

BloodLine 431

Chapter 431 Meeting With Teacher

(From MC's perspective)

After crossing the Tier-7 city, we moved faster toward the destination. The giant eagle monster doesn't seem to be exhausted at all.

But I believe Jonathan would stop it somewhere.

Several hours later,

As I expected, the giant eagle monster landed on land in the middle of nowhere. When I raise my head to look around, I see the endless vast open plains.

My eyes lit up in surprise. Such a place is rare to see where there are no monsters and vegetation.

Then I see a giant eagle lowering its body to take some rest. Suddenly Jonathan turned around and looked at me.

"We will take some rest here. In the meantime, if you have any questions, you can ask me," Jonathan said.

Before I could respond, I saw him setting up a table and chair. A quick glint flashes in my eyes. To think he carried this with him. I don't know what to say for a moment.

But it's better than sitting on the ground. I walked forward and sat opposite him. Right now, I know about Odyssey Monster Zone. And what are the dangers ahead?

So our conversation has been fruitful. So what should I ask now? Suddenly a strange glint flashed in my eyes. It was already pre-planned that I would join the Saw Scale Viper Academy.

But what about other academies? I'm curious about other academies like which one is stronger.

Then looking at Jonathan, I asked, "Mr. Jonathan, can you tell me about the academies?"

Jonathan's eyes flickered with a slight glint. Then he began to tell the names of the academies and their strengths and weaknesses.

One hour later,

Jonathan stopped talking and asked, "Do you understand now?"

I nodded my head in response.

The situation between the academies was worse than I thought. There is no real friendship between them except for severe competition.

The Saw Scale Viper Academy is typically the training academy of the Army Federation. Warriors who passed out from this academy directly joined the Army Federation.

My future path will be the same. The academy teaches various battle-related techniques and combat training.

And when it comes to White Palace, this academy specifically recruits female warriors. Because their inheritance is suitable for the female warriors to cultivate. So it's a waste of time for male warriors to join the White Palace.

The Red Moon Tower is similar to the Saw Scale Viper Academy. They too specifically focus on combat training.

But unlike the army, they have their secret inheritance to pass on. And the students of the Red Tower are said to be bloodthirsty due to their strange cultivation techniques.

The Eclipse Academy is considered to be a normal academy. Where any warrior can join and graduate from the academy. There is no specific condition to fulfill.

The Silver Clouds Academy sounds strange. It's the academy jointly run by a few powerful clans and families. To join this academy, first, the warriors have to join one of the families.

This academy is not good. Warriors will lose their rights if they join this academy. But some people don't care. To reach higher heights they are ready to sacrifice everything.

Finally the Giant Tower, like the name sounds. They have a special inheritance. Not anyone can practice. So of all these academies, the Giant Tower has a lower number of warriors.

After gaining some clarity, I sighed inwardly. Even the giant tower got a lower number of students compared to other academies. I won't underestimate them.

Because of their inheritance. Each one of them is a strong warrior. Where in the Saw Scale Viper Academy. There are four institutions ranging from A to D.

Only the A & B institutions got strong warriors comparable to other academies. The rest of the institution functions based on relations and money.

After putting these unnecessary thoughts aside, I decided to cultivate them for a while.

We resumed our journey a few hours later.

Days passed in a blink of an eye,

The Giant Eagle reached the destination three days later.

"Odyssey Monster Zone," I mumbled under my breath. A gigantic wall came into view. Damn! The wall's height is twice the size of Tier-7 City's wall.

Then I see several buildings outside of the monster zone. They appeared to be brand new. I also see many street shops built outside.

A quick glint flashes in my eyes. They are resting places for the seed candidate and their forces. A look of understanding dawned upon me.

Then Jonathan directed the giant eagle in a different direction. "Hmmm," I furrowed my eyebrows in surprise. Where are we going? But I didn't ask him about it.

There must be a reason behind it.

The giant eagle flies over several buildings. Slowly, the giant eagle is flying away from the monster zone. Soon I realized something. There must be a place for us to stay.

Otherwise, he wouldn't have directed the monster away from the monster zone.

Screech!

When the bird got closer to the destination. I hear several bird-screeching sounds. Looking around, I see many warriors coming in using similar bird monsters.

Seeing that, I wasn't surprised. Some truly big forces have a similar mode of transport. Especially for this competition, everyone will gather.

Swish!

The giant Eagle finally slows down the speed. Feeling that I looked ahead, and I saw a massive mansion ahead of us. And there is no adjacent building beside it.

The giant eagle lands on the ground. Then we slowly stepped out. I couldn't help but look at Jonathan for an answer.

"It's the mansion of Saw Scale Viper Academy," Jonathan calmly replied.

"What?" I uttered in surprise. Isn't it too soon to meet these people? Especially before the competition.

Jonathan saw through his thoughts. He chuckled and said, "Right now, there is no one except one person staying in the mansion."

"Could it be?" My eyes lit up with surprise. Jonathan is smiling mysteriously. I have a vague feeling in my heart.

Suppressing our curiosity, we walked towards the gate. After entering inside, I see a huge spacious hall.

Before I could appreciate the architecture, I saw someone walking downstairs.

A warrior wearing a black military uniform is slowly stepping downwards while looking at me. My pupils constrict the next second.

I feel everything stopped around me. The blood element in my body is showing some response. Threat? A cold sweat appeared on my forehead.

I felt like several days passed in an instant. What is this power? Before I could realize it, the man walked in front of us.

Everything happens in a blink of an eye,

For a second, I forgot that I'm an Elite warrior. Thinking about strangers can make me feel powerless. Then what is the reality of this person?

Various questions appeared in my heart.

But the next scene made me even more disbelieving.

Jonathan stepped forward and bowed to the stranger.

"Master," Jonathan uttered.

The words fell like a thunderclap in my ears.

"Teacher," I looked at the person in front of me in disbelief.

Earlier, I had vaguely guessed it. But I never thought it would come true. But soon, I recovered myself and gave a bow as well.

The man wearing a military uniform is none other than Lowell McCain.

Looking at them, he replied, "At ease."

Hearing that both of us recovered to our usual position.

A quick glint flashed in Lowell's eyes. He already saw through Zack's realm. To cultivate up to the Elite level in this barren land is a huge feat.

"Zack Lockwood"

"You kid looks like I underestimated your cultivation talent again," Lowell said with a smile.

Hearing that, I hurriedly explained about the mutated forest.

A few minutes later,

Lowell's eyes flickered with a strange glint. "Hmmm, it's normal for this land to contain some ruins," He uttered. While he recalled various histories of this land in his mind.

Then he recovered his thoughts and said, "Okay, you guys take some rest. We will chat later." Saying that he disappears from the spot.

The next second, he is nowhere to see.

Powerful! My heart starts to beat faster.

Jonathan observed Zack's reaction and said, "Master is currently in disguise. So be careful not to expose him."

Hearing that, my heart set off storms. What is the reason behind this? I didn't dare to ask. But I'm glad that I met my teacher. He seems to be a man of few words.

But I'll ask him about the wider world. Then Jonathan guided me towards the room. After entering inside, I started to freshen up.

On the other hand, Jonathan disappeared from the spot and moved toward the study room.

Creak

After opening the door, he entered inside.

"You came," Lowell said with an indifferent attitude.

"Get me details about that mysterious forest," He added further.

Hearing that, Jonathan nodded and retreated backward.

When Jonathan left the room, Lowell glanced at the reports. The six academies are deeply rotten to the core. But for Zack's development, he felt the Saw Scale Viper Academy would be suitable.

Surprisingly, this kid has an elite-level cultivation base. Which brought him a pleasant surprise. Now he is pondering whether to take him back with him or not.

Chapter 432 Part One: Crimson Hall's Competition

(From MC's perspective)

The following day,

I woke up pretty late. Neither Jonathan nor the teacher neither of them disturbed me. After getting ready, I left the room to see the teacher.

I was supposed to discuss this on his last day. But I slept without realizing it. Shaking my head, I quickly walked into the hall.

Jonathan is already waiting for me. "You are here," Jonathan said.

Hearing that I nodded.

Jonathan smiled and said, "Let's go to the master's study room."

Then we quickly arrived in front of a room.

Creak

The door opens. Jonathan signaled me to enter inside. "This?" I furrowed my eyebrows. Then I walked into the room.

It's a wide spacious study room. My eyes gleamed with a twinkle. The study hall is not empty. There is a book collection in it.

I couldn't help but feel stunned. All of this infrastructure was temporary. Even this mansion is built as a temporary stay.

Then I walked a little bit further. I see the teacher is looking at some stuff. I quietly stepped forward and stood in front of a wooden table.

Lowell McClain is already aware of Zack's presence. He then stopped viewing the report and turned his attention toward his student.

He said, "Zack, your rate of progress went beyond my prediction. Normally, students will graduate after becoming super elite from the academy. "

"You are just one big realm away from it," Lowell added further.

Hearing that, my eyes gleamed with a twinkle. "You can graduate after becoming super elite," I said in my heart.

Lowell observes Vincent's reaction. "That's right, the super-elite is limited. The outer post lacks the energy and resources for further cultivation."

Hearing that a look of realization dawned upon me. So it is not the academy but the outer post region that doesn't have energy for further cultivation.

A trace of apprehension appeared in my eyes. I thought after joining the academy my journey would be smooth sailing. But what I'm going to do if there is a lack of resources?

Especially I need rare lightning elemental resources.

Lowell saw through his student's troubles. He knew what was bothering him. Lightning elements are scarce in this region. An elite-level resource, he knows only one place where it is available.

"Zack,"

"To train you. I already made a perfect plan. You will spend one year at Saw Scale Viper Academy. After that I will take you back with me to the Inner Post region," Lowell said with a smile.

"One year," I asked out in surprise. For what?

Lowell replied, "The Saw Scale Viper Academy has super elite-level resources. And you will find one for your lightning element in the Special elemental Zone."

"In the meantime, I will make arrangements for you in the Inner Post. It will take at least a few months for me. But if you manage to get that resource in a shorter period, then you can contact me," Lowell said in a calm tone.

My heart set off storms. Super elite-level lightning resources? I'd already guessed what this is. It must be related to the special element zone.

Then I quickly calmed down by heart. Fortunately, I got the opportunity to leave the outer post entirely after collecting the lightning resource. But why do I feel this is another test from the teacher?

Talking about the test, I looked at him. I don't know whether it is okay or not.

I asked, "Teacher, what should I do in the competition?"

Lowell sighed inwardly. He thought this competition would be a whetting stone for him. But with Zack's current strength, he can walk sideways completely.

"Well, now it has become easy for you. Do you remember what I told you about the rewards?" Lowell asked.

I quickly recalled something from memory. The first place in this competition is awarded mysterious rewards. And that teacher has said that previously, that reward is important to me.

So If I don't participate, how can I get the reward? After gaining some clarity, I looked at the teacher and said, "Teacher, I understand. I will get first place in the competition."

A hint of appreciation flashed in Lowell's eyes.

Then he said, "It's good. You can leave now."

Hearing that I nodded and left the study hall.

Time passed in a blink of an eye,

Two days later,

The Odyssey Monster Zone's location is crowded with many forces. Almost every mansion is occupied by people. People from big forces were staying in a large mansion.

Whereas people from medium and small-sized forces were staying in small buildings. Strangely, the seed warriors from Tier-7 cities were not that many.

And some of the big influential forces didn't even come. Right now most of the warriors walking along the street were Tier-8 city residents.

They don't know the danger of the Odyssey Monster Zone. As such in one of the medium size buildings, the people from Frazier Clan were staying inside.

In the main hall,

"Maria, are you sure?" The Frazier Clan head asked in a calm tone.

Maria Frazier nodded her head in response.

Seeing that, a hint of hesitation flashed in Head's eyes.

The Frazier Clan people came here last night. But right after that, they managed to collect various information.

The competition is going to start tomorrow. But there is no sign of seed warriors from big forces. The Clan Head feels something wrong.

That's why he asked his daughter whether she was sure about her participation.

At the same, Maria was aware of the dangers in the monster zone because of Zack's intel.

Seeing not many people from Tier-7 cities shows that Zack's information is credible. But to further develop her clan she had no other option except to participate in it.

Similar meetings were happening across the forces that came here late. Especially the forces coming from Tier-8 cities. One by one starting to realize that something was fishy.

In a couple of days, some big forces strongly protested to stop the competition. But everything died down after the joint statement released by the academies.

Anyway, it is too late to change anything. The competition will start tomorrow. The forces make their seed warriors in a peak state.

At this time people from Crimson Hall also arrived at the location. They were all walking towards their mansion. As a host, a very large mansion was built near the monster zone similar to the big forces.

First Elder Casey reveals a triumphant smile on his face. He really can't wait to start the competition. So that people can see his masterpiece.

But he also notices some slippery foxes didn't come here at all. Their descendants are going to miss the opportunity.

Casey sneered inside. Though some of the forces didn't come. But he saw the forces connected to their Crimson Hall blindly come here.

They must be betting on the reputation of the crimson hall. He let out a small laugh. Those forces will know how wrong they are tomorrow.

The following day,

8 A.M

I hear the participants were gathering in front of the monster zone right now. And the powerhouse from the six academies will arrive shortly.

When the information reached my ears. I left the mansion and walked toward the monster zone. The entrance to the monster zone is similar to other monster zones.

There is a vetting process. Only the registered participants can enter inside. While walking, I see a huge sky tower building close to the wall.

Seeing that a quick glint flashed in my eyes. The sky tower building is specifically built for people from the academies.

I don't know whether anyone has arrived or not. Not only that, I heard that crimson hall has arranged live broadcasting for the competition.

I don't know what happened to Jonathan and the Teacher. They were nowhere to see this morning. But I believe they will be monitoring the event in secret.

Then putting aside these thoughts, I walked forward to the monster zone.

At the same time, inside the sky tower.

First Elder Casey is waiting for the academy powerhouse to arrive. There were several floors in this sky tower. Each floor is opened to the forces.

They were allowed to enter inside based on their ranking. Right now the small forces were entering the lower floors. Where the medium-sized forces are slightly above it.

And the big forces were occupying higher floors except for the top. The top is left for academy powerhouses.

Each floor is set up with a big screen to show the live event. One by one the floors were getting filled with people.

From the clouds high above, two people were observing everything calmly. Essentially the scenes happening in the sky tower didn't go unnoticed by their eyes.

"Master, is there something wrong with the six forces? Jonathan asked.

A quick glint flashed in Lowell's eyes. The next second, he revealed a small smile on his face.

"The six academies lost their spine. I think it's time to put them back in their place," Lowell said with a smile.

But a small volcano is boiling in his heart. The academies were stopping so low to cover their inability to recruit more warriors.

Chapter 433 Part Two: Crimson Hall's Competition

(From MC's perspective)

Odyssey Monster Zone,

Soon, I reached the registration desk. After the vetting is done. Everyone lined up in a queue. So I followed others and stood behind them.

Only after the announcement the gate will be lifted.

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Meanwhile,

Casey is waiting on the top floor. He is afraid that people from the 6 academies will be late. "What are they doing?" He mumbled under his breath.

Time passed in a blink of an eye,

One hour later,

Swish!

Six flying boats appeared in mid-air.

Seeing that Casey walked out to greet them.

Gasp!

The crowd let out a loud gasp after seeing the flying boat. No need to guess.

Everyone realizes that people from the academy have arrived.

And the competition is going to start soon.

Swish!

One by one the figure stepped out of the boat and walked toward the top floor. Upon seeing them Casey hurriedly walked up to greet them one by one.

When six of them walked into the room. Without much talking, they sat down in their respective seats.

Casey immediately recognized the bigwigs. He had already read the reports about these dignitaries.

All are giants and have a huge reputations. Among them, there are also special elemental warriors. He once again recalls the information about their identities to see whether he has missed anything in his report.

1. Saw Scale Viper Academy

Mike Smith - Super Elite Warrior - Elegant Wind Warrior.

2. White Palace

Autumn Holt - Super Elite Warrior - Mystery Rain Warrior.

3. Red Moon Tower

Teresa York - Super Elite Warrior - Dark Wave Warrior.

4. The Eclipse Academy

Harvey Kim - Super Elite Warrior - Eclipse Sun Warrior.

5. Silver Clouds Academy

June Shelton- Super Elite Warrior- Light Arrow Warrior.

6. Giant Tower

Eduard Ortega - Super Elite Warrior- Metal Body Warrior.

Meanwhile,

The Super Elite Warriors didn't seem to be very talkative. Their expression tells them that they are in a hurry.

Casey felt a mountain of weight pressing down on his body. But he knew none of them had released their momentum.

But if anyone with a weak base stands close to Super Elite Warrior, they will feel the momentum.

The next moment, Casey hurriedly stepped backward.

Meanwhile,

Mike Smith is a middle-aged man who appeared to be in his forties. Like Lowell McClain, he is dressed in military uniform.

He stands 6ft tall in height. His short black hair and valiant eyes give away his identity. His skin color is tanned.

Right after sitting, he immediately checked the unread messages. His behavior didn't catch any attention. After reading the message, his heart set off storms.

"So the big man is indeed here," He said in his heart. He is thinking about Lowell McClain.

Some time ago, a big man appeared in Saw Scaled Viper Academy. And he had reached some kind of agreement with academy superiors.

He doesn't know about the specifics. But he knows that it has something to do with his student.

Personal student of a giant from the inner post. What a blessing! Even the six academies won't be able to hold a candle against that kid's background.

But the academy is glad that the big man has chosen their Saw Scale Viper Academy for his student. He doesn't know the reason for this.

But some things he doesn't dare to speculate. His only job is to protect the student and carefully guide him back toward the academy. What is the kid's name? He carefully recalls the intel information.

"Zack Lockwood," He said in his heart. That's right, Zack Lockwood is the name of that student.

He sighed in his heart. He knows that kid is going to participate in this sh!t competition. Yeah, the competition sh!t. If not for the difficulties faced by the six academies, they would have suspended this competition.

At one point, the superiors back in the academy were scared that the big man would take revenge on them. At that time, nobody had expected the personal disciple of that big man to be a seed candidate from Tier-8 City.

At that time the information shocked everyone. But soon the information was covered up. If not for the task given to him by the superior, he would have been ignorant.

Fortunately, everyone later understood that the big man is making this competition a stepping stone for his disciple. For people from the inner post, this competition is a meaningless one.

But for the outermost people, this recruitment event is already a big one. Now it is going to be watched by millions in this region. Thinking about it, he revealed a complicated expression on his face.

At the same time, the change in his expression is caught by Harvey Kim from the Eclipse Academy. His age is similar to Mike's. But unlike Mike, he is dressed in the academy's white clothes.

"Mike, what happened to you?" Harvey asked casually. There are no legit concerns. Instead, he felt bored here. So after seeing Mike's expression, he asked out in surprise.

"It's nothing," Mike replied. He knows Harvey wanted to make a scene. But he won't give me any chance to do that.

There is serious competition between the six academies. There are no real friends or enemies. Especially the six of them who were all famous in their academy.

On the other hand, Harvey Kim's expression darkened. The other four Super Elite Warriors turned towards him.

Eduard Ortega from Giant Tower grinned wildly. It's unusual for everyone to stay silent here.

A cold glint flashes in Teresa York's eyes. Her Red Moon Tower enrolls people with suitable qualifications. But some time ago, she found no such seed candidate in their intel.

Yet she feels there is an opportunity. It's natural for latecomers to appear. She hopes that at least one or two would stand out in this competition.

Suddenly, her gaze fell on Casey. She knows that this crooked person deliberately made an evil plan to destroy the descendants of many forces.

So the casualties are going to be higher. To save their face and protect the resources the candies jointly agreed to his plan.

If it is a normal recruitment year, she would have liked this plan. But this year is different, nobody knows how many seed candidates will survive in the end.

And she doesn't want to return alone without students.

When it comes to other academies. She doesn't care. Usually, they recruit warriors in suitable numbers. This time it would be different.

Meanwhile,

Harvey's words reached her ears.

Autumn Holt from White Palace revealed an amusing smile on her face. She is in contrast to Teresa's cold demeanor.

But looking at the sea of seed warriors outside, a complex emotion flashed in her eyes. Her White Palace is an academy with Special Inheritance.

Which can be only inherited by female warriors. Due to current circumstances, she came here half-heartedly. There is a lack of resources in her academy. It's impossible to spend the remaining resources on mediocre people.

At first, her academy superiors had decided not to participate in this year's academy recruitment.

But the other five academies opposed it strongly. This a joint event conducted by six of them. So her academy's decision was retracted soon.

But that doesn't mean other academies can interfere in their recruitment policy. Unless there is a warrior with an excellent appearance, she won't raise her voice.

She had already made up her mind to return alone.

Meanwhile,

June Shelton from Silver Clouds Academy frowns. He feels Harvey Kim is an eyesore. Not only because he doesn't like him. There is one more reason for it.

Among the people from the six academies present here, there is a heavy rivalry between the Silver Clouds Academy and the Eclipse Academy.

They usually recruit more seed candidates compared to others. There are also not many constraints to joining them either.

Because of these various incidents have occurred in the past. Like both academy warriors killing each other in the dark has become a normal thing.

But that's not the case with other Academies. Not many people voluntarily join military academies like the Saw Scale Viper.

White Palace only recruits females.

Blood Moon Tower is also a strange one. They only recruit suitable warriors for their inheritance. Not one more or one less.

And this is the same case with Giant Tower.

June Shelton glances at Eduard Ortega before retracting his glance. He already had a suitable plan in his mind. And his clan masters also agreed with him.

They ordered him to recruit warriors no less than that of the Eclipse academy.

Outside,

Lowell McClain is watching everything with a playful smile on his face. He already saw through the Super Elite warriors. Two of them were special element users.

Light and Dark elements?

"Interesting," He mumbled under his breath.

Suddenly, he turned towards Jonathan.

"These two?"

"Are they going to enter the Inner Post?" He asked.

Jonathan's eyes lit up with surprise. He knows that it's rare for special element users to appear in the Outer Post.

If it happens, then it will be snatched by big forces. Looking at these people, he recalled the information.

Chapter 434 Part Three: Crimson Hall's Competition

Odyssey Monster Zone,

In mid-air, Lowell McClain's gaze passed through the glasses and fell on the Super Elite Warriors. But none of them were aware that someone was watching their movements.

Besides, Jonathan quickly recalled the information about the two.

"Master, you are right. Presumably, these two guys were connected to those old forces in the Inner Post," Jonathan said in a calm tone.

A quick glint flashes in Lowell's eyes. Then soon it disappears. A small smile rose on Lowell's face. No one would believe that his current get-up is just a disguise.

"Well, the Inner Post is going to be much more interesting when the geniuses from all around the outer post gather in one spot," Lowell said in his heart.

Meanwhile,

Sky Tower,

Crimson Hall's Casey realizes that it's time to start the competition. So he looked at the six academy powerhouses and decided to ask their permission.

When he asked for permission. Mike Smith immediately agreed with him and told him not to waste any more time.

The other five academy powerhouse conveyed the same opinion.

Casey then hurried to make an announcement. He knew the seed candidates were waiting outside for the announcement.

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(From MC's perspective)

I stood patiently behind the seed candidates. I don't see anyone from Crimson Hall. Which I feel is quite strange. Then the image of one more person flashes into my mind.

Maria? Before coming here, I already texted her. But I got no response in return. Then I sent her a message again. This time I told her to contact me in case of any emergency inside the monster zone.

Which I feel is bound to happen.

Shortly after the announcement came. Which alerted everyone instantly. The rules were pretty much the same. The winner is decided based on the number of monster cores collected by seed candidates.

Class 1 Monster Core - 100 points.

Class 2 Monster Core - 200 points.

Class 3 Monster Core - 300 points.

The Competition is for 7 days. At the end of the 7th day, the points will be counted officially.

When I see the point distribution, a quick glint flashes in my eyes. If I didn't know the specifics, I would have been fooled right now.

The monsters residing in this monster zone are not everyday monsters hunted by adventurers. But all of the hybrids and products of the lab experiment.

So an ordinary hybrid monster's strength might surpass regular Class 1 Monster. Suddenly I feel pity for these seed candidates. Hundreds of them are standing behind me.

But sadly many of them are not going to return. Suddenly, many silhouettes appeared near the gate. I immediately recognized the symbol on their robe.

"Crimson Hall," My eyes burst out with a cold glint. I see a lot of familiar faces. Especially the group I previously met in Star Tower.

"Bob Williamson"

"Austin Boyer"

"Bradley Reese"

"Ella Downs"

and "Sallie Mills,"

I muttered their name one by one.

Earlier, I had sympathy for this group. But right now there is no more soft corner. Even for Ella Downs and Sallie Mills. These two girls let me down greatly.

These two also participated in the Hansen Incident. After taking a glance at them, I turned towards their elder.

Apart from these five people, there is one more group standing behind the elder. I raise my eyebrows in confusion. Strange?

The monster zone is dangerous for everyone.

Despite knowing why Crimson Hall allowed their members to participate? I don't know what they are ranking.

The strength of everyone is Trainee Warrior. But it is not enough. Is Crimson Hall going to feign ignorance in the end?

The more I think about it, the more it feels real. The Crimson Hall is going to sacrifice their warriors for their benefit. What an evil organization!

Then I put aside these strange thoughts and prepare to enter. Before entering inside, the guards were distributing storage bags to everyone.

After getting the items, the Crimson Hall's members were the first to enter the monster zone. Nobody raised any objections to that.

Slowly one by one entered inside. When my turn came, I picked up the storage bag and entered inside.

Swish!

I didn't waste any more time. I disappeared from the spot and quickly hid in the woods. Because of the teacher's order, I can't use elite-level strength.

Then suppressing my thoughts, I decided to hunt. I moved deep into the woods.

Swish!

When I went deeper, I encountered my first monster. The Class- 1 Snake monster. After coming across the monster, I didn't wait for it to attack.

I appeared behind the monster and crushed its neck in an instant. Then I immediately retrieved the core from its body and placed it in the storage big.

After doing that, I resumed my hunt.

Meanwhile,

The seed candidates were entering the southern part of the monster zone one by one. After entering inside, the warriors started to explore on their own.

Some started to rush in the west direction. While others are towards the east. Everyone picks up their goals to hunt down the monsters and collect as much monster core as possible.

Time passed in a blink of an eye,

After two hours, more than 500 seed candidates entered inside. Right now, no one is waiting outside the gate to enter. After confirming that, the entrance is closed.

Hereafter the latecomers will not be allowed to enter the monster zone.

Meanwhile,

Sky Tower,

The big screen started to show the live competition. Seeing that Casey let go of his hanging heart. Everything is set in tone. He doesn't have to worry anymore.

The super-elite warriors were watching the big screen. They can see the situation inside the monster zone.

Mike Smith frowns. Of all the places in the monster zone, only the southern part is considered a little dangerous. But the actual safe part was made as an entrance to the wilderness.

Mike Smith's mouth twitched. He already learned about this monster zone. The southern part is a normal wilderness. Where you can find typical monsters like anywhere else.

A western part is a special place. It's the habitat of Tree monsters. The northern part is covered by a lake. And the lake itself hides terrible fish monsters.

The eastern part is a region made up of poisonous mists. Mostly poisonous attributed monsters were living there.

And finally when it comes to a central area. It consists of two parts. One is a swamp and the other one is a dense forest. The Class -3 Crocodile monsters were living in swamps.

And the dense forest is home to bloodsucking rats. Thinking about the tragedy that is going to occur, he sighed inwardly. He is helpless in this situation.

He is going to watch the massacre which is going to unfold before his eyes.

The other five super elite warriors also recalled the information. Some of their faces changed for a moment before returning to normal.

"If it was for a normal time, your proposal would have met with the destruction of Crimson Hall along with you," Harvey Kim said in a cold tone, looking at the big screen.

His voice is not so loud. Casey shuddered a little. He quickly cursed in his heart, "Damn you." He can only say it in his heart, not outside.

He knows that Eclipse Academy portrays righteousness. The competition is unacceptable under current circumstances.

But right now, they can't do anything to stop his plan.

"Harumph," Harvey Kim gave a cold snort without looking at Casey.

Meanwhile,

June Shelton beside him furrowed his eyebrows. He too dislikes the current situation. Their academy is run by clans and families.

Though the clans and families have descendants. But they are fewer in number.

The outside warriors were the major backbone of the academy. If not for the constant replenishing of members each year. It's difficult for the academy to compete against the eclipse academy.

After realizing that, a gloomy glint flashes in his eyes.

Meanwhile,

Autumn Holt from White Palace sighed in her heart. She has to be honest with herself.

The current situation is extremely favorable to her academy. If there are fewer people, nobody can force her to recruit more.

Teresa York remained indifferent to the situation. She doesn't feel sympathy at all.

Her gaze is focused on observing the warriors. For their inheritance, the temperament of the warrior is much more important.

The current environment inside the monster zone might bring out the potential of the warriors.

On the other hand, Eduard Ortega's eyes fell on the southern area where ape monsters fiercely hunted down the seed candidates.

From one look he can see that ape monsters were different from usual monsters. Watching seed candidates torn into pieces. Eduard Ortega remained speechless.

None of the seed candidates can withstand the single blow of an ape monster. Eduard's eyes gleamed with a twinkle. Because the seed candidates were all Trainee Warriors.

Normally any Trainee Warrior can defend against the Class 3 Monster. But here the ape monster easily crushed warriors without much effort.

"What kind of lab experiment happened?" He said in his heart.

Chapter 435 Part Four: Crimson Hall's Competition

Odyssey Monster Zone,

Time passed in a blink of an eye,

All the seed candidates immersed themselves in hunting. Nobody was aware of the danger that was waiting for them. The monster zone is so huge that it consumes everyone's time.

Finally, a group of warriors crossed the border area to reach the western area of the monster zone. On the way, they successfully killed Class 2 and Class 3 Monsters.

Meanwhile,

Mark's mouth twitched. His gaze fell on a group of warriors who were moving toward the tree monsters' area. He can already imagine their end if they come across the tree monster.

As he had expected, the changes started to take place. Out of nowhere, a tree root appeared in front of the group. And it pierced through the body of the warrior.

"Don't tell me that you guys didn't even leave tree monsters," Harvey said, looking at the screen. The root of the tree monster appears to be double in size.

So this is not the normal case unless someone made a successful experiment. Everyone knows his words were pointed at Casey.

First Elder Casey's face is darkened. Earlier, these people showed no objection to his proposal. And now they are pointing fingers at him. He cursed them in his heart.

But he couldn't dare to refute it, so he silently endured it.

None of them looked at Casey's reaction, rather the situation on the ground was rather serious. In a blink of an eye, the tree monster killed everyone. Not even corpses were spared after their death.

The roots immediately sucked blood from the corpses before disappearing back into the ground.

Seeing that, Autumn Holt furrowed her beautiful eyebrows. The appearance of the tree monster disgusted her greatly. Especially after knowing the monster is an experimental product, her expressions became complicated.

On normal days, these practices were banned by the academy. But now the times have changed. To think such monsters were used for screening, she felt mixed emotions in her heart.

Unlike Autumn, Teresa York is appreciating the work gone beyond the tree monster. She feels the same method can be employed back in the academy. Where the competition would be even more severe.

Similarly, the other super elite warriors focused their attention on a different screen.

In one particular screen, a lone warrior trespassed the area of a bloodsucking rat. Unaware, the warrior made his way even deeper into the area.

Click!

He hears a broken twig sound which makes him break out in cold sweat. Unlike the southern area, the territory here is gloomy and wet. The warrior's feeling gets worse as the seconds go by.

Swish!

Before he could think straight, death catches him. A lot of blood eyes rat monsters rushed towards him from all directions.

Plop!

Seeing that warrior loses strength in his legs and dropped to the ground. The swarm of rat monsters attacked him and within seconds there was no sign of him except piles of bones.

This scene caught the eyes of a super elite warrior from Silver Clouds Academy, June Shelton. He finally saw someone crossing the central area. Which piqued his curiosity.

But the ending left him disappointed. The majority of the warriors were still roaming in the southern section. And those who crossed to reach other areas died shortly after their arrival.

The screening is going nowhere in his opinion. At least he didn't even spot talented seeds.

Outside,

"Jonathan, don't forget to destroy this monster zone. I don't want any single of the lab experiments to slip away," Lowell McCain said in a cold tone.

"As per your order, master," Jonathan said.

Jonathan knows the horror of escaped lab experiments. Many such cases happened in history. Any wrong judgment would end up reaping millions of lives.

But here there is no way, the army federation is not aware of this situation. He couldn't help but look at the back of his master. He expects something big is going to happen soon.

If any rotten pieces are hiding in the federation, they will soon witness the master's wrath.

Meanwhile,

Bob Williamson, Austin Boyer, Bradley Reese, Ella Downs, and Sallie Mills safely crossed the southern area to reach the dark swamp.

The group didn't hastily barge into the swamp after their arrival. Rather they set up their tent half a mile before the dark swamp.

Inside the tent,

"Sigh"

"Thanks to our intel. We successfully avoided all those dangerous traps," Sallie said with a sigh.

Next to her, Ella Down is sitting cross-legged and cultivating to recover the depleted essence in her dantian.

But when she heard Sallie's words, she opened her eyes to look at her.

"The dark swamp trial is easy compared to other sections," Ella added but a hint of fear flashed in her eyes the next second.

Before coming here, the crimson hall gave them a general idea of the monster zone. Especially the information about the different sections of the monster zone.

At that time none of them wanted to participate in it. Because the desire for competition is replaced by fear. There is a very slim possibility to survive in the end.

But as a host, it would be bad if no one from Crimson Hall participates in the competition. Thinking about their current situation. Ella sighed inwardly.

If not for prior Intel, they would have been dead long ago. Now it's much more important to survive than collecting monster cores.

Sallie nodded in response. For others, the dark swamp is a dangerous area. But they only know that it is providing a natural barrier. So that the bloodthirsty rats won't come in.

Thinking about the bloodthirsty rats, her face discolored slightly.

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(From MC's perspective)

After crossing the forest area, I'm finally getting close to the eastern direction.

Thankfully, I killed a lot of monsters on the way without making much noise. Now I have more than a thousand points with me. I believe this will be enough to stand out.

When I'm pondering, I hear some disturbance nearby. I raised my eyebrows and quickly used my perceptual ability. The surrounding area quickly comes to my mind.

"To think such a nasty monster is hiding here," I mumbled under my breath. The monster is none other than a worm monster. I'm familiar with this type of monster.

But I doubt it will be difficult to retrieve the core from this monster. Half of the body is hiding under the ground. The monster will slip away easily. Besides, I'm not in any hurry to collect the monster cores.

Suddenly, images of some familiar flash into my mind. I wonder what they are doing? Shaking my head, I resumed my journey.

After a few minutes, I spotted many boar monsters ahead. But looking at several injuries on their body. A quick glint flashed in my eyes.

The injury appeared to be unnatural. How come all monsters had gruesome injuries on their body?

But suddenly, I realized something. "Lab products?" I uttered in surprise. I don't know whether to laugh or cry. How come there is not even a single ordinary monster here?

I shook my head before approaching them slowly. When I got closer, I released the soul needle attack on them.

Swish!

An invisible needle shot at the boar monster in a blink of an eye. The monster wasn't aware of the incoming danger. Then after a few seconds, it suddenly dropped dead on the ground.

This sudden situation alerted other nearby monsters. They immediately began to flee. Seeing that, I released a few more soul needle attacks.

Swish! Swish!

In a blink of an eye, the boar monsters fell one by one. When all the monsters were dead, I walked forward to collect the monster cores.

After collecting the monster cores, I moved away from the area. But soon I picked up a signal in my perception. "Warriors," I raised my eyebrows in surprise.

I had never expected other groups to catch upon. "Interesting," I said in my heart. I believe these groups of warriors might be from Tier-7 cities. My eyes gleamed with a twinkle.

Let's see the power of Tier-7 city warriors. I have collected enough points anyway. So it doesn't hurt if I can observe them for a while.

Soon I hid behind the tree and concealed my presence. A few minutes later, a group of warriors appeared at the same spot. "Trainee Warriors," I muttered to myself.

Looking at their expensive armor and safety gear. A quick glint flashes in my eyes. But the next second, I sneered. After having experience wearing those full-body armor suits, these gears look cheap in my eyes.

Then my gaze followed their movements. One of them crouched down to touch the footprints of the boar monster. I have to say the soul needle method is extremely flawless.

There is not even a single blood drop splatter on the ground. The warrior starts to check the carcass of the monster.

The group looked quite bewildered after seeing the corpse of the monsters. Especially, seeing no trace of blood here. The monster's life appeared to be ended by some unknown method.

Chapter 436 Part Five: Zack Is Being Watched

(From MC's perspective)

Seeing the clueless face of the warriors, I laughed in my heart. I never thought I would be so carefree here. Such confidence comes from my Elite level strength.

Then I overhear their conversation. They seemed to have collected several monster cores. Most of them come from looting other warriors.

My eyes gleamed with twinkle after confirmation. Then I shot several needle attacks.

In a blink of an eye, the needle attack reaped the life of the warriors one by one. After killing them, I collected their valuables. Especially the monster cores.

But after looking at the numbers, a strange expression appeared on my face. Because the collection has less than 15 monster cores. This shows that monsters are not easy to kill in this monster zone.

Since I have collected the monster cores easily. I made up my mind to change the route and head in the northern direction.

Time passed in a blink of an eye,

I crossed many hurdles on the way. But I feel the competition is getting boring as time goes on. Maybe it is because of my elite-level strength, I feel the environment is not so dangerous for me.

But I remember a teacher saying the rewards for first place are extremely useful to me. So I have no other choice but to kill every monster that I come across.

A few hours later, I reached the northern area. But the scene in front of me amazed me further. There is an extremely wide lake that appeared in front of me.

Seeing that, I used my perceptual ability. When my mind covers the lake, I sense the presence of a deadly fish monster under the lake.

My eyes lit up with surprise. It's rare to see water-type monsters. I don't want to miss this opportunity. But it's a pity, I can't eat the fish. This might be another product of the lab experiment.

To check, I threw the fresh meat of the monster on top of the lake.

Splash!

When the meat pieces dropped into the water. It disappeared from the surface the next second. My mouth curves into an arc. I see the meat pieces pulled down by a nasty fish monster.

The Sharp tooth piranha monster looks way uglier than what is described in library books. But the next scene surprised me even more.

The fresh meat was completely eaten by the fish monster. I'm not fooled by the outer surface. I knew apart from it, many more fish monsters are living in the lake.

And the average strength of the fish monsters appeared to be Class 3. And the lake environment is an added advantage to it. Like the poisonous mists in the east, this lake is extremely dangerous to the warriors.

The image of crimson hall members comes to mind. The Crimson Hall organization is cruel to the core. Not only are their rivals going to be affected by this competition. Even the closest allies will suffer from their calculation.

What a terrible scheme! It even amazes me that these guys can convince the recruiters. Shaking my head, I thought about the teacher. I believe he won't let it go like this.

There will be some kind of retribution for the crimson hall later.

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Sky Tower,

Meanwhile,

"Hey, who is this person?" Harvey Kim asked out in surprise.

Hearing that everyone's gazes fell on a certain candidate in the northern lake.

Mike Smith from the Saw Scaled Viper Academy immediately recognized the person. "Zack Lockwood," He exclaimed in his heart.

He knew this kid. He has an extraordinary background. One of the reasons he came here is to recruit him specifically.

First Elder Casey's face darkened. The thing he most hated has happened now. How could he forget the face of Zack Lockwood? That kid had ruined their reputation greatly back in Star Tower.

After Crimson Hall launched several assassination attempts, they met with failures. But that kid survived against all the odds. Thinking about it, he gritted his teeth in anger.

The name of Zack Lockwood is written in its must-kill list. He thought Zack would be facing struggles here. But seeing the carefree attitude of the kid, veins began to pop up on his forehead.

The change in Casey's expression was noticed by others.

"Harumph," Harvey Kim snorted coldly. He felt that person disrespected his words.

First Elder Casey felt like a thunderclap rang in his ears. He immediately changed his attitude and apologized to Harvey Kim.

Seeing that other super elite warriors smirked greatly. Harvey Kim eases his eyebrows and lets him talk further.

First Elder Casey then revealed the information about Zack Lockwood.

"Lord, this kid has many secrets. We weren't able to discern his real cultivation level," First Elder Casey added further.

The hatred in his heart is so high that he wanted the super-elite warriors to kill that kid.

Meanwhile,

Mike Smith observes every word that comes from Casey's mouth. He can see that Crimson Hall had formed an enmity with Zack Lockwood.

He knows it will be a matter of time before Crimson Hall disappears from the map. Especially that big man won't let it go.

Outside,

The little drama happening inside the sky tower didn't go unnoticed under two people standing in mid-air.

"Master, this person has great hatred for Zack," Jonathan said in a cold tone.

Hearing that, Lowell McClain revealed no reaction on his face. He simply replied, "Wait for the competition to be over, Mike will take care of him."

Jonathan nodded his head in understanding. He knows that competition will be disturbed if that guy got killed in the middle of the competition.

Since the hatred is forged, Crimson Hall's ending is marked.

Meanwhile,

The Super Elite Warriors revealed a myriad of reactions. How come the person can't even see the cultivation level of the candidate?

"Is it true?" Teresa York asked with a sly smile on her face.

Hearing that First Elder Casey hurriedly nodded his head. He thinks that kid Zack will die for sure. The next moment, a small smile appeared on his face.

Seeing that Mike Smith sneered inside. He made up his mind to kill this guy after the competition.

Teresa's eyes lit up with surprise. Seeing that the seed candidate appeared in the northern lake unscathed. It shows that the seed candidate named Zack is strong among the warriors.

The next second, she made a firm decision.

She said, "Alright, I want this candidate."

Hearing that other super elite warriors were quite surprised. Because none of them saw that kid making any move.

Isn't it too early to select the candidate? The same question appeared in everyone's heart. At this time, Harvey Kim sneered inside.

He asked, "Are you after his secrets?"

Teresa York let out a small chuckle. Her gaze collided with Harvey Kim. "What kind of secret have the people from this barren place got?" She said jokingly.

She genuinely thinks that the kid named Zack is strong. And when it comes to secrets everything will be cleared after the competition.

On the other hand, First Elder Casey's face turned ugly. He thought these people would kill Zack to get his secrets. But right after hearing their conversations.

His face discolored even more. "No...No..."

"It looks like they want to recruit him," Casey muttered to himself. No way, if that kid finds out later, then it will be disastrous for Crimson Hall.

What to do? He can't intervene in their discussion. Otherwise, it will raise their dissatisfaction. This further increased the hatred in his heart.

Meanwhile,

June Shelton from Silver Clouds Academy shook his head in disappointment and said, "This kid seems to hail from the army background."

Right after his words, everyone looked at Mike Smith.

"Ahem, he is right. That kid already got a quota to enter our academy," Mike Smith said with a smile.

Teresa's eyes flickered with a cold glint. She almost forgot about the quota system.

Unlike others, Autumn Holt and Eduard Ortega remained silent. They are not interested in recruiting this person.

Eduard Ortega especially doesn't want the person from the Army Federation to enter his organization.

On the other hand, Autumn Holt sighed to herself. She is not in any position to recruit this person. Besides, her organization's cultivation techniques favor female warriors more than male warriors.

But it's a pity that the number of female warriors was less in numbers compared to males. Right now the situation is even worse. The majority of the warriors have already died.

She doesn't think the remaining female warriors can survive the monster's slaughter. Thinking about it, her expression dulled a little bit.

Meanwhile,

After hearing the confirmation from Mike Smith, Harvey Kim stopped talking about it. Since the seed candidate already belongs to the Army Federation then there is no point in talking about it anymore.

Because the Saw Scaled Viper Academy is considered the backbone of the Army federation. The majority of the warriors after their graduation enlist their names to join the Army Federation.

He can already see the future of that particular seed candidate. Then pushing back these thoughts, he set his gaze on the screen.

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Arthur and Ms. Key are not in good condition either. They are watching together with Elder Thornton inside his cabin.

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It must be warriors resting in tents. She immediately increased her speed to reach the tent.

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But the team wasn't able to come up with a good plan to cross the bloodthirsty area. So they are currently cooked up in the same tent to practice.

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Ella Downs hears some disturbances from outside of the tent. At first thought, it was some random noise. But suddenly the sound is getting closer.

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Hearing the calling, Sallie Mills also opened her eyes as well. She asked, "What happened?"

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Sallie Mills nodded her head and answered, "I think this place will be surrounded by more bloodthirsty rats. So we should leave quickly."

"What about you?" She then asked looking at Maria Frazier. Two girls have a good impression of Maria. So adding her to their team doesn't hurt them.

But Ella quickly thought of Male members of the team. They have gone to survey other areas. It's impossible to wait for them here. "What to do now?" She mumbled under her breath.

But Sallie quickly saw through her thoughts. "Don't worry about them. We will regroup later," She said.

Maria Frazier also feels it's right to join them. It's difficult to survive alone in this trial. Then three of them immediately fled from the place.

A few minutes later,

Three of them were able to escape successfully. Right now, their current destination is the eastern poisonous mists area.

After finding a good spot, three of them sat to take a rest.

"Finally," Ella exhaled in relief.

Sallie smiled in response. They have good combat strength to kill the rat monster. But if they kill the rat monster, the spilled blood will attract the attention of more monsters.

If that happens, it would be difficult to escape from the group of monsters then.

Maria Frazier let out a small sigh. Fortunately, she met with these two. If not it would have been difficult to replenish her essence.

She immediately sat cross-legged and began to cultivate. Seeing that Sallie and Ella stopped talking and began to guard her.

Ella furrowed her eyebrows. So far they have not seen other seed candidates except the dangerous monsters. She then looked at Maria.

To be honest, she is surprised to see Maria. Whenever she looks at Maria, the image of Zack Lockwood comes to her mind. Suddenly she realized something. That's right he must be here as well.

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Two bloodthirsty rats flew backward like a broken kite and slammed into the nearby tree. But right after that bloodthirsty rats stood upright as if nothing had happened.

This scene immediately shocked the three of them. "No way, it is impossible to kill them using simple means," Ella said in a cold tone.

Sallie Mills nodded her head and answered, "I think this place will be surrounded by more bloodthirsty rats. So we should leave quickly."

"What about you?" She then asked looking at Maria Frazier. Two girls have a good impression of Maria. So adding her to their team doesn't hurt them.

But Ella quickly thought of Male members of the team. They have gone to survey other areas. It's impossible to wait for them here. "What to do now?" She mumbled under her breath.

But Sallie quickly saw through her thoughts. "Don't worry about them. We will regroup later," She said.

Maria Frazier also feels it's right to join them. It's difficult to survive alone in this trial. Then three of them immediately fled from the place.

A few minutes later,

Three of them were able to escape successfully. Right now, their current destination is the eastern poisonous mists area.

After finding a good spot, three of them sat to take a rest.

"Finally," Ella exhaled in relief.

Sallie smiled in response. They have good combat strength to kill the rat monster. But if they kill the rat monster, the spilled blood will attract the attention of more monsters.

If that happens, it would be difficult to escape from the group of monsters then.

Maria Frazier let out a small sigh. Fortunately, she met with these two. If not it would have been difficult to replenish her essence.

She immediately sat cross-legged and began to cultivate. Seeing that Sallie and Ella stopped talking and began to guard her.

Ella furrowed her eyebrows. So far they have not seen other seed candidates except the dangerous monsters. She then looked at Maria.

To be honest, she is surprised to see Maria. Whenever she looks at Maria, the image of Zack Lockwood comes to her mind. Suddenly she realized something. That's right he must be here as well.

She wanted to inquire about Zack. But after seeing Maria meditate, she decided to ask later.

Chapter 439 Part Two: Reaching The End

Sky Tower,

Casey broke out in cold sweat. He didn't know about that brat's awakened element. Not only that, no other organizations know about this specific information.

Feeling the cold gaze from the super elite warrior, he knew it was impossible to remain silent anymore.

"Ahem, sir. We don't know about that brat's element. Like I had said earlier, the brat is shrouded in secrets," He replied in a solemn tone.

Hearing that, Harvey Kim's face turned ugly. He waved his hand slightly but the force immediately impacted Casey.

Pfff!

First Elder Casey suffered a small blow from the impact. His heart is boiling in anger. He didn't dare to show any discomfort on his face.

He lowered his head and retreated backward. None of the super-elite warriors showed any pity to him. Harvey Kim then glanced at Mike Smith before turning toward the screen.

Everyone knows that Mike Smith is not going to spill any secrets.

A trace of disappointment flashes in Teresa's eyes. But she knows there is no point in talking about it.

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(From MC's perspective)

The following day,

I reached the outskirts of the dark swamp. Before going deep into the area, I decided to set up a tent there.

A few minutes later,

I walked into my tent and sat cross-legged on the mat. From the last day, I have got this peculiar feeling that someone is watching my movements.

It's quite possible that my movements attracted their attention. Day by day, the number of seed candidates is dying large numbers.

So it's normal for survivors to be noticed by the people. Thinking about it, a wry smile appeared on my face.

Sometimes later,

I walked out and headed straight toward the dark swamp.

Roar!

Just after I got closer, I saw two hybrid crocodiles fighting against each other. The monster is double in size compared to normal wilderness croc monsters.

The two croc monsters were rolling sideways causing a disturbance. The shock wave swept away nearby trees and rocks.

Seeing that, I didn't hurriedly jump right into it. Rather I spread my consciousness slowly around these surroundings.

Apart from two croc monsters, nothing caught my attention. But suddenly I feel a thing in my heart. My intuition is telling me that I'm missing something.

And this feeling is getting more. Then I used my perceptual ability to scan the surroundings once again. But I furrowed my eyebrows a few minutes later.

Still, nothing caught my attention. Then I shifted my attention back to the croc monster. Right now the croc monsters were worn out completely.

Both the monsters have suffered gruesome injuries after fighting against each other. Yet, neither of them was retreating backward.

Well, this gives me a good opportunity to kill these two monsters. Then without thinking further, I barged into their territory.

My appearance is immediately noticed by two monsters. These two crocs made some noise in anger. But I remained indifferent to it. In a blink of an eye, I reached the closest monster.

The croc widened and opened its massive jaw to take a bite. But I quickly evaded it and stomped heavily on top of its body.

Crack!

Bones crushed from the blow. Right after, the monster made a noise under agonizing pain. The other crock monster felt a huge threat from the newcomer.

It immediately retreated backward to escape.

Seeing that, I decided to end the monster quickly. I raised my fist to punch the monster's head.

Pfff!

My punch easily tore through the monster's head causing a wide hole. The hole looks small considering the monster's massive head.

I didn't retract my hands back. Rather, I released a few lightning arcs from my palms.

Boom!

Right after, the huge head of the crock monster was blown into pieces. The brain matter mixed with blood splattered all around the ground.

Tud!

Then the massive body of the crock monster dropped dead on the ground.

At the same time, I turned in the opposite direction and decided to give another crock monster a chase. But before I could do that, my senses were alarmed greatly. It warned me to move away from the spot immediately.

"Lightning Phantom Technique," I uttered. The next second, like a flash I disappeared from the spot and reached my tent in a blink of an eye.

Right after, I stopped using the lightning movement technique. The purple arcs released from my body are very eye-catching.

Now everything has returned to normal. But I couldn't help but curse at myself. The dangerous feeling was so great that I was pushed to use the lightning movement technique.

I hope the teacher won't scold me later. Shaking my head, my attention shifted back to the dark swamp again. I can still see the carcass of a massive croc monster.

But what's with the dangerous feeling before? It can cause danger to an elite-level warrior like me. There is something ominous there. It can even slip away from perception.

My expression turned solemn after that. I immediately thought of Crimson Hall. I knew they were cruel. But I don't think they can cause a threat to elite-level warriors.

So whatever happening in the dark swap is something else. Should I inform the teacher about this? A quick glint flashes in my eyes. The event is going to end in a couple of hours.

There is no point in making a fuss about it. Besides, apart from me, there is a slight possibility of other people coming here.

If anyone comes here, they have to cross a giant croc monster before getting into the swamp. So I don't think there will be casualties because of the sudden change.

Then a hint of determination appeared in my eyes. "It's best to leave this place and go back to the southern point. I have enough monster cores in my collection. There is no point in roaming around here," I muttered to myself.

Then I began to remove the tent.

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Meanwhile,

Sky Tower,

A few minutes ago,

After the last episode, no one paid attention to Zack's movements except Mike Smith. From time to time, Teresa would take a glance. Apart from that everyone is focussing on picking up their candidate.

Suddenly, Mike watches Zack's sudden movements. Looking at it, he realizes that the kid is going to fight against the croc monster. But those two croc monsters were not ordinary monsters either.

Like other hybrids, these two crocs monsters also belong to the same category. Does he want to see what he is going to do?

Coincidentally, Teresa's gaze also fell on Zack's screen. Seeing that Zack is going to confront the crock monster. She paused her gaze. Other seed candidates are either dying or fleeing from the monsters in desperation and fear.

But Zack is doing the opposite. He has the strength to deal with all the monsters. So she became interested in watching Zack's next move.

At this time, no one is paying attention to Zack's screen apart from these two. Even Casey from the crimson hall is focusing on his warriors.

Suddenly, a quick change takes place on Zack's screen. Seeing the massive head of the monster blown into pieces. A hint of surprise flashes in Mike Smith's eyes.

He is impressed by that kid's strong physique again but he failed to notice the small purple arcs in Zack's palm.

Teresa is stunned as well. But her brain immediately works to find some answer. How come a massive head blows into pieces? What kind of force caused it?

She squinted her eyes again. She knows Zack's got the strength to kill that monster. But to blast the monster's head into pieces. It requires force or elemental power to do that.

She now confirms something in her heart. Which is that Zack used his elemental power now. She found something which even Mike failed to notice.

"What kind of elemental power is that?" She said in her heart.

When she was pondering, the next scene made her pale with fright.

"What?" She got up from the seat the next second.

Her sudden exclamation caught everyone off guard.

She just saw purple arcs disappearing in flash. And in a blink of an eye, Zack appeared back in his tent.

"Purple flash?"

"Purple?"

"Isn't it a lightning element?" She asked in her heart.

At the same time, the other super elite warriors stood up from their seats after the disturbance.

"Teresa, what happened?" Harvey Kim asked in a solemn tone. They all are super elite warriors. So what can cause her to stand up with fright?

Apart from the clueless four people, only Mike Smith knew what had happened. He immediately broke out in cold sweat. "So, Zack is a lightning warrior," He exclaimed in his heart.

His earlier doubts were replaced by confirmation now. All other events that happened back in the academy between the higher-ups suddenly make sense now.

No wonder that big man personally came here to protect his student. But unfortunately this b!tch noticed something. What to do now? He takes a glance at Teresa before his gaze falls on Zack.

He knows Zack is sensible. So what caused him to release the lightning element? He believes something must have happened.

Chapter 440 Change In Situations

Sky Tower,

The atmosphere turned solemn. Everyone is looking toward Teresa for answers. But her heart was set off storms. The more she recalled what she had witnessed a moment ago. It feels all real.

She is sure that kid Zack Lockwood is a rare special element user like her. She is a user of the dark element and she knows the importance of the special element warrior.

And now seeing the silent reaction of Mike Smith. She knows this is true. Her brain quickly works to come up with some solution. It's impossible to let go of special element users just like that.

But the problem is that the kid has a background related to the Army Federation. So technically no one can stop him from joining the Saw Scale Viper Academy.

No way, if she can't get such talented resources, then she should destroy Saw Scale Viper Academy's opportunity. On the surface, everyone reveals a bit of cooperation. But in reality, a fierce struggle is happening between the academies.

"Teresa?" Harvey Kim called out her name again. He is getting impatient. This woman caused a ruckus all of a sudden and now she is taking her time to reply. He cursed at her in his heart.

Hearing that, Terersa turned towards Harvey. She knows it's impossible to stop Mike Smith from taking away the kid. But if everyone else joined hands with her, then it would be a different case.

Her eyes flickered with a cold glint. She then takes a glance at Mike before turning toward others.

"Everyone, I got important information to share," She said.

Autumn Holt, June Shelton, Harvey Kim, and Eduard Ortega looked at her. Harvey Kim raises his eyebrows in displeasure. Something must have happened.

Otherwise, she won't react like that a moment ago.

Mike Smith clenched his fist. But he realizes something. The big man is watching the event so there is no need to worry about Zack's safety.

After thinking about it, he relaxed his fist. Now she dares to reveal the news then the Red Moon Tower will suffer huge consequences later.

Meanwhile,

First Elder Casey was dumbfounded by the sudden developments. What happened to these super-elite warriors? From the beginning, everyone is acting weirdly.

And that woman in particular let out a scream all of a sudden. He didn't dare to raise his voice now. He suffered a gruesome injury earlier. Just because he didn't reply properly.

A wry smile appeared on his face. He made up his mind to retreat backward. Otherwise, who knows what will happen next?

Meanwhile,

Autumn Holt bit her lips. She is confused by Teresa's reaction. She knows how cold this woman is in real life. So what made her panic?

June Shelton as usual revealed an amusing smile on his face. He knows the drama is going to be much more interesting from now onwards.

But the next words from Teresa made him wide open his mouth.

"That kid Zack Lockwood is a lightning element user," Teresa said in a cold tone.

Gasp!

Her words fell like a thunderclap in everyone's ear. How rare to come across a special element user? There are hundreds of millions of people living in the entire outer post.

And the number of new special element warriors can be counted on fingers. Autumn Holt's heart skips a beat. She never expected the news to be this huge.

But it's a pity, her organization is doomed to not get a special element warrior. If it is a female warrior, then it would be a different case. A hint of disappointment flashes in her eyes.

Harvey Kim's heart skips a beat. But seeing her serious reaction, he feels the information might be true. Comparing previous words from the event organizer Casey.

His expression couldn't help but turn serious.

June Shelton wide opened his mouth in disbelief. How did she find out? A question rose in her heart.

Before he could ask, a burly man appeared in front of Teresa. He is none other than Eduard Ortega from the Giant Tower. Now the calm and composed face of Eduard Ortega is replaced by rare seriousness.

He asked, "Is it true?"

Teresa knows it's hard for everyone to believe her words. So she explained what she saw on the screen. Then everyone turned towards Mike Smith a couple of seconds later.

Seeing him not reacting to their conversation. A vicious glint flashes in Eduard Ortega's eyes. "Saw Scale Viper Academy? What are you scheming?" He said in a deep voice.

Not only him, but even Harvey Kim's eyes also flash with killing intent. Right now, everyone believes Teresa's words. On top of it, they had never seen Zack using elemental power in this competition.

Which added to their doubts more and combined with claims made by the event organizer. Everyone concluded that Teresa's words are true.

Now they can't see a new special element user joining Saw Scale Viper Academy.

The amusing smile on June Shelton's face disappeared. He then stands along with Harvey Kim. Autumn Holt bit her lips, her organization is made up of female warriors.

She doesn't know who to support this time. But seeing that majority of them are against Mike. She helplessly stands together with them.

On the other hand, Casey's eyes shone with bright light. "So, that's how it is?" He mumbled under his breath. For a long time, the organization has spent numerous hours finding out Vincent's information.

But unfortunately, no one was able to find the valid information. So much so that he even himself got involved in dealing with the young warrior.

Now looking back at various events. Especially Vincent's amazing performance in Star Tower Trials and later his mysterious disappearance from the city.

When he connects all these dots. Everything makes sense to him now. "Ha...Ha...Ha...," He then let out a bitter laugh.

To think that kid holds such a secret. Anger rose in his heart. Now that he knows the information, it is even impossible for him to let that kid go.

Special Element users are sought by many big organizations. And that kid can join such an organization.

If the kid seeks revenge in the future, then it would be disastrous for his organization and himself.

But fortunately, watching the reactions of super elite warriors. He knows that these people won't let it happen. He won't be surprised even if they kill Zack.

Now he is just waiting for their order. More than the result of the competition, he wants to see the corpse of that kid.

Meanwhile,

The situation has become like 5 vs 1.

Teresa York, Autumn Holt, Eduard Ortega, Harvey Kim and Mike Smith were facing Mike Smith.

They are expecting Mike to back out from the recruitment. But it is impossible to do so. To their actions, Mike responded with a smile.

Shaking his head, he said, "I told you before that kid has connections with the Army Federation. So don't do stupid actions."

After saying that he sat back in his seat. Like nothing had happened.

Mike's fearless response stunned the rest of them.

Eduard Ortega gave a cold snort before saying, "What connections are you talking about? He is just a Trainee Warrior brat."

"That's right, that kid didn't join any organization officially. So no one can say anything to us if we kill him by mistake," Harvey Kim added to Eduard's words.

Teresa's eyes burst out with a cold glint. Seeing his calm and composed face of Mike. She feels something is not right. What gives him such confidence?

So that he is not afraid of joint retaliation by their organization.

Mike Smith responded with an indifferent gaze to their questions. He is not afraid of their attack at all. Rather they should be worrying about their life.

He hadn't expected Vincent's information to get exposed in this way. Shaking his head, he set his gaze on the screen. Now he hopes that these people won't stupidly stop this competition.

Seeing his non-nonchalant attitude of Mike, veins begin to pop up on Eduard's forehead. If not for the current occasion, he would attack the other party right now.

June Shelton quickly thought of something and asked, "Should we stop this competition?"

"No," Harvey Kim immediately refuted his words. So far hundreds of seed candidates have died. It already raised the dissatisfaction of millions of people.

If they stop this competition now, then their reputation will further plummet. Then who should bear the loss of lives? Which is more troublesome than dealing with the special element warrior.

Then he quickly explained the pros and cons to others. Harvey's quick explanation convinced everyone. They can still deal with the kid after the competition.

Then everyone sat back in their seats one by one. Harvey Kim's explanation made a lot more sense to them.

Autumn Holt feels it is unnecessary to kill that kid. But these people won't let another powerhouse appear in the Army Federation. Especially the special element user would get a lot more attention compared to others.

Like those two, she looked at Teresa and June for a couple of seconds before looking at the screen.

Eduard Ortega was unconvinced in his heart. But it is difficult to act against a decision made by the majority.