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Chapter 171 Reeve Nelson and Hidden Mission

Given the nature of their work, Aston's team of soldiers quickly processed their feelings about the traitor. They understood that dwelling on resentment would harm their mental resilience and distract them from their mission. As soldiers, they were trained to maintain a strong mindset and focus, accepting the loss of a comrade as part of their duty.

While it wasn't easy, they were better equipped to handle such situations compared to civilians.

After sorting out their thoughts and feelings, they all sat up straight in alertness, ensuring they were prepared for any impending battle. One of them, a young man with a striking appearance who had recently joined their ranks, glanced at the supplies piled in the corner. His voice, melodious yet carrying an edge of concern, broke the silence.

"Doesn't it seem like our supplies are little compared to when we left them in the truck yesterday?"

His question prompted everyone to look at the supplies, but they couldn't discern any noticeable difference at first glance.

Kisha cast a discerning gaze at the young man, causing him to flinch. He worried she might think he was accusing them of keeping supplies for themselves. Unbeknownst to him, Kisha was actually studying his status window.

[Reeve Nelson]

Level 0

Morality: Neutral

Strength: 5

Stamina: 8

Defense: 4

Agility: 6

Mental Capacity: 9

Charm: 10

Leadership: 4

Title: None

Skills: None

Talent: Group Synergy

Gift: Siren's Call

"Hmm, that's interesting," Kisha thought as she studied Reeve's talents and gifts displayed in his status window. If her suspicions were correct about his abilities, they could prove extremely useful. Adding him to the team, although, he could be a frontline defensive tank or an offensive player, his support-type ability could still enhance their overall capabilities.

Moreover, pairing him with Clyde could create a deadly synergy effect, making them a formidable duo in any situation.

It was rare to come across raw talent like Reeve, and Kisha intended to observe him further to assess his potential for recruitment alongside Aston and Clyde, and possibly even Fred and Rose. Despite her interest in their abilities, she remained cautious about whether they were the best fit for the team, necessary for more observation.

Oh well, maybe aside from Aston, because she had already decided on this person and she already knew what kind of person he was. And fortunately, they still had 22 days left in the shelter before returning to base with the others. Hopefully, by then, the outcome of their conflict with the Coltons would also be resolved.

The intensity of Kisha's stare made Reeve feel like his hair was standing on end, sending waves of nervousness and unease through him. He couldn't discern what plans Kisha might be formulating behind that scrutinizing gaze. Moreover, he worried that she might have deduced his true intentions for joining the team, despite not being a combatant and potentially feeling like a burden to them.

Reeve lowered his head, attempting to diminish his presence, hoping that Kisha's interest in him would swiftly fade. He longed to return to blending into the background, quietly following the team without drawing any attention to himself.

Ding...

Kisha's attention was abruptly diverted by a notification from the system, causing her to stare blankly into space. Reeve heaved a sigh of relief, grateful to have passed that moment without drawing further attention.

[Hidden Mission: B Class Mission "Save The Lonely Mountain"]

Kisha's head tilted to the side as she stared at the system interface in front of her, baffled by the message: 'Save a Mountain?' Did it imply she needed to venture into a mountain, clearing out zombies, mutant animals, and even mutant trees? She struggled to grasp the mission's purpose.

"008, could you track the location of this mission and show me the map?" Kisha commanded, breaking the silence that had enveloped 008 until then.

"On it, host," 008 replied promptly.

As 008 began tracking the mission's location, Kisha focused on reviewing the mission's description.

[Mission Description: Save the community's lone Savior.]

After reading the description, she found herself even more baffled. What did a mountain have to do with being the community's lone savior? The system's missions were always cryptic and confusing like this. Within a few seconds, 008 returned with the map displaying the mission's location. It wasn't far from their current position, which might explain why the mission had suddenly appeared.

Kisha quickly pulled out her phone and accessed Google Maps to locate the place she had seen on her system interface. Fortunately, they still had a phone signal and working internet, allowing her to send Vulture the location along with detailed instructions on what they needed to do.

Vulture didn't ask any more questions; he simply passed the Google Map information to Sparrow and relayed Kisha's instructions. Sparrow didn't hesitate either, swiftly changing their route to head towards their new target location as instructed by their young madam.

Aston instantly perked up at the sudden change of route. "Where are we going?" he asked, eyeing Kisha as she put away her phone. He had observed her typing on it moments before their destination changed, leaving him with a sense that something was amiss.

Kisha remained composed and ready to address any inquiries. "We've been on the move since yesterday and haven't refueled even once," she explained calmly. "I realized this, and it would be risky to keep

going without topping up the tank. The truck could stop suddenly at any moment." Leaning back in her seat, she added, "We can't afford that kind of risk, it would be dangerous once it happened."

After hearing her explanation, everyone realized the validity of Kisha's concern. No one wanted to risk being stranded in the midst of a zombie horde. Understanding her point clearly, they didn't press further. Fortunately, Kisha spotted a gas station near the mission location. This provided a convenient cover for her to justify their stop, as she knew she'd otherwise struggle to explain their detour.

Everyone might have opposed the idea, especially given their time constraints. Aston was focused on completing the investigation and his mission of finding the Wintersswiftly. He wouldn't easily agree to Kisha pursuing her own mission without a clear explanation of her intentions.

After Kisha explained, she noticed Aston nod in acknowledgment, and they resumed their journey. Since the location was only 1.5 kilometers from their original route, they soon arrived at the gasoline station. Kisha instructed Sparrow to fill up the tank and the empty fuel canister and asked him to locate additional canisters to refill. Meanwhile, Aston and his team secured the area.

Kisha and Duke took on the role of scouts, clearing a path ahead to ensure they wouldn't be caught off guard by any approaching zombie hordes.

Aston found no fault in Kisha's actions and decisions thus far, so he allowed them to proceed. The area around the gasoline station was relatively clear of zombies, and Vulture assisted in securing the nearest vicinity to ensure Sparrow could focus on the task Kisha assigned him without interruption.

And so, Aston and his team had a relatively lighter task, prompting no complaints. Kisha took Duke with her and headed straight to the location displayed on the map. Once out of sight, Kisha utilized her telekinesis ability, directing her flying dagger to fend off approaching zombies, while Bell and the other scarlet bees collected the crystal cores as usual.

