

Bloodline 401

Chapter 401 - E.E Uses A New Skill

- "Did he just end the fight in less than ten seconds?"

The crowd of cadets spectating was shocked as they noticed the fight end so soon in ring three.

Even the invisible dome covering the edges of the ring to prevent the attacks from affecting the audience rippled when Falco slammed his opponent's face to the ground.

The equipment covering her body had merged itself back from the crack Falco's alter ego cause. However, the girl had been knocked out cold.

Blood trickled from her forehead as Falco straightened himself and turned around to leave the ring.

The cracks that extended all across the ground also began to mend.

- "Was Falco always this strong?"

The cadets were still quite surprised because they had never really seen Falco getting taken over by his alter ego.

They noticed the dark tattoos all over the exposed parts of his skin begin to retract as he moved towards his sitting position.

The gigantic black orb floating above displayed Falco as the winner of the match as the medical team moved towards the platform to pick the girl up.

"I told you to be less brutal," Falco mumbled underneath his breath as he climbed up.

On the other rings, battles were still going on, however from the looks of things, no normal cadet had leverage over the special ones.

One of the battle rings was covered in sticky diamond-looking goo. As massive pillars shot out from one part of the ground.

The normal cadet battling this special class cadet was formerly gliding through the air using a flying board when he was encircled by these pillars. He was able to dodge a few, but in the next second, he was encompassed by two massive ones that slammed into him from behind and in front.

Bang!

A massive shield suddenly appeared around him, protecting him from the attack.

However, the special class cadet didn't relent and kept on attacking.

The normal cadet only managed to pull off, manifesting a few attacks, but he was still being pushed back.

On the other rings, the normal cadets were also being pushed back by the special class cadets regardless of their gadgets.

In a few more minutes, all the special class cadets defeated their opponents and were headed to their seats.

The spectating cadets were wowed by the performances they had just witnessed. Especially that of Falco's. Falco was only ranked around the top fifty strongest, so a lot of them targeted him based on his rank among the special class being low.

They had no idea that the ranking boards only updated their information based on what the hidden cams within the camp had recorded.

So only based on the performance of the cadets were the rankings updated. This was Falco's first time battling any other cadet or showing just how powerful he could be.

The cadets realised that battling the special classes would not be so simple even though they had also improved during this one month.

The gigantic orb above displayed that the first turns had been completed and proceeded to start shuffling the images of the cadets once again.

In the next few seconds, it displayed the turns of the next ten.

The cadets that were next moved towards the platform.

Fifty minutes went by in a flash, and within this time frame, about four turns had been completed, and so far, not a single normal cadet had been able to defeat a special class.

Only one normal cadet came close to winning.

This battle was quite intense, but they had both practically ran out of energy after using very powerful attacks repeatedly, causing a lot of destruction to the battle ring.

However, due to endurance, the normal cadet became unconscious after receiving a very little hit with barely any damage power.

At the moment, E.E had his first battle, and it was with a particularly rich kid who was buffed up with so many gadgets and super defense.

He was currently finding it difficult to inflict any damage on the cadet due to the fact that after he broke through a particular layer of defense, another one would come up.

"Hehe I'm gonna keep tiring you out till you run out of bloodline energy... Once you do, your loss is certain," The kid voiced out from the other side.

His entire frame was hidden within a massive twelve feet mechanical frame powered by a little bloodline energy. An energy shield surrounded his figure, and this prevented E.E's vortexes from phasing through.

E.E shook his head with a look of pity, "You're only gonna make me end up putting in more effort than I'm not supposed to," He responded with a smile before stretching out his right hand.

'Arcana Accelerator Membrane,' E.E said internally with a calm look as a violet circle of light surrounded his right arm.

Ssshhhioooooonnn!

A massive vortex suddenly opened up behind the cadet with a huge suction force coming from it which immensely affected the surroundings.

The cadet's eyes widened slightly as he felt the pull of the vortex from within the energy barricade surrounding him.

It was pulling the mechanical suit he was hiding in specifically while the energy barricade surrounding him was unaffected.

E.E's eyes suddenly glowed a dark violet color as he snapped his fingers.

Pah!

The instant that happened, the suction force from the ring increased exponentially.

"Kyyaahhhh!"

The cadet screamed out as his entire frame with the twelve feet tall mechanical suit got lifted into the air and pulled backwards.

Bang!

He slammed into the energy shield, which gave way due to him being the one that put it up.

In the next instant, his frame was pulled into the vortex.

Troooiinnn! Trrrooiinn! Troooiinnn! Troooiinnn!

About seven more vortexes appeared in mid-air, scattered across the place.

Zwhhhiii! Zwhhhiii! Zwhhii! Zwhhhiii!

The cadet appeared from one with his entire frame moving very quickly and entering into another vortex.

He appeared from another one and got flung into another.

He kept flying all across the place, getting pulled into one vortex and appeared from another one and getting pulled into another again.

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His vision turned distorted due to the speed at which his body was being thrown across the place. He was already feeling like he was going to empty out the contents of his stomach anytime soon.

E.E had already moved to the corner of the battle ring so as not to interrupt this process. This continued for about thirty seconds more till he opened a vortex a few feet in front of himself.

Swwhhhiii!

The cadet appeared from it, moving in his direction without control.

E.E had already arched his arm back at this point.

Ggghrrrrhh!

His palm covered in a small vortex swung forward with speed.

Bang!

It slammed into the mechanical frame as it arrived in front of him, causing ripples to travelled across it as the vortex in his palm went through and consumed the body of the cadet within.

The mechanical frame flew backwards and slammed into the ground, unable to move again.

Trrrooiinn!

Meanwhile, the cadet within appeared on the ground before E.E, kneeling.

"I- I sur-ren-der," He mumbled with a drowsy look before falling face flat and losing consciousness.

E.E smiled with a jovial look as he turned around and started heading towards his seat.

'Looks like I was able to pull it off with ease this time,' He said internally with a joyful expression.

After E.E's fight, that particular turn ended.

Everyone wasn't surprised he took that long to defeat the cadet because they had witnessed just how stacked the cadet was with defenses. They were more astonished to see the variety of things E.E could do with his vortexes.

"Hey man," He gave Gustav a fist bump as he arrived back at their sitting position.

"Good match," Gustav smiled as he pulled his fist back after the bump.

"Nah, yours will be better... Why do I have a feeling that you'll be next?" E.E said after sitting as he stared at the massive orb floating above.

On the orb, the images of the cadets were currently being shuffled through. It was about to pick the next matchup at random again.

"Hmm, I guess we shall see," Gustav said while also staring up.

In a few more seconds, the ten images of cadets that were battling next were displayed.

A smile appeared on Gustav's face as he stood to his feet.

"Looks like you were right," He turned to E.E as he voiced out.

"Haha, my intuition is top notch... Go get em," E.E responded.

Gustav stared at the display up again as he turned to start moving forward, "This won't take long... I'll be back soon," His declaration was with a low tone, but due to the confidence imbued within it travelled across the ears of a lot of cadets in the vicinity.

- "Ugh, he's so cocky,"

- "Well he might not be wrong, he is top five after all,"

- "But Billy has a crazy rich background and a lot of gadgets in his arsenal I'm sure,"

They voiced out from the background.

The whole place turned quite noisy as the cadets spotted Gustav moving down after seeing his picture on the orb.

He was the first top-five battling with a normal cadet today, so everyone was interested in seeing how it would go.

Gustav's opponent Billy was quite popular among the normal cadets due to his background as the descendant of one of the wealthiest tycoons in the world.

Gustav happened to pick him because of this. He picked one rich kid to battle and two that were after Matilda's hand.

He could more or less predict how his first turn was going to play out since it was going to be with Billy.

He arrived within the battle ring, and a six and a half foot tall slim youngster with black braided hair entered into the same battle ring.

Smirk!

"You made a wrong decision by choosing to accept my challenge... I will prove to everyone that I'm better than a top five and take your position," He voiced out while bringing out a black disc structured item that was the size of a thumb nail.

He brought out three more and placed one on his left chest area, one on his right chest area, the back of his left palm and his right palm.

"That's an amplifier... I don't need anymore fancy tools to defeat you," He said while adopting a battle pose.

Grrhh! Grrrh!

His muscles started bulging crazily, turning him extremely bulky and monstrous-looking mixedblood with visible veins line.

"Begin!"

Bang!

Billy dashed out the instant he heard that. The instant he moved a step forward, his foot had already created a small dent on the ground due to the strength his stomp generated.

The crowd was shocked and wondered just how much strength he had at the moment.

All this time, Gustav had been staring at him with an unbothered look and didn't say a word throughout.

However, the instant that the go-ahead was given, he also dashed out with speed.

Zwwhhiisshhh!

A visible line was cut across the air as Gustav arrived almost instantly in front of Billy, who had just moved forward by only a single step.

Swwhhiiii!

Gustav's palm travelled in a straight line towards Billy's chest.

Billy's eyes widened as he witnessed the crazy speed of Gustav that wasn't present in the past.

Trrrooiinn!

A barrier suddenly appeared in front of Billy's chest.

Bang!

Gustav's palm slammed into the barrier and got prevented from going further.

Billy used that instant to quickly throw out a fist towards Gustav.

Swerve~

Despite the speed of the fist, it still missed Gustav as he moved slightly to the side.

He wasn't surprised at this defense in the slightest as he had been expecting it, even though Billy said he wasn't going to use any other means to battle with him.

Gustav grabbed hold of the arm and turned around with speed before flinging Billy.

Bang!

Billy's large body slammed into the hard ground, parting it open.

"Your gadget protects you from attacks from me but it definitely won't protect you from slamming into the ground," Gustav said while still holding onto Billy's arm.

He could already tell that whatever protective gadget Billy was making use of only reacted to attacks like that, but it definitely wouldn't react when Billy's body was heading for the ground.

Gustav pulled Billy upwards with speed and flung him towards the side again.

Bang!

His entire body slammed forcefully into the ground again.

Chapter 403 - Body Slammed

Gustav pulled Billy upwards with speed and flung him towards the side again.

Bang!

His entire body slammed forcefully into the ground again.

Billy's face squeezed up with a look of humiliation as his body met the ground again.

Just as Gustav lifted him again to fling him across the place, a spherical object suddenly spread across his back and ignited, causing fiery blue energy to shoot out of it.

Fwwiihhhh!

The immense powered, filled ignition shot Billy's body forward, freeing him from Gustav's grasp.

Swwhhiii!

His body spun several times in the air before he landed several hundred feet away.

His facial expression was one of anguish as he brought out two more of those circular disc-shaped objects and quickly glued them to his thigh area.

His thighs and calves instantly expanded, giving him a more monstrous look, "You're finished!"

He voiced out as he dashed forward with twice his initial speed.

He arrived in front of Gustav and threw out his left fist towards Gustav's face.

[Dash has been activated]

Gustav finally activated dash, which added twenty points to his current speed level.

Swwerrvee!

He moved to the side, dodging the fist that tore through the air with a whooshing sound.

Swing! Swing! Swing! Swing!

Billy threw out his fists repeatedly in a very fast motion towards Gustav's face and body which he dodged with ease swerving all across the place.

At this point, the cadets spectating were very surprised to see the speed at which Billy was moving and was even more surprised to see Gustav dodging them without breaking a sweat.

Swwwwoonn!

Gustav leaped backwards by around a hundred feet dodging another attack, but Billy didn't waste a single second before also leaping forward while arching his left arm back to the limit.

"Hyyaahh!"

He shouted out as he threw his mighty fist downward towards Gustav while descending.

Swwooosshhh!

Gustav moved backwards by a few feet, dodging Billy's huge fist, which ended up slamming into the ground in front of him.

Bang!!!

Dust and debris were sent flying into the air as his fist punched a hole through the ground of the battle ring. The wind from the collision spread across the place, causing Gustav's uniform to bloat as he stared at the cracks that were currently spreading around a radius of over five hundred feet.

'That packs quite the power,' Gustav said internally.

The cadets spectating were once again astonished by the strength each blow carried.

Gustav dashed towards Billy's side and swung out his left foot towards his rib cage area.

Rhhoooummm!

The same rocket-like ignition as before appeared in the middle of Billy's chest area, again shooting him backwards with speed before Gustav's foot could make contact.

Gustav retracted his leg after missing and was about to dash forward when a loud explosion occurred at his position.

Bam!

Gustav was taken by surprise and blasted backwards by the force of the explosion.

His body did a flip in the air as he landed on his feet a few hundred feet back.

Dust still covered the entire vicinity in front of him. However, the instant he landed on his feet, a hole-like path was cleared in front of the dust as Billy's huge body came flying through it with speed.

He arrived in front of Gustav in almost an instant with his fist aiming for Gustav's head.

It practically took everyone by surprise as they stared at the battle ring with widened mouths as they saw Billy's fist appear in front of Gustav's face.

Everyone was expecting to hear a loud sound of collision next; however...

[Sprint Has Been Activated]

Billy's fist slowed down by a little in Gustav's line of sight as he activated sprint.

He raised his left palm with speed and put it in front of his face.

Pah!

A loud sound of collision rang out after Gustav blocked the heavy punch.

Krrryhhh!

The ground blasted open underneath his feet due to the immense force behind it.

The smile on Billy's face froze as he saw his punch get stopped, "Impossible... I used every speed related item in my arsenal, you shouldn't have been able to stop that," He said warily with a look of disbelief as he tried pulling his fist away from Gustav's grasp.

"Alright it's time to end this. I've messed around for too long," Gustav muttered underneath his breath as he increased the force of his grip on Billy's fist.

Billy groaned in pain as he heard his bones making squeaking sounds. Gustav pulled Billy forward and grabbed onto his wrist area with his right arm before swinging him over himself and slamming him to the ground again.

Bang!

The already cracked ground of the battle ring cracked even more after the collision. Gustav lifted Billy into the air again and was about to smash him to the ground once more when he activated the rocket ignition gadget.

Fwwwoomm!

He had expected himself to be freed from Gustav's grasp once again, but this time, Gustav's grip was so powerful that his body only flayed in the air repeatedly while his arm that was being held kept him in place.

"Not this time," Gustav said with a calm look before pulling Billy down with force again and smashing him into the ground.

Bang! Bang! Bang! Bang! Bang! Bang! Bang!

Gustav kept lifting and slamming him into the ground without stopping.

The spectators had lost count of the number of times Gustav had slammed Billy onto the ground due to the speed at which he was lifting and throwing his massive body all across the place.

Pieces of teeth flew out along with blood as Billy's jaw was smashed along with his forehead that was currently bleeding.

Bang! Bang! Bang! Bang! Bang!

Regardless of that, Gustav didn't mind and continued on with the smashing.

Billy was in tremendous pain as he felt his bones breaking.

"Your opponent has lost consciousness... you can stop now," Officer Cole, who was supervising the battles from the far end of the platform, voiced out.

Chapter 404 - Forfeiting The MatChapter

Gustav smashed Billy's body to the ground one more time and let go of his arm.

"Oh, my bad I thought you were stronger than that," Gustav muttered as he noticed that Billy had truly lost consciousness.

His right arm had popped out of its socket and was currently twisted at a very crazy angle. His mouth was wide open, displaying his incomplete set of teeth, and his face was smeared in blood along with the hole he was currently lying in.

- "He's so ruthless,"

- "I'm happy he didn't accept my challenge, look at that ridiculous strength,"

- "Just my type of man, he's so dreamy,"

The cadets that had spectated the battle had different opinions as they discussed amongst one another.

Gustav dusted his palms in a cool way and walked out of the battle ring.

Their battle had lasted around five minutes. It was longer than expected, but he already had a grasp of his current strength without making use of transformation and other bloodlines.

'Such massive improvement from accumulating srriyhave,' Gustav said internally with a look of satisfaction.

Other cadets were also performing better than before in their battles today due to the same reason.

However, their improvement was incomparable to those who lasted longer in accumulating srryhavo.

Gustav wondered just how much Elevora had improved since she lasted as long as he did.

He arrived back in his seat and sat down with an undisturbed look like he didn't just flatten an entire battle ring using someone's body.

The other battles in other rings were slowly coming to an end, but none of them caused as much destruction as Gustav and Billy's clash.

In a few more minutes, the sixth turn ended, and still, not a single person had been able to defeat a special class cadet.

In the next one hour, another six turns were over, and all the special class cadets had battled at least one of their opponents besides Elevora.

Aldris battle with a normal cadet ended in about thirty seconds due to the immense gap in strength.

It would have been shorter, but Aldris decided to give the opponent the chance to show what he could do.

Glade's fight also didn't take very long since when she used her ultimate move to conjure red energy like a massive structure and crashed it onto the battle ring.

Half of the battle ring was blasted apart due to this, along with her opponent.

Glade was among the top thirty strongest, after all. Matilda took quite some time to deal with her opponent due to their ability to increase the temperature of the surroundings.

Her bloodline, which gave her the ability to conjure silver armor and weapons, almost failed her because the silver armor covering her body was melting due to the immense increase in temperature of the surroundings.

She eventually won the battle before her defenses burnt up completely.

Angy's battle was also quite intense, and Gustav made sure to pay attention to gauge her improvement.

To his surprise, she had truly improved way better than he expected. Although he could still see slight hesitation when attacking.

She won by knocking the opponent out of the battle ring, which resulted in immediate disqualifications.

Some other special class cadets had won their battles quite easily. Now everyone realised that the special class cadets were not just given their special privileges for nothing. They were truly the best.

Currently, it was Falco's turn to have his second battle. However, he had been waiting in the battle ring for a while now.

"The countdown will begin for Galusec to come forth,"

"9,"

"8,"

"7,"

"6,"

The Voice of an AI reverberated across the place as it counted down.

On the other battle rings, the cadets had started battling with their opponents.

A few more seconds later, the countdown ended, and Falco's second opponent failed to show up, resulting in his disqualification.

This was the first time someone was throwing in the towel by not arriving in the ring to fight.

Falco shrugged and turned around to leave after he was announced as the winner of the battle.

A lot of cadets were not surprised about this development after remembering how his first battle went. The girl who was knocked out cold had a look of humiliation written all over her face as she stared in Falco's direction.

The battle with the others continued, and Gustav with the others awaited their turns again.

Several minutes more passed, and it was time for the next turn.

The massive black orb floating above the place picked the next turn.

This time Gustav noticed a familiar face among the ten.

He had aqua-colored shoulder-length hair and two red lines extending from his forehead to his left eyebrow.

This was Teemee, and it would seem he also challenged a special class cadet who happened to be ranked among the top fifty.

Teemee approached the platform beneath along with others who noticed that it was their turn.

His short frame was oozing with so much confidence as the red lines extending from his forehead to his left eyebrow glowed up.

"Isn't that one of the dudes from Matilda's party," EE mentioned after noticing him.

"Hmm? that's Teemee," Falco, who wasn't present at the party, was a bit confused by EE's statement, but he recognized Teemee since he was also among the circle of the rich.

"This might get pretty interesting..." Gustav muttered underneath his breath as his eyes glowed green and scarlet.

'He seems to have really improved in strength,' Gustav said Internally while zooming his sight on Teemee.

He had activated God Eyes, so he could see that Teemee was now way stronger than he used to be.

He arrived within the battle ring where the special class cadet was awaiting him.

His palms glowed crimson as he adopted a battle stance.

The special class cadet could sense that this was no ordinary, normal cadet, so he also adopted a battle stance with a cautious expression while waiting for Officer Cole to give the go-ahead.

"Begin!"

The instant those words were voiced out, both of them darted towards each other.

Chapter 405 - Winning Speculation

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The special class cadet crossed his arms and separated them, forcefully swinging them sideways.

Two crossed blades with bluish energy sliced forward diagonally towards Teemee.

Teemee jumped in the air and spun, dodging both blades.

Swwrrhhiii! Screeevv!

Thirty feet long gashes appeared on the ground behind Teemee as the blades sliced through it with ease.

The instant he landed on his feet, the special class cadet arrived in front of him and swung out his fist towards him.

Teemee bent backwards to dodge the swing, but suddenly a bluish three feet long blade appeared within his swung-out hand.

Teemee was in shock as he noticed the blade slicing towards his head.

A red beam of light suddenly covered his left arm as he raised it up quickly.

Screev!

The blade sliced through the red beam of light and cut three inches deep into his arm, but the instant that happened, Teemee also punched out towards the cadet.

Bang!

His fist landed on the cadet's chest, sending him sliding backwards by a few feet.

The bluish energy blade lodged into his hand turned into light fragments and disappeared as blood oozed down his arm.

He gritted his teeth in pain as he tightened his left fist.

The special class cadet stared at his chest area and noticed the dent in the special vest he was putting on.

Both of them stared at each other warily for a few moments before dashing forward again.

The special class cadet swerved left and right, dodging the attacks while also sending out his. Teemee was almost evenly matched with him, dodging most of the attacks.

His palms were still glowing crimson, and at every chance he got, he'd try to make contact.

The special class cadet jumped backwards and shot out a dozen bluish blade-like energy from his body towards Teemee below.

Bang! Bang! Bang!

Teemee moved quickly from side to side dodging one blade after the other.

Each of them was so powerful that the ground of the battle ring was now filled with cuts, cracks and lines that extended over hundreds of meters.

As Teemee dodged, two more blades headed for his blind spots.

He quickly turned around and slapped one of them towards the side.

Krryyhh!

That particular one dimmed as he slapped it away while he grabbed the second one with his other hand.

It cut into his hand a little due to its sharpness, but the longer he held onto it, the more it dimmed.

As the special class cadet landed on the ground hundreds of feet behind, his eyes squinted as he noticed that.

Trrroooiinn! Troooiinnn!

Blueish energy started shooting out of his body, simultaneously turning solid.

Six more blueish arms grew out of his sides. Three on the left and three on the right, as well as four long insect-like arms, grew from his torso area. Next, they made contact with the ground and lifted him into the air.

He was no longer using his normal legs at this point, and his frame had gone up to ten feet.

Thrrrii! Thrrrii! Thrrii!

The legs catapulted him forward with speed as they ran across the ground.

His speed was now two times as fast.

He arrived before Teemee and controlled the arms to swing towards him.

Swwoooooosshh! Swoosh!

Teemee jumped from place to place as the arm slammed into the ground, causing it to split open after missing him.

Two more arms were coming from above, but Teemee jumped up and flipped in mid-air while spinning his body to dodge the attacks.

The instant he landed back, an immensely bright red-like aura suddenly surrounded his entire being as he dashed across the place with speed.

Swwhhhhh! Swwwhhhhhh! Pah! Pah! Pah!

His hand made contact with three legs in a manner of seconds, making them dim.

The legs started crumbling in a few seconds, causing the special class cadet to lose balance.

Before he could fall, he conjured another blueish leg to support himself while using some hands to touch down also.

Teemee suddenly leaped up again and thrust his palm forward.

Before his palm could make contact with the special class cadet, a raised arm swung down from above.

Bam!

The massive blueish energy-like arm and Teemee's palm collided, sending both of them flying backwards.

The cadets spectating the battle at this point were surprised because the instant Teemee body was covered by the reddish like aura, it was as if he received a boost.

The other cadets were also having their battle in other rings at this point, but no normal cadet had been able to clash with a special class cadet on equal terms.

Gustav stared at their ring in particular and muttered, "Looks like we'll be having a new special class today,"

"Huh?" E.E and Falco exclaimed with a slightly confused look.

"Are you saying he might win?" Falco asked with an intrigued expression.

"I'm not saying he might win... I'm saying he will win," Gustav said with a look of certainty.

"Hnm something does seem special about him," Aildris muttered as well.

He couldn't really tell what was up, but his intuition was telling him that Teemee still had more than he had displayed.

'He's barely depleting any energy even after what he has done so far... Because he decomposes the attacks he makes contact with and turns it into a form of energy for himself,' Gustav noticed as he stared at Teemee using God Eyes.

Gustav had seen Teemee battle, so he knew there were still other things underneath his sleeves that he hadn't revealed yet.

The battle continued with them both managing to land hits sometimes and missing. However, the special class cadet was unable to bring Teemee down even after so long.

He suddenly activated a power skill where a bluish triangular-shaped structure phased out of his body and expanded immensely.

He raised it high as it increased to a size of close to five hundred feet.

Chapter 406 - First Win

The cadets were shocked as the massive size cast a shadow over the place, covering Teemee's figure.

"Hyyaahh!"

He screamed out as he flung the massive structure down with force.

Fwwhhiiii!

Even before it landed, Teemee could feel the massive pressure radiating from it as the ground below vibrated, and the wind blew his hair backwards.

Thrii!

The reddish aura surrounding his being suddenly increased in brightness as he raised both arms up with speed.

Baaanngg!

The loud sound of the collision rang out as wind blew across the place.

Krryyhh! Krrhhykkk! Bang!

Cracks still continued to spread across the place as the special class cadet continued to push down the massive structure using the arms it conjured.

It still kept pressing down on that particular part of the battle ring and descending for several more seconds.

The dome-like barrier covering the ring vibrated also.

A smile appeared on his face as he was about to let go of it.

Suddenly, more cracking sounds were heard.

And this time, it wasn't coming from the ground. Instead, it was coming from the massive triangular structure.

Krrhhykkk! Bang!

A hole suddenly burst through the middle of the structure as Teemee came flying out of it with his body radiating with an immense reddish aura.

The blueish triangular structure dimmed down and blasted apart completely; however, everyone's eyes were on Teemee, who had arrived in front of the special class cadet.

Before the cadet could understand what was happening, four transparent reddish walls of energy suddenly appeared around both of them.

Sshhhrrrhhh!

He felt his energy being drained at a very fast speed as the arms and legs he conjured disappeared.

Swwhhiii!

Teemee swung out his fist at this time.

Bang!

Although the special class cadet blocked it, he was still sent flying till he slammed through one of the reddish walls and landed on the other side of the battle ring.

He spat out blood as he forcefully stood to his feet and tried to conjure another attack.

However, he noticed that he was practically out of bloodline energy and couldn't use any large-scale attacks due to the previous one.

Swwwiiiiii!

Teemee arrived in front of him again and punched out.

Bang! Bang! Bang!

Right before everyone's eyes, a special class cadet was turned into a punching bag.

Teemee eventually knocked the special class out after a few more attacks.

Almost all the cadets were in a state of disbelief as the A.I. announced Teemee to be the winner.

A normal cadet had managed to win against a special class.

Teemee started walking back to his sitting position with a confident look.

He was still bleeding in several areas of his body that were exposed due to sharp slashes, but he totally ignored the medical team and said he was okay.

The others battles came to an end several minutes back with no other normal cadet winning.

Everyone realised at this point that Teemee must have been quite powerful since.

Before, he was among the top four hundred even though he wasn't a special class. Now that he had defeated this special class cadet who happened to be placed 49th, their positions had now been exchanged.

Chatter! Chatter! Chatter!

The hype and discussions continued for a long time, even after other battles began.

Teemee had suddenly become famous due to this and was now known as the dark horse.

About thirty minutes later, after two more turns had gone by, Gustav finally saw his image again.

At this time, E.E. and Aildris had also won their second fights earlier with ease.

Gustav walked towards the third ring just like earlier amidst the background conversations of the cadets who spotted him.

They wondered if the person who had challenged Gustav would show up or not after remembering how the last battle went.

In a few seconds, a five-and-a-half-foot-tall youngster stepped into the same battle ring as Gustav.

The cadets spectating were surprised that this person didn't forfeit, but Gustav understood that none of the three cadets whose challenge he accepted would even think of forfeiting, no matter how badly he beat up his opponents.

This was because the first one he battled was a spoiled rich kid who was overconfident, while the other two were interested in having Matilda's hand.

There was no way the other two would back down. They wouldn't want to be seen as cowards by Matilda later.

The youngster had white and blue colored dreadlocks that were tied in a bun.

"I love Matilda... Even if I do not defeat you today, I will train better to do so next time," He said with a slightly shaky voice.

"Hmm, alright good luck I guess," Gustav responded with a calm look.

"Begin!"

The instant the go-ahead was given, the youngster transformed into a bulky lizard-like creature with the head of a bird.

It has green, white and blue scales, just like the youngster's hair color. However, this lizard-like creature was in a standing position with a twelve feet long and thick tail.

He made a loud screeching noise before charging for Gustav.

Gustav reacted in kind and dashed towards him as his arms increased in size, becoming that of the mutated bull.

[Partial Mutation Has Been Activated]

Ssshhrrrrrrryyy!

The youngster suddenly shot out black flames from his mouth before arriving in front of Gustav.

Gustav swerved right and made a beeline towards the youngster with speed.

He arrived in front of him and sent a punch straight to his guts.

Bang!

The instant the creature received the punch, it tilted forward slightly due to the force. Meanwhile, another punch was already heading for his head.

Bang!

Gustav slammed his right fist into the creature's head, causing him to fall flat on his face, cracking the hard ground.

Spprreewww!

Blood scattered all across the place as a small dent appeared on the youngster's head, from which blood oozed.

His body twitched severally as he laid on the ground for a few seconds before stopping.

-"Oi oi oi... What's going on? Don't tell me he just defeated that youngster just like that?"

The entire crowd was in disbelief as they saw Gustav turn around and start walking back towards his seat.

Chapter 407 - Havrina Vs Glade

The entire crowd was in disbelief as they saw Gustav turn around and start walking back towards his seat.

The cadet looked quite fearsome compared to Gustav after his transformation, yet he was defeated in just two moves.

Gustav's arms returned back to their initial size as he moved towards his initial sitting position.

The medical team rushed to the battle ring to attend to the half-dead cadet who practically had his head torn open by Gustav's punch.

Many of the cadets that watched the brief match had terrified expressions on their faces as they stared at Gustav's nonchalant bearing.

They had thought the battle would at least last longer than this due to how the last one went, but they had no idea that Gustav was just testing out his strength without making use of any transformational ability.

A lot of them swore in their hearts not to challenge him from this day on unless they had a sudden boost in strength.

The other battles continued within the neighboring rings. Gustav arrived back in his sitting position and watched the rest of the fight.

At the moment, Glade happened to be among the other special class cadets that had their turns, and she was battling a regular cadet who looked familiar.

Although Gustav figured that his next battle was probably going to be the toughest since it was with Deitrick, he wasn't really bothered as he watched Glade's duel with an undisturbed look.

This particular familiar female figure Glade battled with had a short frame of almost five feet. She had indigo-colored hair that was so long; it reached the back of her calves. Her look was extremely arrogant and sharp as she and Glade clashed repeatedly.

They seemed to be evenly matched. Gustav recognized this girl to be the same one that was trying to compete with him during the fifth phase within the underground ruins, Havrina.

This girl really loved competition, and the look on her face as she battled Glade made that even more obvious.

Her long hair floated in the air and extended, turning into blades that hacked at Glade repeatedly.

Glade was currently holding onto two scythes made of red energy. She used these scythes to parry the attacks of the sharp blade-like hairs swinging towards her body.

Bang! Bang! Bang! Bang!

The battle ring was riddled with destruction as their attacks collided repeatedly.

Glade formed many other red energy-like blades and leaped on one of them.

Swwwiiii! Swwhhhii! Swhhii!

The red energy blades slashed towards Havrina's figure, violently pushing aside the multiple blade-like hairs swinging across the place.

Glade dashed forward with speed on the red energy blade she conjured, making use of that opening to arrive before Havrina.

She brandished her scythe, tightening her grip around the hilt intensely as she slashed forward towards Havrina's neck.

Havrina was not able to recall her long hair back to protect herself fast enough since they had just parried the rest of the long-range attacks she used earlier on.

Just as Glade's scythe was about to make contact, the tip of the scythe was suddenly met with opposition.

Tyyiinngg!

It was stopped a few inches away from her neck by an invisible force.

Glade was surprised as she noticed the smirk on Havrina's face after the attack was stopped.

Before Glade could make another move, she suddenly felt something sharp headed for her and quickly turned to the side.

However, she wasn't fast enough as the invisible force sliced a small part of the skin from her shoulder off.

Blood oozed down her sleeves. However, she was lucky enough that it was only a flesh wound.

'What in the world is that?' Glade wondered as she repeatedly swerved after sensing the invisible sharp force swinging for her.

Havrina still sliced off a part of Glade's hair since the sharp force was invisible.

Havrina dashed forward after Glade and swung out her sharp claws towards her body, intending to inflict serious damage.

Glade now had to dodge attacks of different kinds. The invisible sharp force, the sharp blade-like hairs and even Havrina claws.

Each swing was so powerful that the air rippled intensely.

Although Glade took pride in the toughness of her green body, she could tell that if any of Havrina's attacks hit, she would definitely take a lot of damage.

Gustav watched from his sitting position with God Eyes activated.

He could already see the invisible sharp line that kept slashing towards Glade. It had a strange whitish color, and it was extending from the back of Havrina's head.

'So it happened to be a strand of her hair? Why is it invisible?' Gustav wondered as he figured this out.

As the battle progressed, Glade was eventually riddled with so many cuts and tears all over her cadet uniform.

It was initially white, but now there were red patches all over the place, and the exposed parts showed her injuries.

She couldn't dodge everything Havrina was dishing out at the same time, which was why she was in her current state.

The entire crowd was quite shocked that another normal cadet had such strength and was managing to give a top forty special class cadet such troubles.

Glade was still considered quite strong amongst other special class compared to the one Teemee defeated, so everyone could tell that Havrina would have been a special class by now if she fought with a weaker special class.

Thooommm!

Glade leaped backwards after dodging another round of attack and slid a few fifty feet backwards afterwards.

She breathed in and out profusely while staring at Havrina, who also had hurried breathing.

However, Havrina still looked crazy and hyped up as she stared at Glade in front.

"Come on greenie... Don't tell me that's all you got," She laughed with a look of ridicule while speaking.

'This little... I can't afford to lose. My special class title cannot be taken from me...' She gritted her teeth as she thought.

Her eyes looked across the spectators area as she glanced at two familiar figures for barely a few moments.

Chapter 408 - A Tie

'Looks like I have to use it... So much for fighting with just my strength alone,' Glade said as she brought out a star-shaped fingernail-sized object and placed it on her forehead.

The reddish aura surrounding her was a bit similar to Teemee's, and it increased with intensity after that as she conjured chains in her hands.

Glade dashed forward again towards Havrina, and they clashed once again.

The reddish chains in Glade's possession carried a rippling force that twisted the space around it as she swung it out.

Fwwhii! Fwwhii! Fwwhhiiii!

Glade had become twice as fast as before and could not get hit due to the speed multiplier she got from the Weapons storage back at the base.

In the blink of an eye, the red chains she conjured had tied Havrina's blade-like hairs together.

Glade pulled the chain with all her might, drawing Havrina to herself as she spun around with her leg swung out.

Havrina managed to block the attack even though she was taken by surprise.

However, the tables had turned at this point. Havrina was no longer able to hit Glade after her speed was multiplied by two.

Glade kept attacking her repeatedly, and despite Havrina's high defense, she would occasionally receive hits.

In a few more minutes, both of them were now in the same state. Both had injuries on their bodies and had almost run out of energy completely.

Blood covered Havrina's face in blood as she breathed in and out profusely, but she was still smiling crazily while Glade's speed multiplier had run out of energy.

Both of them were on their last straws, and neither of them had managed to inflict more damage than the other.

Glade and Havrina separated and stared at each other intensely before activating their most powerful attack.

A massive cylindrical-shaped structure was being formed above Glade as she raised her hand.

Havrina's hair suddenly started increasing in length and quantity, turning into multiple sharp blades that covered a large space as they shot forward.

Glade finished conjuring this massive reddish structure and also swung it forward intensely.

Bang!

The instant they both collided, the force created sent ripples across the place that slammed into them both.

Bam! Bam!

Glade and Havrina's bodies slammed forcefully into the barrier on the south and north sides before passing out.

Silence~

There was a brief silence as the cadets witnessing the battle waited for them to stand to their feet, but that didn't happen.

"The Match has ended in a tie due to both cadets knocking each other out," Officer Cole announced.

Chatter! Chatter! Chatter!

The place instantly turned noisy after the announcement was made.

After the barrier deactivation, the medical team swooped in to take Glade and Havrina away.

- "I thought Glade was going to win,"

- "They actually knocked each other out? Who knew Havrina was this strong,"

- "Well she was among the top seventy. Even though she's not a special class, she was really close to being one on the rankings,"

- "She should have challenged a weaker younger class,"

The spectating cadets discussed amongst themselves with tones and expressions of disbelief.

This was another match that the cadets wouldn't forget. After today, everyone was interested in knowing what the instructors' decision would be since the match ended in a tie.

The turns continued after this as the next cadets found their way to the battle rings.

Matilda had her second round in the next few turns, and the opponent didn't give her as much trouble as before.

About an hour later, It was E.E's turn again.

However, the same event played out during Falco's second turn.

Since E.E defeated his last two opponents in grand style, his third opponent grew cold feet and decided not to show.

Although a few battles previously had proven that the special class cadets were not undefeatable, most of the normal cadets could not boast of being as strong as someone like Teemee or Havrina.

They knew just where their strengths lie.

E.E left back to his seat after the ten seconds countdown was completed.

After a few more minutes, his turn ended, and it was time for Gustav to head towards the platform again.

Aldris also happened to have his third match at the same time with a slightly popular normal cadet who was a top hundred.

Gustav arrived in the ring after a few moments and waited for Deitrick to show up.

Deitrick showed up after a few seconds and walked into the battle ring.

He smiled at Gustav and nodded, "Let's have a fair match," He voiced out.

"You might want to do those weird pokes before we begin because this time I won't be giving you the opportunity to do so," Gustav responded with this.

"Thanks for the generous offer, then I would be polite and do that now," Deitrick said before he started poking different parts of his body.

The wind surrounding him suddenly turned weird and began to circulate around him.

Gustav's eyes squinted as he stared at Deitrick, 'That's much more powerful than before...' He noted before also transforming slightly.

On Gustav's right hand, sharp red claws phased out of his fingertips as his entire arm expanded and turned reddish with furs covering it while his left arm transformed into a muscular brown one.

His body size increased to over seven feet in height as his thighs and calves expanded with small two inches tusks protruding out of them.

"Begin!"

The instant the go-ahead was given, Gustav darted forward without activating dash.

Everything in the surroundings slowed down as he noticed that his speed with transformation and without using dash was now similar to his speed making use of dash without any transformation.

As Gustav punched forward towards Deitrick, he conjured a wall of strong wind in front of him, which proceeded to slow down Gustav's attack.

Deitrick made use of that opportunity to dash to the side as chopped towards Gustav's left rib area, causing a blade-shaped air pressure to form, hacking towards him with intensity.

Chapter 409 - Deitrick Vs Gustav

Deitrick made use of that opportunity to dash to the side as he slashed towards Gustav's left rib area, causing a blade-shaped air pressure to form, hacking towards him with intensity.

Gustav turned towards the side and quickly sent out a kick in response. His muscular leg swung forward, ripping through the blade-like air pressure before colliding with Deitrick's palm.

Bam! Krryyhhkk!

Low bone-cracking sounds rang out as Deitrick's arm was sent swinging backwards forcefully after the collision.

On Deitrick's face, a slight look of pain was evident as his body slid backwards. However, Gustav wasted no time chasing after Deitrick and reached out his hand to grab him.

Deitrick stretched his hand and created a ball of air in his palm.

Everything within the vicinity started being sucked into this ball as he shot it out, causing the ground to be split open due to its traction force.

Gustav felt the tugging force from the ball of air pulling him towards the side as he dashed forward.

[Size Manipulation Has Been Activated]

Gustav's arms that were being tugged suddenly increased in size, becoming as thick as trucks.

Zzhhooomm!

Gustav drove his fist through the ball of air, destroying it in one fell swoop, sending it forward.

Kkrrrhyyhhh!

The ground split open as his massive fist travelled forward, causing the air to ripple.

Deitrick, who thought he had managed to escape from Gustav's range due to the initial stunt he pulled, was surprised when he noticed the massive fist, with the size similar to that of a truck headed for his face.

The winds surrounding him turned fiercer as he tried to use a wall of wind to block the massive fist. Unfortunately for him, the fist ripped through the wall of air easily and slammed into his body, catapulting him backwards.

Zzhhhwwwiiii!

His body was tossed hundreds of feet across the air like a rag doll as he slammed into the barrier on the other end.

[-1000 EP]

[Size Manipulation Has Been Deactivated]

Gustav quickly deactivated Size Manipulation after noticing how much energy he had lost from increasing his arms to that size.

Although Size Manipulation helped in increasing his strength by a wide margin, he refrained from using it because of the way it drained energy.

Deitrick slammed into the other side and landed on the ground. He wiped the blood leaking down the corners of his lips.

'I opened the second gate right off the bat yet he wrecked me in less than thirty seconds... If I didn't have my protective vest worn underneath, I'd have received more damage than this,' Deitrick was astounded because the last time he battled Gustav with the second step opened, he wasn't defeated so easily.

'And what the hell is with that ability? He can increase the length of any part of his body?'

Deitrick wasn't the only one dumbfounded by this. The spectating cadets were as well because no one had ever seen Gustav use this ability.

Deitrick noticed Gustav up ahead and headed for him quickly. At the same time, Deitrick started poking different parts of his body again.

Zwwweeeiii!

The wind surrounding him increased immensely, blowing his hair upwards as he stood to his feet.

The blood leaking from different parts of his body earlier stopped, and immense energy radiated around him.

At this point, everyone figured that whenever he poked different parts of his body like that, he would have something similar to a level up.

Both of them dashed out towards each other with speed, and it was obvious that Deitrick's speed had become way more than before.

He sucked air into his mouth and started shooting them out like bullets.

Pum! Pum! Pum! Pum! Pum! Pum!

The wind was practically invisible, but Gustav was able to sense the disruption in the space around him, which was why he was able to dodge them as they bolted across the air.

Booom! Booom! Booom!

The small round compressed air exploded outwards with intensity the moment he dodged the first one.

Gustav had already expected this and finally activated dash.

[Dash Has Been Activated]

Swwooosshhh!

As he sped past the area of effect, the ground behind split open as cracks appeared all over the place after the wind explosion.

Gustav dashed past every single one of the compressed wind that was shot outwards and arrived right in front of Deitrick while stretching out his right palm.

'I've always wanted to create this...' A milky glow suddenly surrounded Gustav's palm.

[Atomic Disintegration Has Been Activated]

It suddenly brightened immensely as a two-foot-long whitish blade formed in his grasp, which he swung out with force.

Deitrick sensed danger coming from the milky colored blade that was suddenly formed in Gustav's hand and reacted by sending slashes out with his palm in a chop format.

A powerful wind/like blade was created from that which collided with that of Gustav's.

Swwhhhiii!

To his surprise, not only was his wind blade divided into two halves, but it also disappeared the moments after Gustav's slashed through it.

Swwwwiiii!

The remnant of the energy after Gustav swung it kept travelling through the air and slammed into Deitrick's chest, cutting a thirteen inches gash all across his chest in a diagonal format.

Blergh!

Deitrick vomited out blood once again as his body was sent flying through the air as blood poured out of the cut.

'My protective vest was torn through, just like that?' His eyes widened in realisation and pain as he flew through the air.

Gustav dashed forward and jumped up with speed as he arched his left arm backwards.

Thooooooooommm!

He leaped upwards with immense force and threw his fist up towards Deitrick's back.

Bang!

His fist slammed heavily into Deitrick's back, sending him flying upwards before he crashed into the protective dome.

Bam!

His body started free falling again after he slammed into it, and Gustav once again jumped upwards before doing a three hundred, and sixty-degree spin with his right leg stretched forward.

Chapter 410 - Fifth Gate

Bang!

His foot slammed into Deitrick's jaw, catapulting him once again towards the far end of the dome.

Pieces of teeth and blood flew out of his mouth as his body spun severally in mid-air before slamming head-on into the barrier.

The crowd expressed looks of pity as they saw the state Deitrick's body was in after the crash. The sound of bones cracking was loud enough so they could understand the state of pain Deitrick was currently in.

Once again, Gustav created an overbearing and majestic atmosphere. Deitrick was someone who lasted longer than a lot of special class cadets in the accumulation of Syrrhavo, yet he was still beaten quite easily.

Gustav turned around and started moving towards the far end of the battle ring.

When he got there, he was about to step forward to leave the ring, but he noticed that the dome hadn't been lifted yet.

He sighed and turned around to see Deitrick suddenly open his eyes from a thousand feet away.

'Turns out he didn't pass out just yet,' Gustav realised.

At this time, the spectators also realised the same thing as they saw Deitrick struggling to stand to his feet.

-"What's the point? Is he just looking to get beaten up again?"

Most of them had this thought in their minds.

Deitrick quickly raised his hands and began to poke his body parts once again.

[God Eyes Has Been Activated]

'I'm quite curious to see how the improvement in strength will be this time,'

This time Gustav didn't try to stop him. Instead, he watched with an observant look.

'That's a big jump,' Gustav said internally with a slightly disturbed expression.

He was reading Deitrick's energy level God Eyes and noticed that his internal energy numbers increased by two.

'This time I opened gate five... I'll stop here for today... I have to find out just how much of my strength he can handle,' Deitrick said internally as he breathed in air with a look of determination.

'I wonder if he can keep going..? But it will be better to end it this time,' Gustav was curious, but he really didn't want to let his curiosity get the better of him.

Both of them stared at each other from the far ends of the battle ring with looks of intensity before dashing forward with speed.

Swwhhhiii! Swwhhi!

Right now, their speed was at the same level as they sped across the place.

Gustav's head transformed into that of the serpentine mixedbreed as he gathered purplish energy in his mouth area and shot it out.

Deitrick conjured a swirling mass of air and also sent it forward.

Booom!

Both forces collided and cancelled each other out, blasting chunks of the ground of the battle ring into the air.

However, this destruction did not hinder them in the slightest as they arrived before each other a few moments later.

Swing! Swing!

Gustav's palm and that of Deitrick's collided with intensity, causing both of them to arch backwards a little from the force of the collision.

Gustav pushed himself forward again and threw out a fist.

Swerve!

Now Deitrick was fast enough to dodge his fist and also threw out his fist packed with a swirling mass of air gathering around it.

Gustav moved slightly to the side and used the back of his left palm to slap on Deitrick's wrist, changing the trajectory of the punch before squatting slightly and throwing his fist upwards.

Swwhiiii!

Deitrick quickly shifted back a bit, causing Gustav's fist to miss him by a centimeter.

However, the instant Gustav's fist missed, he pushed forward his elbow, which ended up slamming into Deitrick's nose.

Bam!

Deitrick moaned in pain, but as his back arched backwards due to the hit, he grabbed hold of Gustav's hand.

Swwhhhiii!

His arm was suddenly surrounded by a massive swirling pool of air which pulled him towards the side and slammed him into the ground.

Gustav was taken by surprise with that attack and instantly enlarged his body before the swirling air could toss his body around again.

Swwhhhhh!

He kicked out instantly, causing his leg to slam into Deitrick's body.

Fwooommm!

Deitrick's body was once again sent flying through the air. However, unlike the last time, he didn't seem to have sustained any big injuries as he did a flip in mid-air and landed on his feet several hundred feet backwards.

Gustav's deactivated Size Manipulation after getting rid of the swirling air. Still, now he had lost another one thousand energy points.

'His strength is now very close to mine, without any other added activations,' Gustav noted.

They lunged at each other again, and once more, fierce blows were thrown.

Bang! Bang! Bang! Bang!

Although Deitrick was holding on better than the previous times, Gustav would still occasionally land hits on him, so ,he sustained little injuries over time.

[Sprint Has Been Activated]

Gustav finally activated sprint, increasing his speed by two times.

Swwoooooosshh!

Deitrick was unable to follow his attacks anymore at this point.

Bang!

Gustav landed a clean hit on his gut with his leg before dashing forward again.

Swwhhhiii!

His fist travelled in an upwards motion as he squatted slightly.

Bam!

More teeth were sent flying out of Deitrick's mouth along with blood as his body was catapulted upwards after Gustav's fist slammed heavily into his jaw.

Gustav leaped upwards again and raised his leg high while in mid-air before slamming it down onto Deitrick's chest.

Deitrick made an 'X' sign with his arms trying to block the hit; however, the instant collision was made...

Krrhhykkk!

His arms were smashed apart as the kick slammed head onto his chest, sending him spiralling down as his chest caved in, and he coughed out blood.

Bang!

Deitrick once again slammed onto the ground of the battle ring.

The instant his body bounced back up from the collision, Gustav landed on the ground.

Everything around him slowed down as he stared at Deitrick's body ascending slowly from the cracked ground after colliding with it.

His mouth was opened, and his eyes slightly widened as blood shot out of different places from his body.

[Combination Has Been Activated]

[Sprint + Dash]