

BloodLine 531

Chapter 531 Fight Broke Out

From MC's perspective:

When I walked downstairs, I felt the hair on my body stand. So many rogue warriors are standing in front of this small inn.

And undoubtedly they are looking at me. A frown appeared on my face. Ernest and Laverne looked down as well.

Though they are Super Elite Warriors. But confronting the entire mob is a different thing altogether.

"Zack?" Laverne called out my name.

"Don't worry, just follow me," I replied without turning back.

Then I took the lead and guided the other two to the exit.

The next moment, I activated my perception ability. I know the conflict is unavoidable. Whether they are here for me or a mission. It is going to be clear in a few seconds.

As I walked out, a scar-faced warrior blocked my path.

The rogue warriors surrounded us. Seeing that the inn owner quickly locked himself.

"Ready for the fight," I said.

Ernest and Laverne looked at each other. Before bracing up for the fight.

I brought the black sword and held it in my right hand.

Through perception, I noticed something. Everyone's gaze is set on me.

The scar-faced warrior's patience dropped. He was intuitive to attack. A red flame ball appeared in his hand.

"Attack," After saying that, I dashed forward.

Laverne released her ice spikes the next second.

Ernest manipulated the soil element found in the ground to attack.

Right after, the conflict truly broke out.

The rogue warriors started to attack without showing any disregard for the public or shops.

I used my body strength to narrow the gap. I quickly evaded the incoming fireballs.

The scar-faced warrior was surprised by my sudden burst of speed.

Swoosh~

When I got near him. I used brute force to stab. The black blade easily tore through his skin defense and left him with injury.

Pfff!

Coughing up blood, the scar-faced warriors were petrified on the spot. Ignoring the horror look on his face, I swung my sword.

"No," The scar-faced warrior regretted. But it was too late to feel sorry.

Pfff!

The blade easily slits the throat. The next second, the decapitated head rolled over the ground.

His teammates retreated in fear.

Using this opportunity, I immediately sent a distress signal to the dean. She will find me soon.

Until then, I have to hold on.

"Waste," A new rogue warrior showed his appearance. He was watching from the sidelines.

He never expected the scar-faced warrior to go out soon. After spitting at his corpse, he started to attack.

Boom~

A terrible sound reverberated through the area.

Laverne easily killed the female rogue warrior using ice spikes. The special element is usually more domineering than other elements.

So seeing her ice spikes other rogue teams retreated in fear. Now the place is left with one or two rogue warriors.

Ernest also opened his account by killing two rogue warriors in succession. He suffocated them by covering their heads with sand.

Such a strange attack made others shudder.

The reason is that the strength of the rogue warriors is weak, to begin with. On top of it, they are warriors of five elements. Since they usually don't have any background.

So their practicing techniques are mediocre. Which gives them no chance against the talented warriors.

Right after the fight, the two guardians hiding in the dark sent the information to the dean.

They too noticed the anomaly. There is no reason for so many rogue warriors to attack. Unless someone hired them to attack.

You don't need a big brain to think this. Someone wanted to hurt the Saw Scale Viper Academy's students.

Clang~

I blocked the opponent's sword attack. But after recognizing his Super Elite Strength, my eyes gleamed with a twinkle.

When I was lost in thought for a split second. Someone attacked me with a huge boulder.

Boom~

I used the sword to block again. But the force sent me dozens of steps backward.

"Damn it," I cursed under my breath.

If it's one-against-one, then I'm not afraid. But the mob attack is taking a toll on me.

My eyes grew cold. I held the black sword in my left hand before taking out a single silver needle.

Nobody noticed my action during the commotion. Everywhere smoke and dust is rising from the ground.

The next second, I released the soul attack. I shot the silver needle at the opponent's chest who was preparing for his next attack.

Swoosh~

The distance was so close that the needle reached the target in a blink of an eye. The needle, which is covered with a thin layer of silver powder, passes through the opponent's body like a piece of paper.

When the needle left the body, I retrieved the needle back in my finger. The attack was over within seconds.

Tud!

The massive body dropped dead on the ground. Nobody noticed how he died. But other rogue warriors continued to attack.

There is competition among the rogue warriors. Some plans to reap the benefits later. While others watched from the sidelines.

But no matter what I can't fight the entire mob for long.

Swoosh~

I noticed Laverne is pushing hard. She is freezing everyone with her ice element. If this goes on, then she will consume the essence at a faster rate.

Then I saw Ernest Kirk. Unlike Laverne, his fighting style is different. He is making the enemy consume essence faster.

A hint of apprehension appeared in my eyes.

I can stick for long but I'm not sure about them. I hope the help arrives faster.

"Zack Lockwood, die!"

The next second, a huge shout brought my thoughts back to reality.

I saw a huge burly figure bringing his ax down.

Seeing that my eyes flickered with cold glint.

I swung my sword against the giant ax.

Clang~

When the two collide with each other. A metallic sound reverberated throughout the area.

," I cursed out loud. The force sent me several steps backward.

When I stabilize the movements. I looked at the burly figure. His giant ax doesn't seem to be simple.

There is not even a dent in it. At the same time, the strength of this person is not Initial Stage Super Elite Warrior.

"Late Stage," I mumbled under my breath.

"Step away, he is my target," The burly man threatened other warriors who were trying to gain an advantage.

His threat worked. Some of them retreated backward in fear. While other groups are waiting for the opportunity.

I looked at the Silver needle between my fingers. I don't know whether the soul attack works against the late-stage warrior.

Then I decided to try it out. The burly man again swung his giant ax against me.

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At the same time, eyeliners sent the information back to their respective forces. As the local forces rightfully feared. This time the rogue warriors entered the city with a different agenda.

The first to discover the incident was one of the high-seat elders. The old woman tries to crouch back.

Her family owned the blue leaf inn. It's the most profitable inn in this city. Apart from the high-end inn, they also own several other inns.

When the eyeliner's news reached her ears. She feared that someone would target their family business.

Because of the overwhelming wealth generated from the inn. She can maintain the status of one of the seat elders.

She immediately summoned the current head of the family. She doesn't care about the rogue warriors. Because everyone knows they don't have any background.

But who are they targeting? If someone influential got killed in their city. Then the peaceful days of the bedrock city will be over.

Shortly after, a middle-aged man in his forties entered her room.

"Mother, what happened?" He asked. But his face clearly showed his desperation.

"Harumph," The old woman gave a cold snort. She can tell that her son probably knows the news.

"Don't hide it from me."

"What is the identity of those people?" She asked, looking at her son.

The old man recovered his bearings. But he was afraid to tell the news. He fears that his mother's health could worsen further after hearing the news.

But seeing the cold gaze of her mother. He started to speak.

"Mother, I already found out their identities. They are from the Saw Scale Viper Academy."

"If my guess is right, they are here for a mission. But don't know why? These rogue warriors are targeting them."

Hearing that old woman understood something. Someone using their bedrock city for their plans.

"Go with our warriors to support them," She ordered.

The middle-aged man nodded his head before leaving. He was surprised by his mother's calmness. He still underestimated her decision-making.

Similar scenes are taking place in other places. The other seat of elders also sent their warriors in support. After knowing that the warriors of Saw Scale Viper Academy are under attack.

They don't dare to delay it anymore. If anything happens to them, then the whole city will be in danger.

Chapter 532 Help Arrived

Giant Tower:

The Headmaster and the intelligence department elder are waiting for the good news.

Both of them are watching the conflict in holographic projection with great interest.

The headmaster's mouth curved into an arc. They had paid enough price to make this happen. To kill Zack Lockwood. Many of their spies stationed in the Viper City are sacrificed.

It was not easy to develop a spy network silently under the nose of the Saw Scale Viper Academy.

It had taken them a decade-long work. But it was all over because they failed to execute the plan.

Seeing that lightning brat being pushed backward. His eyes gleamed with a twinkle. It will be a matter of time before he ends up dead.

At the same time, the old man next to him was confused. Everyone knows that Zack Lockwood is a lightning elemental warrior.

But in the projection, he saw no lightning attacks. He turned to the headmaster and asked, "Head, what happened to that brat's lightning element?"

"Ha...Ha...Ha...", The headmaster let out a small laugh.

He understood the old man's question. Looking at the projection, he said, "You don't know it. But these days this kid is searching for lightning-blessed land. So his progress is getting slower."

The intelligence department elder nodded his head in understanding. It's difficult to fight without using essence. This means that the lightning brat was pushed to a dead road from the beginning.

He didn't ask the headmaster where learned this news. Because a couple of minutes ago. He heard a shocking name in his mouth. The name is enough to send a cold shiver down everyone's spine.

So he shut his mouth and continued to watch the projection.

The headmaster didn't mind the old man's change in expression. The old man is clever enough to not offend him.

Already different voices are rising in the academy. Especially the sacrifice of spies caused a lot of dissatisfaction among elders.

Even the old ancestors in retreat began to question him. But somehow he made them suppressed with his words.

But he knows words' effect won't last long. Only action can make them silent. So the Giant Tower Headmaster watched the projection with hope.

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Special Faction Head Office:

Carlos Kent is the same projection with a solemn expression on his face. He sent the faction members to their death. But he didn't show any hint of pity in his eyes.

He just wants the operation over. Whether their death will lead to an investigation or not. He didn't even think about it.

Carlos arranged some backup plans. If things go south, he will leave the academy. Right now, all he cares about is the breakthrough.

Because it's difficult to come across breakthrough treasure for Special Element Warriors.

When it comes to him it's even more difficult. There are not many 7th-grade treasures available in this region.

Even if there is treasure they are locked in the treasury of the academy. That's why when the Giant Tower Headmaster made a request.

He agreed to help him.

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From MC's Respective:

Pfff!

I coughed up blood. The sudden appearance of the fireball caught me off guard. The rogue warriors are making sneak attacks right now.

Seeing me down, the burly man swung his ax again.

"Brother, wait for me," Ernest shouted.

But he was blocked by four other rogue warriors. The constant consumption of the essence made him slower.

The continuous fighting is also wearing him down.

The situation in Laverne is also not good either. She was on the verge of consuming the last bit of essence.

Any longer in the fight will lead to her death. She began to pay the price of rapid consumption.

Meanwhile,

I mobilized the blood power in my bones. But instead of releasing. I transfer the power through the sword.

A hint of red color glittering can be seen over a black blade.

When the black sword collides with the ax. This time the change happens.

Clang~

The giant ax starts to tremble. The burly figure felt the impact in his arms. Like hitting an iron plate.

The collision force hurts his arms.

Argh~

The burly figure let out a small grunt before retreating backward. He looked at me with an astonishing gaze.

"What are you?" His words reached my ears.

But I got black lines on my forehead. This guy meant what I'm practicing. I didn't answer him. I'm glad that I found a new way to use the blood power.

Using the blood power in the sword blade. I can easily cause more damage.

"Help me!" Laverne's loud shrill jolts me awake.

Then I saw a sword blade piercing through my right arm.

"You dare!" My eyes grew cold. The next second, I dashed toward her opponent.

The person attacking her was a rogue warrior in his fifties. These types of people are fishing in muddy waters. I hate them to the core.

My sudden shout alarmed him. He immediately let go of Laverne and turned towards me.

Seeing that I brought my black sword to attack. Using the blood power again, I made a vertical slash.

The rogue warrior brought his sword to attack me.

Seeing that I heavily brought down the sword.

When the black blade comes into contact with the opponent's sword. It easily shattered into pieces.

Crack~

Seeing the broken sword, the opponent's face changes drastically.

"No!" He shouted in fear.

But I didn't slow down my sword. The sword tore through the opponent's defense and pierced his chest.

Pfff~

Blood splattered on the ground. The enemy staggered because of a chest injury. I didn't give him a chance. I targeted the opponent's neck.

I swung the sword again. The blade made a clean cut. The head rolled over the ground.

Tud!

And the enemy's lifeless body dropped dead on the ground. This all happened in a blink of an eye.

The rogue warriors were shocked by witnessing such a quick kill. Ignoring their gazes, I turned to Laverne.

Seeing her on the ground, I hurriedly took healing pills from the storage ring and rushed to her.

Fortunately, she has a trace of clarity. After getting the pills from me. She swallowed and sat cross-legged to refine the healing energy.

Seeing that I held the black sword tightly. If anyone wants to attack her, they need to first get past me.

At the same time, I saw Ernest's situation. He is not good either. A trace of apprehension appeared in my eyes. Do I have to expose my body strength? A question appeared in my heart.

Everything that is happening is beyond my imagination. I saw many other rogue warriors starting to come.

When I thought it was over. A loud shout made me surprised.

"Kill all the rogue warriors. Don't let anyone escape."

When I turned toward the source of the voice. I saw a middle-aged man leading a team of warriors toward me.

At the same time, the expression of the rogue warriors changes drastically. Apart from the heavyweight, the small fishes start to flee.

But they didn't know that other elders also took action. They already gave orders to block the exit.

The patrol guards are gathered in front of the exit gate to arrest the rogue warriors.

"Young brother, don't worry. We came to support you," The middle-aged man said to me.

But my gaze was set on the family crest. Seeing the same family crest on the rest of the warriors. I understood that they are a local force.

A hint of relief flashes in my eyes.

"Guard her," I replied.

The middle-aged man saw Laverne being focused on healing.

Seeing that he nodded his head at me. The next moment, I dashed toward Ernest's side to help.

The middle-aged man ordered the warriors to attack the rogue warriors hiding in the inn.

Similar scenes are taking place on four sides of the city. It took some time for local forces to gather information.

After knowing the identity of the victims, they immediately dispatched their warriors to help.

This sudden turn of events caught the rogue warriors off guard. Especially the powerful rogue warriors who wanted to accomplish the task remained silent.

But still, some desperate warriors are looking for a chance. As long as the elders personally won't make a move. They have a chance.

By that time, I arrived to help Ernest. I swung my sword against rogue warriors who were besieging Ernest.

Pfff!

My sword cut the arm of a rogue warrior. Blood splattered on the ground. Without giving him a chance to breathe, I slit his throat.

Cut~

Blood sprayed on the ground. The warrior touches his neck in disbelief. Before he could speak he lost his life.

Tud~

The lifeless body dropped dead on the ground. My arrival gave Ernest time to breathe. The others who were besieging him retreated backward.

Seeing that I didn't chase them. Rather I supported Ernest and we walked towards Laverne's side.

"Do you have healing pills?" Ernest asked. He saw Laverne's condition. Her complexion is improving slowly.

Then I gave him a few healing pills. Before coming here, I already made enough preparations. But I never expected to use healing pills sooner.

Chapter 533 Interrogation

From MC's perspective:

With the help of local forces, the rogue warriors were captured. Seeing that I couldn't wait to interrogate them.

But before that, Ernest and Laverne have to recover. They suffered a lot more than me.

After some time, Laverne opened her eyes after recovering somewhat. To recover fully, she has to get back to the academy.

Shortly after, Ernest showed a better complexion after consuming those pills.

Seeing that a hint of relief flashes in my eyes. At the same time, more than 30 rogue warriors are gathered in the square. They were all captured and waiting for the punishment.

Suddenly, the boss of one of the local forces approached. He was the same one who gave timely help.

After recognizing him, I ease down my eyebrows.

"Young warrior, what should we do next?" The middle-aged man asked. He was none other than the current owner of the blue leaf inn.

Hearing his words, my eyes grew cold.

"Interrogate everyone. I want to know everything," I answered.

"Alright, we will find out the reason for their attack," After saying that the blue leaf boss left the place.

But all the 30 rogue warriors shuddered in fear.

Seeing that I shook my head before turning towards my team members.

At this time, both Ernest and Laverne stood up from the ground.

"What should we do next?" I asked.

Ernest and Laverne looked at each other.

Ernest said, "We should go back right now. There is a lot of unrest right now. Nobody knows what will happen next?"

"Yes, even the local forces are clueless. It's better to leave before something big happens," Laverne added further.

But my gaze was set on the square. Looking at the rogue warriors, they don't seem to be the accomplice of the mission target.

It's impossible for so many rogue warriors because of one person. So their actions are completely different. Someone is behind them.

After gaining some clarity, I decided to leave after getting the information.

"Senior brother"

"Senior sister"

"You guys should go back. I will return later," I said to them.

"What?"

"Are you nuts?"

"You don't even have an essence. How are you going to fight?" Laverne scolded.

Ernest frowned as well. He asked, "What are you going to do?"

Hearing that I told them about the interrogation.

Ernest said, 'It's just interrogation. It won't take much time. We can leave after 2 hours. In the meantime, I'll try to recover my essence.'

Laverne agreed with his suggestion. And I don't have any problem as well.

One hour later,

Inside the blue leaf inn's private room. Three of us sitting together. Before us, the blue leaf inn owner brought us the information.

"Young warriors, we didn't fail you," After saying that the middle-aged sent us audio and video clippings of different rogue warriors' confessions.

I immediately listened to the audio. Ernest and Laverne perked up their ears as well. I didn't mind the presence of the middle-aged man. He must have heard it during the interrogation.

10 minutes later,

Ernest and Laverne turned their gazes toward me. Including the middle-aged man.

"Brother, who is targeting you?" Ernest asked. A worry can be seen on his face. Because what they just heard is not small news.

The rogue warriors accepted a killing task. And their target is Zack Lockwood. But the identity of the task issuer is unknown. It can't be traced back.

Because the reward for accomplishing the task was so generous. The rogue warriors couldn't help but be tempted. Because the rewards included several high-grade pills and mid-grade artifacts.

Which is something that can be bought with money. But the rogue warriors didn't have such wealth. So they used the lifetime opportunity to try to complete the task.

But because of the local forces' thundering response. The rogue warriors' plan was spoiled in time.

Meanwhile,

I remained silent to Ernest's question. But my heart was not calm. This was the 3rd time outside of the academy that someone plotted against me.

Ernest and Laverne both of them didn't realize that the current situation has a lot to do with Carlos Kent's mission.

He had purposely sent us here. And right after, we faced a mob attack. A cold shiver went down my spine.

We were lucky. Most of the rogue warriors are at the Super Elite Stage. So I was able to stop them by using my body strength.

Ernest and Laverne did better as well. As they are also Super Elite Warriors. But I can't imagine what will happen. If SS-Elite rogue warriors made an entrance.

I dare not to imagine any resistance.

"Zack?"

"Are you lost in thoughts again?" Laverne's words brought me back to reality.

I looked at three of them before saying, "We should leave."

Laverne let out a deep sigh. She felt the news must have given a huge shock to Zack. She also thinks it's good to leave.

Ernest didn't say anything. He already formed some assumptions in his heart. It's normal for genius warriors from the academy to get targeted.

He felt someone didn't like the existence of the lightning warrior. So they used their fortunes to put a target over Zack's head.

"Ahem, young warrior?" The blue lead boss said. He also heard the recorded voice. His back was already drenched in sweat.

He now knows that someone wanted to use their bedrock city as their stage to complete their mission.

Fortunately, nothing happened to the young warrior.

At the same time, I stood up from the seat and looked at the blue lead boss.

"Thank you for your help. If you need anything, you can contact me. I'll also request the dean to reward you and other helpers," After saying that, I shared my contact information with him.

The blue lead boss was ecstatic. A bright smile appeared on his face. He knows the identity of the young warrior. A rare special element user. A lightning elemental warrior.

They have read it only in books before. But now helping and getting contact information from such a person. He felt glad. And his mother won't scold him anymore.

Not only that he can gain huge respect comparable to the seat of elders.

At the same time, I watched the middle-aged man mutter to himself.

"Cough"

I coughed to bring back his attention.

"Young warrior," The blue lead boss embarrassingly said.

"We are leaving," After saying that, I walked to the exit. Laverne and Ernest followed behind.

The blue leaf boss stood in the same place in a daze. He still has not recovered from the shock.

A few minutes later,

The aircraft from the academy lands on the platform. Three of us boarded the aircraft without much talk.

The aircraft takes off a few seconds later.

The journey will take time. So three of us entered our separate rooms to rest.

Meanwhile, the guardians hiding in the shadows saw everything. Unlike Ernest and Laverne, they already guessed who was behind Zack's bounty.

The Giant Tower had made such a rich offer before. Because of that Sharp daggers force fell. Their greed led to their disaster.

Now again the group of rogue warriors lost their lives because of greed. But the guardians are surprised by the Giant Tower's action this time.

After the Viper City's spies and the sharp daggers incident. Both the guardians expected the Giant tower to stay low.

Because their plot was exposed. A lot of evidence is available against them. It will be a matter of time before the dean takes action against them.

They thought she would do something during the year-end conference. But the Giant Tower didn't give up its target. A seriousness appears on both the guardians' faces.

The Giant Tower seems to not give up. They are serious about killing Zack Lockwood. And the current incident can tell their intent.

Both are aware only the dean can do something about it.

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Saw Scale Viper Academy:

Dean Rebecca saw everything in holographic projection. Because of the guardians' presence, she was not worried about their safety.

But she appreciated Zack, Ernest, and Laverne's courage. Three of them faced the mob attack head-on.

When she saw Zack getting injured. Her heart skipped a beat. But somehow Zack Lockwood managed to hold on.

In the process, he was able to kill a few rogue warriors by relying on his physique. She knew Zack's physique was abnormal.

But this time Zack's body strength opened her eyes. She knows that rogue warriors are at the Super Elite Stage.

That's why Zack's strength brought her quite a shock. But she won't ask him about his secrets.

For Zack's insane performance, she thought his teacher was the reason. Talking about the teacher, her expression grew cold.

"Carlos Kent?" She muttered to herself.

Swoosh~

The next second, she disappears from the spot and appears in Carlos Kent's office.

With her appearance, powerful physical coercion was released from her body.

Carlos Kent was caught off guard. The powerful coercion made him bend his knees.

"Dean?"

"What are you doing?" He uttered in fear.

The pressure destroyed the room by sweeping away the items, gadgets, and files.

Such a sudden movement caused alarm in the building.

Chapter 534 Humiliation

Saw Scale Viper Academy:

Dean Rebecca increases her physical coercion.

Boom~

The room blasted into pieces. Carlos Kent flew backward like a broken kite before smashing into the rooms.

She didn't even use her attack. But the coercion was enough to blast him into pieces. Which shows the horror of the SSS-Elite Warrior.

Swoosh~

Alarmed by the disturbance people started to appear. Especially the faction heads.

Everyone has their cabin here so they knew instantly.

But when they appeared on the scene, They were almost petrified on the spot.

"Who is causing the disturbance?" Franklin Madden asked. He is head of the Flame Faction. Not only that he is also the Vice-dean of the academy.

The Metal Faction Head Marcus Lin stood silently without making any comments. Because when he appeared, he felt a terrifying presence.

A beautiful woman in a white dress was also looking at the scene with curiosity. She is head of the RainWater Faction.

A burly figure watching the scene with interest. He is head of the Earth Faction.

A slender-looking middle-aged man stood silently. He is the head of the Gale Faction.

All the faction heads appeared at the scene.

When the smoke disappears. Dean Rebecca's presence became clear.

Seeing her Franklin was dumbfounded. Right next to him, Marcus revealed a bitter smile on his face.

He guessed it right. The terrifying power came from the dean herself. But he doesn't know who is getting attacked.

Not only he, but other faction heads were also surprised as well.

"Dean, why are you attacking me?" A loud voice reached everyone's ears from the next room.

From the rubble, a person stood up. But when everyone saw his face. They were shocked to the core.

"Special Faction Head?" Franklin uttered in shock.

"Carlos?" A disbelief appeared on Marucs' face.

Why is he getting attacked? Everyone couldn't help but turn towards the dean.

Carlos Kent saw the appearance of another faction head. When he saw his tattered clothes. A wave of humiliation hit him.

The other three Faction Heads looked surprised as well. No one knows what is going on.

After hearing Carlos's words, everyone is waiting for Dean's response.

Rebecca's eyes grew cold. Looking at Carlos, she gave a cold snort, "Harumph"

At this moment she doesn't have any evidence connecting his crime. If she makes things difficult now, the supreme elder will be dissatisfied.

Because Carlos Kent was part of the academy for so long. It won't be nice to move against him without any evidence.

After figuring it out, she said in a cold voice, "This is a slight punishment for your carelessness. If the same thing happens next time, I'll ask the supreme elder to take action."

Swoosh~

After saying that she disappeared from the spot.

Carlos Kent's face turned ugly. He knew what this was about. "She must have known about my orders," He said to himself. He sent Zack and his friends to BedRock City.

If anything happens to them, the academy won't let him off. But he sneered inside. He was prepared to face anything. Including her wrath. He had even prepared a backup plan long ago.

But now everything becomes a waste. Zack Lockwood and his friends are safe now. He didn't know Giant Tower's reaction at this time.

"Ho...Ho...Ho..."

"What happened to you?"

"We thought Special Faction was the favorite of the academy."

"But looks it's not anymore," Franklin Madden said with a smile.

Franklin Madden always had an impression that Dean was biased. But now looking at the scene. He is feeling good.

"You are having your day as well," The burly man said in a mocking tone.

Not only him, but other faction heads are also gloating as well.

The beautiful woman asked, "What did you do?" She recalled Dean's words. She was pissed off by something. And it has something to do with him.

Not every day you can see the dean lose her temper like this.

Her words brought attention back to the topic.

"That's right, what caused her to explode like this?" Marcus Lin asked.

Franklin Madden was curious as well. The Gale Faction head also showed some expression on his face.

Facing everyone Carlos clenched his fists in anger. But he can't tell them the truth. He didn't expect the Giant Tower's plan to fail.

Zack survived the attack of several Super Elite Rogue Warriors. This record itself is abnormal.

Alas!

He doesn't know when the next opportunity will come. Until he has to act low-key. Then ignoring everyone he disappeared from the place.

"Arrogant," The burly figure uttered.

"You can be arrogant as well. When you broke through," The beautiful woman said.

Hearing that everyone remained quiet. They know Carlos is stronger than everyone. If he intends to fight then they will lose miserably.

"Alright, don't make things difficult for him. We will know soon," Franklin Madden persuaded.

Hearing that everyone left the spot one by one.

Meanwhile,

Rebecca is sitting back in her seat. At the same time, she received updates from the guardians.

Hearing that no one suffered any injury. She sighed in relief. She again felt that it was the right decision to assign a guardian for Zack.

If not she would have remained clueless. Not only she can protect Zack's life in this way. She can get intel information from the guardians directly.

Their timely intel helped her to handle the spies hiding in Viper City. Now again she came to know that the Special Faction Head's activities are not right.

She doesn't know why he sent them to bedrock city for a mission. But it turns out a massive trap was already laid out for them.

So many rogue warriors appeared and attacked the trio. Three of them escaped death because they are not average warriors.

She saw Laverne's ice element and Ernest's Soil element play a crucial role during their fight. Their opponent was overwhelmed by their element.

Whereas Zack, his abnormal strength saved him again. She knows Zack's body strength played a crucial role in the gathering incident as well.

She couldn't help but think Zack is physically talented as well. "What a monster?" She sighed to herself.

No wonder he was taken as a student by the Inner Post's Power House at this young age. Thinking about Inner Post, a look of longing appeared in her eyes.

But it's a pity she doesn't have the qualifications to step into that place.

One hour later,

She received the updates from the guardians again. At first, she thought it was about their return. But when she heard it fully.

A wave of physical coercion was released from her body. "Giant Tower?" She uttered in anger.

No need to tell. Who can release a bounty for Zack's head? It's none other than the Giant Tower.

She thought they would remain silent after the gathering incident. But no? They don't seem to learn their lesson.

She planned to wait until the year-end gathering to tarnish their reputation. But now she understands it's necessary to make them bleed before they understand our stance.

Zack Lockwood is different from other students. No one is ready to face the consequences if anything happens to him.

The Giant Tower Academy is not only looking for death but they are also dragging her academy with him.

"No, something is not right?"

"They know Zack is a lightning warrior. Special Element Warriors are bound to enter the Inner Post one day or another."

"Then why does the Giant Tower want to kill him?"

Rebecca said to herself. Because it doesn't look like a rivalry between the Academy. Where they kill young geniuses before they grow up to pose a threat.

If it's then it doesn't require such a scheme to lure Zack out of the academy. She also saw a gathering incident.

Giant Tower lost decades-long investment in spies. She thought they had learned the lesson.

But no? From guardians' intel, the rogue warriors are offered expensive rewards. They are even ready to give mid-grade artifacts.

Rebecca feels it more looks like a personal grudge. But she knows Zack doesn't know anyone before joining the academy.

So where does this enmity come from?

Then suddenly something struck her mind.

"Army Federation?" She stood up in shock.

She almost forgot about this. The Giant Tower also has a presence in the Inner Post. As far as she knows they have been at odds with the Army Federation.

If this is about the Inner Post Giant Tower, then the attack on Zack won't stop. Even if she tries to meddle in.

What to do? She decides to talk to the Supreme Elder about this.

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Giant Tower:

"No," The Giant Tower Headmaster yelled in anger.

A powerful pressure was released from his body. The intelligence department elder turned pale with fright. He took the direct brunt.

Pfff~

Coughing up blood, the elder collapsed on the ground.

Boom~

The conference table and chairs were turned to debris. The pressure immediately swept away the meeting room.

The Giant Tower Headmaster lost his mind for a moment. His plan failed again. He couldn't even believe his own eyes.

So many rogue warriors attacked. But the lightning warrior remained unscathed in the end.

Chapter 535 Taking Rest

The Giant Tower Academy was alarmed. They don't know what happened. But all the powerhouses appeared in the meeting room.

Seeing the expression of the Giant Tower Headmaster. Expression of everyone turned pale with fright.

What happened? The Headmaster looked hideous. After feeling the presence of everyone, he regained his trace of sanity.

The BedRock City Plan's failure caused a huge blow to him. But he decided to ponder this later.

Now that everyone's here. He needs to hide this matter. Then he saw the intelligence department elder collapse on the ground. His eyes grew cold.

Because this elder heard the name, Carlos. If it spreads outside, it's not good for him and his plans.

"Come here, take this piece of sh!t out. He dares to attack me. Abolish his base and lock him up in the prison, " He shouted at nearby elders.

Gasp~

Some of the elders exclaimed, especially those who have a good connection with the intelligence department elders. They feel something wrong.

But the Headmaster's appearance made them afraid. So none of them dare to step forward. They can only watch the elder being dragged away by someone.

"Harumph, "The Headmaster gave a cold snort. He knows the thoughts of these people. Since the evidence is eliminated. He is not afraid anymore.

After taking a glance at everyone, he turned to walk towards his room.

This may look like a small episode. But the rest of the elders knew the headmaster was hiding something.

One of them was more curious. He is none other than the red elder. "What is he doing?" He said to himself.

He can see that the headmaster is not himself these days. There are a lot of dissatisfied voices increasing in the academy.

The gathering incident mishap bled their foundation heavily. From that incident, the state of the headmaster is not right.

Is it related to that lightning kid? The red elder couldn't help but click his tongue. If it's true then he certainly wants to hear about his death.

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Meanwhile,

Carlos Kent was in his house. Surprisingly, his house is located in Viper City. He didn't expect to come back to this place.

Because he usually spends time in seclusion back in the Academy. But now he doesn't dare. He doesn't know what the wicked women do later.

It's best to operate from here until things settle down. He feels glad that he doesn't leave behind any evidence. If she had evidence, things would have taken a different turn.

He is even half-step SSS Elite Water. He is nothing but an ant in front of the supreme elder. Thinking about his existence he broke out in a cold sweat.

Fortunately, the Giant Tower didn't ask him to do anything excessively. Sending the target for a mission outside was the big help he could do to them.

But shortly after he was contacted by someone. He was a familiar person.

Carlos Kent's expression turned ugly. His heart was boiling in anger. Because the Giant Tower failed again to kill the target.

And the bedrock city was the perfect opportunity. Now they have missed it again.

Carlos feels dissatisfied because as long as they fail they won't give him any resources. And he would be working for free.

But after calming down his heart. He decided to attend. When the connection is established.

"Carlos?"

A dull voice reached his ears.

"Headmaster, what happened?" Carlos Kent asked, despite knowing the result. Because he doesn't know the mood of the headmaster.

There was a long silence after his question.

But don't know why? Carlos feels bad.

"Carlos, don't you want to break through?" a sudden question awakened him awake.

"What do you mean by this headmaster? You promised me earlier," Carlos asked back in a dissatisfied tone.

His voice cracked. Which is enough to show his suppressed anger. The Giant Tower Academy used him.

But he agreed to them because of their resources. Now he doesn't know what's wrong with the other party. He is backtracking all of a sudden.

"Carlos, can you kill Zack Lockwood yourself?" The Giant Tower Headmaster asked.

But his words fell like thunderclaps in his ears.

"Are you mad?"

'Do you think I will sacrifice my life for resources?'

"Forget about insane women. There is still a supreme elder above her. All she needs to wave her hand to kill me," Carlos Kent fiercely retorted.

He thinks something is wrong with the Headmaster. He just escaped from that woman.

If he goes back and kills that brat, then she won't need any evidence to judge me. Before coming here, she warned me.

"I know what you are worried about?"

"But if you kill Zack Lockwood, not only we will give breakthrough resources. We are also ready to give resources for small stages," The Giant Tower Headmaster.

Silence~

Carlos Kent's heart set off storms. His heart is beating faster. "He lost his mind?" He said in his heart.

But his mouth curved into an arc a few seconds later.

"I will kill that brat Zack. But you have to give me resources for a breakthrough forest," Carlos replied.

He already worked for them for free. And it's not his fault for their failure. And this time he won't take big steps without resources in his hands.

"No way!" The headmaster said. But a hint of anger can be seen in his tone.

Carlos Kent smiled. He said, "Then I won't move. And Let me tell you one thing, the dean of our academy has already become alerted."

"She won't send that brat outside without assigning any guardians. If she does then your academy can't take action."

"Unless you are ready to pay a bigger price," Carlos Kent added further. He is not bluffing. He knows that the academy will take steps to provide protection.

He remembered. The dean was extra protective over Zack. So she will arrange guardians next time.

There was no response from the other end of the call. But Carlos knows the headmaster might be considering his options.

"Okay, the resources will reach you within a few days," After saying that the Giant Headmaster ended his call.

"Ha...Ha....Ha...," He laughed out loud.

He didn't expect things to go in his favor. Next, he needs to plan clearly. How to kill that kid without alerting the supreme elder?

Because he was not afraid of the dean. Once he breakthroughs, he will be at her level. She won't be able to pose a threat to him.

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From MC's perspective:

The aircraft enters the academy silently. When the aircraft landed on the ground. Three of us stepped out one by one.

None of our faces are looking good. The tiredness is still there. Then we parted ways from here.

A few minutes later,

I entered my dorm room. But the wave of tiredness hit me. Then I lay down on my bed to take a rest.

The following day,

I woke up earlier. After completing my morning routine, I simply sat down on the sofa. I'm not in the mood to practice.

Yesterday's events are still lingering in my mind. Last day itself, I wanted to meet her. Because of the tiredness, I spent the rest of the day resting.

But I believe most of the exhaustion was related to mental. After calming down my heart, I decided to look into some news.

A few hours later,

I went to the dining hall to have breakfast. Ernest and Laverne are waiting for me at the entrance.

"Are you guys alright?" I asked.

The complexion of both looked good. They seemed to have recovered fully after yesterday's event.

"We both are fine. What about you?" Ernest asked.

"I took a good rest last night," I replied to them.

Then we walked back to the dining hall. When we walked to receive the food plate. We overheard the conversation.

Everyone is talking about the bedrock city. Hearing that my eyes flickered slightly. I wonder whether the identity of us leaked or not.

After receiving the food plate, we sat down in a nearby seat. While we were eating, Ernest opened the topic.

"Zack, do you know something?" He asked.

"What?" I asked back.

Laverne seems to know something as well.

"You won't believe it. Our faction head was thrashed by our dean," Ernest said.

Disbelief appeared on my face.

"How?" I asked.

Then Ernest slowly explained what he had heard from others.

After a few minutes, my mouth curved into an arc. The dean is not partial at all. I thought it was difficult to convince her.

But looks like she must have caught something.

"Do you think it's because of our mission yesterday?" Laverne asked.

I nodded my head and added, "It's probably true. Unless there is no reason for her to act in this way."

"The Special Faction Head is hiding something," I uttered in a low voice.

Laverne unconsciously released her ice element. Seeing that we immediately alerted her.

"Oops, sorry."

"But I don't like our faction head. He doesn't seem to care about us at all," Laverne said.

I sighed inwardly. Even she can see through this. The dean must know something.

Chapter 536 Part 1: Carlos Kent(Breakthrough)

From MC's perspective:

The atmosphere became quiet after Laverne's words. They are having trouble trusting the faction head.

Shaking my head, I continued to eat the food.

Ernest and Laverne seem to understand the change in mood as well. So they have decided to not talk about this matter.

After having breakfast, we walked out of the dining hall. Ernest turned toward me.

He asked, "Are you going to talk to the dean?"

Laverne blinked her big eyes. It was not a surprise anymore. Everyone knows that I'm privileged in the academy.

Because I'm not attending the classes at all. If I had one of the five elements. Then I have no problem attending the class. But no one can teach me here.

I looked at them and replied, "I'm going to see her now. Let's see whether she is going to take action or not."

Hearing my words both of their worries eases down a little.

"She won't believe it," Laverne added.

Ernest quickly said, "Okay, let's not discuss this now. We should focus on improving our strength."

Then we talked about a few more things before parting ways. I head straight toward the dean's office.

But after a few minutes, I got there. I was stopped by the staff. I raised my eyebrows in confusion. Because this was new to me.

"Stop? Don't go further," The staff said.

"Why? I came here to meet the dean," I replied.

Hearing that the staff face changes drastically. Yesterday's event was vivid in everyone's mind.

"Alright, you can enter," The staff answered after taking a look at me. He recognized who I was.

Then I walked into the room. But the next moment I was greeted by something unexpected.

The structures seem to be destroyed. Then a sudden realization dawned on me. Dean Rebecca seems to have fought with Carlos.

These were just the aftermath of it. After knowing that I walked to her cabin.

Creak~

But when I walked near her room. The door opened automatically.

Seeing that I stepped inside. Dean Rebecca is sitting behind her desk.

"Dean?" I said.

"You are here. Sit down," Rebecca replied.

Then I sat on the opposite seat to her.

For a moment there was silence. I don't know how to bring up this topic.

Rebecca saw through Zack's thoughts. When she went to the supreme elder to complain. The Supreme elder didn't believe her words at all.

The supreme elder thought it might have been a coincidence.

Carlos Kent has a good track record in the academy. So it's difficult to move against him without any concrete evidence.

After a few minutes, she broke the ice.

"I know what happened?" Rebecca said without blinking her eyes.

Hearing the dean's sudden words my heart set off storms.

"Dean, what happened to him?" I asked.

Because I couldn't find any reason for Carlos Kent to hurt us. From Ernest and Laverne, I heard that he was fine before the seclusion.

He is showing sudden changes after knowing me. I remembered the first meeting with Carlos Kent in the Special Faction Common Room. That was not good at all.

Rebecca collected her thoughts. She doesn't want to scare Zack. She also fears that Zack would inform his teacher. Then things would be troublesome.

The Supreme Elder also warned her about this. No need to create unnecessary panic. So without having evidence in her hands. She doesn't want to tell Zack everything. She decided to lie now.

"Zack, don't worry. It seems to be a coincidence. Carlos Kent doesn't have any bad intentions," She lied.

But in her heart she was uncomfortable. She hoped that her instincts were wrong. If Carlos Kent turned out to be the culprit, then it would be a big disaster in the future.

"What? No bad intentions." A hint of disappointment flashes in my eyes.

From day one, I felt no good from him. For a moment, I don't know how to reply. Laverne's words came to mind. She was right.

Dean won't believe my words without evidence.

"Zack, are you alright?" She asked.

"Uh?"

Her words brought me back to reality.

"It's okay Dean. I'm leaving now," After saying that I exited the room.

Rebecca showed complex emotions. She is considering the big picture. And she can't act without the Supreme Elder's order.

Especially when Zack Lockwood is involved in this. She should be extra cautious.

After walking out of the building, I looked down. I thought I could convince her. But a bitter smile appeared on my face.

A few minutes later,

I came back to my room. When I lay down on my bed. A sudden call brought me a huge relief.

The person is none other than Jonathan.

"What a pleasant surprise?" I asked myself.

How long has it been? After my message, he made up his mind to call me in the end.

Then sat up and attended the call.

"Jonathan?" I asked.

"Young master Zack, how have you been?" A deep voice sounded from the other end of the call.

No doubt the voice belongs to Jonathan.

"I'm in trouble right now, "I replied.

"What happened?" He asked.

Hearing that I started to speak. Starting from the Sharp Daggers incident to the gathering incident. And finally, I told you about the bedrock city incident.

After a few minutes, I stopped.

Why do I feel? Everything was connected after explaining it to him.

"What is his name? Carlos Kent right?"

"Don't worry, I'll find everything," Jonathan assured me.

After hearing his words, I felt a huge weight being lifted off my shoulder. Then we talked about other things including my resources problem.

I requested him to bring the lightning resources with him. Then I ended the call a few minutes later.

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Days passed,

Carlos Kent is living in his home. He is waiting for the resources to appear. Once he receives the breakthrough resources, he will prepare for the next course of action.

Apart from waiting, he is also keeping an eye on the Academy. He feared the Supreme Elder would ask him to appear.

But fortunately, none of that happened. Which shows that nobody suspected him after that incident. When the image of Zack comes to mind. His mouth curved into an arc.

If not for Zack, he would not have gotten the opportunity. Now he decides to wait.

Several minutes later,

Someone knocked on his door. Hearing that, Carlos went outside to see. In his front yard, someone with a disguised look appeared.

Seeing that his eyes gleamed with a twinkle.

He immediately recognized the person. He must be the spy of the Giant Tower. His eyes lit up with surprise. He thought that the dean had uprooted everyone.

Looks like there are still some pests hiding in the city. But he doesn't care about that at all. Carlos then stretched his hand. And the person standing in front of him placed the storage ring on his palm.

The next moment, he disappeared from the spot. Carlos ignored him and set his gaze on the ring. His eyes shone with bright light.

The opportunity arrives. The next moment, he hurriedly went back to his training room. Unlike the one in the academy.

His training room is quite spacious.

Specifically built for his training. When he entered the room, He immediately began to set up the formations.

The formation would prevent anyone from knowing his breakthrough. He began to pile up the resources in front of him. There are many types of resources including expensive herbs, pills, and natural treasures.

If anyone saw these treasures, they would be shocked to the core. Carlos Kent grinned ear to ear. He had collected several resources in the past few years.

But none of them are close to the treasures in front of him. Because these resources are rare and high-grade. Most importantly they were taken from the Giant Tower.

He was even surprised by the determination of the Giant Tower. He doesn't know whether the Giant Tower headmaster made the decision himself or not. But anyway it became cheaper for him.

When all the resources are placed. He began to prepare himself for the breakthrough. He just has to take another half step to reach the SSS-Elite Stage.

But that was not easy. Any small mistake would cause damage to his foundation. So he decided to attempt a breakthrough during his peak stage.

So he turned off the sci-fi watch and other modes of communication. So that no one can disturb him during the breakthrough.

After arranging everything, he decided to mentally prepare.

Time passed,

Carlos Kent sat cross-legged on the floor. Then he began to swallow the main resources one by one for the breakthrough.

The rest of them can be consumed later to stabilize the base.

When he swallowed the last resources. Massive energy is gathered inside the body. He then began to attack the barrier.

The barrier remains unscathed during the first attempt. Then he began to gather energy again to attack the barrier. When the attack collided with the barrier.

Several cracks began to appear. After a few seconds, the barrier was gone completely. Carlos successfully cleared the barrier to becoming SSS-Elite Soil Elemental Warrior.

Chapter 537 Part 2: Carlos Kent(Breakthrough)

Time passed,

After stabilizing the base, he opened his eyes. Feeling the new profound strength running through his body.

"Ha...Ha....Ha....," Carlos Kent burst into laughter.

"My long cherished wish has come true," He grinned ear to ear. For a moment, he couldn't believe his eyes.

The soil essence in his dantian was in a semi- semi-liquid state. But the power was enough to explode many half-step SSS Elite warriors.

"No wonder that bitch was so ," Carlos commented. He is referring to the dean. He was suppressed under her administration.

And he can't forget the humiliation that he had suffered from the other day. His heart wants to settle the account. But the supreme elder's presence is enough to make his dream a pipe dream.

Unless Rebecca herself walks out of the academy. Which is not going to happen. She is the dean. She is responsible for protecting the academy.

But he set his eyes on the next target. He can't target the dean for the time being. But he can kill the lightning brat.

"Zack Lockwood," He mumbled under his breath.

He had promised the Giant Tower. He can't walk away from it. Otherwise, if the matter is exposed , not only will he become an enemy of the Saw Scale Viper Academy. But he will also become an enemy of the Giant Tower Academy.

Then he stood up and removed the formation. Nobody would have thought someone like him was living in the city.

When he exited the room. He immediately turned on his communication devices. Right after, he was greeted by many notifications.

Unsurprisingly, all of them are from the Headmaster of the Giant Tower Academy.

A quick glint flashes in his eyes.

He then contacted the headmaster. When the call was connected. He shared the good news.

"Good" "Good"

He uttered twice.

"Now you can kill that lightning brat," The Headmaster added further.

Carlos Kent's mouth curved into an arc.

"Well, consider that brat is dead now onwards. But I'm curious about one thing. Can you tell me?" Carlos asked.

"What?" The headmaster replied.

"Why is the Giant Tower obsessed with killing that kid?"

"No, I should change the question."

"Why do you want that kid dead so badly?" Carlos asked.

On the other end of the call.

The Giant Tower Headmaster stopped talking. There was silence for a moment.

"You are being overly smart. But that's not good for you. We gave you the resources for the breakthrough. Now it's time for you to uphold the deal," The Giant Tower Headmaster said.

But his expression was unsightly. He didn't expect Carlos to see through his intentions.

At the same time, Carlos Kent smiled in response. He is now somewhat sure that the Headmaster is acting in personal interest. It's nothing to do with the Giant Tower Academy at all.

But he was curious about what made him do that? Then shaking his head, he decided to ask him later.

"Okay, I will kill that kid for sure," Carlos assured him. After ending the call, he began to do other work.

Meanwhile,

The Giant Tower Headmaster walked back to his room. There is a secret compartment laid with formation. Which would prevent any prying eyes.

After entering the compartment, he immediately contacted the middle man and updated him with the details.

He is sending information on Zack Lockwood's current status. After sending the information, he exited the room.

As Carlos rightly guessed, there is indeed something wrong with the Headmaster's behavior.

The Giant Tower Headmaster's eyes grew cold. He never expected Carlos to catch on to something. Unknowingly, Carlos has dug himself a grave.

If Carlos had started silent, he wouldn't have thought about silencing him. Now, the headmaster decided to contact the middleman once Zack is dead.

He doesn't want to leave any liabilities such as Carlos Kent.

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From MC's perspective:

Days passed,

After that bad episode, I slowly started to visit the monster zones as usual. Because fighting is the only thing that can distract me from unnecessary things.

Ever since I handed the job to Jonathan. I have been feeling relaxed. I know he will do something about it. Though the academy disappointed me.

But I believe Jonathan will break any kind of conspiracy. Doesn't matter whether it's a conspiracy of Carlos Kent or the Giant Tower Academy.

I'm sure I will get results soon. Surprisingly, the duo, Ernest and Laverne recovered from the bad phase as well.

Three of us are hunting the monsters in the monster zones. That incident brought a huge change in them. They are actively fighting against the monsters.

Though everything is going alright for us. There was no sign of Carlos Kent these days. Which is quite disturbing.

We feared that guy would come back and ask for an explanation. Fortunately, the dean took care of it. She canceled such an individual task.

A few days later,

I thought everything was going fine until I received a message from the Special Faction Head account.

Seeing that my pupil shrank.

"He is back," I mumbled under my breath.

Carlos Kent summoned me tomorrow. He must have known that I'm spending so much time in the monster zones lately.

So he sent me a message prior. He wants to meet me. For what? I frowned.

When it comes to Carlos Kent. I don't believe the dean's words at all. He may have a good career record and good reputation in the academy.

But whenever I'm near him. I'm getting nothing except the bad vibes. It was much more than the danger of the Crimson Hall back then.

What to do now? I'm in a place where I can't share my worries with a third person. More Importantly, I'm the one feeling that Carlos Kent is not a good guy.

Then I calmed down before sending a message to Jonathan. He has not called me back yet. I wonder whether he has collected intel.

Shaking my head, I pushed down these thoughts before going to do my other work.

The following day,

After waking up, I began to do my morning routine. Then I entered the training room to practice. Sitting cross-legged, I brought the monster core and held it in my palm.

Then I started to run the blood element method. Right after, the monster core energies entered my body. Then I guided the energy according to the blood element method.

The monster energies started to flow through the meridians. Right after, red blood light appears above the blood.

The red blood light started to convert the monster energies into the white energies. These white energies then began drilling into my bones.

The next moment, I felt severe pain. But as the time passed, I started to feel numb all over my body.

Seeing that I continued to repeat the process.

After a few hours, I stopped practicing. The monster core in my hands crumbles into pieces. I stood up and was excited from the room.

My skin surface was covered with black impurities. Then I went to take a bath.

Several minutes later,

I changed into a new set of clothes. After getting ready, I walked out of the building.

Today is going to be a pain. Carlos Kent summoned me today. I wonder what he is going to do?

When I reached the place. I saw Ernest and Laverne waiting for me as usual. Seeing that I responded with a smile.

"Let's go," Ernest said.

Then we entered the hall. Seeing their calm look, I couldn't help but think about Carlos Kent.

If I said to them, he was back. Then the mood will be ruined. So I decided to hide. After receiving the food plate, we sat on the chair nearby.

"So, what is today's plan?" Laverne asked.

"Shall we go back to the lake?" She added.

My eyes gleamed with a twinkle. Looks like she got improvement in her ice technique.

"Zack?" Ernest called out my name.

"Hmm," I raised my head to look at them.

"Ahem, today I'm going to skip. I decided to train in a gravity chamber," I said to them.

Hearing that Ernest and Laverne looked at each other.

"Well, no problem. We can go to the gravity chamber as well," Laverne said with a smile.

Seeing that, I sighed inwardly. Unknowingly, the three of us got closer. Then we continued to eat.

Several minutes later,

We walked out of the building.

"Okay, we will see you at the gravity training room," Laverne said.

Ernest also nodded his head at me.

Then we parted ways. I head straight towards the office building. But my heart was not calm at all.

A few minutes later,

I reached the place. This time the structure was newly built. Looks like after the destruction the place was renovated in a few days.

Creak~

The door opened.

Seeing that, I stepped inside. Then I saw Carlos Kent sitting behind the desk. But at the same time, my senses are alarmed with the danger.

I broke out in a cold sweat. "What happened?" I said in my heart. The danger was coming from Carlos Kent. But he is looking at me with an amicable smile.

Chapter 538 Part 1: Carlos's Summon

From MC's perspective:

I'm trying hard to control the turmoil in my heart. Carlos Kent's smile is unkind. He is looking at me like prey.

There is one way to get through this other than that to listen to him.

"Faction Head?" I said with a half smile on my face.

"Zack Lockwood, take your seat," Carlos said casually.

But I'm getting no good vibes at all. Nodding my head, I sat opposite him.

"Zack, you and your team have failed to complete the mission. What is your response?" Carlos asked.

Hearing that I cursed in my heart. This guy is still thinking about the mission.

"Faction Head, we were surrounded by rogue warriors. If not for the timely help of local forces we would have been dead."

"I hope you remember that," I answered.

"Presumptuous," Carlos scolded and immediately released a faint pressure.

", I slipped..," Before I could finish my words. I was crushed under heavy physical coercion.

Crash~

My body smashed into the floor. The coercion was so sudden that I was caught off guard.

Pfff~

Blood splattered. My bones are making cracking sounds. "I knew it," I said in my heart. Carlos Kent is not a good person.

I hope someone comes to save me. Under heavy physical coercion. My inner organs are suffering damage.

I knew Carlos had kept his hand. But still, this small amount of pressure was unfathomable.

Carlos was displeased by Zack's response. But he didn't intend to do it in the first place.

Seeing that he is slowly losing consciousness. He removed the pressure the next moment. "I was hasty," Carlos muttered. His eyes flickered with a cold glint.

He is not the most powerful person in the academy yet. There is still the supreme elder above him. So he should wait properly for the appropriate time.

Meanwhile, I noticed the pressure was gone. Right after, the immeasurable pain attacked my senses. The pain was many times higher than the blood element method practice.

The splitting headache was so much. I'm fighting to gain a trace of clarity.

Carlos Kent sent a message to someone. After a few minutes, someone came to the door.

"Send him to his dormitory room," Carlos ordered.

Right after, I felt someone dragging my body away. Before I knew it, I found myself in a familiar place.

Even with the spitting headache, I tried to look around. After confirming that I was thrown in front of my dorm room.

I tried to get up. After a few minutes, I managed to stand up on one leg. Then I hurriedly entered the code to enter my room.

Creak~

The door opened. I walked in and headed to my bed to lie down.

From the beginning to end. I felt like a worst nightmare.

Meanwhile,

Carlos is impulsive. He knew he would get a full earring from the dean. She has already been suspecting him.

If she finds out about my small punishment, she will think I'm deliberately targeting him.

So he carefully thought of a plan. He immediately sent a report to the Supreme Elder. He stated about Zack's bad conduct towards him.

Carlos also mentioned about his little punishment in that message. Now if the dean wants to complain. The supreme elder won't suspect him.

After arranging everything, he went to his private secluded training room. He won't come back for a few days.

Because it will take a few days for Zack to heal. Then he will send him outside of Viper City again for a mission. Where he will be taking Zack Lockwood's life.

Meanwhile,

Lying down on my bed. I concentrated on my body. But my body was not in a good condition. Fortunately, in this kind of situation. I have already prepared myself. There is a dark green essence in my dantian.

I have decided to run the wood scripture to heal myself slowly. Right after, the dark green essence starts to reach all of my inner organs.

Where there is heavy injury, the dark essence was more concentrated at that spot.

Healing is a time-consuming process. So I forgot about the time and fully focused on healing myself.

2 days later,

I was still lying down on my bed. But my complexion was better than before. I felt my inner organs were not in a serious condition anymore.

But my dark green essence was consumed completely. Now I have to cultivate again. But before that, I made up my mind to consume healing pills.

As an added security, this pill will help me recover from unknown dangers.

I sat cross-legged on the bed. I brought the healing pill outside from my storage ring. Then I consumed it in one go.

Then I started to run the wood scripture to maximize the benefits. The pill energy entered my body and started to flow through my meridians.

After circulation, the remaining small cracks in my bones all disappeared completely. Seeing that a hint of relief flashes in my eyes.

1 hour later,

Black impurities came out of my body. When I opened my eyes after refining the pill energy. The bad smell attacked my nostrils.

Seeing the thick black sludge all over my skin. My eyes shone with bright light. This situation only happens after a large breakthrough.

But looking at my condition now. I think it's a blessing in disguise. Carlos harmed me. But I got an improvement in strength as a result.

Then I got up from my bed to clean myself. After 20 minutes, I changed into a fresh set of clothes. When I accessed my communication watch. I saw many notifications.

Most of them are from Ernest and Laverne. Even the dean had called me one time. My eyes flickered with a slight glint.

I guess there was no chance for the dean to know about this. Her call might be casual. She might have wanted to know about my situation.

When it comes to Ernest and Laverne. I won't tell them. This piece of news would certainly horrify them.

What about the dean? Should I call her back?

Shaking my head, I decided to postpone for a while. Carlos Kent's behavior had scared me. That guy didn't show any mercy at all.

Just a small slip of the tongue on my part. But he handled me heavily. What to do? It's impossible to fight against him. He is a half-step SSS Elite Warrior. He is slightly weaker than the dean.

It's impossible to go against him until I get help from Jonathan. I hope he will do something about it. Then shaking my head, I decided to stay in my room until I got a call from Jonathan.

Who knows if I go outside, there is a good chance for Carlos to summon me again. Which is not good for me.

Meanwhile,

Ernest and Lavenre, both of them are concerned about Zack. The duo have heard that Zack had shut himself in his room. Which was not a good sign at all.

Especially Zack is not picking up his call. Which further made them worry.

In the special faction common room, these two were discussing.

Beep~

The next moment, both of their communication lights lit up with the notification.

When the duo saw the contact name. Both of them are petrified on the spot. The message was from none other than Carlos Kent.

"He is back," Laverne uttered in shock. She starts panicking.

"He summoned me," Ernest said in a solemn tone.

"He summoned me as well," Laverne said after reading the message.

For a moment, both remained silent. No need to tell. Both of them felt bad.

"Ernest, we should avoid this message," Laverne said in a trembling tone. She fears that the faction head would again send them for a deadly mission.

A small sweat bead appears on Ernest's forehead. Which shows how worried he is right now?

"It's impossible to deny his order. If we do that, then he has the right to take disciplinary action against us," Ernest said after calculating everything.

He didn't find any good solution to escape from this summons. Zack's situation is already troubling their minds. On top of it, they got this summon.

"Ernest, do something," Laverne asked. She is on the verge of mental breakdown.

Seeing her condition, Ernest missed Michael right now. He was currently in retreat. Without Michael and Zack, both of them are helpless.

"Retreat?" Ernest uttered. His eyes shone with the bright light.

Laverne quickly understood from his words.

"Yes, we can enter in seclusion. No one can force us to appear," Laverne added. A trace of hope appeared in her heart.

Ernest weighed in. How to proceed with this? Two of them can't retreat after getting this summon.

Because Ernest thinks that Faction Head knows their whereabouts. That's why he is asking both of them to appear in his office.

If both of them go for retreat, then it will lead to more disciplinary action against them.

Suddenly, Ernest turned toward her and said, "Laverne, you should leave immediately for retreat. Don't come back until you get a message from me or Zack."

A look of disbelief appeared on Laverne's face.

Chapter 539 Part 2: Carlos's Summon

Special Faction Common Room:

Laverne was shocked by Ernest's words. This wasn't the answer she was expecting from him.

She asked, "What's wrong with you?"

"Do you plan on going alone to meet him?"

Ernest let out a sigh. He didn't expect her to spot him.

"Laverne, I'll go and see him. He won't eat me alive. So don't worry. I guess he would probably arrange some other mission for us."

"So don't worry. I'll contact you after meeting him," Ernest replied. His gaze was firm. His mind was fixed.

Laverne bit her lips. A complicated emotion flashes in her eyes. She can see that Ernest made up his mind.

She took a deep breath before answering, "Alright, I'm leaving. You should contact me after the meeting."

Ernest nodded his head. Then Laverne left the room.

Seeing that Ernest also stood up from the seat. He decides to meet the Special Faction Head as well.

Meanwhile,

Carlos Kent is sitting and patiently waiting in his chair. He wants to know whether Zack Lockwood was in good condition or not.

He sent the message to three of them a few minutes ago. Don't know whether they are going to come as fast as they can.

But a sneer appeared on his face. From his last conversation with Zack. He can tell that kid was already suspicious of him. But so what? Without convincing evidence, no one can move him.

The matter of his breakthrough was also learned by the Giant Tower Academy. He tried to hide it. But it was not possible because of the Giant Tower Headmaster's constant calls.

He wanted Zack Lockwood dead as soon as possible.

A quick gleam appears in Carlos Kent's eyes. He wants to finish the work as soon as possible. Because nobody knows when the madwoman pops up in front of him.

If she finds out about my breakthrough, then it would put him in a difficult situation. Just as he was wondering, what to do?

Creak~

The door opened.

Ernest walked inside the room. Seeing him all alone, Carlos paused for a moment. He was hoping to see Zack face-to-face.

But looks like he was not healed at all.

He looked at Ernest and asked, "What about the other two?"

"Faction head, both of them are in retreat," Ernest replied in a calm tone.

"Retreat?" Carlos Kent was surprised. He knew how badly Zack was injured. It's not retreating but that kid is healing in secret without telling one.

Carlos expected Zack to inform his friends. But it looks like it's not. Which was also good for him to make his next plans.

"The bedrock mission was a failure. So I'm planning to send you guys to a different place," Carlos said.

But Ernest Kirk's heart skips a beat. He had expected to hear this before coming here. Like he had said to Laverne.

The summon was about the next mission. Ernest controlled his emotions. He didn't show any change in facial expression.

"I received a report about the rogue warriors hiding in the Uneven Mountain Canyon. Your job is to find out their identity. If possible, eliminate them," Carlos added further.

When he said that a quick gleam flashed in his eyes but Ernest didn't notice it.

Ernest's heart was not calm. He is worried that they are going to be mobbed by the rogue warriors again.

But he can't even refute it now.

So he asked, "When should we leave?"

Carlos Kent revealed a smile on his face before answering, "You guys can go whenever you want. But I want the mission report submitted within 7 days."

Hearing that Ernest Kirk nodded his head in understanding before leaving. When Ernest completely disappeared.

Carlos Kent let out a small chuckle before muttering to himself, "I'll bury that kid at the foot of the mountain."

He already fixed the end date for Zack Lockwood. And this time there were no schemes. He is going himself there to kill Zack.

Even if the Academy elders come, they won't be able to fight against him. There is a reason why he had selected a spot.

The canyon falls under the academy border. This place was also the farthest place from the academy. Unlike the bedrock city where they can travel in a few hours.

The uneven mountain requires at least one day for travel, even by flight. It's difficult for others to help Zack in time.

Even if someone wants to help, they have to cross a long distance in a short period. Which he thinks isn't going to happen.

"the uneven mountain canyon uh?"

"I can wait for a few days," Carlos said to himself.

Meanwhile,

Ernest came to the Special Faction Room a few minutes later. After sitting down on the couch, he contacted Laverne.

Who surprisedly picked up the call the very next second?

"You didn't go?" Ernest asked back in surprise.

"No!"

"I was waiting for your call. Where are you right now?" Laverne asked.

"Come to the common room," After saying that he ended the call.

"Laverne is fine. Then what about Zack?" Ernest uttered. Zack is not picking up his call at all.

He lied to the faction head saying that Zack was in retreat. But he didn't know. In the end, Ernest decided to send the message to Zack.

After sending the message, he began to browse the details online about the uneven mountain canyon. Ernest heard of it before. Because it's a border area.

But he doesn't know other things. He wants to know whether any mode of transit is possible there. If it's a desolate spot, then they have to make a long trip.

A few minutes later,

Laverne enters the room. Upon seeing Ernest, she inquired about the meeting. After learning that they are going on a mission again.

Laverne feels down all of a sudden.

Ernest saw her expression and was comforted.

"Laverne, this time we will make enough preparations. Unlike the situation in bedrock city, the uneven mountain canyon will be different."

"We don't have to keep our hands. There won't be any city residents over there. If there is trouble, the faction head permits us to kill them," Ernest said.

Laverne's eyebrows ease down a little bit. But she didn't completely believe anything bad would happen to them.

After talking for minutes, they went back to their room.

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From MC's perspective:

Beep!

When I was lying down in my bed. A sudden message drew my attention. The message was from Ernest Kirk.

Seeing that I sat up straight and began to read it. When I fully understood the message, my eyes grew cold.

"Another mission?" I uttered in surprise. This is not a real mission. But another deadly trap. He failed to obliterate us in the bed rocky city.

Now he picks up another place for our death.

I couldn't even believe Ernest met with him. So Carlos summoned everyone. Did she go as well? Laverne's image appeared in my mind.

Maybe they don't know about my punishment. That's why they went to see him. I moved my fingers to type back. Now that I'm fully healed.

I decided to alert them. That guy wants to complete the mission in 7 days. But it's impossible. I won't move an inch without hearing from Jonathan.

After sending the message, I frowned. In that message, I decided to meet them at the dining hall the next morning.

"No matter what!"

"I should convince them. There is no good in going for this mission," After muttering to myself. I returned to my original lying down position.

The following day,

9 A.M

After walking out of the dorm building, I started walking toward the dining hall. On the way, I saw a few familiar faces from other factions.

Upon seeing me, they started gossiping. Seeing that my eyes gleamed with a twinkle. After a long time, people started reacting after seeing me.

"Am I missing something?" I mumbled under my breath.

Then shaking my head, I increased my pace towards the dining hall.

After a few minutes, I reached the spot. I saw Ernest and Laverne waving their hands at me.

Seeing that my eyes flickered with a slight glint. They seemed to be happy. Thinking about the mission, I don't know whether to laugh or cry.

The new mission is weighing on their minds as well.

"Zack, what happened to you?"

"Why didn't you attend our calls?"

Ernest and Laverne asked.

"Uh, this..," I uttered. Then I quickly thought of a lie.

"I was practicing my sword moves," I replied.

"Oh, no wonder," Ernest said.

"I think we should polish our attack technique as well," Laverne said.

Both of them had seen Zack's sword moves against the rogue warriors. Even without using the essence, he was able to kill a few rogue warriors.

Seeing that they are convinced, I sighed inwardly. Then we walked inside. When we are walking to the food counter. I immediately felt a lot of gazes on me.

"This happened again!" I uttered in surprise. Something else is going on here.

Ernest and Laverne also noticed the changes. Unlike Zack, Ernest and Laverne knew few people here. So they decided to ask them.

Chapter 540 Jonathan's Move

From MC's perspective:

"Eurice Frye," I muttered to myself. I just overheard the conversation. So this time top genius from the Rain Water Faction has ended her retreat.

If she is from the Rain Water Faction, then her element is either water or a mutation of it. But I'm no longer the same. I can kill the early-stage Super Elite Warriors.

Thinking about it my mouth curved into an arc. Sooner or later, there will be a confrontation. But I'm not worried about this right now.

Looking at Ernest and Laverne conversing with others. My eyes gleamed with a twinkle. I wonder what Carlos Kent is planning?

Last time the rogue warriors surrounded us. This time the situation might be grim. When I was lost in thoughts, Ernest and Laverne came back.

"Let's go," Ernest said.

Then we walked to the food counter to receive the food plate. We found nearby empty seats to sit down.

"Zack, are you going to fight Eurice?" Laverne asked.

Ernest also looked at me before saying, "Don't underestimate her. As far as I know, her water element is different. She also practices matching techniques."

"She can even suppress the average flame faction warriors," Ernest added further.

A hint of surprise flashes in my eyes. As I guessed before, someone appreciated by so many warriors was not an ordinary warrior.

But I responded then with a smile. These guys are not going to bring up the topic of the mission.

"Ernest"

"Laverne"

"I think we should not go for this mission," I said.

Ernest and Laverne widened their eyes in surprise. They didn't expect to hear such words from me.

Ernest was quick to realize. He asked, "Did you notice something?"

Laverne's face turned serious as well.

"That person is acting differently. Even the dean seems helpless right now," I answered.

"What?" Ernest blurted out in surprise. Then he noticed his voice was loud. So he controlled his emotions before asking, "What did the dean say?"

Laverne remained quiet. But her eyes are looking for answers as well.

"She can't judge him without evidence. That guy was going fine all these years. But he suddenly acts out for some reason. So the dean can't accuse him without any concrete evidence," I said.

"It's over. If the dean can't protect us then who else will," Laverne asked in a dispirited tone. She seems to be deeply worried.

Ernest remained quiet as well. Seeing their complex emotions, I sighed inwardly. I can tell that Carlos was targeting me.

But he can't move against me directly. That's why he was involved with the people around me.

Seeing that food is turning cold.

"Let's eat our meal before making the decision," I commented.

My words brought their thoughts back to reality. Then we started eating the food.

Several minutes later,

We walked out of the dining hall. But the people's curious gazes never left me. On the way, I turned toward them and said, "Alright, we have seven days to report. Let's think of some solution tomorrow."

Ernest and Laverne nodded their heads before parting ways. Seeing their disappearing back, my eyes gleamed with a twinkle.

Looks like my words hit them hard. If not for my words they wouldn't have understood the seriousness of this mission.

After taking a glance at them, I started heading toward the gravity chamber.

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Meanwhile,

Jonathan is investigating the Tier-6 City. People call it the Tower City which is named after the Giant Tower Academy.

After getting information from Zack, he directly came to the area under the jurisdiction of the Giant Tower Academy.

Since they are the ones who are trying to murder Zack. Jonathan had started his investigation from here.

He had spent a few days in vain. But a few days back he had captured one of the inner elders of the Giant Tower Academy.

The inner elder used to visit this Tower City in his leisure time. But this time during his visit he was caught by Jonathan.

Right now, Jonathan entered his temporary mansion. The captured elder was imprisoned in the underground. The underground area was supposed to be used as a wine cellar.

But he changed the place into the interrogation room.

When I walked down to that place. He felt the fast breathing of the inner elder. Seeing that the guy was awake.

Jonathan became spirited. He had promised Zack to eliminate his troubles. So he can't afford to waste any time.

He also came to this outer post for a limited amount of time. One was to make sure of Zack's safety. And the other one was something to do with his mission.

Which he had planned to do later. Right now he is fixated on one thing. He wants to know whether they are targeting Zack for his talent or something else.

The inner elder was behind bars. Jonathan opened the gate and walked inside. Hearing footsteps, the inner house elder raised his head and asked, "Who are you?"

The inner house elder is an important person. He is an SS-Elite Warrior. Jonathan knows that he didn't catch him on a whim.

"You still dare to ask me?" Jonathan uttered in a cold tone.

Jonathan waved his hand. But the inner house elder's pupils shrank. He went blank.

Argh~

But the next second he screamed out loud. He is suffering from a severe headache. Like someone is stomping on his head. This inhuman torture broke his defense.

A dignified SS-Elite Warrior didn't expect to suffer a fate like this.

The place was protected with barriers. His screaming won't be heard by outsiders.

Shortly after, Jonathan stopped his attack.

Tud~

The inner house elder collapsed on the ground. But he managed to retain a trace of clarity.

Jonathan smiled and asked, "Now you can understand my ability. This was one of my tricks. But if you fail to cooperate, then I'll show you my other tricks."

"You won't be the same in the end," He added further.

The inner house elder shuddered. He realized the strength of this person. Even the headmaster won't be able to do this trick. The person is many times scarier than the headmaster

Who is he? The inner house elder was shocked to the core. But later part of the words made him pale with fright.

This person is someone he couldn't afford to offend.

"What do you want?" He asked.

Hearing that Jonathan was satisfied by his questions.

Jonathan answered, "For starters, why don't you introduce yourself?"

The inner house elder was stunned. "Don't tell me he captured me without knowing my identity?" The inner house elder said in his heart.

But he didn't dare to make any wild guesses.

"I'm Nick Tiles. Inner House elder of the Giant Tower Academy. I'm responsible for student affairs," He answered.

"Nick, a good name," Jonathan commented.

But the inner house elder was not in a mood to enjoy. He was not sure why he was captured there.

"Alright then, I'm going to ask a few questions. Answer them without hiding anything."

"If not, I will increase your pain manyfold," Jonathan said.

But his words scared him sh!t.

The inner house elder made up his mind to answer everything. He is not at all ready to face that kind of torture again.

"Okay," Elder Nick answered.

"Good" Jonathan uttered before asking, "I want to know why your academy is targeting Zack Lockwood?"

"Zack Lockwood?" Elder Nick uttered. The name sounds familiar to him. When he recalled the name from his memory.

It takes him back to the emergency meeting conveyed a few weeks ago. Where the Giant Tower Headmaster had used the decade-long foundation to kill one person.

But he failed in the end. The name of the target was Zack Lockwood. The lighting element warrior from the Saw Scale Viper Academy.

After recalling everything, he broke out in a cold sweat.

"So you know something?" Jonathan asked.

Hearing that Elder Nick was petrified on the spot. He can tell that the person in front of him is stronger than their headmaster.

And Saw Scale Viper Academy can't have such an existence. But he didn't dare to delay so he nodded his head in response.

"Zack Lockwood defeated our students during the student exchange meet. To seek revenge the headmaster is trying everything to kill Zack Lockwood," Elder Nick answered.

Jonathan furrowed his eyebrows. "Headmaster?" He uttered in doubt.

Elder Nick nodded his head before starting to explain. It's not a surprise that the Giant Tower Headmaster was making unanimous decisions these days.

His decision alone caused them so much damage. So Elder Nick told the current situation in the academy.

Everyone is hoping to sack the headmaster from his position. But unfortunately, the headmaster doesn't seem to care.

He is going to make the same decision again.

A few minutes later,

Jonathan frowned deeper. He had thought the academy elders were behind the decision-making.

But now it doesn't look like that. A single person is targeting Zack Lockwood. And the rest of the elders are protesting against him.

The next second, his eyes grew cold. If the information is true then something is wrong with the headmaster.