

Bloodline 1261

Chapter 1261 Captain Kriv Vs Gustav

< Kriv ■vL (Planet Klaxosape) Vs Gustav Crimson (Planet Earth) >

Captain Kriv and Gustav had a brief staredown within this vicinity of destruction as a gigantic spacecraft got blasted down from above.

The spacecraft descended towards them but before it could completely crash, both figures moved.

Swwiiihhh~

Gustav's figure turned blurry as he charged at Captain Kriv who also charged vigorously at him as well.

Gustav arched his right arm backwards while clenching his fist strongly as he arrived before the massive and muscular pointy rock like being.

It was like an ant charging at a grasshopper as both figures arrived before each other while the spacecraft craft descending was only a couple of feet away from crashing onto them.

Gustav swung his clenched fist at Captain Kriv who also threw his fist downwards at Gustav's miniscule looking figure.

Boom!

Both fists collided in the next instant, causing a powerful surge of energy to rip across the vicinity.

Bang!

The force generated from the collision, blasted into the spacecraft descending from above causing it to shoot in another direction forcefully while parts of it dislodged from one another.

Bang! Bang! Bang!

Other scraped items and structures in the vicinity were hit as well as the shockwaves spread across the entire stage while the ground caved and the barrier surrounding the battle stage flickered intensely.

From the first clash alone, spectators had their jaws dropping from the physical strength these two displayed.

Both figures had slid back upon collision but immediately charged at each other once more without a moment of rest.

Bang! Bang! Bang! Boom! Boom! Boom!

Ripples repeatedly blasted across the vicinity as Gustav and Captain Kriv clashed an uncountable number of times.

Despite Captain Kriv size, his speed was not lacking as he traded furious blows with Gustav that had turned blurry to the audience.

"Reinforce the barrier surrounding their stage," Handler One instructed one of the handlers around him.

"But it already has five layers of reinforcement..." The handler reminded.

"Just do it... make it ten," Just as Handler One said this, the first layer of the barrier blasted to pieces.

Thrrrihh~

The second layer which was more powerful instantly kicked in, protecting the surroundings and other parts of the arena from the impact of these two battles.

On the stage, Gustav was constantly pushed back as they traded blows. There was no doubt that Captain Kriv was stronger physically. Each punch to Gustav felt like he was taking on the force of multiple fast moving moons.

"Are you insulting me earthling? I told you not to hold back, yaaahhh!" Captain Kriv voiced as he tightened his massive fist furiously and threw a punch forward that was three times more powerful than the previous ones.

Fwwwheiiishhh~

[Dash Has Been Activated]

Gustav's figure suddenly blurred as he appeared behind Captain Kriv the moment he swung his fist forward.

"Like I said, as you wish," Gustav's voiced as he threw a fist forward from behind with intensity.

"Hmmm?" Captain Kriv only realised he had missed at the last moment but his defense kicked in subconsciously as his pointy rocky back made rattling sounds as they twisted and connected to each other.

His back instantly turned smooth and protruded the moment Gustav's fist collided with it

Bang!

Another shockwave spread across the place as the gigantic Captain Kriv got blasted forward with intensity, causing his body to ricochet across the place.

Bang! Bang! Bang!

His body slammed onto the ground and then ascended, crashing into a spacecraft above. He blasted through it and reappeared on the other end, before making a flip and descending towards the ground while his body kept flying backwards.

Fwwhiiishh~

Gustav's figure tore across the air and reappeared before him with another fist shooting forward at his face.

"I said use all you have!" Captain Kriv yelled as he reached out both arms the moment Gustav arrived before him while he was still in mid air.

"Hmm?" Gustav noticed he had fallen into a trap albeit too late as his fist collided with Captain Kriv's face causing another loud blast as his head tilted to the side while pieces of rocks fell off.

Bam!

Captain Kriv's arms wrapped around him at the same moment Gustav's fist made contact.

"Yuuuuhhh!" Captain Kriv's loud voice caused the surroundings to quake as he turned upside down while Gustav's body was in his grasp.

Bang!

He immediately slammed Gustav onto the ground upon descent.

Boooooooooom!

Another shockwave rang out again as destruction spread across the vicinity.

Bang! Bang! Bang! Bang!

Multiple spacecraft descended from the air as the shockwaves slammed into them heavily.

Krrrychhhh!

Cracks instantly appeared across the second layer of barrier, causing a look of worry to appear on the faces of the Handlers.

Gustav looked up and could see Captain Kriv launching another punch at his face after slamming him heavily onto the ground.

He couldn't deny that he didn't expect Captain Kriv to tank his punch like that and take the damage only to deal him a greater damage. He had only realised what he was up to late.

Captain Kriv suddenly paused his giant fist halfway as he leapt backwards meanwhile Gustav slapped his hands on the ground with force in that same moment.

Fwhiiii~

His body shot across the air backwards with immense speed as a destructive red beam slammed onto the area where his body laid initially.

Boooooom!

The already descrated ground, caved in as cracks spread across the area and debris blasted across the air.

Gustav and Captain Kriv had narrowly evaded the red beams that shot down from above at random moments.

Since the beams usually switch locations, it could appear anyway. Fortunately, they noticed it in time and swiftly escaped.

"You want me to use more than just my physical strength, right? Alright..." Gustav voiced as his figure began morphing.

[Beast Transformation Bloodline Has Been Activated]

Gustav's skin turned brownish red as tusks grew out of his thighs and forearms while his entire body bloated. His body began brimming with so much energy that Captain Kriv's face turned a little wary as he watched Gustav reach a height of ten feet.

The Klaxosapes Captain was around fifteen feet tall so their current height difference did not look as ridiculous as it did before.

Gustav's eyes gleamed with a red glow as his muscular outline was very visible through his tight white and blue battlesuit.

[Atomic Blade Has Been Activated]

The moment the eight feet long milky colored blade appeared in his grasp, he charged forward with intensity.

Twwhoosshhh~

Captain Kriv was taken by surprise as Gustav's figure blurred and he reappeared right before him with a large milky blade sweeping towards his chest.

Captain Kriv quickly reacted by swinging his fist at Gustav's face.

Slash! Bang!

Gustav's figure swept across the air as Captain Kriv's fist collided with his face a moment after his Atomic Blade slashed Kriv's chest.

Captain Kriv groaned in pain as a large rip appeared across his chest area while his figure shot across the air from the force of collision.

Krrychh!

Pieces of rock fell from his body as he swept across the ground for hundreds of feet after slamming onto it.

This time Gustav had been the one to tank his attack while dealing more damage than before with Atomic Blade. Gustav ignored his bleeding face as he leapt forward while raising his Atomic Blade.

Thrrrihhhhhhhhhh~

The Atomic Blade lengthened rapidly, reaching over fifty feet in just a moment as Gustav swung the massive blade down in mid air with intensity.

Captain Kriv, quickly swerved to the side despite the massive space that had been left in his chest due to Gustav's initial attack.

SLASH! Thrrrihhh!

Gustav's Atomic Blade cause a quarter of the stage to split as it tore through it upon collision.

The cracks spread further with Captain Kriv barely evading and nearly falling into the large divide that was created from Gustav's attack.

[Hover Has Been Activated]

Gustav caused the blade to retract as he levitated, stopping himself from falling into the pit he created.

Captain Kriv could see that Gustav had gotten a boost in power as he came charging at him without wasting a single second once more.

Swwiisshhh~ Slisshhhh!

Gustav swung the Atomic Blade at Captain Kriv multiple times with immense speed.

His arms turned into blurs as Captain Kriv did his best to evade the blade that erased atoms upon collision.

Sweeeii~ Sweeeii~ Swwoooovv~

However, no matter how much Captain Kriv tried, Gustav was undoubtedly faster and would leave even more cuts across his body, sending him flying repeatedly upon collision.

At the Klaxosapes spectators area, the party of massive rocky creatures bore tensed looks as they watched the battle unfold.

- "Euughh Kriv cannot defeat that earthling without using it,"

- "The earthling is powerful no doubt but once Kriv uses it, he will defeat the earthling,"

- "Why hasn't he used it?"

They watched as Captain Kriv continuously did his best to evade Gustav's barrages of attacks while tanking some and losing body parts each time.

Gustav dashed forward once more as Captain Kriv tried taking swift backwards steps.

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Gustav dashed forward once more as Captain Kriv tries taking steps backwards. *novel5b.com*

He slashed with even more intensity than before since he was aware at this point that Captain Kriv's rocky body was extremely difficult to inflict high damage on despite making use of Atomic Disintegration.

Captain Kriv raised both his arms as he noticed he couldn't completely evade the blade.

Threeeeevvvv~

The Atomic Blade cleaved through both Captain Kriv forearms, slicing them off cleanly.

Gasp~ Yaaahhhh!

The entire arena descended into noise as ash colored mist erupted from Captain Kriv's arms after they had been sliced off, covering the entire vicinity.

Bam! Bam!

The sound of the massive hands falling to the ground reverberated across the vicinity, however, the visibility of the stage became immensely hindered in the next moment.

- "Did Captain Crimson just sliced his arms off?"

- "I think Captain Crimson has won,"

- "I can't see anything right now,"

- "Oh mine the battle hasn't ended,"

As voices of disbelief spread across the vicinity, a crumbling sound rang out from the battle stage area.

"RIIIIAAAHHHH!"

A loud roar that caused the entire arena to tremble despite the barrier covering the stage, rang out powerfully.

The spectators who were initially jabbering away, stared at the misty battle stage with expressions of intrigue. The more powerful spectators could already get a hang of what was ongoing on the battle stage and had expressions of surprise.

Boooooom!

A loud crash reverberated across the vicinity again causing vast tremors all across the arena.

- "He got Earth's captain?"

- "What in the world?"

The mist in the vicinity cleared up and everyone stared at the battle stage with looks of disbelief.

- Moments Earlier

Gustav who was within the misty covered environment, felt a great deal of pressure expanding from up ahead, immediately after his last successful attack.

Despite the lack of clarity in the environment, he was well aware of when Captain Kriv leapt thousands of feet backwards after getting his arms sliced off.

Captain Kriv made use of the mist which had been emitted from his sliced arms to switch locations.

This would have worked better on anyone else but Gustav's perception and the power of God Eyes made it so that hindering his visuals was almost impossible.

Gustav had charged forward even after Captain Kriv tried to keep a huge amount of distance in between them but the instant after he moved...

The crumbling sounds began ringing out.

Spectators thought the ground had crumbled again from the impacts of their fight but Gustav was right on the stage so he knew it was far from the ground crumbling.

Captain Kriv's body happened to be what was making this sound. The pointy rocks on his body all twisted and joined to each other like bolts and construction parts merging to each other.

His rocky body changed from Ash to dark red as a dangerous glimmer appeared in his sockets while his body enlarged rapidly.

'The core transformation...' Gustav immediately recognised what was happening before him and paused his body in mid air.

("Each core transformation from a Klaxosape comes with perks... be careful,") The system warned but Gustav was already aware of this.

However, it was too late to be wary as Gustav's senses were assaulted with the feeling of danger spreading forth from Captain Kriv's figure that had increased to fifty feet in size.

Gustav didn't want to charge forward recklessly without properly figuring out the pros attached to Captain Kriv's transformation which was why he paused movement. However, Captain Kriv had this point set his sights on him and roared while charging forward.

"RIIIAAAHHHH!" Captain Kriv's roar caused the entire arena to tremble tremendously as sound waves traveled across the air.

Gustav's squinted with a slightly disturbed look as he tried to counter the incoming fist with one of his since he found himself unable to dodge.

Captain Kriv's fist was approaching with so much power, it would make evading futile.

Thrrrruuuhhh~

The grounds were splitting apart and ripples were spreading across the environment as the fist traveled forward despite the fact that it hadn't made contact with its target.

'I have to throw in the strongest punch I can currently conjure up,' Gustav decided that coming up an equivalent amount of force would at least cause both attacks to cancel out.

However, Gustav would soon realise that this was a grave error as he hurled his fist forward while his arm morphed.

His right arm turned more muscular as the tusks protruding out of them increased in length. His skin changed color from brownish red to silver as scales covered them.

A creamy glow coated his entire arm as his fist tore through the air, radiating with explosive strength as well.

The strength that this fist carried was not Gustav's highest but it was higher than what he used with Captain Strum and happened to be the most powerful he could come up with under such short notice.

It hadn't even been a second, yet, both fists were already about ten feet away from colliding.

The wave of destrutiveness ripping across the vicinity before the collision had created a crater that was hundreds of feet deep and still enlarging.

Both their bodies trembled as they were exposed to the destructive power of each other's fists. It was at this moment that Gustav realised something.

'Shit...' He cursed internally but it was too late...

BOOOOOOOOOOM!

The instant the collision occurred, a powerful and unfathomable blast rang out.

The whistish ripples of destruction that spread forth, wreaked havoc across the entire stage, causing the spacecraft in mid air and the multiple scraped ones scattered around to get blasted across the air.

The were all swept to the edges of the battle stage as the barrier surrounding them took a great hit.

Bang! Bang! Bang! Bang! Bang!

The second layer of barrier was instantly shattered but that wasn't the end...

The moment the third layer appeared in place, it was shattered as well.

Fourth... shattered!

Fifth... shattered!

The barrier finally managed to hold at the sixth layer since every new layer was more powerful than the other.

However, this didn't stop a great tremor from spreading to the entire arena. Everyone stared at the battle stage with awe stricken faces as their seats quaked intensely

Cracks appeared on multiple areas but they quickly mended back. Fortunately no one was harmed since the sixth layer of barrier held.

If this battle had happened anywhere else, it would have caused unprecedented damage. The stage made the destructiveness seem miniscule due to how it was designed to trap in and absorb such powerful outbursts.

Captain Kriv and Gustav would have destroyed a small planet by now had this not been the case.

As the debris scattered across the stage slowly cleared, everyone's eyes widened.

- "He got Earth's captain?"

- "What in the world are Klaxosapes made of?"

- "No way!"

On the other end of the barrier a bloody human figures could be seen mashed against it. The figure which was undoubtedly Gustav slowly slid down as multiple spacecraft could be seen with scattered around him.

[Regeneration Has Been Activated]

Blood Oozed out of Gustav's mangled face as his arms and legs which were twisted in a different direction slowly began to move back into place.

'That was worse than I expected...' Gustav's vision which was currently hindered by his blood soaked face began picking up on the situation of the environment.

Captain Kriv who was thousands of feet away from his position only took a paltry sum of damage as compared to Gustav.

Gustav realised at the last moment that Captain Kriv's fist was increasing in explosiveness and power the further it traveled. To make things worse, as Gustav threw his fist forward earlier, it was weakening in strength.

What he figured out in those few milliseconds happened to be that the energy gathered around Captain Kriv's fist was not just accumulating but also stealing power from his.

By the time both fists collided, his fist had weakened meanwhile that of Captain Kriv's had increased exponentially.

Before Gustav right now was a massive crater that had spread across the entire stage and was thousands of feet deep. Only the edges of the stage had high ground which was where Gustav's battered body currently laid. If one was to move forward, they'd fall into the pit up ahead that was thousands of feet deep.

Unfortunately for Gustav, this didn't stop Captain Kriv who was initially on the other end.

Thooooooooommm~

He leapt forward in the next instant towards Gustav.

Gustav groaned in pain as coughed out blood. Knowing that his Regeneration wasn't complete yet, he quickly activated an ability while trying to move his dislocated arms.

[Energy Discharge Has Been Activated]

A reddish wave of energy suddenly blasted forth from his figure as Captain Kriv closed in with another powerful punch.

Booom! Bang!

Captain Kriv blasted a massive hole through the Energy Discharge Gustav had activated and surprisingly landed before him in the next instant.

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This was really the first time Gustav was witnessing anyone blast through his Energy Discharge with just physical strength alone. He had to admit that Captain Kriv was incredibly overpowered after activating his Core Transformation.

Captain Kriv immediately threw a fist at Gustav's body so as to end this battle before Gustav could recuperate completely.

[Lightning Blitz Has Been Activated]

Gustav instantly turned into a streak of lightning and reappeared on the other end of the barrier.

Bang!

Captain Kriv's fist slammed into the barrier on the other end causing it to tremble and flicker as a small tremor was generated once more.

"Hmm?" Captain Kriv realised that Gustav had appeared on the other end and reached out to grab a scrapped spacecraft by the side.

Fwwwheiii~

He immediately hurled the seven hundred feet large spacecraft across the battle stage like it weighed nothing.

Gustav had barely managed a single second of breathing space when he spotted the massive spacecraft shooting at him with intense speed.

His body turned slightly greenish as icicle like spikes shot out of the ground, forming a barrier around his battered body.

The iro silk formed a triangular shaped barrier which stabbed into the spacecraft in mid air, causing it to get hooked as its descent immediately came to a stop.

Gustav watched his body slowly regenerate as Captain Kriv leapt across the air again.

Bam!

His fifty feet frame landed before the covering of Iro Silk which happened to still be extending all around Gustav, making it difficult to see through.

Bang!

Captain Kriv threw a fist at the iro silk covering, blasting through layers of it as chunks of the icicle like covering scattered across the place.

Gustav's body remained green and slightly bloated as he kept generating iro silk non stop to make up for the parts that were blasted through.

Bang! Bang! Bang!

It was like the Iro Silk had turned to pieces of wood as Captain Kriv's fist kept penetrating them quite easily. The Iro Silk would usually be able to hold back barrages of attacks without getting damaged but in the face of Captain Kriv's fist, it was like paper.

Captain Kriv's fist kept shattering the Iro silk faster than Gustav could generate them but fortunately, Gustav had nearly regenerated completely by the time he shattered enough to arrive before him.

[Lightning Blitz Has Been Activated]

Gustav's body turned into a streak of lightning once more, reappearing on the west side of the barrier.

Bang!

Captain Kriv's fist desecrated the vicinity again after missing Gustav.

"Hnnnghh!" He turned and noticed Gustav thousands of feet away.

'I need to figure out if that happens only with physical attack or with any energy based attack,' Gustav thought back to how Captain Kriv had stolen energy from his fist in the last clash.

Gustav had used only physical strength when throwing out that fist earlier but it had been from part ultimate combination which he made to affect his right arm alone.

He wanted to confirm if Captain Kriv was capable of absorbing other energy based attacks or just physical attacks alone.

Gustav knew that if it was the former then the situation was very bad but he couldn't engage Captain Kriv without proper confirmation first.

'Speed... ' Gustav still knew he had the advantage in this aspect despite Captain Kriv's Core Transformation which also boosted Kriv speed.

[God Eyes Has Been Activated]

Gustav's eyes widened slightly in shock the moment he stared at Captain Kriv energy levels.

Captain Kriv was no doubt the highest in physical prowess amongst all other captains and God Eyes confirmed this theory to Gustav. However, now wasn't the time to be smitten by his energy levels.

It was time to make the other confirmation.

Thooooooooomm~

Captain Kriv leapt forward while swinging another fist at Gustav's figure. Just like every other powerful punch before, the air was already sending ripples across the battle stage while the fist was still tens of feet away from making contact.

[Atomic Disintegration Has Been Activated]

Gustav's palms emitted a burst of milky glow as he thrust one of them forward intensely.

[Palm Thrust Has Been Activated]

A powerful wave of energy spread from his being as his palm tore through the air as well, headed straight for the incoming fist.

"You've finally stopped running!"

Captain Kriv grinned as he increased the intensity of his fist while descending from the air vibrantly.

Gustav felt the strike of his palm weakening as Captain Kriv closed his and scrunched his face a little.

Just when collision was about to occur...

[Lightning Blitz Has Been Activated]

Thhrraazzhhh~

Gustav's figure turned into a streak of lightning and reappeared on the east of the battle stage instantly.

Boooooom!

A loud crash rang out once more as the entire stage trembled immensely while debris scattered in every direction.

"Again?" Captain Kriv was starting to get frustrated as he gritted his teeth and turned to find the location Gustav had reappeared this time.

'Only the energy from physical thrust was absorbed... the energy from Atomic Disintegration was unaffected,' As Gustav came to this realisation he deactivated God Eyes.

He knew what he needed to do now but the only problem was how to go about it. Even being in a two hundred feet radius with Captain Kriv was disastrous so engaging him using only energy based attacks would be immensely difficult.

'Time to go full throttle...' Gustav thought as Captain Kriv charged at him once more while roaring.

[Ultimate Combination Has Been Activated]

Gustav's figure transformed rapidly as silver scales grew out of his skin and he increased in height. Dark horns grew out of his forehead reaching a length of three feet as they twisted upwards.

His entire figure was cascaded in an unfathomable silver glow as his muscled looked like it was about to rip through his blood soaked outfit. A long black tail could be seen from his rear and a Crimson glow appeared in his eyes.

It looked like the space around Gustav was twisting as he stared at the approaching opponent with a deep gaze.

Lowering his head a little, a violet colored energy began circulating in between his horns.

Streams of dangerous aura spread forth from Gustav's position causing Captain Kriv to turn a little wary but at this moment he was less than fifty feet away from Gustav so it was impossible to stop his attack.

However, even with the danger he felt, he knew his fist was increasing in power as it further approached Gustav so he wasn't too wary. At most they'd both take damage from this attack.

Just when Gustav's attack was about to blast forward...

[Lightning Blitz Has Been Activated]

Thrraazzhhhhh~

His entire figure suddenly vanished....

Captain Kriv's eyes widened as his fist collided with the barrier ahead once more causing a loud crash to ring out.

The sense of danger that vanished along with Gustav's presence suddenly reappeared above him in the next moment.

Captain Kriv didn't even get the chance to react as a bright violet glow encapsulated the entire vicinity from above.

Dddhiiiiinnnnzzzzhhhhh!

A powerful and destructive violet beam shot downwards with intensity, instantly slamming into him from above.

Boooooommmm!

The surroundings immediately caved as Captain Kriv's entire figure crashed onto the ground as the powerful beam caused his body to burrow into it mercilessly from its intensity.

This beam kept shooting downwards for a couple of seconds before it finally dimmed. By the time it thinned out, Captain Kriv's figure had been buried hundreds of feet into the ground while steam erupted.

Gustav's figure was high above, hovering close to the barrier since that was the current limit of Lightning Blitz.

'The best way to go about this battle is to keep taking him by surprise... no direct contact,' Gustav said internally as he activated God Eyes once more.

Captain Kriv's back had been charred and rocks fell off his body as he tried to get up after the attack.

Gustav descended at this point.

Fwwwheiiii~ Bam!

The moment he landed in the crater which was thousands of feet deep, he activated another ability.

[Gravitational Manipulation Has Been Activated]

Captain Kriv who was about to charge forward at Gustav once again suddenly felt an insurmountable force permeate the environment.

Fhrrroouumm~

Before he could realise what was happening, his body ascended uncontrollably into the air along with pieces of rocks and dirt around him.

He hadn't managed to stabilise himself when Gustav opened his mouth.

"Kiiaaarrrrhhhhhhh!"

Massive rings of sonic waves shot forth from Gustav's mouth, blasting into Captain Kriv's figure vigorously.

"Grrrhhh!" Captain Kriv groaned as his earring and entire body trembled slightly while his figure shot further across the air.

Bang!

He slammed into the other end of the barrier while the sonic waves thinned out in the next moment.

'That didn't do much damage,' Gustav noticed as he stared at Captain Kriv with God Eyes.

("You have to use something more powerful... you're only aggravating him at this point,")

'His physical energy is increasing by the second... the longer this battle prolongs, the stronger he will get,' Gustav also came to this realisation using God Eyes.

Chapter 1264 You're Next

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Zing~

A five feet long katana appeared in Gustav's grasp in the next instant which instantly automatically unsheathed.

Electric arcs could be seen swimming across the red blade as it emitted a certain pressure the moment Gustav touched the hilt.

This was the Jiko Hakai Katana and Gustav had decided to make use of it since he wanted to maintain a no direct contact battle.

Gustav gathered energy as he raised the Jiko Hakai Katana in a vertical format. The katana's red blade glowed brightly as the electric arcs swimming around it increased in length and intensity.

Captain Kriv who was trying to get up from up ahead, sensed another feeling of danger as he stared forward.

Thiiiiinnghhhh!

The entire stage had been lit up in bright red as Gustav placed his second hand on the hilt of the Katana, before swinging it downwards with great might.

Captain Kriv ignored the pain he was feeling and quickly jumped to his feet.

fwwwiiiiii~

He sped sideways, with the intention of dodging the immensely long arc of reddish energy sweeping forward at the moment.

When Captain Kriv realised he couldn't dodge, he separated his arms like he was going in for a hug while tightening his rocky muscles.

Sweeping both hands forward, Captain Kriv clapped his hands together with great force.

Boooooommm!

It sounded like a nuclear weapon had gone off as a burst of wave from the impact shot forward with intensity.

BOOOOOOM!

The moment Gustav's attack and Captain Kriv's clap effect collided, a greater blast rang out as the two powers contended against each other sending powerful waves across the place.

Gustav's stabbed the Jiko Hakai Katana in ground as the waves spreading across the vicinity from collision, threatened to blast him away.

His body flailed in the air for a bit as he held the hilt of the katana while pushing a palm forward.

All of a sudden the gravitational force around him underwent a reversal causing the waves blasting in his direction to shift upwards.

He stabilised his figure as his hair blew in the wind while the red arc battling for supremacy up ahead, finally slashed through Captain Kriv's attack.

Bang!

Fortunately for Captain Kriv the massive red arc had reduced in power so when it hit, the damage was not as great as it would have been.

However, despite that Captain Kriv had taken more damage than he had inflicted on Gustav in the last few minutes.

His reddish rocky covering after activating Core Transformation was usually powerful enough to tank attacks of high calibre without taking any or much damage but in Gustav's case these damages were beyond the threshold.

Captain Kriv face emitted an expression of horror as Gustav swung the Katana forward once more before he even had the chance to recuperate.

Swiiiihhhhh! Swwwiiihhh! Swwwhiiii! Swwwiihh!

Captain Kriv quickly thrust his fist forward multiple times in reaction to the incoming slashes.

His fists were like ballistic weaponry, sending powerful surges forward as he thrust out multiple times.

Boom! Boom! Boom! Boom!

The blast the collisions created were like nothing that had been seen before as Captain Kriv was finally managing to stand his ground by thrusting his fists more than a hundred times forward in a single second.

'I need a chance...'

This made the explosiveness his combined attacks carried to be on par with the slashes from the Jiko Hakai katana.

Krrrychhhh!

Cracks began to appear on the sixth layer of the barrier surrounding them. Captain Kriv was still taking occasional damage from their continuous firing of attacks but none of them stopped.

Swiiihhhh! Swwwiihhh! Swwwhiiii! Swwwiihh! Boom! Boom! Boom! Boom!

From the spectators point of view they could barely see anything besides blurry movement of limbs and flurries of powerful attack, each capable of leveling the face of a planet.

Gustav kept repeatedly slashing forward with the Jiko Hakai Katana while Captain Kriv kept thrusting his fist forward to counter.

Bang!

The sixth layer soon got blasted to smithereens but fortunately, the seventh layer quickly took its place.

Despite the overpowered state of Captain Kriv, he was still getting pushed back and taking occasional damages as the back and forth attacks continuously played out.

'I only need an opportunity... an opening...' Captain Kriv's face displayed a pressured look as he kept thrusting his fist forward repeatedly.

Gustav had a grasp on the Jiko Hakai Katana now and due to his tremendous strength while Ultimate Combination was activated, he was barely taking any damage from using the powerful Katana.

Thiiiiinnnghhhhhh!

A reddish bolt suddenly descended from the air in Gustav's position.

Sweeewiii~

He swiftly swerved towards the left as the reddish bolt slammed onto the ground in the position where he was initially situated.

The split moment Gustav stopped his attack to evade the beam was the opportunity Captain Kriv has been waiting for as his rocky thighs exploded with power and he charged forward.

THOOOOMMM~

The explosive speed at which he charged forward left Gustav dumbfounded as it hadn't even been a second when he spotted a powerful fist of domination sweeping at his figure.

Captain Kriv's acceleration was faster than Ancy's base speed so it would leave anyone dumbfounded, Gustav included.

[Lightning Blitz Has Been Activated]

Gustav activated Lightning Blitz for the fifth time, causing it to go into a ten minutes cooldown.

Thrraazhhhhh~

His figure reappeared a distance away within the crater. However, at this same moment Captain Kriv turned around gathering the waves generated from his fist and causing it to make a 360° turn as well.

The instant Gustav reappeared thousands of feet away, Captain Kriv roared as he shot his fist in Gustav's new direction.

Thrrrrrihhhhhh~

The grounds split open once more as the waves traveled forward, arriving before Gustav in nearly an instant.

Gustav swung the Katana downwards once more to divide the incoming wave of destruction in two halves. He had reacted swiftly enough but didn't gather enough energy to do more than just cleave the waves of destruction in two.

Thwwwwhoosshhhh~

Captain Kriv had accelerated forward once more with as much energy as he could gather at the moment, causing steam to erupt from his rocky body as he arrived before Gustav with his massive outstretched fist once more.

At this point, Captain Kriv was sure his attack would connect since Gustav was not only taken by surprise on the fact that he managed to use that explosive speed twice but also because he had attacked before Gustav could raise his katana for the second time.

'Finally...'

Captain Kriv believed he had trapped Gustav and now he would finally come out victorious from this arduous battle.

To his utmost surprise a faint smirk appeared on Gustav's bloody face as he suddenly vanished.

Thrrriihzzhh~

Captain Kriv's fist phased into a spherical shaped blue orb that appeared in place of Gustav and he suddenly felt the energy from his fist get sapped.

"What in the name of the gods?" He uttered with a shocked expression as the blueish orb began glowing after absorbing energy from his fist.

In the next moment...

Boooooom!

The orb exploded, sweeping Captain Kriv off his feet with the same energy that had been consumed from his fist.

Rocks crumbled from his chest and face area but before he could stabilise himself in mid air, he felt a pair of hands on his back.

These hands held his body up, stopping him from continuously spiralling across the air and in the next instant...

Swwoosshh~

His figure blurred as they arrived in a different location before he could blink.

Thooooooooommm!

A massive reddish beam descended from above, mercilessly colliding onto his body as he was held up like a powerless child.

"Giiaahhhhhhh!" Captain Kriv groaned as the beam obliterated a huge chunk of his rocky body.

However, this wasn't the end as the figure holding onto him flew in another direction.

Swwoooosshhh~

They once more appeared underneath a descending red bolt and the same scenario as earlier played out again.

Swwoooosshhh~

Thooooooooomm!

"Giiarrrrhhhh!"

Swwoooosshhh~

Thooooooooomm!

"Giiarrrrhhhh!"

After it occurred two more times, Captain Kriv's body had been reduced to a former shell of itself as chunks of his rocky body parts seemed to have blasted in multiple directions.

His limbs were gone and he was barely conscious at this point with a completely charred body.

Gustav who was holding him up in mid air could tell that Captain Kriv's energy had stopped increasing at this point.

He finally let go of him, causing Captain Kriv's body to fall from mid air like a enlarged sack of potatoes.

Bang!

Gustav floated in mid air with his tail waving and his silver skin glowing in elegance as he stared at the completely desecrated battle stage before him.

The spectators were all stunned from the battle they had witnessed that they had forgotten to cheer. Their jaws hung loosely for a bit while Gustav stared in the direction of the Draconets Participants.

"You're next," He voiced calmly, yet his voice reverberated loudly across the entire arena.

Yaaahhhhh! Woouuuuuuu! Cheers~

Loud cheers rang out across the arena at this moment as almost every spectator started chanting Gustav's name.

"Crimson! Crimson! Crimson! Crimson! Crimson!"

Chapter 1265 Acquisition

"Crimson! Crimson! Crimson! Crimson! Crimson!"

They had been completely astonished by this battle. It was way more spectacular and destructive than any other battle they had seen so far.

"Phew... What would have happened if Handler One didn't ask for the reinforcement of the barrier,"
One of the handlers stared at the destruction with a slight look of relief.

Six layers of barriers had been destroyed. Usually every stage had only five but Handler One had asked for this one to be reinforced with five extra layers after the battle began.

Had this not been the case, one couldn't tell how the entire arena would have been affected.

< Gustav Crimson (Planet Earth) Wins >

< 1400 Points Attained >

-"These two have to be the strongest captains for sure,"

- "Captain Kriv is the strongest physically even though he lost,"

- "How did Captain Crimson manage to win against that?"

- "Captain Crimson is a beast for sure,"

The spectators discussed about the battle as Gustav moved out of the stage while transforming back into his usual looks.

The spectators wondered if any Captain would have been able to survive such with Captain Kriv overpowered state. They couldn't imagine anyone winning even though they knew a couple of Captains were assumed to be ranked on the same level of strength.

At the last few minutes of the battle, Gustav had substituted himself with one of his energy siphoning spheres.

Since he could conjure an empty energy sphere and make it invisible on command, he placed one quite a distance away and substituted with it when Captain Kriv was about to drive his fist into him.

This substitution technically changed the whole scenario since the sphere absorbed the force from Captain Kriv's punch and then detonated at Gustav's command.

'Strum would have won...' Gustav knew this for sure in his mind as he moved towards Earth's participants position.

Captain Strum ability was one that would have practically render Captain Kriv useless despite his strength. It would definitely be a bad matchup for Captain Kriv if they were ever to challenge each other.

He knew Captain Kriv was physically the most powerful but he also knew he subconsciously underestimated him due to everything he had in his arsenal.

Gustav had decided he wouldn't use Cosmic Superiority under any circumstance before the entire world but at the same time because he knew he possessed such a power, he had an infallible mindset that had been brewing up within subconsciously.

He knew he had to get rid of this mindset since it nearly caused him to lose today despite all he had in his arsenal. He analysed how the entire battle played out in his mind again and realised he made so many errors.

He pointed out areas where he could have applied his abilities better to achieve a much satisfactory result. Gustav took mental note so he wouldn't make the same mistake again in future battles, especially one he wanted badly.

The crowd was still busy cheering for Gustav but he wasn't even paying attention to any of that. Captain Kriv had lost but at the very least, he proved that the Klaxosapes were still the strongest in physical prowess.

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"Hmm... he was in a pinch yet he didn't make use of it,"

At Indulus Prime spectators area, Captain Irand watched the highlight of Gustav's battle with an intrigued expression.

"Captain Irand... what if he isn't the outworldly?" A team member questioned from the side.

"Remember our Lord claims... the outworldly is amongst us here. He cannot be a part of a group that would have gotten disqualified and so far our investigations point to five people who might be the outworldly.

Amongst the five, only he possesses a 90% probability of being the outworldly and the moment he activates it, the rest of the 10% will be complete," Captain Irand voiced with a serious tone as his eyes gleamed with deep darkness.

"But... what about Captain Strum? Endric Olsov of earth, these two seem to be above the power threshold of young participants just like Captain Crimson is," Another team member voiced.

"While these two are hiding power beyond the threshold... they still do not possess as many abilities as Captain Crimson does. Remember what the Lord said?" Captain Irand voiced in response.

"...The outworldly will possess a variety of abilities apart from the major ones that can control and rewrite fates," The team member voiced in recollection.

"But we cannot go ahead with the assignment till we are a 100% sure that it is him," Another team member stated.

"Hnm... Sooner or later he will use the power. I assume he is trying to hide. He needs to be in a pinch first," Captain Irand said with a suspicious tone.

"How can we get him in a pinch? He has too many abilities that can assist him in getting out of almost every situation," One of them questioned with a tone of bafflement.

"Almost every situation... not every situation... I will have to come up with a situation where he will have no choice but to reveal it," Captain Irand said with a decisive tone.

While the Indulus Prime participants were discussing in their little corner, the battles from this batch were already coming to an end.

Gustav teammates had all welcomed him back minutes earlier and showed their admiration. They never doubted he'd win even when things looked intense.

While they were still in a joyous mood after the win, Gustav didn't stop analysing his battle with Captain Kriv and began coming up with methods to counter the power of an opponent he had intentions of challenging in the future.

In Draconets spectators area the Dracons had set their sights on Gustav as well.

"Can Strum defeat that earthling... Captain Crimson?" One of the Dracons at the front row voiced with a tone of worry.

"Should that even be a question? Just because he is spectacular amongst many others doesn't mean he can defeat Strum," Brons Midely responded with a slight scoff.

"Hmm Strum is the ultimate apex of his peers... I believe in his strength as well," Another well respected Dracon with five arms stated from the side.

"The earth Captain has a pickle with him so their battle is inevitable," Another one of the dracons voiced.

As battles continuously played out, the spectators would occasionally bring up Gustav's battle with Captain Kriv.

It still remained the most intense battle since the start of the challenge. Other Captains had come out to battle since then but none of them matched up with the tenacity of how that battle had played out.

The Klaxosapes were still acknowledged as the physically strongest beings in the universe but Gustav was considered a beast too many abilities in his arsenal.

< Angy Vilandrobadia (Planet Earth) Vs Fihdil Quivora (Planet Wildreck) >

Gustav watched as more of earth participants got their turns to be challengers.

The battles were interesting no doubt and Gustav made sure to still keep taking note.

At the moment Angy was battling with an opponent whose species were known as the fastest in the universe.

Just as Captain Kriv was trying to prove that the Klaxosapes were physically the most powerful, Angy was trying to test her speed with this species.

Shs wanted to know if she was truly qualified to accept the title of the fastest which her friends and teammates had bestowed upon her.

Swwoosshhh~ Swwowoosshh~

Currently, all that could be seen on the screens were silver and yellow streaks which had drawn lines all across the battle stage.

These two were moving so fast that even when the screens above tried to slow the footage of their battle down, it still appeared a bit blurry.

- "What is this? I can't even enjoy the battle,"

- "Ah man this sucks,"

- "Could they slow it down a bit more?"

While some of the spectators complained, people like Gustav were unbothered. Although the two were considerably faster than he was, his perception and sight allowed him to view their battle without stress.

It was one thing to move as fast and it was a different thing to be able to see as fast. Although, seeing as fast doesn't mean a person would be quick enough to prevent an attack from someone moving faster.

Bam! Bam! Bam!

Occasionally clashes occurred between Angy and the yellow being whose lower half happened to be structured like a hornet.

Two stick like legs were attached to her lower half which the Wildrecklin used in moving very quickly, making the world look still around her.

Angy hadn't managed to land a strike that connected since the start of the battle but she was still making use of her base speed which ranged from four hundred to seven hundred thousand feet per second.

They sped across the battle stage, racing along the barrier and even upwards.

Bam! Bam! Bam! Bam! Bam! Bam!

Angy threw a number of palms sideways as they made their way across the top of the barrier, running upside down like it was nothing.

Her opponent, met Angy thrusts with some of hers, causing them to collide more than a hundred thousand times in just a single second.

Chapter 1266 Indulus Prime Is Up To Something

Her opponent met Angy thrusts with some of hers, causing them to collide more than a hundred thousand times in just a single second.

Before sectators could finishing uttering a single word from their mouths, these two had already circled the battle stage eighty thousand times.

Currently they were averaging at a speed of around four hundred and fifty thousand feet per second.

'She shouldn't make use of that power again... or at least for now,' Gustav said internally as he watched them occasionally move faster.

("She has other things at her arsenal... i think she is just probing her opponent limits for now before trying anything,") The system voiced in Gustav's mind.

'Hmm... she doesn't want to be taken by surprise if she takes it up a notch... Angy is getting pretty smart these days,' Gustav nodded in satisfaction.

"As the battle continued, their speed kept climbing.

500,000 feet per second~

550,000 feet per second~

600,000 feet per second~

650,000 feet per second~

700,000 feet per second~

Gustav soon noticed that Angy speed has stopped increasing while her opponent grew more and more faster.

'Unless she uses that horn form, she won't be able to go any faster,' Gustav was well aware of this.

Angy attacks were now slower than that of her opponent and soon she began taking damage since she was unable to evade all of the strikes from the Wildrecklin.

While their battle was ongoing, another of earth's participant was battling in another stage with an opponent that had challenged him.

Yonda was currently battling against a Phixiq participant in a forestry type of area.

Phixiqs were like half biological and mechanical creatures who were structured like part animals. The one Yonda faced at the moment had a lower half that looked like a massive arachnid.

Sixteen metallic looking legs that were shaped like blades continuously swung at Yonda, barely leaving him spaces to evade since these legs could extend.

The air was being torn apart as Yonda short figure sidestepped and leapt across the vicinity repeatedly before pointing his index finger forward.

"Cosmic finger," A surge of crimson stream shot forth from his finger.

Yonda's opponent raised two of his blade like legs to protect itself, crossing them like an 'x'.

Bang!

The crimson surge, slammed into the Phixiq participant's blade, and an insurmountable force ripped through his legs before crashing into his body.

The Phixiq participant got swept across the air as its large body flipped repeatedly while Yonda raised his middle finger next.

This time the stream of crimson energy shot out from the ground while the Phixiq participant body was spiralling in that direction.

Boom!

It crashed into him from below, causing the opponent entire body to rise further into the air as he slammed into the barrier.

- "Hey that Yonda guy from earth isn't bad,"

- "Isn't Planet Phixiq like 400 places beneath earth?"

- "Looks like he got an easier opponent to battle,"

- "That Angy girl should have it tougher but I can't see a thing,"

- "All I see are lines,"

- "Well at least Planet Ruhz Ophiener battle seems interesting,"

- "She's fighting against a member of Indulus Prime as well,"

The spectators discussed and debated the current batch which they found pretty interesting. Besides the captains participating in this batch, there were also other participants they found interesting.

Ophiener of Planet Ruhz hadn't lost a single battle since the start of the Battle Challenge. They had climbed their way from the five hundreds to the top three hundreds during this challenge.

Although her current battle with the participant from Indulus Prime seemed to be her toughest so far, it still looked like she had the upperhand.

From the looks of things she only got more powerful as the battle continued. The red stripes all over her body like tattooed arrow markings, only glowed brighter.

'The Ruhzians get more powerful with every successful strike,' Gustav took note of this battle as well.

("But their strength decrease by a level if they don't manage to evade an attack,") The system chimed In.

'Actually it could reduce more than a level based on the amount of damage the attack causes...' Gustav had God Eyes activated so he could analyse properly.

At this moment, on Angy's stage a crazy phenomenon occurred.

Waaahhh~

Everyone had their jaws dropping as Fildil who was Angy's current opponent happened to be moving in very slow motion.

They stared at the yellow figure with hornet shaped lower body and stick legs, moving in literally frames. She looked like a lagging game character as her right leg which was currently above the ground, took seconds to descend.

'Hmm good thing she didn't activate that other ability... I think her body can handle this one,' Gustav said internally as he stared at Angy whose left horn was emitting a silver glow.

Swwwwheiiii~ Bam!

Angy sped forward and drove an uppercut into Fihdil's jaw.

Fihdil fish like mouth was slowly opening as her reaction to the damage Angy had just inflicted on her happened to be slow. Her body was slowly sweeping off the ground as well.

However, Angy wasn't done...

Bam! Bam! Bam! Bam! Bam! Bam!

Angy drove fists into her opponent body repeatedly. Fihdil hadn't even gotten the chance to react to the first attack due to her current speed, yet ten more had disoriented her entire being.

Gustav noticed Angy was moving only a little faster than a regular person as she dealt these strikes and came to a realisation.

'Her speed is reduced when she activates this ability...' He noted.

("But if she activates that form where her horn increases... She could break that limiter,") The system voiced.

'Hmm that might be true... but that might also sap all of her energy... I want to see how long she can last in this state,' Gustav responded.

Angy soon deactivated this ability but at the time she did so, she had inflicted lots of damage on her opponent.

It didn't take too long before she won the battle. Her abilities had left the spectators wowed. It felt like cheating to them but she won regardless.

Yonda on the other side had devastated his opponent and even finished his battle before Angy did.

Ophiener who Gustav was also taking note of won her battle which left Gustav a little startled. Ophiener hadn't lost any battle which was why she was placed on a pedestal in the minds of a lot of spectators.

They weren't surprised that she won but Gustav knew for sure that she wasn't supposed to. Not only were Indulus Prime currently ranked third overall, none of their participants also happened to be weak.

Every single one of them besides their captain were on the same level of strength and only Gustav seemed to have realised this.

If Ophiener could defeat anyone of them, it meant that she could defeat all of them besides the captain which was impossible since Gustav had watched the others win opponents that were more powerful.

'He purposely threw in the towel... they don't mind losing,' Gustav came to this realisation.

("And you know why they wouldn't mind losing,")

'Because winning IYSOP isn't their reason for participating,' The moment this thought drifted into Gustav's mind he realised he could no longer give them the benefit of the doubt.

'Indulus Prime is up to something...' He was now a hundred percent sure.

The other batches went on while Gustav's mind remained the dwelling place of a million thoughts as the hours rolled by.

What we're they after?

What is their aim and objective?

Is there a reason to go to such lengths?

Is the whole planet in whatever scheme they're plotting?

Or is it just the participants that are up to something?

The Battle Challenge ended for the day and everyone moved to their various accommodation quarters while Gustav excused himself once more.

He had gone to his agreed meeting point with a friend.

"Why are you wearing a patch?" Gustav questioned as he noticed an eyepatch on Stark's left eye.

"It's just a little burn, it will heal up soon," Stark responded with a wry smile while rubbing his brow.

"Was it... you got injured from that?" Gustav was instantly able to tell where the injury came from.

"Don't worry, it's just a minor burn," Stark dismissed while waving his hand.

"You should get that looked at," Gustav said with a tone of concern.

"I will for sure, just don't worry about it," Stark nodded.

Gustav was troubled that Stark got injured because of his request. He turned to Stark as they paused their movement with an intrigued expression.

"It was more difficult than I expected and I started to feel the corrosion of my eyes after forcibly trying to see what was happening in their room last night," Stark began to recount the tale of events.

"Did you manage to see anything?" Gustav inquired.

"Yes... I did see something," Stark responded with a very troubled look.

Chapter 1267 Two Weeks Quest Has Been Issued

"Yes... I did see something," Stark responded with a very troubled look.

"What is it?" At this point Gustav curiosity had peaked.

"It's a bit difficult to explain..." Stark paused briefly as he gathered his words.

Gustav's facial expression was currently both focused and calm as he waited.

"Firstly, the interior looked nothing like being in this plane... it looked like a different dimension of its own," Stark began speaking.

"What do you mean by, it looked like a different dimension of its own?" Gustav questioned.

"I really don't know how to describe it but that definitely wasn't a room... it was somewhere else," Stark sucked in cold breath as he recalled just how the feeling of seeing that environment gave him shivers.

"The Indulus Prime members had gathered in a circle and dark mist was flowing from their bodies... the dark mist, was sustaining a projection of sorts. The projection was an item but my mind didn't register its features properly before I lost vision in my left eye..." Stark explained while softly rubbing his brow.

"Hmm that is barely enough to come up with a proper analysis but I really appreciate your help so far," Gustav replied with an expression of suspicion while slightly holding his chin.

"You're welcome... I wish I could have been of more help," Stark heaved a low sigh.

"You can," Gustav stated.

"How?" Stark eyes twinkled.

"You said you couldn't properly explain what you saw and even though your mind didn't register it fast enough, its definitely still in your memory since you viewed it,"

"Where are you going with this?"

"I have an ability that let's me explore and witness memories like they are mine. If I use it on you, I will be able to see what you saw,"

The moment Gustav suggested this, visible panic appeared on Stark's face for a brief instant before it was quickly followed by a chuckle.

"Haha I don't think that would be a good idea... I would have allowed but I have quite some embarrassing memories from the last twenty four hours," Stark rubbed his dreadlocks as he spoke.

"I will only target your memory of the night before," Gustav stated with a reassuring tone.

"I can't let you do that... breaching my mind or memories too much of a personal thing for me to let you do," Stark shook his head.

"I need this to help my friend... I don't know what those folks are planning but it definitely isn't anything good," Gustav tried to convince him.

"I'm sorry but I refuse. I would help with anything else, but not this," Stark voiced with a dismissive tone.

At this moment, Gustav considered taking an involuntary action but quickly turned down that notion in his mind.

"Hmm alright then. I understand. You've done plenty already," Gustav stopped pushing it at this point.

"Thank you for understanding. I really wished I could have helped more," Stark said with a tone of regret.

"No, thank you," Gustav emphasised with a tone of appreciation.

"So what are you going to do now?" Stark inquired.

"I have to find a way to figure out exactly what they're doing in there... I am more sure that winning IYSOP was never their goal and their reason for being here must have to do with whatever you saw that was being projected within that space," Gustav voiced lengthily before turning around.

"I have to go now," Gustav added before turning around.

"Wouldn't it be best to inform the organisers and those high rankers in the alliance?" Stark questioned before Gustav could leave.

"I can't do that without enough information and evidence to back my claims... I don't even know enough to be aware of what to accuse them with so it wouldn't be a good idea," Gustav replied before dashing off.

Swwoossh~

"Bye," His voice trailed off with the sound of the whooshing wind.

After Gustav left, Stark heaved a sigh of relief.

"That was close..." He muttered.

shhiii~ shhii~

Two figures appeared beside him in the next instant.

"I told you it was a bad idea to be acquainted with him, family head," Viltru reiterated.

"It's fine. He doesn't suspect anything," Stark responded.

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"He's hiding something," Gustav muttered as he arrived in earth's accommodation area.

("Or he just doesn't want you in his head... I think earthlings are pretty sensitive with their memories,")
The system voiced.

"No... this isn't the usual bashfulness that comes from trying to hide the embarrassing moments you wouldn't want anyone else to witness in your head," Gustav muttered with a glint at the corner of his eyes.

"I even offered to pick the specific time last night and he still refused. He is hiding something beyond that... there's something he doesn't want me to see," Gustav added.

("Do you think he is acquainted with them?") The system questioned, hinting at Indulus Prime.

"Nah, this is definitely something unrelated. Stark's personality would prevent him from doing something derogatory but at the same time, whatever he is hiding is not so virtuous as well which is why he doesn't want me to figure it out," Gustav analysed with a slight tone of curiosity.

"I'll let it slide for now, I have bigger fish to fry,"

("You're able to read people better now, not bad,") The system praised.

"And you're not... too bad," Gustav ridiculed.

("I am not a creature of emotions,")

"Whatever you say robot," Gustav shrugged.

"Ouch," Gustav winced.

("I still live in you,") The system reminded.

"Looks like I hit a nerve... oh wait you don't have emotions right?"

("Keep yapping, I'll let you go into cardiac arrest next,") The system threatened.

Gustav had more words to hit her with but decided to keep quiet as he tried to bury a chuckle.

[Two Week Quest Has Been Issued]

"Hmm?" Gustav stared at the corner of his eyes as he noticed the notification.

"You're so petty," Gustav shook his head.

("It's automatic...") The system girly voice had a hint of helplessness.

Gustav decided to check the details of the quest to confirm his thoughts of what it might entail.

[Quest: Uncover What The Indulus Prime Participants Are Up To]

[Rewards]

<+10,500,000 EXP>

<+1 Random Bloodline Upgrade>

<+200 Charm Stats>

[Failure]

<+5 Level Downgrade >

<Full Stats Halved For Three Days>

<Locked Yarki>

"I thought as much," Gustav voiced after scanning through the details.

("...")

"I was already gonna do this," Gustav mumbled.

("Now you're gonna do it faster,")

"And you're gonna keep quiet since you're not being any help,"

"Ouch," Gustav winced in pain again.

"Stop doing that," He stated before getting to his feet.

("You're going to meet Miss Aimee?") The system inquired.

"No not yet. I wouldn't want her approaching the council lords again until I discover something tangible," Gustav shook his head as he walked through a passageway.

He walked past a couple of doors till he arrived at the second to the last.

He paused after arriving before this one and was just about to knock when a voice rang out from within.

"Its open big brother,"

Sshsshhh~

The door slid towards the left in the next instant, granting Gustav access.

Endric could be spotted within this room in a cross legged position, floating a few feet above the floor while his forehead emitted a green glow.

"Does big brother need something?" Endric was surprised to see Gustav here but internally excited.

"I hope being a time candidate or whatever you call yourself comes with perks..." Gustav voiced while stepping forward.

"I need you to join me investigate something..." He added.

"I'm glad you came to me... mention anything and I'll help," Endric stated with a keen expression.

"I've discovered some things recently I'd like to share with you. After I do, the next course of my plan will be split into two. You'll handle one half of the task and I'll take care of the rest," Gustav announced.

"I'm all ears..."

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The night went by very quickly and the next day arrived. The batches continuously rolled on and participants moved out after getting challenged or challenging another participant as usual.

Gustav took note of the battles whenever he was not out fighting as usual. His perception was especially on Indulus Prime today as the Battle Challenge continued.

Spectacular fighters appeared on the stages repeatedly, giving the spectators the entertainment they were here for not knowing that a lot of things were brewing underneath the surface besides the ongoing IYSOP.

As the Battle Challenge continued, Gustav made sure his team members evaded some challenges so long as he felt something was off. This was the reason Earth had only lost two battles so far out of the many they had been in.

Only a few planets hadn't lost a single battle since the challenge began. However, at this point things were getting more intense as a few planets fell below the fifteen thousand points requirement after losing more than a few battles.

Without a doubt, these planets were automatically disqualified while the battle challenge went on.

Chapter 1268 A State Of Immobility

Without a doubt, these planets were automatically disqualified while the battle challenge went on.

Gustav had only fought a single battle today since no one challenged him. After he won the battle, he took note of the fact that he had acquired enough points to challenge a certain opponent without having to worry about them declining.

"Tomorrow is the day," Gustav muttered underneath his breath as the image of a participant with multiple limbs appeared in his mind.

At the end of the day, Handler One addressed the entire arena again.

"There will be disqualifications tomorrow..." He began speaking.

An air of tension spread across the spectators area the moment Handler One revealed this. It wasn't like the participants hadn't been expecting there to be another disqualification period approaching. Nonetheless, a lot of them were troubled since they had no idea what the required number of points would be.

"The points required to maintain participation will be announced tomorrow by the end of the day," Handler One revealed.

"I implore participants to do their best and gather as much points as they can before the end of the day tomorrow," Handler One advised with an encouraging tone.

He proceeded to mention a few more things before finally dismissing the participants.

Everyone began heading back to their various accommodation areas once more as the people within the massive arena soon thinned out.

While the others headed back Gustav excused himself once more and moved to a particular area outside of the arena.

Zing~

A button shaped device appeared in his grasp and he proceeded to plant it on his forehead.

[Cognitive Concealment Has Been Activated]

His presence vanished in the next moment. No one was able to spot him unless they stared directly at him despite his visibility.

Gustav tapped the button on his forehead and disappeared completely.

In the next moment, a large group consisting of dark figures wrapped up in bandage like outfits from head to toe, could be seen veering past.

Dark circular clouds were beneath their feet, which was levitating. These dark circular clouds, drove them forward and Gustav proceeded to follow in his invisible state.

This group numbered in the hundreds yet they didn't seem to be engaging in any conversations with each other as they flew past on these dark clouds.

[Hover Has Been Activated]

Gustav eventually activated Hover to keep up with them as they flew further away.

They soon arrived in an area with triangular golden structures stacked atop each other, reaching seven hundred feet in height.

The figures floating on the clouds of darkness began to descend as they arrived in this vicinity and headed in. This was one of the accommodation areas for spectators and they seem to have this entire building to themselves.

Gustav went through the entry point with them and there happened to be a few Ozis moving around but no dialogue ensued between any of the Ozis and the dark figures.

He followed a bunch to an area with rectangular glass barricades and got still without their knowledge of his presence.

Thiiiiinn~

A burst of light from below, caused their figures to turn into streaks of dark lines that appeared hundreds of feet above. They immediately found themselves on one of the floors of this accommodation area.

After arriving at this passageway, they began to separate, heading to different doorsteps positioned in multiple places here.

Some headed in twos and some were alone.

Gustav picked a random figure to follow and headed in with them. This of course was a room and the figure he followed, moved to a spot and took a seat.

Gustav looked around the area to see if he could find anything of substance but it looked like a regular room to him.

'Hmm the Indulus Prime spectators area is much different from that of the participants,' Gustav thought as he moved to a corner of the room.

The Indulus Prime participants area would be filled with darkness by this time which was something Gustav would have expected, yet nothing of such happened. The spectators accommodation area just seemed regular like nothing was going on.

The invisibility button on Gustav's forehead was already a few seconds to running out of power.

His skin began to morph along with his outfit as he took the exact look of the golden plated walls. He backed into the wall and grabbed a new invisibility button from his storage device.

The moment the invisibility button ran out of power, it looked like Gustav was a part of the wall. His hair, face, skin and every part of his body had taken the exact look and texture of the wall.

He had hidden in a passageway area within the room so he was currently out of sight for the Indulus Prime species here, nonetheless, he didn't want to take any chances and shape-shifted this way.

Gustav swiftly placed a new invisibility button on his forehead and tapped it. His figure vanished once more and he moved back to the main room area.

The Indulus Prime spectator he followed happened to still be seated in place. From the looks of things, he had not moved a single inch which had Gustav a little suspicious.

Gustav proceeded to look around the place more and activated God Eyes to be sure he didn't miss anything.

'Hmm? Is this normal?' Gustav suspiciousness increased as his sight phased through the walls around him.

("They're... immobile,") The system voiced internally.

'I thought it was just him but every single Indulus Prime spectator on this floor is in the same state,' Gustav said as he looked around.

Other Indulus Prime spectators like the one he had followed, all sat in their rooms not moving a muscle or an inch. They were just stationary.

("Check other floors,") The system suggested.

Gustav proceeded to set his sights downwards and God Eyes phased through the walls beneath only for him to be met with the same view.

Every single Indulus Prime spectator was in a sitting position. They didn't move, they didn't try to take off their outfit or engage in any indoor activities. They remained stationary after taking a seat.

'Is this normal? Is it a species thing?' Gustav questioned internally.

("Absolutely not... the Indulus Prime species are creatures of darkness yes but that doesn't mean they lack basic desires and ability to interact with one another like other beings. This isn't normal at all,") The system answered immediately.

'It almost seems like they're in a kind of trance state,' Gustav deactivated God Eyes and moved closer to the Indulus Prime spectator before him.

Gustav squatted and stared directly at the dark eyes of the being before him. It was difficult to analyse anything from a pair of eyes that seemed to hold infinite darkness within but Gustav could tell that something was off, especially due to their current state.

Gustav slowly stretched his hand forward as the eeriness in the environment grew by the moment.

His hand was a few inches from making contact when the system stopped him.

("I don't think making contact with any of them would be a good idea,")

Gustav paused his hand movement at this point and stood to his feet.

'It's almost like they were programmed to all be this way... like computers... tasks... programs... go into stationary mode after the completion of a task unless given a new one...' Gustav slowly backed away as theories appeared in his mind.

His perception was still spread across the entire building so even without God Eyes he could tell that none of them had taken a single step away from their seating position.

'Someone is responsible for this for sure but the question remains who? Indulus Prime sure has other motives for joining IYSOP but I can't even find who pulls the strings amongst the spectators who are supposed to be authorities on their planet...' At this point, things were getting even more confusing.

("This isn't the only location that the Indulus Prime spectators occupy,") The system voiced.

'Hmm? Did they separate earlier?' Gustav questioned.

("Not really, the others stayed within the arena for reasons unknown,") The system answered.

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'Hmm... I'll observe these ones for some time, if there are no changes, I'll head to the arena,' Gustav decided.

The environment was eerily silent as the being of darkness before Gustav remained seated in place while Gustav continued staying out of sight while inspecting the vicinity.

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- "Will you finally accept?"

"What happens if I do?"

- "You will become like me son... you will become #%%&###%^;#^"

Static~ Static~ Static~

"I don't want to become #%%&###%^;#^"

- "You will have all the power in the world. You will be next in line for the throne,"

"I don't want your throne,"

- "You don't have a choice,"

"What if I keep refusing,"

- "You will lose your loved ones,"

"Don't you dare harm them,"

- "Son, I couldn't even harm them even if i wanted to,"

"Then..."

- "No, I won't be the one harming them..."

Sshhshhhhh~

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- "Son, I couldn't even harm them even if i wanted to,"

"Then..."

- "No, I won't be the one harming them..."

Sshhshhhhh~

The dark vicinity immediately lightened up and a scenario of a human figure with dark tattoos all over his body could be seen slaughtering a group.

The group entailed familiar faces... Angy, Gustav, Endric, Aildris, E.E, Teemee, Matilda...

They all stared at the human figure like he was a monster as he ran them through with dark spikes and ripped hearts out of their bodies.

It was an extremely brutal sight as they tried to back away...

"What are you...? what are you...?"

Soon enough every single one from the group had their body parts splattered across the place as the human figure with dark tattoos stood in place with an expression of gratification on his face.

-"You my son, will be the one to harm your loved ones if you keep refusing to accept the crown..."

Fhriihh~

Falco eyelids flickered before his eyes suddenly sprang open.

"Ahhh!" He screamed as he noticed he was laying at the edge of a copper colored roof atop a building which was over four thousand feet in height.

The rooftop had a long golden colored pole in the middle which extended upwards.

Falco had nearly rolled off the top of this building upon his reawakening since he found himself at the edge. He looked around in fear as he quickly jumped to his feet.

It was currently night time so it seemed like no one had noticed the human figure at the top of this building.

"How did I get here?" Falco questioned with a tone of fear.

Tah! Tah! Tah! Tah!

The sound of liquid dropping onto the copper colored rooftop drew Falco's attention as he slowly turned around with an expression of horror on his face.

Fwwhiii~

A small breeze blew across the rooftop causing a metallic smell to drift into his nostrils as he stared at what was before him with widened eyes.

The golden colored pole poking out of the middle of the rooftop had a figure impaled on it.

The figure had gotten impaled so deep that their body was halfway to its bottom while the rest of the pole had cleanly pierced through their body.

From the massive width of the poke, the hole that had been left in the chest of this figure was as large as four human heads combined. Dry greenish blood coated the tip of the pole and had also been smudged across the body of the pole.

Blood dropped in clusters from the body as it remained in a stationary position...

Falco's heart nearly broke through his ribcage as it pounded heavily while he took steps forward.

...Insect like limbs flailed and bloody...

A nauseating mettalic stench had spread across the air from the blood. The dried blood on parts of the pole and the smal droplets falling from the corpse told Falco that it had been hours since this person died.

He gulped down saliva as he came to a realisation, "A Handler...." He muttered while stretching his hand forward in a bid to examine the corpse.

He paused ad he noticed his entire arm coated in greenish blood.

"Huh....?" Falco raised his other arm and noticed it had dried bloodstains on it as well.

His breathing turned even more hurried as he took steps backward.

"No.... no.... this cannot be..." Falco noticed more stains on his outfit as he continued taking steps backwards till he arrived at the ledge of the rooftop.

"No... No.... No...." Falco turned around as dark tattoos appeared all across his body and leapt into the air.

He dissapeared into the distance in the next moment, leaving the corpse in the possession of the silent rooftop.

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The next morning, spectators and participants had gathered in the arena once more as the Battle Challenge began for the day.

The computerised system began picking out the participants for batches as battles began once more.

Cheers~ Cheers~ Yaaahhhh~ Wooooo~

The entire arena was noisy as usual and happened to be even more excited today since there was going to be disqualifications.

The spectators speculated about the number of required points but there was really no way to know until Handler One announced it at the end of the day.

Today was also the second to the last day before the Battle Challenge would end. After tomorrow, a new challenge would be announced and the number of participants left at that point would be significantly lesser.

IYSOP was slowly approaching its finish point.

While the battles were ongoing, Gustav noticed there was a bit of a pandemonium where the Handlers were situated. It didn't last very long and they had managed not to cause a ruckus but Gustav noticed it nonetheless.

"You were gone all night," Angy voiced from the side.

"Yes..." Gustav answered while still observing the other side of the arena which was more than fifty thousand feet away.

"Why? You've been away more and more lately," Angy said with a concerned tone.

"I was busy," Gustav responded.

"Busy with what?" She said while placing her hand on Gustav's chin and turning his head to face her.

"A lot..." Gustav replied.

Angy; "..."

"I'll let you and the others in when I know what I'm dealing with," Gustav knew she was curious about what he was up to but still couldn't tell her yet.

Angy heaved a low sigh of defeat. She already knew how Gustav was so she stopped trying to poke.

While the battle continued, Gustav turned to stare at the Indulus Prime participants area of the arena.

("They seem rather functional now,") The system voiced.

'Hmm... At this point my speculation is half proven,' Gustav said internally as he recalled what went down last night.

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The Indulus Prime spectators all remained in a stationary state for hours and Gustav was running out of invisibility buttons so he eventually left. He visited the arena and just like the system mentioned, a few of them stayed back.

These ten Indulus Prime spectators seemed a little different from the others and happened to be engaging in a conversation upon Gustav's arrival.

Unfortunately, Gustav didn't gather any tangible information as they seemed to be having a normal conversation about IYSOP.

Gustav couldn't stay for too long since he was running out of Invisibility buttons but at the moment where he was about leaving something unexpected happened.

One of the spectators mentioned a point about the IYSOP participants that he had said before. This spiralled the conversation they were having back to the start. It was like Gustav was watching a loop play out before him as these Indulus Prime spectators proceeded to reenact the conversations from the start.

Gustav was on his last invisibility button and had already gotten himself a great distance away when he felt an approaching figure.

Fortunately, he still had Cognitive Concealment activated and thirty seconds of invisibility left so Gustav stuck around to identify this figure.

'Indulus Prime Vice Captain...' Gustav noticed who it was and despite being thousands of feet, he heard the vice captain lament.

"A malfunction?" The vice captain proceeded to thrust his palm forward.

A wave of darkness encircled the ten and in the next instant, they stopped their conversation. They stood up afterwards and began to file out of the arena like the ones Gustav had followed hours earlier.

As expected, these ten moved to the same accommodation area and as soon as they arrived within their various rooms, they became immobile like the rest.

Gustav had run out of invisibility buttons at this point and knew it would be unwise to keep observing them on a closer scale so he finally left.

He wanted to make sure the Indulus Prime had no idea that he was onto them. He had to move with extreme caution.

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'They are puppets alright... but who is pulling the strings?' This was the question that Gustav continuously asked in his mind.

("They have gone back to being lively but I have analysed their speech patterns... it is mostly repetitive... like a program,") The system elucidated.

'How come you're helping me? This is practically a quest and you've never helped me in a quest before,' Gustav questioned internally.

("Then i shall stop now,")

'I didn't ask you to stop,'

("Hmph you might as well have,")

'Why are you cranky like a girl on her period?'

("You... You... how dare you...")

'Proving me right as usual,'

("I have no emotions...")

'Yeah right...'

Gustav went back to focusing his sights on the Indulus Prime spectators and participants while battles ensued.

The spectators watched as battles got intense with the continuous passing of time since many planetary groups were trying their best to raise as much points as they could.

After the thirty second batch of the day, Gustav saw his name appear on the screens as part of the next batch.

"Finally..." Gustav had been waiting for this moment all day.

He stood to his feet, gathering the attention of spectators all across the arena as well as participants.

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He stood to his feet, gathering the attention of spectators all across the arena as well as participants.

- "Who do you think he will challenge?"

- "Normal participants stand no chance so I'm sure they're praying not to be picked,"

- "Didn't he point at somewhere after winning the battle against Captain Kriv the last time?"

The spectators couldn't help but speculate about who Gustav would challenge but only he and a few others knew who he had in mind.

Gustav arrived before the stage and slowly moved in. It was a glacial type of battle stage.

Icicles that were thousands of feet long were scattered all across the place. Gigantic ice palaces which had massive chains wrapped around them could also be seen across the air.

These massive chains pierced through multiple ice structures, holding them in mid air and ran through the icy ground beneath as well. In a another area, it protruded out of the icy ground and extended high into the air, wrapping around a 'T' shaped ice rock, thousands of feet away from Gustav's position.

Gustav stepped forward and soon arrived at the middle of the battle stage. All eyes were on him at this moment as he picked the planet he had in mind.

The jaws of many spectators dropped as Gustav went on to pick his opponent amongst the group of twenty.

Waaaaahhhh~ Chatter! Chatter! Chatter!

- "Did he just challenge Captain Strum?"

- "Damn are we going to finally see a battle between these two?"

- "I can't believe this is happening,"

- "This is about to be the most intense battle since the start,"

The arena turned super noisy as the screens displayed who Gustav had challenged.

In the Draconets Participants area, Captain Strum stood in place for a moment while shooting an intense glance at the stage. He couldn't decline the challenge since Gustav had accumulated more points than him but he didn't intend to decline in the first place.

He made a low 'hmp' as he began to step forward with a dangerous aura of animosity spreading forth from his being. His teammates didn't utter a word as they remained in place with fearsome looks.

Any remark could irk him and they didn't want to be on the receiving end of his fury which was slowly starting to build up.

Thooooommm~

Captain Sfrum leapt upwards, causing his figure to travel across the air as he made his way towards the northeast part of the arena.

His figure phased through the barrier Gustav was situated in as he dropped from the air.

Bam!

He landed a few feet ahead of Gustav and the two figures glared at each other.

"Brace yourself... you might not come out alive," Captain Strum stated with a tone of certainty.

"What a coincidence... I was just about to say that," Gustav responded with an icy tone.

< Gustav Crimson (Planet Earth) Vs Strum Xilgard (Planet Draconet) >

"You harmed a friend... I will inflict ten times worse the pain you inflicted on him," Gustav said while slowly taking steps forward as his body morphed.

"He was a weakling and you shall suffer the same fate Gustav Crimson," Captain Strum stated while a massive shadowy figure appeared behind him.

"I won't drag this out," Captain Strum voiced with a prideful tone as the massive shadowy figure behind him conjured a massive blueish spear.

"Likewise," Gustav's figure charged forward as he took the Ultimate Combination form.

Silver claws protruded from the tip of his fingers as he slashed intensely at Captain Strum's direction while Captain Strum grabbed the blueish spear his encour has provided him and swung it forward with great might.

The energy from Gustav's slash traveled forward, clashing heavily with the incoming spear that was four times larger than Gustav's entire body.

However, the blueish spear emitted an energy that caused the wild energy from Gustav's slash to reverse and dissapear like it was never there.

Fwwwheiiii~

Gustav leapt towards the side as his attack was interrupted by the incoming blueish spear.

He managed to evade the spear, causing it to brush by his left. The moment Gustav successfully evaded, he sped in Captain Strum's direction.

Fwwhoosssh~

He arrived before the multiple limbed Dracon instantly while slashing at his chest.

This speed had no doubt taken Captain Strum by surprise but he was able to react quickly by raising two arms to block Gustav's slash.

Threeeeevvvv~

Gustav's claws smoothly, cleaved through both of Captain Strum arms causing a fountain of blood to jet upwards.

"Urrghhh!"

His attack was still powerfully slashing forward when two more arms from Captain Strum's body grabbed Gustav's forearm.

Captain Strum had sacrificed two of his arms to stop Gustav's attack. The moment Gustav's right arm was held back, he tried making use of his left arm to attack when Captain Strum last two hands grabbed hold of that as well.

They stared at each other with hatred in their eyes as Captain Strum gathered as much power as he could into his four functioning arms to hold Gustav down in place.

Fwwwihiii~

Gustav instantly understood Captain Strum's reason for trapping him in place the moment he sensed the approaching doom.

A massive blueish spear was only a few inches from colliding with his back when everyone noticed it.

Thrrraazzzhhhh~

Gustav and Captain Strum turned into a streak of lightning and reappeared on the southern end of the barrier instantly, atop a rocky ice structure.

'That was close,' Gustav had managed to evade the spear which had made a u-turn, coming back for him, by activating Lightning Blitz.

Unfortunately, with Captain Strum clinging onto Gustav tightly, the lightning Blitz took effect on him as well.

"You cannot.... fuhghh... escape! Your end is... is nigh... Gustav Crimson..." Captain Strum was still bleeding profusely from his cleaved off forearms while struggling to hold Gustav in place.

Fwwhwiii~

The spear that had missed, came back around, flying at Gustav once more.

It tore through multiple icy palaces which immediately turned into light particles and dissapeared upon contact.

[Lightning Blitz Has Been Activated]

Gustav and Captain Strum's figures turned into streaks of lightning and vanished once more as the massive spear missed for the third time.

'It's starting to affect the laws of time in the vicinity...' Gustav noticed as he realised the spear was causing things in the environment to slow down the further it closed in on them.

Lightning Blitz was affected by this and took a longer time to get them to the end of the barrier on the other side. However, it was still fast enough to evade.

Gustav knew this could become more of a problem if he didn't get out of the current predicament. The moment they reappeared on the other end...

THRRRIIHHH!

Gustav's figure suddenly grew massive....

"Gaarrhhh!" Captain Strum struggled to hold on but Gustav's arms grew larger than he could wrap his hands around, causing him to let go.

Gustav had reached a hundred feet in height, becoming a giant with Ultimate Combination still active in almost an instant.

Fwwwwhiii~

The massive blueish spear whistled across the air as it found its target.

However, in the next instant everyone eyed widened as Captain Strum was hoisted like a piece of paper by Gustav and flung in the direction of the incoming spear.

The spear was shooting across the air so swiftly that it had arrived before its creator quicker than anyone could follow.

Captain Strum clenched his teeth and slapped two of his palms together hastily.

Pah!

Twwhiii!~

The massive blueish spear was only an inch from making contact with him when it turned into light particles that slowly scattered across the stage.

Captain Strum panted intensely as he proceeded to grab two flickers of the light particles and place them on his cleaved off arms.

Thrririihhh~

His arms instantly grew back like Gustav never cleaved them off in the first place. The moment Gustav noticed this, his forehead creased as he considered this to be a blunder on his part.

Captain Strum should have gotten hit by his own attack but instead used it to rehabilitate himself. What Gustav didn't know was, he had just caused Captain Strum to break out in cold sweat.

He had never battled an opponent like Gustav before and now he realised he had to be more careful than ever.

Gustav charged forward while reducing in size since the only reason he grew this tall in the first place was to get out of Captain Strum's hold.

Captain Strum clenched his teeth as his face displayed a look of annoyance.

"You will not bring shame to my great planet!" He roared while charging forward as well.

"I won't... but I promise, you will!" Gustav yelled back.

They arrived before each other and fists were instantly exchanged.

Bang! Bang! Bang! Bang! Bang!

Ripples spread across the place as Gustav swung his arm forward repeatedly, packing the force of a thousand meteorites with every strike. He precisely aimed at different spots of Captain Strum's body, ranging from his face to his chest and abdominal region.

Captain Strum was slower than Gustav but due to his six arms, he managed to keep up with Gustav's strike, dealing an almost equal amount of destructive force with each of his strikes as well.