbled quietly with a satisfied expression as he read through the [Switch] ability once again.

[[Switch] Ungraded ★?? |Growth| (0%)

The Host can reallocate 15 stats points once per use.

Ability can be activated once every 10 minutes.

Duration: 2 Minutes]

The Divine Occupation [Kirak's Vassal] increased the star-rating of all bound abilities by two stars. This came in handy in various situations, especially when it came to his [Origin ability] and abilities that were already at a high ranking.

[Switch] didn't receive tremendous amplifications from the additional star rating but that was only a matter of time.

"How about we leave then?" Dilan asked with a faint smile, knowing that Kathrine and Yvonne had already chosen a good semi-permanent Gate.

However, Kathrine shook her head and a devilish smile appeared on her face.

"Didn't you plan to get struck by my lightning...like 20 times? How about we do that first?" Kathrine asked, feigning innocence while her expression turned even more devilish than before.

Dilan frowned when he saw her expression and he instinctively shook his head at that.

"If we encounter Tier-1 Lightning attributed monsters, I would rather allow them to attack me...I think..." He could only shrug before taking a look at the Gate, which Yvonne had chosen for them.

"Let's go to the Thunder Plateau!!" Dilan raised his fist in the air as if they were about to do something grand before he avoided Kathrine's gaze and stepped away with fast strides.

"He is avoiding me, isn't he?!" Kathrine grumbled while Yvonne and Victoria could only giggle at that.

“I would avoid you as well! Hehhe~”

## Chapter 312 Thunder Plateau

[Semi-Permanent Gate to (Small Thunder Plateau). <365 Hours>. Conditions to enter are met; Average stats at <35>]

“Two weeks are more than enough...It looks like we won't have any problems with that Gate,” Dilan said when he saw the <365 Hours> tag which indicated that the Gate would close in roughly two weeks.

The first Vampire families were likely to attack in a week, at the latest. Thus, two weeks were much more than they could spend inside the Thunder Plateau, either way.

Dilan entered it without hesitation and the others followed suit. None of them were restricted by the conditions to enter it.

“Looks like everyone's stats rose quite a bit,” Dilan mumbled when he turned around after he emerged on the Thunder Plateau.

They had entered a plain that was covered in lush purplish-blue grass. Small hills where monsters were sleeping soundly and a clear lake entered Dilan's view. The environment of the Thunder Plateau didn't look special by any means but the scarcity of plants, and rocks attracted Dilan's interest.

‘It will be difficult to hide from monsters, or to surprise attack them,’ Dilan concluded before he shrugged his shoulders. His Agility was much higher than any Tier-1 monster could reach by normal means. That was more than enough for him to remain calm.

Yvonne soared in the air the moment her black-feathered wings spread out. She observed her surroundings and searched for the area with the highest number of monsters.

It didn't take long for her to find what she was looking for and she descended once again.

“Looks like I'm lucky. Four groups of monsters are fighting south of us. There are, at least, 10 Gold Tier-1 monsters among them,” Yvonne informed with a smile before she shot in the direction in which her Origin ability led her.

Yvonne was extremely close to death simply because her Origin ability [Angel of Death] increased her sensitivity toward death. This was sometimes a hassle but it also allowed her to find monsters at a much faster rate.

Kathrine's body was clad in flashes of lightning before she dashed off, following Yvonne. Victoria followed them as well, while Dilan was the only one, who was left behind.

“Since when did they become so eager to fight? I mean I get Victoria's excitement but Kathrine and Yvonne were never actually that interested in fighting...or am I wrong? Am I missing something?” Dilan was a bit confused because he could tell that he and Victoria were battle maniacs, while Yvonne and Kathrine were just normal Ascenders, who fought because only when they had no other choice.

However, the feeling he had right now was a bit different because it made him believe that both Kathrine and Yvonne were not that different from Victoria.

'Maybe I really am missing something,' Dilan just thought as he shrugged his shoulders. It was not something bad if the sisters would become battle maniacs. On the contrary, it may as well be helpful, especially if they wished to become stronger by all means.

Dilan liked it, which was why he didn't even think about restricting his strength. He activated [Thunder Step], which created a thunderous sound that echoed through the small Thunder Plateau as he set off.

The ground below him crackled as the electric currents surrounding his feet connected to the purplish-blue grass. It sounded quite pleasant and was slowly transforming Dilan's earlier confused expression to that of joy.

Dilan turned into a purple flash as he brushed past Victoria and Kathrine on the ground. Yvonne was almost in front of the four monster groups that were fighting for the right to become the Overlord of the small territory all of them inhabited.

She was ready to release the two Silver Tier-1 Minotaurs which she could control with her Origin ability but noticed that this was not even necessary.

Her Origin ability gave her a prior intimation about a massacre that was waiting to happen, which was why Yvonne could only stare down at the ground as she hovered in the air in front of them.

Yvonne was the only existence in the air right now and she was about to witness Dilan's terrific strength from a bird's eye view. This excited her a bit as she circulated mana through her body to increase the clarity and focus of her eyes.

When Dilan emerged in the middle of the fighting crowd, a huge explosion resounded as he bashed into several monsters at once.

A Thunadra Rhinoceros had punctured a Thundermane Lion with its tusk just a moment ago, which resulted in it roaring out in fury.

The Thunadra Rhinoceros had been extremely fast and agile despite its heavy and huge body which would normally result in a decrease of its speed.

But it was merely a moment after the Thunadra Rhinoceros was able to roar out, that it was flung through the air. Its cry of victory died down and a tremendous force had impacted on the Thunadra Rhinoceros, nearly killing it moments after it was supposed to have won the fight.

The monster crashed heavily on the ground, sending dirt and rubble flying all over the place but before it could even react its body became even heavier. It was impossible for the monster to move as something light landed on its body, piercing straight through its chest.

"This ability is really interesting," Dilan mumbled to himself as he pierced the Thunderbolt dagger in the Thunadra Rhinoceros' chest.

[-Switch- has been activated. Please select how you wish to relocate your stats!]

[15 Health Units have been deducted. Strength has been increased by 15 Units!]

Dilan didn't waste his time with the dead corpse below him. He threw a short glance at the notifications that appeared after he used his new ability. It was certainly useful to have such an ability and the only downside was probably the long cooldown before he could use it again.

After he activated [Switch] once, he would have to wait 10 Minutes. That was an inconvenience but it was not actually something he could avoid.

Dilan had to be more careful when to activate [Switch] because of the cooldown, which was actually something good. He wouldn't use it recklessly then!

With a small stride, Dilan jumped on the Thunadra Rhinoceros' head, where the punctured Thundermane Lion was still struggling.

It was close to death and Dilan didn't want to waste this opportunity.

He slashed out once, thereby killing the monster before he turned back to the other monsters. All of them were staring at him as if they had finally found a common enemy.

Many of the monsters were severely injured but none of them were fighting anymore. Dilan looked at this with a bright smile as he began to feel the adrenaline coursing through his body.

He began to feel excited and his grip over the Thunderbolt dagger tightened as he manifested a second one. His free hand reached out for the Thunderbolt dagger just before Dilan bent down.

His posture changed instantly while his eyes gleamed in cold fury, which clearly showed that he had not joined the party for fun.

Dilan had come for blood...their blood!

When he leaned forward, Dilan merely waited a second or two until he released his entire power.

With an Agility crossing 130 Units after [Thunder Step] was activated, and a Strength close to 100 Units, Dilan was not to be held back anymore.

He turned into a purple dash causing death and destruction.

Meanwhile, Victoria and Kathrine had appeared in front of the battlefield as well.

"Leave some for us as well!!" Kathrine shouted in frustration, while Victoria could only smile with a devilish glee as she joined the fray.

"If you want some, then come and take them! Don't complain, little chipmunk~~"

### Chapter 313 Burning Boots

Dilan was by far the fastest but that didn't mean he could attack all opponents at the same time.

Victoria created several Blood-Ice Lances which she fired at the opponents around her, accurately piercing their vital spots to finish them off.

Her crimson eyes were glowing brightly and they moved around rapidly while simultaneously keeping a watchful eye on every single detail that happened around her.

She smiled in excitement and killed the monsters she had attacked with the second barrage of Blood-Ice lances.

Yvonne dived down all of a sudden, smashing into the ground next to Victoria. A dark mole appeared in the crater Yvonne's sudden dive had created. It was bleeding from several wounds because of the attack Yvonne had executed. However, the young Ascender was far from done.

She was staring down at the huge mole without a trace of mercy as she slashed out with the longsword that had manifested in her hand. Yvonne knew that showing mercy would endanger her or her allies. Her first attack was enough to inflict severe damage to the mole, which had attempted to attack Victoria from below, while the second attack killed the monster immediately.

Kathrine saw this from the side of her eyes and nodded her head approvingly. Even if Victoria was usually a bit annoying, she was still a member of their group. In fact, Kathrine would be lying if she were to say that she hated Victoria. It was quite relaxing to be next to Victoria and the only thing that annoyed her was Victoria's attitude concerning anything that was even remotely related to Dilan.

Thinking about that, Kathrine released several bolts of lightning she had prepared beforehand at once. The monsters she faced were all somewhat resistant to lightning but that didn't mean they were immune. Kathrine's bolts of lightning were lethal and powerful enough to restrict her opponents for a short moment.

Some of the monsters she attacked were partially restricted in their movement for an entire second. This didn't sound like much but it was enough for Kathrine to cut through the chest and head of two monsters that were frozen like a statue.

Dilan dashed past her to eliminate all the monsters that hadn't been attacked by any of the three women. He instinctively avoided the monsters they targeted, which was something the women noticed in the following seconds.

The wind pressure Dilan created just by running past them was tremendous and the vast majority of monsters they were supposed to face after they were defeated in the first encounter started to collapse on the ground.

Dilan smiled brightly as he moved over the ground with the agility of a cheetah. Every single step caused loud crackling noises to resound through the surroundings as the electric current around his feet connected with the purplish-blue grass.

His arms moved rapidly and the Thunderbolt Daggers cut through the lifeline of the monsters he attacked, killing them instantly by beheading them, cutting through their arteries, and by piercing through their wildly beating heart.

Dilan's eyes moved quickly as he analyzed the situation around him. Blood spurted through the surroundings but Dilan avoided it from splattering on his face. Running through the battlefield as if he had wheels for legs, he hacked, slashed, and killed mercilessly, obliterating one opponent after another.

With an Agility that was around 130 times higher than the average human before the Primordial Ascension, it was not easy to change his direction. His ankles suffered a lot under the immense pressure

caused by the changes. With short spurts, sudden stops, and other movements, he would wear down his ankles and end up getting injured.

By then even his high Health and Agility wouldn't be of use anymore. Dilan was able to tell that, which was why he actively used the bodies of his opponents as a means to change his direction.

Because there were no walls or trees to push his feet against, Dilan decided to make use of the corpses and pushed his feet off their body. The monsters were blasted in the direction opposite to what Dilan ended up in, which both injured the monster he had pushed away and the monsters behind, and Dilan didn't have to slow down.

It was difficult to make use of the monster's bodies because their numbers decreased rapidly. They collapsed to the ground, much faster than Dilan would have expected. Only when more than a hundred corpses were lying on the ground and all of the monsters he was supposed to attack had been eradicated did he stop.

Dilan slowed down his speed before he came to a halt in the middle of the battlefield. He took a deep breath and looked down at his feet. Something was bothering him and when he looked down at his feet realization struck him.

"My boots..." Dilan let out a cry of frustration but as everyone had just finished off their last opponent, the three women turned instinctively in his direction. He sounded sad, which was something they weren't used to hearing often from Dilan, even less when he had just released some of his stress.

Dilan should have been happy right now, not depressed but when everyone saw his boots, they could clearly tell what was going on.

"I always wondered why they never caught fire," Kathrine mumbled quietly when she looked at the Aeris' leather boots that were burning brightly.

"Yeah...I think his boots survive for the longest, and they're just Tierless Silver treasures..." Yvonne laughed, which was why she was glared at by Dilan.

The leather boots Dilan owned were subjected to a lot of wear and tear and only after Victoria used her Blood-Ice around his feet did they stop burning. Unfortunately, this didn't change the fact that his boots had been destroyed.

He looked at them with a sad expression before he shook his head in frustration. With smooth movements, he pulled off his boots before he threw them aside.

"That will happen with Tier-1 boots the moment I advance to Tier-2 as well...so annoying," Dilan grumbled which everyone heard. They laughed out loud and averted their focus to start collecting the Essence crystals of the monsters they had just killed.

Dilan walked around barefoot but that was the least troublesome fact on his mind right now. He collected the Essence crystals and kept repeating the same complaints over and over again.

-My Agility is so much lower now...-

-I cannot use [Gale] anymore...-

-When will I ever find boots like these?-

-How am I supposed to fight now?-

Dilan complained a lot but everyone found that cute, especially because he was known for grumbling the least.

It was an interesting change and it eased the tension among the three women considerably. They were focused on becoming stronger and wanted to upgrade all of their abilities as much as possible. The loss of Dilan's boots might be tragic but it was not as if they lacked pieces of equipment. High-ranked boots were something they had in abundance. In exchange for some essence crystals, Dilan was certain of receiving even better boots than he had just lost.

When all the corpses and Essence crystals had been collected, Dilan didn't immediately absorb all of them.

[Allow 'Switch' to devour the absorbed Essence? Yes/No?]

'No' The moment Dilan read the notification he selected the second option. He looked at the notification, thought about a few things, and finally decided to allow [Switch] to absorb his Essence.

'Let's experiment a bit then...' He thought and his expression turned serious as he absorbed one of the weakest Tier-1 Lightning Essence crystals he had gotten his hands on.

The Essence Crystal that had purplish edges crumbled in his hand and an enlightened yet also somewhat disappointed expression formed on his face.

Chapter 314 System's fairness

"Wait...the number of lightning essences which I have absorbed is not increasing..." Dilan mumbled.

"The numbers on the [Thunder Step] ability's upgrade requirement won't increase if I don't absorb the Lightning Essence crystal in its entirety?" Dilan mumbled, feeling slightly disappointed.

Only now did he realize that he had to separate absorbing Essence crystals for [Switch] to be upgraded and for the second upgrade requirement of the [Thunder Step] ability to increase.

It would have been much easier if he could absorb Tier-1 Lightning Essence crystals to do both at the same time but as it was impossible, Dilan ended up focusing his attention on fulfilling [Thunder Step]'s second requirement because it required the specific Essence crystals they had come for.

[17 <Ordinary>, 21 <Bronze>, 18 <Silver>, and 7 <Gold> Tier-1 Essences have been absorbed → +0.3 Strength, +0.6 Health, +0.4 Stamina]

His stats didn't increase by much but that didn't matter because he killed the monsters to accelerate upgrading [Thunder Step] to Tier-1.

It wouldn't be long before this ability would reach Tier-1 and Dilan wanted this to happen before the Vampires arrived, especially because he had no idea what the upgrade requirements for [Second Acceleration] were.

[Switch] could grow by absorbing Essence crystals, which meant that it was actually not necessary to pay too much attention to it. Conquering the Pagoda of Time once and providing it with all the Essence crystals was probably more than enough to upgrade it several times.

Dilan wanted to do that, which was another reason for him to like entering and conquering the Pagoda of Time. It could be used greatly to abuse the masses of monsters that were spawned inside the Pagoda whenever someone raided it.

If others were to make use of the Pagoda of Time, they would become much stronger than they had ever been but many were afraid of entering it, let alone braving the challenges inside it.

Fear was something humane and it was perfectly normal. As long as one could make use of their fear and become stronger by being more motivated to fight their fears it was great, but if one was incapable of moving due to the fear that spread through one's entire being it was detrimental.

Kathrine, Yvonne, and Victoria could make use of their 'fears' as a catalyst for positive change, which was why they were bound to become much stronger than the average human.

"I will search for the next group of monsters," Yvonne declared once she replenished the tiny bit of mana she had used up. Without waiting for the others' response, she soared into the air again. Once she raised the required height, she used her enhanced senses and her great sight to see and sense all the monsters in her surroundings.

"She is so excited, that is cute~" Victoria clasped her hands together as she exclaimed. It looked like Victoria was thoroughly enjoying her time. She looked at Dilan a moment, and licked her dry lips, only to pout the moment she saw that Kathrine jumped in front of her with squinted eyes.

Kathrine could clearly tell what Victoria was up to and she didn't like it. The Vampire was definitely too naughty in all possible ways, which was also why Kathrine felt like throwing her in a garbage bin every now and then.

Victoria had fully integrated into the group and if it wasn't for her crimson eyes and her occasional outbursts, nobody would believe that this woman was a Vampire. A psycho...yes, but certainly not a Vampire.

"By the way, there is something I'm curious about, Victoria..." Dilan suddenly started speaking when he recalled something he had been meaning to ask her from the moment he got to know his first Vampire.

"What is it?~ I can tell you everything, even my three sizes~" Victoria said in a seductive voice as her head peeked over Kathrine's shoulder. Victoria was tightly embracing Kathrine from the front, pushing Kathrine's head in her chest.

She smiled brightly while Kathrine was suffocating, and trying hard to push the Vampire away from her. Victoria's smile only widened while Kathrine began to throw a tantrum.

"How many active and passive abilities do Vampires have when they're still Tierless? And did you guys start with all your stats at 1 as well?" Dilan asked, dumbfounding both Kathrine and Victoria.

Kathrine had finally wriggled free of Victoria's grasp and gave her an angry glare before she stared at Dilan in confusion.

She could tell why he was asking this specific question. It was quite important to figure out how strong Vampires were. Dilan thought that it was quite important to know the exact number of abilities Vampires could possess in order to have an advantage over them while fighting them.

If there was an extremely strong Vampire he would have to face, Dilan wanted to have as many pieces of detailed information as possible to plan his attack strategy accordingly. He wanted to be at an advantage over his opponent!

But asking that question now, on the Thunder Plateau, all of a sudden was a bit weird.

“Eh...that’s your question?” Victoria asked in disappointment. She had hoped that Dilan would ask a somewhat naughty question, but he was as serious as always, which was why Victoria could only feel a bit frustrated. She had hoped that he would reciprocate her feelings towards him a bit more.

However, she could also understand his question and his concern.

‘Maybe I should get a bit serious as well...when we would have survived everything and I have contributed the most for our win, Dilan might as well thank me in every way I want him to thank me~’ Victoria thought in excitement.

Her cheeks turned red and she began to breathe heavily at the thought of Dilan ‘thanking’ her in special ways. Both Dilan and Kathrine looked at her with complex expressions before they stared at each other for a moment.

“She is thinking about something naughty again, isn’t she?” Dilan asked with a wry smile on his face.

“That’s a sure thing,” Kathrine answered, returning the same smile. Victoria was both cheeky and funny but she was definitely one of the people, who required the highest maintenance in their entire group as long as she was close to Dilan or thinking about him.

“We have two free active ability slots and two passive ability slots while being tierless.

Of course, this will increase the moment we get our hands on our Occupations but that is something you know better than anyone else,” Victoria revealed when she regained her senses, returning from the lands of her daydreams and wishful thinking.

“Only two passive abilities?” Kathrine asked in doubt. She was sure that Victoria wasn’t lying to them but it sounded weird.

However, Dilan nodded as if he could understand this quite clearly. He didn’t say anything and simply looked at Victoria while he patiently waited for her to continue speaking.

“And we also start with average stats of one unit. Of course, this doesn’t really mean that our strength decreased to the average strength of one human. Maybe the system made a mistake, or the starting stats make no difference, at all,” Victoria shrugged her shoulders, showing that she had no idea what the system actually thought when giving them the same stats as humans, even if they were much stronger from the beginning!

Dilan smiled when he saw that Victoria was clueless about the system. It seemed like he understood the system more than Victoria but that was only obvious. He had invested far more time in figuring out the system and creating loopholes.

He hadn't come across any special loopholes yet but he could make use of the system pretty well. At least, Dilan thought so.

"The starting stats make sense because it is your Race that created the huge divide of power between humans and Vampires before the Primordial Ascension. The Primordial Ascension and the system are probably trying to prevent a particular race on Milarn from getting too strong in fear of them overpowering others.

They attempt to make a 'fair' competition and equal opportunity for every single race, I guess. The Vampire race has supernatural regeneration, which is why they're considered Immortal in some tales. Their senses are exceptional as well, and they can see exceptionally well in the dark....oh, and I forgot their supernatural strength...

These are their natural 'passive' racial traits. Thus, they have received less passive abilities to create some sort of balance, I guess," Dilan opined, clarifying why he was not actually surprised to hear that Vampires started with less passive abilities.

It made things a lot more interesting, especially since humans were able to turn the tides and become stronger than Vampires as long as they chose the correct passive abilities.

'Things are about to get interesting!'

Chapter 315 Trying out some new things!

Dilan had already expected the system to be somewhat fair. Weaker races without any special racial traits generally received more benefits from the system while others received less benefits to provide equal opportunity to everyone.

Vampires were still stronger than humans, even if humans got two additional passive ability spots.

It was just that humans could become more versatile and that their passive abilities could be used in combination with the choice of their occupation and so on.

As long as one picked the right active and passive abilities, it was possible for certain humans to rival a Vampire's racial traits.

Dilan's [Immunity] was a great example for this. It was already extremely powerful but when combined with [Regeneration] it was simply exceptional!

'By the way...why didn't I upgrade [Immunity] to a much higher tier yet?' Dilan asked himself in confusion. He was still missing a 'few' Infected Essences to upgrade Immunity but it was not like the trading hub was facing any shortage of the same.

There may not be any zombies left in Shiron but that didn't mean they all Infected Essence crystals had been wiped off the face of the planet as well. Dilan shook his head, thinking that he was plain stupid for forgetting to upgrade his passive ability [Immunity].

In the past few weeks, life had been a roller coaster which was why Dilan had forgotten to upgrade his passive abilities. He was solely focused on searching for a great new active ability but casually forgot to think about increasing the number of his passive abilities.

“Maybe I should think about getting more passive abilities now...” Dilan mumbled before he heard something from above. He looked and his gaze followed the direction Yvonne’s finger pointed to.

“A huge horde of Lightning-hooved Goats are there! One of them seems pretty strong,” Yvonne shouted the moment she shot in the direction.

She didn’t want to give Dilan the opportunity to kill all the monsters in the big group, especially since she wanted to level up and gain status points as well. However, the strong monster she had mentioned just a moment before was not something she could handle.

Dilan could face it single-handedly while she, Kathrine, and Victoria would defeat the rest.

“A strong monster?” He asked in interest and activated [Thunder Step] at once.

His Agility was now only close to 120 Units, while electricity currents shrouded his bare feet but it was as if everything turned irrelevant the moment he heard about the powerful monster.

He dashed in the direction Yvonne was headed, pinpointed at the powerful monster in a moment while the adrenaline began to course through his body.

“Double-headed thunder goat? Seems like a nice catch!” Dilan mumbled as he activated [Second Acceleration] as well.

‘How about I try something new?’ He wondered, thinking that a change of approach might be nice.

His Agility skyrocketed to more than 150 Units and he passed by the quickly flying Yvonne in a breeze. Dilan crossed a distance of several hundred meters in an instant. When he reached the goats, Dilan didn’t think twice as he jumped in the air. His angle was sharp, which was why he shot like a rocket and hovered in the air at a height of barely five meters from the ground.

The speed he had accumulated allowed him to jump over a hundred meters through the air but that was not even necessary as he smashed into one of the heads of the double-headed thunder goat. The goat’s neck didn’t break and it looked like it was barely affected after someone smashed its head with a speed comparable to a high-velocity train at full speed.

Dilan smiled when he smashed into one of the Double-headed thunder goat’s heads. It was the strongest monster he had encountered since the day he fought the Thunderbolt Eagle, and funnily enough, it was also a monster that owned the Lightning attribute.

He was surrounded by all of the goats that took note of him the moment Dilan appeared in their midst. They discharged their bolts of lightning and spread it like a tightly woven net to injure, paralyze and kill Dilan. It was almost as if the goats had just been waiting for him to attack them but Dilan could only smile at their futile efforts.

He kicked out using his bare foot, and smashed the large double-headed thunder goat’s head into the ground before he twisted his body.

With a smooth motion, he did a somersault before using his accumulated momentum to jump back into the air. The Thunderbolt daggers manifested in his hands as he pierced upward the moment he propelled himself back into the air.

When he released all of his strength at once, the ground below him burst open, throwing dirt and rubble everywhere. A small crater was created while the double-headed thunder goat was flung upward. A painful squeal escaped the monster's mouth as the Thunderbolt daggers pierced through the soft area below the chin of the goat's head he had landed upon.

Blood spurted in Dilan's face but he didn't even shield his eyes because he couldn't allow the goat to gain the opportunity to counterattack.

His body continued to shoot upward through the accumulated momentum of his jump and the net of lightning hit Dilan for the first time.

He flinched and clearly felt that his movements had turned sluggish. Meanwhile, the double-headed thunder goat seemed to gain some of its strength. This was something Dilan had not expected and he knew that he had to do something to finish the monster immediately.

It had a high Health stat and it was quite powerful, which was something Dilan realized the moment it discharged its own electricity currents as well.

The double-headed thunder goat was able to release bolts of lightning that rivaled that of Kathrine. However, in comparison to the lethal force of the Thunderbolt Eagle, the attack of the double-headed thunder goat was still a joke.

Dilan smiled the moment the double-headed thunder goat attacked him. The pain of the attack spread through his entire body but that was like a wake-up call, which allowed him to take the fight seriously.

He was still high in the air and an easy target for all kinds of attacks. A spear manifested out of compressed flashes of lightning appeared next to the double-headed thunder goat. The monster was enraged because it had lost control over one of its two heads and Dilan, the perpetrator, was the reason.

He had to die, otherwise, the double-headed thunder goat would never be able to rest again.

However, just when the lightning spear blasted in Dilan's direction, a blazing serpent emerged in Dilan's hand. The double-headed thunder goat was baffled about the blazing serpent that shot towards its limp head, only to realize that Dilan inched closer all of a sudden.

The lightning spear grazed Dilan as he blasted past it.

"Even if it doesn't injure you, it doesn't mean that it's useless!" Dilan gritted his teeth as he made use of the Blazing Serpentine Blade.

He might not be able to move mid-air on his own as Yvonne could due to her special trait but he was able to make use of the Blazing Serpentine Blade's 20-meter-long serpentine form!

One of the Thunderbolt daggers had disappeared in his storage ring and was replaced by the Blazing Serpentine Blade that was coiled around the limp head of the double-headed thunder goat. He pulled himself closer and used the momentum to catapult his body straight onto the remaining head, which Dilan pierced through using the other Thunderbolt dagger.

The razor-sharp blade made out of the Thunderbolt eagle's talon created a loud rending sound as it penetrated through the goat's skull before it sliced through its soft brain.

'I really need to work on my form...and aerial fights...'