

Bloodline 581

Chapter 581 Gustav Vs Mill

"Good. When I win, you'll hand it over to me," Gustav answered while walking forward to meet back up with them.

He sounded so confident the other officers witnessing this scene from behind wondered who was actually stronger between the first and final year cadet.

"Hey now are you being serious?" Mill voiced out with a reluctant look.

"Tell me if you ain't interested; I'll leave immediately," Gustav voiced out while leaving a lingering gaze of disgust like he was looking down on Mill.

"Hmph alright then. Prepare to lose," Mill said with a confident expression as he towered above Gustav.

Although he tested Gustav's strength the other day with the handshake and found him to be relatively high in strength, he was still higher in bloodline rank, so he believed Gustav's bloodline was probably related to strength.

There were situations where a lower-ranked mixedblood would have a higher strength level than a higher-ranked mixedblood. Strength didn't equate to power, and some mixedbloods had very powerful bloodlines that didn't make them very physically strong.

While some had bloodlines that boosted their physical strength but even with these situations, it was never a guarantee that the physically stronger mixedblood would win in a battle.

"I wanted to try the Level four, so how about we head over there instead," Gustav proposed while turning around once more and walking towards the entrance.

The general and Mill followed after him and the officers who had appeared when Gustav was busy scaling the course.

Some of these officers were present at the ceremony the other day, and about two of them even received rewards as well.

They were interested in seeing how this would turn out since Gustav had become something of a celebrity since the news about him being the second youngest Argent-ranked officer spread across the base.

He was the second because Miss Aimee also rose up the ranks quite fast in her days.

However, he was still the one known as the first to complete a five-star mission on his first. Not even Miss Aimee was able to pull that off.

They arrived at the next level's entrance in a few. Unlike level three, level four anti-gravitational force was so strong that it increased mass by sixty-four times its original.

This was more than twice the previous level, which made things extra difficult.

From the moment both of them walked through the entrance, the searing pressure of the anti-gravitational force bore heavily upon them.

Gustav's face barely showed any reaction as he looked up for a moment while walking forward. He slowly adjusted himself to the change in gravitational force, which caused him to be a bit slower in moving.

Mill also didn't show any form of disturbance as he also walked forward and stopped in front of the blue line on the ground, which depicted the starting point.

Every one of their footsteps made loud thudding noises due to both of them pushing around nine thousand kilograms of weight with every movement.

The pressure of the anti-gravitational force would increase the more any form of movement was exerted.

Gustav arrived right in front of the blue line as well and stood on the left side.

There were other spots within the level four area of the training facility. Still, this particular space was for the danger course alone.

It was just the two of them in this large space while the other officers stood at the entrance watching.

The space slowly began to transform and expand after the blue line.

A body of water was created right ahead that covered a span of one three hundred and fifty feet. A few square-shaped iceboxes floated above the surface, scattered all across the place.

The body of water sizzled dangerously, which meant dropping in would result in failure, so the only way to scale through them was by jumping from icebox to icebox.

After scaling through that, there was a vast open land where black fiery orbs flew about the place. They were to avoid the black fiery orbs.

Each one was the size of a fist, and hundreds of them flew across the air every second.

And beyond that, there were still about two more courses to pass through before arriving at the end.

Gustav's eyes were glowing scarlet and green all this time as the space transformed. As he saw the end of the danger course, he closed his eye, deactivating God Eyes.

After the expansion of the space, the countdown appeared above.

[02:00]

They had two minutes to arrive on the other end.

"Ready?" Mill Kaiser asked.

"Sure," Gustav responded as he prepared to move.

'I won't waste time messing around. I will make sure to defeat him in such a manner that will cause him to suffer humiliation,' Mill said internally as he channeled his bloodline, causing weird dark energy to start circulating around him.

'Oh...' As Gustav sensed the energy, he turned to the side for a moment before turning to look forward again.

Beep!

[01:59]

The instant the loud beep was heard, which signified the start of the countdown, they both leaped forward.

[Super Jump Has Been Activated]

Gustav activated Super Jump from the start causing him to leap over two hundred feet across the body of water in one go. Originally, Super Jump would be more powerful, but his body was being strongly pushed down by the gravitational force as his body soared across the air.

Mill, on the other hand, had black shadows similar to him in body stature phase-out of him in mid-air as he leaped forward.

As his body descended, he landed on one of the black shadows and used it as a platform to leap further forward.

The officers who were watching from the side were astonished as they saw both youngsters cross two hundred feet across the air in no time.

Both of them landed on an icebox up ahead and started leaping from one to the other.

Chapter 582 Hand Over My Prize

Four shadowy black figures phased out of Mill's body, again jumping forward farther than him and running faster to get ahead.

Two shadowy figures knelt on one of the iceboxes facing each other with their hands connected like a string while they waited for Mill to arrive.

Mill leaped from the current icebox he was standing on towards the two shadowy figures who had their hands connected.

Fwwoomm!

Landing on their hands, both shadowy figures flung Mill upwards with force, using their arms as a sling.

Mill ascended, soaring forward with speed and surpassing Gustav's position.

At this point, Gustav made use of Super Jump again.

Fwooommm!

Both of them soared forward with speed, surpassing the course where the body of water was located.

They arrived on the vast land where hundreds of black orbs kept flying across the place.

[Dash Has Been Activated]

Gustav sped off as he activated dash and started dodging the balls one after the other.

The darkness oozing forth from Mill increased as he formed an armor around himself and a shadowy black boot that reached his calves.

Fwowoomm!

His speed also significantly increased as he bolted forward, dodging one orb after the other.

'How is he able to keep up with me?' This was the question running through Mill's mind as he struggled to keep up with Gustav.

Gustav was moving so undisturbed, swaying across the place as he dodged the black orbs effortlessly.

He felt Gustav could predict the movement of the balls because every single movement came before the orbs appeared in range.

He had no idea that all this was due to Gustav's perception, which was spread far across the room.

Mill gritted his teeth, sending more shadowy figures out of his being who ran side by side with him for a few moments, gathering momentum.

Four of them appeared on his left and another four on his right.

He was lifted in the middle as these shadowy figures formed a kind of weird formation before throwing Mill forward with speed.

Fwwwoomm!

His body shot across the air as he caught up with Gustav once again and surpassed him.

At this point, they arrived at the end of the course, reaching a ledge.

Up ahead were floating platforms, positioned diagonally in a line-up format. Some were positioned on the right and some on the left, but each platform was at least fifty to seventy feet away from one another.

Since what was ahead was a bottomless pit, the only way forward was by jumping from side to side across the platforms.

Gustav leaped forward when he arrived at the ledge and began the journey.

He landed on the left, while Mill landed on the right.

Swwhhii!

Both of them leaped from side to side in a zig-zag format as they moved forward.

Mill was pushing his bloodline to the limit right now, not understanding why he wasn't giving Gustav leading since they had a lot of differences in bloodline rank.

Gustav was not only keeping up but also surpassing him.

The platforms were steep, but it was practically impossible to fall from them due to the anti-gravitational force. However, leaping the wrong way could cause a balance problem which would lead to a fall.

Shadowy arms extended from Mill's figure as he leaped out. They grabbed onto each platform, pulling him forward with speed to surpass Gustav.

It was working, and he began surpassing Gustav as they arrived at the end of this course, but it was at this moment that Gustav decided to activate Sprint along with Size Manipulation.

Thwwosh~

The officers watching witnessed Gustav's speed suddenly go up by twice, and his right arm stretched forward to grab onto the last platform a hundred feet away.

Zhooom!

He arrived there in nearly an instant, overtaking Mill before leaping towards the land up ahead.

Swoosh!

Gustav had decided to be serious because they were entering the last course.

It looked like a normal pathway, but vanishing points were set across the place that would teleport a person about fifty feet backward.

These points would only glow red on the ground when they were about to be activated for only a moment before teleporting the person away.

Normally, a fast mixedblood would be able to react timely and escape, but with the anti-gravitational force, speed and reaction time was greatly reduced.

As Gustav kept increasing the gap between him and Mill, traveling at speed everyone couldn't believe, Mill spread his shadowy figures across the place while running.

The moment he found himself stepping on a vanishing point, he would instantly switch position with one of his shadowy figures, escaping the fate of being teleported backward.

He couldn't understand how Gustav managed to escape every vanishing point.

Thum! Thum! Thum! Thum!

Both their feet made heavy stomping sounds on the floor as they dashed forward with speed despite the strong anti-gravitational force.

In a few more seconds, Gustav finally arrived at the end of the danger course.

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Everyone could barely believe their eyes as they spotted the timer.

Gustav had spent only one minute twenty-four seconds scaling the danger course in the level four training area, whereas he spent one minute thirty-one seconds scaling the danger course in level three.

They felt this didn't make any sense since level four was supposed to be more difficult.

They had no idea Gustav was just trying out level three without making use of any ability that would make him finish it quicker.

Mill had a look of disbelief on his face as he arrived at the end of the course five seconds later than Gustav.

"How did you...?" Before he could even finish his statement, Gustav cut him short.

"Hand it over," Gustav said while stretching his hand forward.

"I saw your previous time in level three, this should not be possible," Mill voiced out while pointing at Gustav.

"Why does that matter? I was barely exercising. Hand over my prize," Gustav voiced out without any form of intimidation in his voice.

Chapter 583: Red Shadow's Explanation

"Why does that matter? I was barely exercising. Hand over my prize," Gustav voiced out without any form of intimidation in his voice.

"But... Fine," Mill responded with a hesitant look.

As the space reverted back to its normal size before they began the scaling through the courses, Mill reached for his storage device to take out the pill.

A few moments later, he reluctantly handed over the pill to Gustav. He received only one instant recovery pill during the reward ceremony, which was why he was so reluctant to let go of it, but he had no choice after losing to Gustav.

Gustav held the recovery pill in his hands for a bit, scrutinizing it as the medicinal smell wafted across the place.

He proceeded to keep it in his storage device before turning around to head out of the facility.

Mill stared at him from behind with a conflicted and humiliated expression plastered on his face. He still couldn't come to terms that he lost to a first-year he was higher than in bloodline rank.

The general and every officer who had witnessed the competition between the two all stared at Gustav with looks of astonishment as he walked past the entrance.

He didn't even spare the general a glance as he walked away, disappearing out of sight in a few.

Mill came walking in a few moments with a crestfallen expression displayed on his face.

"Father, I swear I would have won," Before he completed his sentence, General Brody interrupted.

"Quiet! We're leaving," He voiced out with a strong tone before turning around.

Mill gritted his teeth in frustration before following after his father.

Gustav arrived back at the apartment where he was staying with Miss Aimee after a few minutes.

He happened to meet only Red Shadow in the apartment while miss Aimee was out again.

"Hey kiddo," He greeted Gustav the moment he arrived within the house.

"Red Shadow... Where's miss Aimee?" He questioned.

"Ah, she's still busy with the investigation. I'm glad she went on her own this time. She keeps bossing me around," Red Shadow sounded both displeased and pleased at the same, which made Gustav display a weird expression.

"Hmm I see I still don't understand why the cloudbreaks agency is working with the MBO though," Gustav voiced out with a tone of confusion.

"Didn't she already tell you that it's in relation to the T67 device?" Red Shadow questioned.

"I know, but I remember your mission back then when I met you in the border, was to secure this device and bring it back to your agency's headquarters..." Gustav responded.

"Exactly! Then the MBO became involved after the whole situation with the Vamp witch," As Red Shadow spoke, Gustav recalled the ambush with lady in black leather combat suit and a brown helmet who managed to get the better of Red Shadow.

"Your teacher and I investigated and found out just how much of a danger the device was. Not only is it a generator, but it's also a key, a trigger and a timer. We had to complete several missions together due to the information needed for tracking the creators of the device being only available in the Cloudbeaks agency. Since I was the one the task was handed to from the onset, I had to be the one to work with your teacher during these times," Red Shadow narrated.

Gustav was slowly beginning to put two and two together from listening to Red Shadow.

"Whatever did happen to the vamp witch?" Gustav asked out of curiosity.

"Oh your teacher destroyed her," Red Shadow responded bluntly.

"I don't doubt that you mean that literally and not figuratively," Gustav wasn't surprised at that response, recalling how mad Miss Aimee was when he gave her a brief explanation of things.

"But that was a mistake, we could have made use of her to get information on who sent her," Red Shadow sighed as he voiced out.

Knowing Miss Aimee, Gustav was sure she didn't care about that at all. She hardly pulled her punches when dealing with things like that.

All this time, Red Shadow still had his mask on and hadn't taken it off in their presence before. Even miss Aimee, who had been working together with him in the last seven months, hadn't seen his real face as well, but of course, Miss Aimee didn't care.

Gustav was just the same. If he wanted to see Red Shadow's true face underneath the mask, all he had to do was activate God Eyes.

Red Shadow was quite surprised because this was the first time he would be working with others, and they wouldn't bug him to reveal the face underneath the mask.

Anytime he worked with a group, there would always be nosy-minded people trying to get him to reveal his face but Miss Aimee and Gustav never even showed any interest in that.

"Well, we're on the last straw of the investigations right now. This part is the most difficult. You've played your part in this as well, but she might still want you to play a part in the final chapter of this godforsaken situation," Red Shadow voiced out.

"I'm sure she'll let me know soon if I'm going to be more involved," Gustav stated.

"I don't think I'm needed though. I'm sure the rest is something you both can handle," Gustav added.

"Who knows? I guess we shall find out," Red Shadow responded with a low tone.

The living room turned silent for a while before Red Shadow spoke once again.

"You still have the power to steal bloodlines?" Red Shadow asked with a very low tone.

"Hmm, I do," Gustav responded.

There was no point in trying to deny what Red Shadow already knew. He even found out before Miss Aimee did.

"Wow. Still fascinating as ever kiddo, but do you plan to hide it forever?" Red Shadow asked.

"Hmm... Hiding it right now is the best choice. It is already known that I have multiple abilities, which I'm disguising under the fact that I have a transformation bloodline. Even with this, I'm still on the radar and I can't reveal much lest it turns out extremely problematic. I will always hide my ability to take bloodlines, But the fact that I have multiple bloodlines might get revealed later in the future," Gustav responded.

"However, that will only be revealed when I have gathered enough strength to be able to protect myself from any power that may try to get hold of me for experimental purposes," Gustav added.

"That's sensible. Have you extracted anyone's powers lately?" Red Shadow asked again.

"Hmm, why?" Gustav nodded while responding.

Chapter 584: Situationship With Angy

"That's sensible. Have you extracted anyone's powers lately?" Red Shadow asked again.

"Hmm, why?" Gustav nodded while responding.

"Remember how I found out you could take bloodlines was because I witnessed you doing it myself. You couldn't see me but I could see you. You gotta be careful with that, you might not wish to reveal it, but if you're caught in the act..." Red Shadow paused at this point.

"I understand your concerns... I was really careless back then and powerless as well. I am now very careful," Gustav stated.

This was actually quite true as Gustav didn't even use Bloodline Acquisition for a long time.

"And I assure you I cannot be sneaked on like that again," Gustav added.

"Oh is that so?" Red shadow voiced out and instantly vanished into red smoke.

His presence vanished as well, and he could neither be seen, heard, or felt within the room.

Gustav's eyes roamed across the place as his face maintained his usual calm look.

A few moments later, he suddenly stood to his feet and stretched out his right hand towards his left shoulder area.

Grab!

His hand grabbed hold of something invisible.

A red glowing footprint appeared on the floor right in front of Gustav for an instant before...

Fwwoooo~

Red smoke covered everywhere as Red Shadow appeared in front of him.

Gustav was currently holding onto Red Shadow's outstretched right hand, which was initially headed for his shoulder area.

"How were you able to detect my presence?" Red Shadow sounded very surprised as he spoke.

"If you had remained in one spot it would certainly be close to impossible to sense your presence. On the other hand, your movement makes you easily detectable especially when you're in range of touch," Gustav responded while letting go of Red Shadow's hand.

"Hmm... Many stronger mixedbloods are unable to detect my presence regardless. You're quite something," Red Shadow said with a tone of astonishment.

"However, this still proves my point that you can still be peeped on," Red Shadow added.

"It would. But I still have some other alternative up my sleeves," Gustav responded with a confident expression.

Just as Red Shadow had explained, it would still be possible to peep on Gustav since he mentioned it was practically impossible to sense Red Shadow unless he moved.

However, Gustav was only using Perception. He didn't make use of God Eyes.

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"Good, you brought him here just as I requested," A middle-aged-looking man in a medical outfit with a monocle on his left eye voiced out to the two in front of him.

They were currently within a medical facility with different types of equipment, chemicals, and operational table arranged across the place. There were also several projections displayed of chemical-related stuff.

"Hmm, this is him... The culprit who injected me," The female cadet responded to the middle-aged man dressed in a medical outfit while gesturing at the male cadet beside her.

The middle-aged man happened to be Dr. Levi and the two in front of him were Angy and Endric.

Endric stood in place with a crestfallen look while staring at the ground, while Angy had an expression of irritation displayed on her face as she stood by the side.

"Young man, did you bring the sample?" Dr. Levi asked him.

"Yes, here it is," Endric brought out a purplish-looking object that resembled a syringe and passed it to Dr. Levi.

"Good," Dr. Levi received the item and turned around to walk towards a table behind where a technological device was stationed.

"I'll test it now for the components it was structured from," Dr. Levi added as he placed it inside a compartment stationed by the left of the cylindrical device and tapped onto some buttons repeatedly.

Shhrrriiii~

A weird machinery sound rang out as rays of light scanned through the item, and Dr. Levi proceeded to wait by the side.

Bing~ Bing~ Bing~ Bing~ Bing~

Different chemical wordings began to appear in a holographic format above, lined up after one another.

As Dr. Levi spotted these wordings, his face began to change expressions. He went from being calm and unbothered to contemplative, curious, and then worried.

While Angy and Endric were waiting behind, Endric tried apologizing to Angy once more.

"I'm sorry, Angy. I wish I could turn ba..." Before he could even complete his sentence, Angy cut him off.

"Save it. I don't care anymore. All I can tell you is, If an alternative for my ailment isn't found, I vow to make you pay," Angy's voice sounded so dark and extremely aggressive as she swore.

Endric had no choice but to keep quiet at this point, knowing that nothing he said could salvage the situation or change how Angy currently felt about him.

He had an expression of guilt and regret written all over his face.

After a few more minutes, the list appearing in mid-air finally stopped computing more.

"This is very bad,"

Both of them heard Dr. Levi's voice out from far ahead as he turned around to face them.

"Angy, brace yourself for what I'm about to say."

The next day arrived, and Gustav had woken up from sleep by four am in the morning.

He heard knocks on his door, which jolted him up.

Miss Aimee happened to be the one who had come knocking on the door.

"Come with me," She voiced out to him the moment he opened up the door.

"Huh? Where are we going?" Gustav asked as he followed after her down the stairs.

"Lazy bones. You really don't want to train with your teacher anymore?" Miss Aimee voiced out from up ahead as she arrived at the entrance.

"Hmm? You have time for training?" Gustav asked as they arrived outside.

"Are you trying to say I don't have time for you anymore?" Miss Aimee paused as they arrived outside and turned to face Gustav.

"Hmm pretty much understandable since you've been here and there lately," Gustav shrugged his shoulders as he spoke.

Chapter 585: Sparing With Miss Aimee Once Again

"Hmm pretty much understandable since you've been here and there lately," Gustav shrugged his shoulders as he spoke.

"Tch, I'm here and there because of the stupid deal I have with them. That will all be over soon," Miss Aimee stated with a cryptic tone.

"Hmm, sure. How is the investigation with Sahil coming along?" Gustav asked as they both resumed walking again.

"Slow, but there has been progress. It's only a matter of time," Miss Aimee responded as they circled around the house towards the back.

There was a massive yard behind, which was spacious with only a few vegetative decorations positioned in different spots.

"Come at me. I wanna see your progress," Miss Aimee voiced out with a smirk.

Gustav paused his steps at that point and stared at Miss Aimee with an intense gaze.

Miss Aimee stood in the same spot and stared back at him with a teasing expression still displayed on her face.

Swwooooosshh!

Gustav suddenly dashed forward and swung his palm towards Miss Aimee's chest.

Fwwooo!

Miss Aimee raised her left palm and slapped his palm towards the side smoothly, causing Gustav to spin around and send out his left elbow towards her face in response.

Miss Aimee retracted her palm back, placing it in front of her face.

Pah!

She grabbed onto Gustav's elbow, locking him in place before swinging her foot forward.

Gustav was sent flying forward.

He somersaulted in the air and landed on his feet before sliding a few feet forward.

Sshhhssh!

He quickly stabilized himself and turned around to see Miss Aimee still standing in place with her left palm slightly raised up.

"Surely, that's not all you've got right?" She said with a mocking tone.

"Nah, I still have so much more to show you," Gustav responded with a smirk before activating Sprint.

[Sprint Has Been Activated]

Swwoooooosshh!

His speed multiplied instantly as he drove forward intensely while throwing his fists towards Miss Aimee.

Pah! Pah! Pah! Pah!

Multiple sounds of collision rang out as the environment was instantly filled with fierce winds blasting across the place.

All that could be seen all ahead were afterimages of Gustav sprinting around Miss Aimee and sending out melee attacks one after the other.

Miss Aimee stood in place while her left palm changed position with speed, blocking hits after hits.

Every hit blocked caused shockwaves to scatter across the place due to the force from Gustav's attacks being quite powerful.

But even with all this, Miss Aimee wasn't fazed in the slightest, neither did her standing position change.

Bang! Bang! Bang! Bang!

This continued for some time, and all through, Miss Aimee had blocked every single one of Gustav's high speed, powered melee attacks.

Gustav looked like a phantom due to his movement speed, while Miss Aimee left palm seemed like it was faster than a phantom.

Gustav seeing as none of his attacks had connected all through, finally decided to do a front attack, sending a roundhouse kick towards Miss Aimee.

As she moved her palm to block that, Gustav suddenly descended with speed and slammed his hand to the ground before spinning with intensity.

Fwwhii~

His outstretched right leg swung towards Miss Aimee's legs with intensity.

Swhhii~

Miss Aimee suddenly levitated by a foot dodging Gustav's attack.

Bam!

She landed back on the ground in the next instant with Gustav's right leg in between her legs. She locked his legs in between hers, causing Gustav to be unable to escape.

Gustav pulled back his leg while on the ground several times, but it was all to no avail. He tried attacking with his left leg, and miss Aimee grabbed hold of it before lifting him into the air like he weighed nothing.

"You sure have improved," Miss Aimee said with a light chuckle while staring at Gustav, who was hung upside down.

"Do you mind putting me down," Gustav felt humiliated being held up like a child.

"Oh, but it's nice seeing you like this," Miss Aimee responded with a smile.

Gustav swung around, trying to free himself from Miss Aimee's grasp, but it was to no avail.

"You're..." Just as miss Aimee was about to speak again, Gustav suddenly decreased in size, causing her to release him by mistake.

His body shrunk to the size of a toddler as he fell towards the ground.

[Combination Has Been Activated]

[Dash + Sprint]

Fwwooosshhhh~

As Gustav landed back on the ground, his body increased back to its original size as his right hand transformed, becoming black, hairy, and muscular.

Fwwwoo!

His speed was so immense that in barely an instant, his fist was only a few inches from miss Aimee's face.

Miss Aimee had a shocked expression on her face as she stared at the fist only centimeters from her face.

She reacted as fast as she could at the moment, still raising her palm in front of her face.

Bang!

The huge sound of collision rang out as Miss Aimee was forced to slide back by three steps.

Whosshhhssh~

The fierce wind blowing across the place signified just how powerful that punch was as well as the cracks that had appeared on the ground.

Spiderwebs like cracks filled the entire vicinity, and the vegetation below had been blasted apart as well.

As Miss Aimee lowered her left palm, a smile could be seen on her face.

"Good one," She proceeded to clap thrice as she voiced out.

"The element of surprise. You always told me never to let my guard down. You should take your own advice, Miss Aimee," Gustav smirked as he voiced out.

"That packed quite the force as well. It's very impressive that you can manage to force a Kilo ranked back when you're still a Falcon ranked... Although, his is far from being enough to defeat one, it's still very good," Miss Aimee sincerely praised Gustav.

Currently, Miss Aimee's strength was reduced to the Kilo level, and even at this, she was using the most basic of Kilo level strength to spar with Gustav. Her Kilo-level strength was still higher than what she had portrayed here.

Chapter 586: Next Mission Briefing

"Uhm, I'm just lucky to have a lot of tricks up my sleeves..." Gustav stated.

"Having a lot is one thing, knowing how to properly make use of them is another," Miss Aimee stated while walking forward to stand in front of Gustav.

"No matter how much power is bestowed onto a person, if they don't utilize it well, it ends up being a waste," Miss Aimee added.

"Hnm," Gustav nodded in understanding.

"How many bloodlines have you taken so far?" Miss Aimee asked.

"Currently, I have about twenty eight bloodlines," Gustav responded.

"That's a lot," Miss Aimee voiced out with a surprised expression. She didn't expect it was this much.

She had no idea that Gustav still had beast transformations in multiples as well.

"How many do you use in battle?" She proceeded to ask.

"About four or five sometimes... It depends on the situation," Gustav responded.

"Which means over twenty of them end up staying useless... Also if you expose too much it might turn problematic," Miss Aimee voiced out with a contemplative expression.

"I'm sure there are some you've never used in a battle right?" Miss Aimee asked.

"Yes, there are some I truly have never activated during a battle," Gustav responded affirmatively.

"The problem is not really exposure since some of the battles you'll be undergoing on the field won't be monitored. The problem is making sure they're aren't useless and making use of the right ones in the right situations," Miss Aimee stated.

"Hmm..." This was also something Gustav thought as well, but he refrained from using all his bloodlines on Campgrounds.

"I want you to come at me using one of your bloodline at a time," Miss Aimee said while turning around.

"I will teach you to make every single bloodline useful," She added.

In a flash, two more days went by, and Gustav had spent another week in the base turning two weeks in total.

Throughout the last two days, Gustav had been in deep training with Miss Aimee, and they had been testing out Gustav's different bloodlines and the best situations to make use of them.

Gustav relived the times he would train with miss Aimee. He had thought he had gotten all that he could from her, but he found out he was sorely mistaken after undergoing the last two days under her tutelage.

Miss Aimee was like him, a user of more than a single bloodline, so her teaching was way more effective than it would be with any other person, especially when both of them were so close.

They shared a bond like none other between teacher and student due to life experiences and other things.

Gustav realised that he would always have something to learn from Miss Aimee regardless of how powerful he became.

It was just two days, yet he felt he had more control over his abilities than he ever did before.

Their plan to make Gustav learn to use all his abilities accordingly was cut short today as Gustav was requested to show up at a particular location with the base for the mission briefing.

At the moment, Gustav had managed to train with about sixteen of his bloodlines, understanding situations where it would be best to make use of them, but he would still have to train for longer before he could master the usage of all bloodlines accordingly.

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Later, Gustav arrived in one of the tech facilities located on the east side of the base.

The internal structure of the facility was like a hall, but there was a massive floating transparent legless table in the middle.

Holographic displays could be seen on the table, which showed Leoluch city and three officers surrounding it.

Gustav arrived at the same time two other officers arrived. There were two more officers standing by the side as well.

"Welcome Officers Crimson, Felgro, and Mill," One of the officers stationed in the middle of the three officers standing around the table voiced out.

"I am Colonel Oxlar. I have been tasked with the briefing of your next mission as a squad," He voiced out.

"As a squad?" One of the officers asked from the side.

"Yes, as a squad of six. Every officer here is below the echo rank and had been specifically picked by the grand General himself to embark on this mission," He added while gesturing at the transparent table which displayed the map of Leoluch city alongside several footages of different locations.

"This is Leoluch city. Currently, a civil war is ongoing there...."

Colonel Oxlar began to narrate the situation ongoing with Leoluch city, which Gustav was already well aware of.

After bringing everybody up to speed, the officers were surprised that the MBO was actually going behind the world government to send them on this secret mission.

"The major aim right now is to weaken forces from the side of the Zalibans, Lanzis and Routilia, but their chain of weapons supply must also be destroyed as well. These locations pinpointed with red dots are places where our reports mention advance firearms being stored," Colonel Oxlar pointed at the projection of the map while speaking.

"The first objective is to destroy the locations where the advanced firearms are stored. Second objective is to reduce the strength of those three forces, so the MBO is tasking you lots to assassinate these three," He voiced out again while pointing at the projection of three men who had just appeared on the screen.

"Assassination?" One of the officers voiced out from the side with a surprised expression.

"Precisely. These three hold great power within the three respective groups, the Zalibans, Lanzis and Routilias. Their assassination will result in the weakening of their strength but this isn't all," Colonel Oxlar voiced out.

"The third objective is to engage in two battles disguising as part of one of the other three groups, Gildan, Vulcan or Darilia. The purpose of blending in is to decimate a part of the opposing force power and level the playing field."

Chapter 587: Squad Leader

"The third objective is to engage in two battles disguising as part of one of the other three groups, Gildan, Vulcan or Darilia. The purpose of blending in is to decimate a part of the opposing force power and level the playing field," Colonel Oxlar explained.

All this was because it had been determined that the Zalibans, Lanzis, and Routilias had much more power and were winning the battle already.

The aim was to equate their power levels, and the MBO didn't care that assassination was on the menu.

No one was innocent in a war, and there would always be deaths, so the MBO wasn't bothered to send them on missions that involved assassination.

It was also a secret/undercover mission so only a collected few would know about it.

Colonel Oxlar explained to them that everything they needed for the completion of the mission would be handed over to them, and they had to make sure it was completed within two months.

The envisioned end result was both sides remaining at an equal level of power and agreeing to stop the war. Still, even if this didn't happen, if this squad completed the three objectives, their mission would be termed successful.

"So these three men, who are they?" Gustav proceeded to ask.

He could already see them dressed in outfits that depicted the groups they were from, but he still wanted more information on them.

The first was a brown-skinned male with a black-dotted forehead and grey-colored hair. He was clad in a black outfit with golden patterns. The way the black outfit was structured, he was obviously one of the Zalibans.

The second one was dressed in a scarlet and blue-colored outfit. He looked quite meek with his oblong-shaped facial feature and white hair. This one was from the Lanzis group.

Gustav only clashed with the Lanzi group once in Leoluch city, but he didn't find them to be as vicious as the Zalibans.

The third one was a blue-skinned male with short orange-colored hair that looked like wriggling worms. He was clad in A white and bluish-colored outfit. This one was from the Routilia group.

Gustav didn't contact anyone from this group throughout his stay in Leoluch city. He did hear rumors that they performed operations in secret and were responsible for crippling a lot of assets that the other three groups owned.

According to Gustav, If this information was correct, they would be the most dangerous out of all three.

It looked like the Zalibans were the most aggressive and powerful among the trio, but at least Gustav felt he could see most of their actions in broad daylight, which could be dealt with.

However, the Routilias doing their operations in secret was more dangerous since it would be impossible to deal with or prevent something you had no idea was happening.

"These men are one of the governing bodies within each group," Colonel Oxlar began explaining.

Every group had a main leader and three governing bodies in the shadows that assisted in lending power to the group.

They were irreplaceable assets due to their possession of power and wealth. If they were gone, so would their assistance.

They were only assassinating one from each group to not cripple them completely. The MBO didn't want to risk having more power than the other, which wouldn't be a good result. The Zalibans and the other two groups were still continuing with this war because they knew they'd win even though they would suffer casualties. While the other three were still battling because they were being pushed to the wall and didn't want to go down without a fight.

"The first one is Chief Brisk Ali of the Zaliban group, second, Chief Voltan Brad of the Lanzi group, and the third is Chief Tim Olton of the Routilia group," The Colonel voiced out while gesturing at the projection of the three images.

The officers in the vicinity took note of this as their eyes lingered on these three.

"The location these three are residing in is currently unknown, however their last seen is right in the locations pinpointed green," He voiced while pointing at the map.

"You will need to conduct investigations yourselves using the information provided, find them and assassinate them," He added.

All six officers who were going to be participating in the mission all had looks of contemplation as they digested all the information they had just received.

One of the officers standing beside Colonel Oxlar moved to the side and started handing out a sphere-shaped device to them one after the other.

Gustav received his as well and scrutinized it as Colonel Oxlar began speaking again.

"Within this device contains a detailed and outlined map displayed here. Also, it contains more information on these three as well as the mission so make sure to study them after you leave here," He stated.

"Officers Felgro, Fiona, Darkyl, Ildan and Mill... You're all under Officer Crimson," Colonel Oxlar stated out while pointing at Gustav.

"Huh?" They all voiced out with looks of confusion while staring at Gustav.

"Officer Crimson will be taking command of this squad during the mission. As the squad leader you all have to listen to his commands," Colonel Oxlar added.

They all stared harder at Gustav after hearing that scrutinizing him even more. Two of the officers looked quite dissatisfied after hearing that, while the other three only had normal expressions.

One of the officers who looked dissatisfied was Mill as expected. Mill Kaiser also happened to be drafted for this mission as well and had been here from the start. Still, Gustav didn't even spare him a glance from their entry into the facility even though he noticed him.

Mill was still harboring a grudge due to losing his only instant recovery pill, but he knew better than to say anything at this moment.

All of them were actually dressed in uniform while Gustav came wearing casual wear, so he already stood out from the start.

Chapter 588: Officer Felgro Disagreement

Gustav felt since it was just a mission briefing, he didn't need to come all dressed up, especially when it was a hassle to put on his new uniform.

"Colonel Oxlar with all due respect this kid doesn't seem fit to lead us into this mission. Wouldn't it be a joke for someone that looks not a day over eighteen and is also the lowest in terms of bloodline rank among all six of us to be the leader?" One of the officers who had a dissatisfied expression on his face voiced out.

"Officer Felgro, should I take your disagreement as an act of insubordination?" Colonel Oxlar stated with a fierce glare.

Officer Felgro flinched and quickly responded, "No colonel, I am not in anyway disagreeing with the decision of the higher-ups. I am just stating my concern for the fate of my comrades and this mission. I don't see any qualifications of leadership that he has got. He's even dressed in a casual outfit, which leads me to believe he might be at the lowest official rank," Officer Felgro, who looked like a Hispanic male with yellow hair, voiced out.

"So you're saying you see better than the higher-ups do? They must be quite foolish to pick a kid as the leader of the squad, right?" Colonel Oxlar's voice turned colder and colder as he spoke.

"No... I... Mean..." Felgro, at this point, was speechless and didn't know how to respond.

No matter what he said now, it would make things worse.

"First off, Officer Crimson was the one that gathered half of the information needed for this mission, second, he completed a five-star mission not too long ago in this same city.."

As Colonel Oxlar got to this point, the eyes of all the other officers in the vicinity widened. Except for Mill, who already knew this.

They all stared at Gustav's face as they recalled the rumors that had been going out across the base recently about a cadet completing a five-star mission.

"Third, he's your senior officer. A senior Argent-ranked MBO officer," Colonel Oxlar added, stunning the officers around even more.

At this point, Officer Felgro felt a sting of humiliation assault him after recalling he was a junior argent.

Gustav just stood in the background watching the drama with no intention to get involved from the start. He would rather undergo the mission just by himself like he did with Sahil, but he understood why a team was needed for this.

They stared at Gustav in a different light now, understanding why he was picked to be the leader.

Even though Mill was dissatisfied, he didn't say anything from the start because he knew very well that Gustav was qualified. He didn't want to dig a grave for himself like Officer Felgro, who was now hoping he didn't get punished for an act of insubordination and speaking low of a senior officer.

"Officer Crimson, how do you wish to punish your subordinate?" Colonel Oxlar voiced out while gesturing at Gustav.

His eyes squinted as he waited to see how Gustav would respond to this. Officer Felgro had a look of distress written all over his face at this point.

"Oh, it doesn't matter. Let's just get on with the mission briefing," Gustav discarded it with an unbothered expression.

Colonel Oxlar nodded and proceeded to resume explaining a few more things.

The mission briefing went on for about five minutes more before it ended.

"By six tomorrow you all are expected to arrive at the transport bay. You can now head to the weapons vault to gather the necessary equipments for the mission. Other feeding items will also be provided to you all, along with fake identifications you can use to hide in plain sight after infiltration," Colonel Oxlar ended with this.

"I wish you all luck and Officer Crimson... The higher ups have high expectations of you," Colonel Oxlar smiled at Gustav before he walked out.

Gustav nodded at him as well, not verbally responding since he didn't really care about their expectations.

But that didn't mean he wouldn't do his best to complete a mission he instigated himself.

He proceeded to move towards the vault within the second base to obtain the items he needed.

He was glad the grand General here wasn't brain dead and decided to listen to him.

Now he had to start plotting and making plans on how to successfully complete the mission with his squad.

Based on his examination of their strength, they all seemed quite strong. He was still a first step Falcon-ranked, but they were all at the last step while Officer Falgro was at the peak, looking like he might break through soon.

The problem wasn't strength since Gustav saw himself as quite capable enough. The issue Gustav saw was their willingness to obey commands and how smart they were in making plans.

Even if a dumb person was given a lot of power, they wouldn't be able to make the most of it, so he was hoping that his subordinates were not the stupid kind.

Later in the evening, Gustav arrived back at the apartment and met Miss Aimee and Red Shadow around.

Miss Aimee had been available for the past two days, so he wasn't surprised to see her, but Red Shadow had been quite busy recently.

"Looks like your mission has been decided. You'll probably be leaving for Leoluch city soon," Miss Aimee voiced out as Gustav sat in the living room.

"Hnm, but wouldn't this clash with your plans to make me work with you?" Gustav asked.

"You already did work with me although not directly. I wanted you to be under my canopy and move with me but later I realised, it would be better if you embarked on dangerous missions by yourself without me being there to protect you. That way you'll be able to grow more," Miss Aimee explained.

"Oh, I see," Gustav smiled as he responded.

"Well this mission isn't all that dangerous. It's a four-star mission after all," Gustav added.

Chapter 589: Departure

"Well this mission isn't all that dangerous. It's a four-star mission after all," Gustav added while proceeding to explain the details of the mission to miss Aimee.

"Still dangerous for a first year cadet. Originally, you shouldn't be given anything beyond a two-star mission, but you're even the leader of a squad embarking on a four star mission," Miss Aimee voiced out after listening to Gustav's narration.

Of course, Miss Aimee was right, but she forgot that Gustav had just completed a five-star mission.

This mission looked quite difficult and overly tasking due to the multiple objectives. However, it was still termed below the difficulty of the one with Sahil due to the fact that Sahil had been chased for years and still was never caught even by officers more powerful than Gustav.

The mission difficulty was raised due to the near impossibility of catching Sahil, unlike this mission that was more straightforward and combat-based.

"If you find yourself in any dangerous situation beyond your control don't forget to use the emergency device I gave you to contact me," Miss Aimee stated.

"I'm sure I'll be fine. Besides If I'm in such a situation and I contact you, everything will be ruined. Besides the city doesn't allow entry for mixedbloods of your level," Gustav voiced out.

"I'll level that city down. Who cares about their stupid war?" Miss Aimee voiced out with a powerful tone.

Gustav:"..." 'This is exactly why I won't call you,'

Gustav knew miss Aimee wasn't bluffing. For reasons unknown, she was choosing to keep herself in check with the MBO. He knew it had to be something important, so he didn't want to ruin things.

He decided running would be the best option if he found himself in situations he couldn't handle. He still had the dimensional bracelet. He would rather not leave his subordinates to die, but he would ditch them with no second thought if it concerned his survival.

Gustav proceeded to follow Miss Aimee back to the yard later for a little bit of training before they headed back in around midnight.

Instead of sleeping, Gustav decided to channel his bloodline.

In battle, he was able to use his bloodlines faster and more efficiently but channeling his bloodline to improve his rank had become relatively slow.

He could tell that it would take him a lot of time before he would reach the second step. Unless he decided to use the permanent bloodline increment pill, he got as a reward recently.

But he still decided to keep that for now and focus on natural channeling.

He now understood why a lot of mixedbloods are still in this rank for years. Those who had low bloodline grades would have difficulty breaking past this rank since it would be extremely slow for them.

All officers under him during this mission were in their early, mid, and late twenties, and they were still in this rank. Gustav's speed was mostly due to his bloodline grade being high and the other bloodlines within him, as well as the boosts gotten within the MBO.

No one else had arrived at this rank at this speed within the MBO, but now just like everyone else, he would also be slowed down a bit.

After channeling his bloodline for about two hours, Gustav decided to check his stats on the system's interface before going to bed.

[Host Attributes]

-Name: Gustav Crimson

-Level: 46

-Class: Sub-Parallel Being

-Exp: 4,210,800/10,800,000

-Hp: 29,900/ 29,900

-Energy: 16,000/16,000

{Attributes}

»Strength: 177

»Perception: 176

»Mental Fortitude: 176

»Agility: 174

»Speed: 172

»Bravery: 174

»Intelligence: 175

»Charm: 80

»Defence: 174

»Vitality: 176

»Endurance: 175

{Attributes points: 49}

'Four levels away from level fifty. Will there be a change when I get to level fifty?' Gustav thought. He remembered he achieved "Cosmic Superiority" at level twenty, so he couldn't help but think there would be a phenomenon when he achieved level fifty.

'Maybe the system will reveal more to me about the secret behind the five-year quests,' Gustav thought.

The system could hear these thoughts he was having since it was in his inner thoughts, but it didn't respond. Of course, Gustav knew it could hear, and this was precisely what he wanted.

He was quite disappointed when there was no response, but he decided not to overthink it and go to bed.

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He was only able to sleep for about three hours before he woke up to prepare for the journey.

Since it was a secret mission, they couldn't go dressed in their uniforms, so just like the last time, Gustav was clad in a casual outfit.

His storage device was stacked with all he would need and even the Jiko Hakai katana.

He had decided he wasn't going to return this.

Miss Aimee accompanied him to the transport bay, which was an open area where

different kinds of aircraft were parked.

Colonel Oxlar was also there to bid them farewell along with some other officers and Mill's father, General Brody.

Their aircraft was a massive one with the MBO emblem on the sides. Blueish in color with the blood-red emblem, making it look quite majestic.

Gustav's squad was there waiting, so the moment he arrived, they started filing into aircraft one after the other.

"With the progress of the mission I'm handling, I might be moving to another location soon," Miss Aimee said to Gustav.

"When you're done with this, I'll reach out to you so you know where to come meet me," Miss Aimee added.

"Alright Miss," A smile appeared on both their faces as Gustav responded before turning around.

The other officers in the vicinity were once again surprised to see miss Aimee smiling.

Mill, who had found a place to sit within the aircraft, stared at Miss Aimee from his sitting position, 'So that's the famed demon queen. She doesn't look as menacing as mentioned,' He thought.

Even though Mill felt this way, he couldn't quite fathom what she was capable of, especially after hearing his father talk about her so many times.

Chapter 590: Interesting Subordinates

The others in the aircraft, too, had spotted miss Aimee. Two of them didn't recognize her, but the other two who did were shocked senseless seeing that Gustav had a relationship with her as well.

Gustav proceeded to get into the spacecraft and sat at the far end of the cabin.

Since they were only six, the space within the cabin area was big enough for everyone to sit on their own if they wanted to.

As expected, Gustav wasn't interested in sitting with anyone, but remembering he was the squad leader, he knew he'd have to communicate with everyone sooner or later, even if he didn't want to.

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The aircraft lifted up into the air after the doors closed up and soared across the sky, disappearing into the distance in a few.

Miss Aimee stared in that direction for a while before turning around to leave.

"Young Miss," General Brody called out from the side.

Miss Aimee paused her steps and turned to the side to stare at him, "What is it?"

"Since both, our proteges are embarking on the same mission, how about I invite you for a..." Before he could even complete his sentence, Miss Aimee cut him short.

"No," She responded aloofly before turning around to leave.

"But you didn't even let me finish. It's for the purpose of mutual benefits," He voiced out from behind, but miss Aimee kept walking away, completely ignoring him.

General Brody gritted his teeth in annoyance, 'How the hell did that kid manage to infiltrate her cold heart? I have been trying and failing for years!' He screamed internally with a look of pain.

Colonel Oxlar shook his head from the side as he also turned away to leave.

An hour into their journey towards Ruhuguy City, the aircraft became a bit noisy.

"Hey, Squad leader; how do you know the demon queen?"

"Squad leader are the rumors true? Was that truly your first mission?"

"I don't believe you're just eighteen years old,"

"You're still a first year? Or is it all just cap?"

Three of the officers surrounded him and kept questioning.

Gustav didn't expect this. He thought the entire journey would be quiet, but these three suddenly came up to him and started initiating conversations with him.

Officer Fiona, Darkyl, and Ildan. These three were quite the lively ones, especially Officer Fiona.

Officer Fiona had two pigtails with brown colored hair. She was a cute-looking lady with fairly chubby cheeks, small lips, and wide, curious eyes.

Officer Darkyl had an Irish white complexion with a seven-inch tall blue mohawk haircut. His eyeballs were completely dark, and his muscles bulged through his casual wear.

Officer Ildan had a slim composure with a teenage-looking masculine face. His chin area had some hair sprouting from it, which suggested he was quite older than his appearance.

Officer Fiona was around twenty-two years of age and got out of the MBO camp about two years ago. She had completed several missions, all ranging from two to three stars, and had successfully completed a four-star mission as well. She had a C-grade bloodline, which was why her bloodline channeling speed wasn't all that fast. Due to her current level, she wouldn't be barely be given four-star missions to complete, which was why she was still a junior-ranked Argent rank even after two years.

Officer Darkyl, on the other hand, had a D-grade bloodline. Truly one of the few Officers within the MBO who managed to become a part of the MBO with a D grade bloodline. He was about twenty-five years and was also a last step Falcon-ranked mixedblood.

As expected, his bloodline grade made his channeling speed slower, but even with that, he had mastered his current strength well and successfully completed every single mission he had been sent on regardless of their star.

This wasn't the first time he and Fiona were being placed in the same squad to embark on a mission together.

On the other hand, Ildan seemed to be the only one close to Gustav's age level besides Mill. This was the fourth mission he was embarking on, and he had got out of camp several months back, becoming a full-fledged officer.

He was a senior to Mill, but they were agetates. Both of them had B-grade bloodlines, so their rank level was understandable and even considered fast for their ages.

Gustav was just on another level with his speed which made them assume he definitely had an A grade bloodline. But even with an A grade bloodline, this still felt extremely fast to them.

"She's my teacher," Gustav responded to Fiona after she asked how he came to know Miss Aimee for the umpteenth time.

"Huh? How did she become your teacher?" Fiona questioned again with her chubby cheeks jiggling with curiosity.

"It's a long story..." Gustav responded with a look of contemplation.

"Oh come on..." Before Fiona could say something again, Darkyl interrupted.

"She looks so hot though... Is she single?" He asked with a smile.

They were all standing on the isle area talking to Gustav all this time, disregarding the fact that they were in a moving aircraft. None of them were even affected by the speed at which it was moving. It was as if their legs were glued to the floor of the aircraft.

"Erm... Yeah I guess," Gustav replied to Darkyl.

The instant Darkyl heard that he quickly wrapped his hand around Gustav's shoulder with an excited look on his face.

"Oh please help a brother out by passing me her contact details," He voiced out.

"I would tell you not to waste your time... She really isn't interested in those sort of things," Gustav advised.

"Please please please, I know she's around the same age with me. Help a brother out, I'll forever be in your debt," Darkyl knelt on the floor in front of Gustav, begging.

Fiona stared at him with a repressed look, "So shameless," She voiced out.