

Apocalypse 317

Chapter 317 New Currency Announcement

"Young Madam, the mission is accomplished," Vulture announced with a playful tone as he stood before Kisha and Duke. The other newly awakened superhumans watched them with admiration and respect.

"Perfect timing!" Kisha said, clapping her hands as she looked at Sparrow and Vulture, who exchanged puzzled glances. "These individuals will be your juniors from now on. Tomorrow, we have a crucial operation, and I need you to lead them as their temporary commander. You'll also need to bring along your current team members for the mission.

"I'll provide more details soon, but for now, prepare yourselves for what's ahead."

They had no idea what Kisha was planning. She assigned the support-type superhumans accordingly: the one with the 'Safe Zone' ability was placed under Sparrow's command, while the 'Chameleon-type' ability user was assigned to Vulture. Additionally, all the superhumans with space-type abilities were allocated to Sparrow's team.

All the offensive-type ability users were placed under Sparrow, while the defensive types were assigned to Vulture. Kisha's reasoning was clear: she wanted the newly awakened superhumans to learn battle tactics directly from the best models for offense and defense. Sparrow and Vulture, with their respective strengths, would serve as ideal examples for the team.

This approach would also expand the newly awakened superhumans' understanding of how to effectively use their abilities in combat scenarios while completing their assigned missions. To ensure they were well-prepared, Kisha provided each of them with an extra bottle of Scarlet Honey.

She emphasized the importance of building a solid foundation before using the Scarlet Honey, warning them that using it without her or their commander's explicit approval could hinder their potential growth. This stern warning underscored the significance of proper preparation and adherence to protocol.

If their potential growth was compromised, they wouldn't reach their full strength and would struggle against more formidable superhumans in the future. This approach proved effective; everyone was highly motivated to build a solid foundation, become familiar with their awakened abilities, and exercise patience before using the Scarlet Honey.

Kisha gave them the Scarlet Honey even though they couldn't use it immediately because she wanted to leverage its allure to drive them to strengthen their foundation. The presence of the Scarlet Honey would serve as a constant reminder of their goal, motivating them to work hard.

By building a solid foundation now, they would be better prepared to fully benefit from the Scarlet Honey when the time came, ensuring that their growth would be both effective and assured.

The first batch of Scarlet Honey was also distributed to the newly recruited warriors, who were instructed on its use despite not having awakened their abilities yet. Sparrow and Vulture then taught the same techniques to the newly awakened superhumans, who were hearing the instructions for the first time.

There was a notable difference in how the techniques flowed through superhumans compared to normal humans. The methods were tailored to ensure that normal humans would not be pushed beyond their limits, which could potentially harm them.

Superhumans and normal humans have different bodily thresholds; once normal humans reach their limit, the Scarlet Honey becomes ineffective, regardless of the amount consumed.

After ensuring that everyone was on the same page and that Sparrow and Vulture would lead the new recruits through their training until late at night, Kisha let out a sigh of relief. With the preparations in place for tomorrow's mission, she headed to the Supply Center to check on its current status.

When Kisha arrived at the Supply Center, she found a long line of people exchanging their day's work points for food supplies. The crowd seemed pleased, noticing that there were more supplies available than the day before, including a few small baskets of fruit. The fruit, which people assumed came from trees in some of the villas in the central part of the base, was a welcome addition.

Kisha's team didn't correct this assumption, allowing the misconception to stand.

In the center of the Supply Center were five tables where employees checked the authenticity of each person's work points certificate. These certificates were actually repurposed government papers and stubs found in various offices, designed to prevent any falsification of documents.

Once the employees verified the certificates, they confiscated the papers to be repurposed and treated like paper money.

After verifying the authenticity of the work points certificates, employees would check the list of items the survivor wished to exchange for. They then passed this list to the five additional helpers assigned to each table, who would arrange the requested items.

If the total value of the items didn't exhaust all the work points the person had, they could choose from smaller items like sweets or seasoning packs to use up the remaining points. This was necessary because, at the moment, the employees had no means to provide change.

Kisha also noticed a notice board near the tables featuring a small, glass-like crystal encased in a glass cover and displayed in a velvet-lined box, resembling a piece of jewelry on exhibit. Above the crystal, a long, handwritten message was prominently displayed.

[From the Supply Center Notice Board]

[Attention everyone,

We are pleased to announce that the base will now be introducing a new form of currency in addition to work points. As displayed in the glass case, these are Crystal Cores, also known as Zombie Cores. They are harvested from the heads of zombies and will be particularly useful for superhumans.

Since our previous currency has lost its value, we have decided to adopt these Crystal Cores as our new standard currency. You may exchange your work points for Crystal Cores, or vice versa. Both currencies will be accepted for purchasing supplies and goods from the Supply Center.

Sincerely,

Dante Winters]

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Many spectators scrutinized the glass case with skepticism, as the Crystal Cores appeared quite similar to shards of shattered glass. Their differences were not immediately apparent, leaving some people doubtful about the new currency's legitimacy.

Some individuals, however, appeared to be scheming ways to exploit the new currency for personal gain. Fortunately, Kisha had anticipated this and alerted every department in advance. Alongside the Currency Notice, there was an additional warning note addressing potential abuses.

**[Warning!]

[Crystal Cores are not mere shards of glass but are genuine Zombie Cores containing energy. To ensure their authenticity and protect superhumans from potential harm, experts will be verifying all Crystal Cores. Attempting to exchange fake Crystal Cores will result in immediate exile from the base, with no chance of return.

Please take this seriously. While obtaining Crystal Cores requires significant risk, we will not tolerate deceitful practices that could harm others. Those found engaging in theft, framing, or causing harm will face the same severe consequences of exile.

Sincerely,

Supply Center Management]**

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Kisha smiled with satisfaction as she observed the notice board and the reactions of those who had been scheming earlier—many now looked visibly shaken after reading the warning notice beside the currency announcement. Everything appeared to be running smoothly at the Supply Center.

The facility was fully operational, with electricity powering refrigerators behind the counters for storing meats and perishable goods. Fruits, vegetables, and eggs were displayed prominently near the counters, with large, clear price tags visible for everyone. Overall, the Supply Center had the organized, disciplined feel of a well-regulated market.