

BloodLine 771

Chapter 771: SS-Elite Early Stage (Lightning essence)

From MC's Perspective:

Days passed in a blink of an eye.

The forces in the inner post region have calmed down after finding that their space barriers are secure.

They have returned to their normal daily operation.

While the Blood Shadow high ups have once again disturbed by the failure.

This time the 2nd blood shadow killer was directly killed on the spot.

So there was no one to take responsibility.

After knowing that the target was shifted to Capital.

They have decided to act carefully next time.

They don't want to completely offend the Federation because of their mission.

The Target's inclusion in the HQ is something special.

It must be approved by the higher ups of the Federation or the Federation Head himself.

Which means the Federation itself is paying attention to target's Zack Lockwood's safety.

So after their decision, the blood shadow killers who are looking for the mission update felt disappointed.

But this situation won't last long.

50th floor:

A week later,

After getting out of bed, I repeated the routine again.

For the past 10 days, I have been cooking in my room.

I had never taken a step out of the 50th floor.

Fortunately, Elder Robbie has been in touch with me from time to time.

He has assured me that I can train with a peaceful mind.

The real task awaits me after the breakthrough.

I will have to fight in the ranking duels again.

There are also no movements from the blood shadow killers as well.

It's like they have completely disappeared.

The Delta City's people have returned to normal lives as well.

But still it was not made clear yet

who was behind the attack.

Even the news about the appearance of the Blood Locust Monsters was also brushed under the carpet.

20 minutes later,

I walked out of the room.

Then I arrived in front of the essence chamber.

A complex glint flash in my eyes.

I had thought it would be easy to touch the barrier in a couple of days' time.

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But even after 10 days, I have yet to feel the presence of the barrier.

Despite Cultivating inside the top notch environment.

With the abundance of the lightning resources, it's taking time to touch the barrier.

I couldn't help but wonder how it was for warriors in the upper region.

It would have taken them at least years or months.

After pushing down these thoughts, I used the palm print to open the door.

Creak!

After entering inside, the door behind me shut down completely.

A quick gleam flashes in my eyes.

Then I activated the basic mode before sitting down cross legged on the platform.

The white mist started coming out of the platform.

Then I closed my eyes and started to run the lightning scripture.

As the time passed, the purple essence from the surroundings started to enter my body.

Then I started to guide the purple essence according to the lightning scripture.

After circulation, the refined purple essence started to settle down in my dantian.

Then I continued to repeat the process.

Not long after, I suddenly felt the obstruction.

A hint of surprise flashes in my eyes.

“Barrier,” I muttered to myself.

After 10 days, I felt the presence of a barrier.

Then I thought of something before taking out the silver box from the storage ring.

I opened the box.

Then I saw the purple bead in it.

Then I took the purple bead and started cultivating the lightning scripture again.

A more powerful thick purple essence entered my body.

The lightning power in it was more dominating and powerful.

It might be useful to break the barrier.

Then I started to circulate the dominating purple essence in my body.

After circulation, the refined dominating purple essence entered the dantian.

When it collided with the invisible barrier.

The barrier remains unscathed.

I sense no crack in it.

Seeing that I continued to repeat the process.

As the time passes, the dominating lightning essence starts colliding against the invisible barrier.

The barrier was remained unscathed at first few attempts.

But after dozens of tries, several cracks started to appear on the invisible barrier.

Seeing that I felt ecstasy in my heart.

Then I continued to absorb the purple essence from the bead.

As the time passes, the invisible barrier starts to crumble down.

In the blink of an eye, the whole invisible barrier was gone.

Boom!

The dantian starts to expand.

In the blink of an eye, the space inside the dantian comes to an end.

The next second, the dominating lightning purple essence starts filling the dantian.

Then I started to crazily absorb the purple essence from the purple bead.

Because of the breakthrough, I felt the overall strength of my body has improved as well.

The red bones have gotten stronger.

The muscle, veins and inner organs seems to have strengthened as well

As the time passes, the space inside the dantian gets filled with the purple essence.

A few hours later,

I opened my eyes.

A hint of happiness flashes in my eyes.

“SS-Elite Early Stage,” I muttered to myself.

I have finally broke through.

When I checked my body.

I saw a black color impurities covered my skin.

At the same time, a bad smell attacked my nostrils.

The purple bead has a lightning essence left in it.

So I placed it back in the silver box before putting it inside my storage ring.

Then I stood up from the platform.

20 minutes later,

I walked out of the shower.

Then I changed to comfort clothes.

After doing that I sat cross legged on the ground.

Then I started to inspect my body.

My body strength has improved compared to before.

I have become more muscular.

When I clenched my first.

I can feel the immense power in it.

But I know it's nothing in front of the SSS-Elite Stage and above.

Then I suddenly thought of something.

Before informing the Teacher.

I should get familiar with my strength.

Then I decided to enter the puppet chamber to test my strength.

A few minutes later,

I entered the puppet chamber.

Here the puppets are in different categories.

There are not only humanoid puppets here.

But also the monster puppets.

I have selected the basic mode.

Then I selected a humanoid puppet to test my strength against.

Boom!

A silver humanoid puppet with blue light eyes appears above the platform.

The puppets here are more advanced and they can show tactics against the opponent.

The next second, the puppet rushed out towards me.

Seeing that, I became excited.

The puppet raised its hand to punch me.

When it got closer to me.

I showed no movement.

Just as it was going to hit me.

I raised my hand to block the fist.

Boom!

I easily locked the fist.

But it has generated the shock force which has hit the surrounding walls.

The puppet tried to use more force against me.

But I didn't take a step back.

Seeing the power of the body strength, I felt satisfied in my strength.

Actually, body cultivation is still at the Super Elite Stage.

This was just the improvement brought by the lightning essence breakthrough.

Boom!

The humanoid puppet tried its metallic leg to attack.

When the metallic right leg hits my body.

I felt a small muscle pain.

Apart from that there was no injury.

But I know that I have breakthrough just now.

I have yet to have complete control over my strength.

So I decided to familiarize with the new strength.

As the time passes, I'm continuing the fight against the puppet.

This puppet doesn't have weapons.

So I'm using my body to adapt to the new strength.

A few hours later,

I felt little control over my strength.

But I think a few days of practice is more necessary.

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McClain House:

The Main Family Head decides to check out the blood shadow tavern.

It has been 10 days, but there was no news from the blood shadow.

He knows that Elder Lowell's student had entered the HQ.

This was not a secret anymore.

Because many of them saw the duo at the HQ.

Among them there are federation members who hail from different influential families.

During family discussion, they are bound to share these types of important news.

When he heard it for the first time.

He had thought the Blood Shadow must have plans to deal with this kind of situation.

But right now, he was left with disappointment.

The Supreme Elder has warned him already not to disturb him for unwanted reasons.

He can't go to him and ask for advice.

The blood shadow tavern is the only option.

"That kid's luck was too good.

To think the Federation is willing to protect him.

Was it because of the core member identity," A look of envy flashes in his eyes.

The next second, he stood up from the seat.

He decided to go to the blood

tavern as soon as possible.

At the same time,

the Supreme Elder old man doesn't know about this.

Outside the McClain House,

There are spies sent by the Federation lurking everywhere.

Chapter 772: Hideout got exposed

Kane left the house silently.

He didn't know that McClain House was being monitored by spies.

When he left the place.

Others also spotted him.

They started following him then.

Time passed,

After a few hours, he arrived in this new city again.

He chose a disguise to appear as a common warrior.

And try to be as low key as possible in the crowd.

But unfortunately, all of this was noticed by the Federation Spies.

Earlier, they had wondered whether they would get any useful information.

Right now, they can tell something fishy about the McClain Family Head.

Kane then started walking towards the destination.

After passing through the crowd, he noticed that a lot of people were gossiping about the delta city.

At this time, the delta city has become a topic of discussion in most places.

Several minutes later,

Kane arrived at the wine tavern again.

When he walked in.

He recognised the person who had guided him towards the basement last time.

Kane approached him and whispered code words to him.

The next second, the warrior silently guided him towards the basement.

So not to raise the doubts of the regular customers.

After arriving at the basement, Kane knew what to do next.

When the warrior was gone.

He then walked towards the door and knocked it.

Creak!

The door was already open.

Seeing that he opened the door to walk inside.

The same shabby looking old man was cleaning glasses behind the desk.

Kane knows the strength of the old man.

So he slowly walked up to him.

“Cough!”

He coughed to attract his attention.

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The old man who was already aware turned towards him.

“What do you want?” He asked.

Kane’s eyes lit up with surprise.

“Elder, do you recognise me?” Kane asked back.

The old man nodded his head at him.

He also guessed the purpose of his visit.

“I know why you are here,” the old man said.

“Are you here to ask about the mission?” the old man asked.

Meanwhile,

Those spies have reached the wine tavern.

But no one stepped inside.

Their years of experience made them aware of that.

This suspicious looking place hides something.

So they have decided to send the reports to the higher ups and then wait for their order.

Back in the basement,

Kane wasn't surprised.

But he was glad that the old man was not in a bad mood.

“They have failed twice to kill the target.

I don't know how long it will take them to complete the mission,”he asked.

The old man looked at him and replied,”The higher ups haven't issued any orders yet.

So be patient.

That kid won't survive for too long.

Let him enjoy his time.”

Kane felt disappointment in his heart.

He wants to know concrete information but not any advice.

The old man saw through his thoughts.

“That kid is in Federation HQ.

Nobody dares to go there.

Any act of such considered as violation of rules.

The Federation might use this chance to eradicate our bases.”

“So higher ups are waiting for a chance.

I guess as long as the kid appears outside.

The killers will get a chance,” The old man said.

Then he asked,”Your McClain House has a good relationship with Lowell McClain.

Why don’t you plan something so that kid can leave the Federation HQ.”

A hint of surprise flashes in Kane’s eyes.

He understands the meaning behind his words.

“If the kid stays in the HQ forever, then no one can touch him,” Kane said in his heart.

Then he turned towards the old man.

“Elder, thank you for your words.

I’m leaving now,” Kane said before leaving the palace.

He knows what to do next.

The Supreme Elder is taking it lightly.

But he won’t wait for things to happen slowly.

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Federation HQ:

The Federation Head Ben receives the spy report.

But he didn’t summon the intellectual officer.

First, he decided to read it.

There is a blue screen in front of him.

He opened the file to read it.

After going through the information, his eyes flickered with a cold glint.

“Didn’t expect there was really something shady about the McClain House,” He said in his heart.

When he read that, spies stopped before the Tavern.

His eyes gleamed with a twinkle.

“Wine Tavern,” He muttered to himself.

He couldn’t help but think it must be the base of the Blood Shadow Hideout.

If it’s true then, it must be handled carefully.

Without confirming it, he doesn’t want to reveal it to Lowell either.

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From MC’s Perspective:

The next day,

I entered the Puppet Training Chamber to train again.

I haven’t disclosed the breakthrough news yet.

I thought it would be better.

If my body strength reaches the SS-Elite Stage as well .

Then I turned towards the monitoring system and activated the basic mode.

Earlier, I used to train under the basic mode with Super Elite Stage.

Now, I'm at the SS-Elits Stage, the basic mode is not much use.

Training will be less effective now.

But I have a good plan in mind.

I want to minimize the time it takes to defeat the puppet.

In that way, I can take it as a reference for the next medium mode.

When the basic mode was activated.

Boom!

A Silver Humanoid Puppet appeared again.

Yesterday, I defeated the puppet by using my body strength.

This time, I'm going to use the lightning power again.

The Humanoid Puppet rushed out to attack.

The speed was so fast.

It was no different than before.

I looked at my right hand.

A purple arc swirling around my fist.

I did it without using any technique.

Last night, I found that I can freely use the lightning power out of my body without using any lightning technique.

When the humanoid puppet reached me.

I raised my fist to attack.

The fist which is covered with lightning arcs comes in contact with the puppet's hand.

Boom!

A deafening sound reverberates throughout the chamber.

The shockwave swept across the platform and hit the barrier.

The puppet was forced to retreat backwards.

At the same time, the lightning power begins to damage the puppet's fist.

Seeing that my eyes gleamed with a twinkle.

The fist attack was a simple one with the added strength of the lightning element.

But it was no formal technique attack.

But the lightning power was able to harm the puppet's body.

Maybe the essence of the SS-Elite Stage is strong.

The power might be even stronger.

If I use the lightning technique.

The other hand, the humanoid puppet returns to its usual position.

Then it started to attack me again without any weapon.

Seeing that I realized that the basic method is like this.

The humanoid puppet starts charging against me in a zigzag manner.

When it was one step away from me.

“Lightning Finger Technique”

I released the 1st stage of the finger technique.

A purple ball formed at the tip of my finger.

The next second, the purple beam shot towards the opponent.

In the blink of an eye, the purple beam reaches the target and hits the forehead of the puppet.

Bang!

An explosion occurs.

The powerful beam easily penetrated the metallic forehead of the puppet.

In a blink of an eye, the purple beam comes out back off the head.

Tud!

The next moment, the puppet dropped dead on the ground.

Seeing that I looked at the purple arcs swirling in both of my hands.

A quick gleam flashes in my eyes.

As I expected, the power of the lightning was indeed stronger.

Earlier, there was a dark hue around the purple lightning.

Now it has become thicker.

With that basic mode comes to an end as well.

Then I thought about using the medium mode.

I walked to the monitor system and set the mode to medium.

Boom!

The next second, the humanoid puppet appears above the platform.

A humanoid puppet with flame mana stones embedded in forehead appeared.

At the same time,

a flame starts coming out of the puppet's hands.

Seeing that a look of understanding dawned on me.

This humanoid puppet has flame elemental attack.

Boom!

The next second, the humanoid puppet shot flame balls at me.

The size of the flame balls are large.

Each at the size of a human head shot towards me.

The flame balls are releasing the powerful heat.

I'm even feeling greater pressure from the flame balls.

“SSS-Elite Power,” I muttered to myself.

The strength of the puppet seems greater than Dean Rebecca and Carlos Kent.

I don’t think their elemental power was this strong.

When the flame balls got closer to me.

“Lightning Phantom Technique”

The next second, purple arcs covered my legs.

I evaded the flame balls one by one.

The flame balls then hit the empty space.

Boom!

An explosion occurs.

The flame balls scorched the platform.

The terrifying heat melts the Platform in the blink of an eye.

The other hand, I saw the puppet coming towards me.

The speed was much faster than me.

Chapter 773: Breakthrough attempt

From MC's Perspective:

Seeing the puppet coming towards me.

I decided to use the finger technique again.

“Lightning Finger Technique”

I directly used the 2nd stage of the lightning finger technique.

A thick purple ball with a dark hue surrounding it forms at the tip of my forefinger.

When the puppet was a few steps away from me.

I released the lightning attack.

The purple beam shot towards the puppet .

The beam swept across in the straight line before hitting the puppet's forehead.

Boom!

The purple beam hits the forehead heavily causing the explosion.

The force swept across the chamber before hitting chamber walls.

The humanoid puppet halts its movements for a second.

Seeing that I didn't want to give a chance to the puppet.

After knowing that it's basically a SSS-Elite Humanoid puppet.

“Lightning Finger Technique”

I released the 3rd stage of the lightning finger attack.

Even more powerful condensed dark purple ball forms at the tip of my forefinger.

The other hand, the humanoid puppet releases a thick red color flame wall in defense.

Boom!

The next second, the purple beam shot towards the puppet. The purple beam went in a straight line.

When it comes in contact with the red flame wall.

The beam easily passes through the flame wall like nothing.

Then hits the head of the humanoid puppet.

Boom!

A loud explosion occurs again.

This time the humanoid puppet metallic head was cracked.

Tud!

Then it hits the ground.

The flame wall disintegrates into thin air.

It's the right time to end the puppet.

So I started attacking with the lightning finger technique again and again.

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Boom!

Boom!

One after another, explosive sound reverberates inside the platform.

A few minutes later,

The Silver Humanoid Puppet showed no sign of movement.

The puppet's life came to an end after the continuous attack.

But the purple essence in my dantian was reduced to half.

With this I can confirm that I can fight across the ranks.

Then I ended the training and walked out of the chamber.

After returning to the room, I went to take a shower.

20 minutes later,

I was in my casual clothes.

Suddenly, I got the call from Teacher Lowell.

Seeing the contact name, I attended the call without thinking further.

A projection of Lowell appeared above the sci-fi watch.

“Teacher, what is it?” I asked.

In the projection, the teacher seems to be serious.

Lowell saw the expression of Zack.

Then he asked, “Zack, how are you doing?”

“How is your cultivation going?”

Hearing that a look of understanding dawned on me.

“Should I tell him?” I asked in my heart.

Then a firm glint flash in my eyes.

“Teacher, I have felt the barrier.

It might take one or two days to get a breakthrough,” I lied to him.

Lowell showed a look of surprise on his face.

“Good” “Good”

Lowell said twice in a good mood.

Initially, he wanted to talk about something.

But he decided not to tell me right now.

“Then, Zack, you can focus on your breakthrough.

I’ll call a few days later,” Lowell said before ending the call.

A hint of confusion flashes in my eyes.

From the look of the teacher, I knew he wanted to talk about something.

What is it?

If I’m not wrong, then it must be about the Blood Shadow.

Maybe he has found some clues.

A cold glint flash in my eyes.

At my current strength, it’s impossible to think about revenge.

I don't know how many years it would take to reach the Black Mark Warrior level.

Even the Federation didn't want to offend those guys.

At this moment, I couldn't help but recall the teacher's advice.

He wanted me to enter one of those universities.

Only they can protect my life from the blood shadow force.

After pushing down these thoughts, I decided to take a rest for a few hours.

Days passed,

The Federation HQ seems to be quiet.

Everyone is doing their work.

But there is a real under current is surging.

Not because of the recent blood shadow threat.

It's also because of the threat from other sides.

Ever since the Federation Head found out about the McClain House involvement in the Blood Shadow Attack.

He has secretly cut ties with them in some of the business.

The McClain House's wealth was already reduced a lot because of the bounty amount.

Now this cutting off ties with the Federation will affect them more.

McClain House:

The family head is Kane smashing the items in his room out of anger.

He returned from the wine tavern a couple of days ago.

But right after that he has been receiving bad news one after another.

The Federation people have severed ties with them.

Because of that they have suffered numerous losses.

He doesn't know how to solve all of this mess.

The Supreme Elder doesn't seem to care about any of this.

"Sh!t," He cursed out loud.

He then sat back on his seat.

"No, I can't let this happen."

"If this continues then the McClain House will collapse eventually," He said to himself.

He couldn't believe this was actually happening.

An ominous feeling comes to his heart.

He doesn't know why but he has strong suspicions about the Federation.

He thinks that they have found out the truth.

But again, if they found out the truth, then why hide it.

Their reactions should have been stronger.

"It doesn't make any sense, they have the strength to defeat us.

There is nothing stopping them.

Then why?" He said in his heart.

Federation HQ, 50th floor:

The next day,

I entered the essence chamber to cultivate.

Past few days, I have been focusing on body strength cultivation.

But I have yet to sense the presence of the barrier.

I hope this time it will change.

After entering inside the essence chamber, I activated the basic mode.

Then I went to the platform before sitting cross legged on the ground.

At the same time, a white mist starts enveloping the chamber.

In the blink of an eye, I was surrounded by the white cover.

Then I closed my eyes and started to run the blood element method.

The next second, the blood rune in my mind starts to flicker.

Right after, I started to sense the blood energy from the white mists.

Slowly, red energy entered my body one after another.

Seeing that I started to guide the energy according to the blood element method.

As the blood energy is circulating inside my body.

A red light appears above the bloodstream.

These hazy red light then starts to convert the blood energy into the mysterious white energies.

These mysterious white energies then start drilling into my bones.

The pain that followed was immense.

But I have been cultivating continuously these days.

So I'm more used to it.

Seeing that I continued to repeat the process.

As the mysterious white energies continued to drill into my skeleton.

The color of the red skeleton deepened further.

But at one point it came to an end.

Any more absorption is met with the thick wall.

A quick gleam flashes in my eyes.

"It's the barrier," I muttered to myself.

Then I didn't stop.

I continued to run the method and tried to attack the barrier.

But the absorption again met with a thick wall.

The barrier remained unscathed.

Then I thought of something before taking out the silver box.

This time I took the red bead from it.

I took the red bead and started absorbing the blood energy from it instead of from the white mist.

As the thick red blood energy entered my body.

I felt the strong energy.

The concentration of the blood energy is stronger; it's similar to the lightning purple bead.

I wonder where the teacher brought it from.

As thick red energy entered my body.

I started running the energy through my body.

I felt the power of the red energy as it coursed through my veins.

After circulation, the hazy red light appears above the bloodstream.

The conversion happened again.

The concentration of the white mysterious energies was thicker.

When the white energies entered the bones of mine.

I felt terrible pain again.

Enduring it, I tried to hit the barrier with the mysterious white energies.

When the energy hits the barrier.

I felt the attempt was better than before.

Though the barrier remains unscathed.

I believe it will change after a few attempts.

Then I continued to repeat the process one after another.

Outside,

Robbie is waiting in the lobby.

He is calling Zack.

But there was no response whatsoever.

“What happened to the kid?” He asked himself.

The federation head asked about Zack.

He told him that Zack was training hard.

But the Federation Head wanted to hear about the breakthrough news.

He knows it's not easy to cross barriers.

Though there are plenty of resources.

But It requires an accumulation.

Otherwise it will take a long time to sense the barrier.

He knows the current situation.

That's why he didn't talk back to him at that time.

Chapter 774: Part 1: SS-Elite Early Stage (Body Strength)

From MC's Perspective:

20 minutes later,

I finally felt the barrier had taken a hit.

Feeling that hope appears in the back of my heart.

Maybe I can achieve a breakthrough today.

So I counted to absorb the red energy from the bead.

Fortunately, the teacher has given me these treasures.

Otherwise, it would certainly take time.

After the absorption of the mysterious white energies into my bones.

It continues to collide with the invisible barrier.

A crack starts to appear in the barrier.

I'm getting this feeling that it's going to break.

As the energy collides with the barrier.

The cracks start to expand.

In the blink of an eye, the cracks have covered all parts of the barrier.

Click!

The next second, the barrier shattered completely.

The rushing white energies are then immediately sucked by skeleton bones.

Feeling the hunger from the skeleton of mine.

A cold shiver went down my spine.

Then I continued to absorb the red energies from the bead to satisfy my hunger.

After the conversion and absorption, the red color starts deepening further.

"SS-ELITE Early Stage body strength," I muttered to myself.

Because of the breakthrough.

The bones have further strengthened.

Which ultimately improved my body strength as well.

Feeling the surging power in my body.

I decided to stabilize the strength first.

So I continued to absorb the red energy from the bead.

Outside,

Robbie is waiting in the lobby.

After some time, he decided to visit the 50th floor.

Then he entered the lift.

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When the left arrived at the 50th floor.

He walked out.

But there was a glass door blocking his path.

One needs permission from Zack to enter inside.

Seeing that he didn't use the authority or sought help from the Federation Head.

Instead he decided to wait here.

He thinks it's better to wait here than stand alone in the lobby.

Where most people stare at you.

Time passed,

After more than one hour of absorbing the red energy from the bead.

The hunger of the red skeleton was gone.

I feel no more urge to absorb the red energy.

Not only that my strength seems to be stabilized as well.

When I opened my eyes.

I found the black impurities covering my skin.

The bad smell is causing a nauseating feeling.

The next second, I stood up and deactivated the mode.

The world's energy starts to recede.

In the blink of an eye, the energy was absorbed by the platform.

When it was completely gone.

I stepped out of the chamber and started walking towards my room.

The next second, I felt someone standing near the glass door.

When I turned around to see.

The person is none other than Robbie.

“Elder Robbie,” I uttered.

Then I realized my current state.

Should I go and meet him with this smell?

Shaking my head, I permitted him to enter inside.

Creak!

The class door opened the next second.

Seeing that Robbie nodded before walking towards Zack.

Looking at the black filth on Zack’s skin.

A quick gleam flashes in his eyes.

“Did you break through?” He asked out of surprise.

“Yes,” I replied.

Robbie’s eyebrows ease down.

“Good”

“I’ll go and inform higher-ups.

You can take a rest here,” Robbie said before leaving the place.

Hearing that I didn’t stop him.

First, I need to clean myself from these impurities.

So I entered my room.

On the other hand, Robbie didn’t know that Zack practices body improvement as well.

So he considered Zack’s essence to be a breakthrough.

This means Zack is an SS-Early Elite Stage Warrior right now.

After entering the lift, he pressed the top floor button.

He is going to pass the information to the Federation Head in person.

Soon, he arrived at the top floor.

But to his surprise.

The Federation Head is not here at this moment.

Seeing that Robbie felt disappointed.

Then he left the place.

Room:

After taking the bath, I changed into comfortable clothes.

Looking at my right hand, I clenched my fist all of a sudden.

Boom!

A small shock force released from my palm.

Seeing that a hint of satisfaction flashed in my eyes.

This was enough to crush the Elite level Warrior.

After leaving the outer post, I achieved this level quickly because of abundant resources.

If I had stayed there it might have taken 2 or 3 years with the limited amount of resources.

Beep!

The sci-fi watch is lit with notifications.

Seeing the contact name, a look of understanding dawned on me.

“Teacher is calling me.

Which means Elder Robbie has shared the news,” I said to myself.

Then I attended the call.

The projection of Teacher Lowell’s face appeared.

“Zack, did you break through?” He asked.

“Yes, teacher.

Just now I have stabilized my strength,” I answered.

“Ha...Ha...Ha..., good.”

“You brought me great relief.

The Federation Head will be satisfied after heading the news.

After this, he won’t hesitate to protect you.”

“But still your goal should be the Tier-4 city.

Where you can read higher levels,” Lowell said.

“Thanks for your treasures, teacher.

Without it, it’s not possible to achieve this breakthrough quicker,” I replied to him.

Then we talked about a few other things before he ended the call.

I walked to the sofa before sitting on it.

Then I began to ponder.

I have stabilized my strength now.

But it will take time to adapt.

Suddenly, the image of the phantom tower comes to mind.

Last time, I stopped at the 5th floor.

The Mid-Stage SS-Elite Shadow completely crushed me at that time.

Then I made a plan.

I’m going to adapt to my new body strength by using the puppet training chamber.

I will try to fight in the Phantom Tower Tomorrow.

McClain House,

At the main house, the 5 Branch Family Heads have come to discuss with the Main Family Head.

The whole McClain House's business had hit hard.

This loss had hit the other branches also.

They didn't know that Supreme Elder and Kane had used half of their wealth to place the bounty.

Chapter 775: Part 2: SS-Elite Early Stage (Body Strength)

McClain House:

Kane entered the meeting room.

Seeing that everyone has come all of a sudden without informing him.

He felt displeased.

Even the 3rd Family Head Martin came here without informing him.

Looking at the face of Kane, he didn't know what to say.

Their 3rd Family has received less money from the nearby shops.

He didn't know what happened.

There are not many customers visiting the shop recently.

The other heads also have a look of questioning on their faces.

"What happened?"

“Why did all of you come uninformed?”

Kane asked.

A hint of anger appeared in his eyes.

The 2nd Branch Family Head who was second in power in the McClain House looked at Kane.

He said, “All of our businesses are going into loss.

We don’t know the reason for this.”

“Yes, family head.

The number of customers visiting our shop is decreasing day by day,” Martin said in a low tone.

Kane who is listening to their complaints.

He started panicking in his heart.

He didn’t expect the consequence to occur this soon.

He knows that these losses sooner or later are going to reflect on other family branches.

But he didn’t expect it would occur this soon.

Seeing that everyone is looking at him.

He doesn't know what to say.

"I will ask the Supreme Elder to look into this.

Even the Main House is suffering losses for unknown reasons," Kane said in a dejected tone.

At the time, Martin thought of something before saying, "Main Family Head, I think it must be the work of Elder Lowell.

Maybe he is targeting us."

Gasp!

Hearing that a small exclamation sounded.

Everyone looked at Martin with a weird gaze.

Because Elder Lowell is a member of the 3rd Branch Family.

He should be supporting him instead of slandering him.

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The 2nd family head stayed silent.

He knows that's not the case.

Delta City was attacked by unknown people.

Elder Lowell must be busy with that matter.

Even if he had wanted to take revenge, he doesn't have time right now.

"Why would Elder Lowell do this?" The 4th Family Head asked.

Hearing that Martin became silent all of a sudden.

He doesn't know how to refute this.

"Don't worry, I'll ask the Supreme Elder to look into this, you guys can leave now," Kane said to them.

He didn't even look at Martin.

He doesn't want Lowell to know this situation.

If he started investigating, then they would be exposed.

Martin's expression darkened.

The 2nd Family Head knew Kane was hiding something.

But he can't force him to tell everything.

Besides, Kane has the Supreme Elder for his support.

So there is no point in offending him.

Then he left the place.

Seeing that others left him one after another.

So the place was empty.

Kane was standing there with a blank expression.

He doesn't know who is causing the losses.

On top of that, he doesn't dare to investigate as well.

He then thought about the Supreme Elder's presence.

Which gave him a sigh of relief.

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From MC's perspective:

Puppet Training Chamber:

When it was evening time.

I entered the puppet training chamber.

Then I selected the basic mode to fight.

Boom!

The next second, a humanoid silver puppet appears above the platform.

The Strength of the puppet is SS-Elite without any elemental power.

If I want I can add it to the monitoring system.

But I want to fight against her puppet with brute force.

Boom!

The puppet rushed out to attack me.

Last time, I easily blocked the attack.

When the puppet raises its fist to punch me.

I waited for the punch to get closer to me.

Boom!

I easily blocked the fist by using my palm.

The puppet retracted a few steps backward.

It almost stumbles down.

Seeing that my eyes gleamed with a twinkle.

My physique has strengthened a lot after the essence breakthrough.

Today after having a physique breakthrough, I don't know the extent of my strength.

On the other hand, the puppet stabilized its movements.

Then it starts charging against me again.

Boom!

Seeing that I rushed forward to attack.

The collision occurs again.

The loud noise reverberates throughout the area.

Tud!

Tud!

The humanoid puppet retreated backward again.

Seeing that I wasn't satisfied.

I want to defeat the puppet without using the blood energy.

Once again we got closer again.

This time I raised my fist to target the puppet's chest.

When my fist comes in contact with the puppet's chest.

Boom!

The force hits the metallic chest.

A small dent appears in it.

The next moment, the puppet crashes onto the ground.

The shock force hits the walls.

But the puppet is still active.

Seeing that I have decided to launch a few more punches.

Boom!

Boom!

One after another, I targeted the puppet's chest.

The dent starts to become wider and wider.

At one point, the metallic chest was broken in it.

A wide hole appeared.

With that, the puppet gets deactivated completely.

Seeing that a look of satisfaction appeared in my eyes.

It's just an SS-Early stage.

I can still fight across ranks.

Before that, I have to get used to the new blood energy strength.

Then I activated the basic mode again but I changed the setting.

Boom!

This time a humanoid puppet appears again.

But this time it has a flame stone embedded in its forehead.

The puppet released the flame balls.

The next second, multiple flame balls shot towards me.

Seeing the familiar attack coming towards me.

I decided to try bare hands.

When the flame ball got closer to me.

I raised my fist to punch.

When the flame ball comes in contact with the fist.

The flame exploded the next second.

Boom!

A deafening sound reverberates throughout the area.

The flame sparks hit my body.

But nothing happened.

I didn't suffer any injury.

Seeing that I felt more confident.

Then I started to attack other flame balls coming towards me one by one.

Boom!

Boom!

One after another explosion occurs.

Chapter 776: Phantom Tower: 2nd time

From MC's Perspective:

Puppet Training Chamber,

The humanoid puppet missed its attack.

Seeing that I rushed out to attack.

I exploded with great speed and got closer to the puppet.

The humanoid puppet didn't even retreat.

After seeing me, it started charging against me.

When we got closer.

I raised my fist to punch.

At the same time, I started to use blood energy.

"Blood Fist"

The skeleton of mine released small red energy.

The next second, the red energy starts to gather around my right fist.

The humanoid puppet also predicts my attack.

It raised its metallic fist to slam me.

When the both fist comes in contact with each other.

Boom!

The red energy of mine tore through the metallic fist and the remaining energy hit the puppet's body.

The humanoid puppet flew backwards like a broken kite before slamming on to the platform.

The shock wave hits the chamber walls.

The other hand, I looked at my fist.

A hint of satisfaction appeared in my eyes.

A one blood Fist attack has rendered the humanoid puppet helpless.

Then I turned around to observe the puppet.

The puppet still has some movements left.

But it was not as agile as before.

When the humanoid puppet got back on its feet.

I rushed out to attack again.

This time the humanoid puppet gets deactivated after receiving the 2nd strike.

Then I continued to practice by changing the setting.

A few hours later,

I stepped out of the essence chamber with a sweat all over my body.

I have somewhat adapted to the new profound strength.

I think this preparation will be enough to challenge the Phantom Tower.

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This time, I will try to clear the 7th floor.

If I do that I will receive more attention from the Federation Head.

Right now, the Federation Head is the only Gold Mark Warrior behind me.

Following, Teacher Lowell who is a Silver Mark Warrior.

There is also Robbie.

But I'm not sure about him.

After returning to my room.

I went to take a shower.

Top Floor:

The Federation Head returns to his office.

Whe he sat back on his seat.

He received good news from Robbie and Lowell.

Both of them are conveying the same message.

After reading the message, a look of satisfaction appeared in his eyes.

“The kid has reached SS-Stage.

The breakthrough speed is really fast.

It’s not worse than talented warriors here,”he muttered to himself.

Then he thought of the abundant resources here.

He was totally convinced..

Already, the blood shadow force is causing headaches.

Zack’s breakthrough brought him good relief.

He knows this situation won’t lower the threat.

Rather the blood shadow force will try even harder to kill Zack Lockwood.

Now he can see Zack’s talent.

It’s safe to say Zack has a good opportunity to enter the university.

If he does that, then the blood shadow threat won't work.

After thinking about it carefully, he sends a message to Lowell and Robbie.

He wants Zack to enter the phantom tower a few days later.

Time passed,

Zack's breakthrough was kept secret.

Not many people knew about it.

The Federation Head is waiting for Zack to Phantom Tower.

Then Zack's breakthrough can be formally announced.

Delta City:

The Delta City is returned to normal.

But it had taken 2 days after the 2nd attack for everyone to feel safe.

The Federation Head had to put out a statement for people to be assured.

But they don't know who the attacker was.

If the Blood Shadow role was revealed, then a large number of people will leave despite Federation Head's assurance.

At this moment,the people don't know about him.

They are continuing their daily life.

Only warriors belonging to the influential family have yet to return.

Especially those who have close connections to the Federation.

They knew about Zack Lockwood's accommodation in the HQ.

It was not a secret anymore.

People present in the lobby saw that time.

The Federation Head didn't bother to hide it either.

The higher ups behind these forces have already started suspecting Zack.

So they are a bit reluctant to send their family members to Delta City.

Lowell Castle:

Lowell is reading reports in the study room.

It has become a daily routine for him to check the space barrier.

You will never know when the Shadow Force will send out their next assassin.

Lowell's only worry is that Blood Shadow might send Silver Mark Warrior.

If it happens, then it would be difficult for him to save the city.

Fortunately, Zack was sent to HQ before any worse things could happen.

Knock!

At this moment, there was knocking on the door.

Hearing that Lowell knew it was none other than Jonathan.

He allowed him to enter inside.

Jonathan walked in.

But his expression was not good looking.

Seeing that Lowell knew something was up.

He asked, "What happened?"

Jonathan then transferred the intel to Lowell's system.

A blue screen appears above the gadget.

Seeing that Lowell began to access the information sent by Jonathan.

A few minutes later,

A cold glint flashes in his eyes.

He then looked towards Jonathan.

He asked, "Is it true?"

Hearing Jonathan nodded his head before saying, "The McClain House is suffering loss these days.

Not only the Main House, the other branch is also suffering the loss."

Lowell remained silent for a second.

He is sure that it's not natural.

All the branch houses are suffering losses at the same time.

There must be someone behind it.

"Did you find out the reason?" Lowell asked.

Jonathan shook his head.

Then he thought of something before saying, "I don't know the exact reason.

But those who had close ties with McClain House are withdrawing their contracts all of a sudden."

Lowell started tapping the desk.

He fell into contemplation.

He doesn't want to help the McClain Family because of the Main Family Head and Supreme Elder.

But looking at the current situation.

He couldn't help but think of the 3rd Branch Family.

Though he doesn't like Martin, the family Head.

But still there are some genuine good people there.

So he doesn't want anything bad to happen to them.

"Jonathan, see if there is anyone causing these losses?" Lowell said to him.

Jonathan nodded before leaving the room.

Then I don't know the real reason .

If they know the blood shadow's client is McClain House, then Lowell's reaction would be different.

Days passed in the blink of an eye,

50th floor:

The following day,

I woke up early.

After completing the morning routine, I started practicing the cultivation.

A few hour later,

My dantian is full of purple essence.

This would be enough to clear the 6th and.

7th floor.

After getting ready, I walked out of my room.

Then I saw Elder Robbie is waiting outside of the glass door.

Seeing that I walked towards him.

Creak!

The glass door opened.

Robbie looked at Zack from head to toe.

After seeing that Zack is looking fine and confident.

He revealed a smile on his face.

“Zack, everyone is waiting in the meeting room.

Your teacher is also there,” Robbie said.

Hearing that I looked at him and asked, "Elder, then who will take me to the Phantom Tower."

Robbie smiled and said, "Don't worry, this time I'll escort you."

I sighed in relief.

Then I followed him to the lobby.

After leaving the lobby, he took me to the teleportation platform.

Which leads to the separate sub-space.

Shortly after,

We reached the platform.

When we entered inside.

Robbie activated the server.

Swoosh!

The next second, the platform activated.

We disappeared from the spot.

When I opened my eyes.

I found myself in front of the towering tower.

Looking at the familiar tower, a hint of anticipation flashes in my eyes.

“You are going to enter the tower for the 2nd time.

The trial will start from the 1st floor.

So don’t get confused,” Robbie said.

Hearing that I thanked him before walking towards the tower.

I know everyone is watching from the meeting room like the last time.

After pushing down these thoughts, I entered the tower.

Swoosh!

I appeared on the 1st floor.

The 1st floor is for the Super Elite Early Stage.

A dark shadow appeared in front of me.

I looked at the shadow.

Then I revealed a small smile on my face.

Swoosh!

The dark shadow rushed out towards me.

I don't know for some reason.

The speed of the dark shadow looks slow.

When the dark shadow got closer to me.

I raised my fist to attack.

When my fist comes in contact with the shadow.

Boom!

My fist easily tore through the shadow body.

The next second, the shadow disappears into thin air.

The next second, the light lit up.

I appeared on the 2nd floor.

Swoosh!

The dark shadow appears.

This time the power of the dark shadow is Super Elite Mid Stage.

The dark shadow starts rushing out towards me.

Seeing that I waited for the phantom shadow to get closer to me.

Chapter 777: Blood Shadow Meeting

From MC's Perspective:

HQ,

In the meeting room, the federation Head and Lowell are watching the performance of Zack Lockwood.

They can see the situation inside each floor.

This time there was no present here to pry on the details.

If not for the blood shadow situation, he would have asked the core members to come as well.

Right now, only he, Lowell and Robbie can witness Zack's performance.

Seeing that Zack cleared the first floor with brute strength.

A quick gleam flashes in his eyes.

Even the brute force behind the punch was just casual.

Seeing that the federation head Ben turned towards Lowell and said, "Zack is indeed a talented kid."

"Have you decided which University you want this kid to enter?" He added.

Hearing that Lowell was surprised in his heart.

He thinks that the Federation Head is as confident as him.

“Head, I think it’s better for Zack to think about this issue,” Lowell replied.

Head Ben revealed an interesting smile.

The other hand, he saw Zack clearing the 2nd floor by using the same method as well.

Inside the Phantom Tower:

3rd Floor,

I appeared on the 3rd floor.

The shadow appeared all of a sudden.

The Shadow’s strength is Peak Stage Super Elite.

The Phantom Shadow released the flame attack on me.

Seeing the dazzling flames, I stood unfazed.

When the flame got closer to me.

I used the brute force to destroy the flame balls.

Instead of engaging in close combat.

The Phantom shadow continued to release the flame attack from the distance.

Seeing that I decided to end the duel.

I don't want to waste the time.

Swoosh!

I exploded with great speed and reached the phantom shadow in the blink of an eye.

Those flame balls didn't even affect my body.

The speed of SS-ELITE Early Stage is indeed fast.

The Phantom shadow couldn't escape from my grasp.

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Boom!

My first lands a blow to phantom shadow.

This time I have used a little more force..

After getting the direct hit, the phantom shadow disintegrates into fragments.

The next second, the light lit.

I disappeared from the spot.

4th floor:

“SS-ELITE Stage,” I uttered as I appeared on this floor.

Last time, I had to use the purple essence to defeat the phantom shadows.

When the phantom shadow appeared.

I felt the power of the SS-Elite Stage from it.

The Phantom Shadow released the ice elemental attack.

In the blink of an eye, the ice spikes came towards me.

The ice spikes are dark blue in color.

I’m feeling extreme cold from it.

Seeing that I couldn’t help but think of the ranking duels.

One hit from it can injure my body.

“Lightning Phantom Technique”

The next second, a purple arc covered my legs.

I exploded with great speed to escape from the ice spikes.

Boom!

One after another ice spikes hit the empty floor.

In the blink of an eye, the floor gets frozen in the blink of an eye.

Meeting room:

“The fighting gets real now,”

Head Ben commented.

The Super Elite Stage duels are just warm up.

Hereafter he can see the depth of Zack’s strength.

A hint of anticipation appeared in Lowell’s eyes.

He saw that the first 3 floors were cleared by Zack in the blink of an eye.

The real test awaits now.

Inside the 4th floor, I got closer to the Phantom shadow by using the lighting movement technique.

Those ice attacks of the phantom shadow are faster.

But my lighting speed is even faster than that.

After arriving in front of the monster, I used the random punch.

A

purple arc covered my fist.

It was a simple lightning fist without any technique.

When the fist comes in contact with Phantom Shadow's body.

Boom!

The brute force pushed the Phantom Shadow to retreat backwards.

I'm simply controlling the purple arcs around my body.

But it was enough to push the phantom shadow to retreat.

The Phantom Shadow then released the ice elemental attack again.

This time the ice element starts to freeze the ground.

The freezing ice continues to expand.

Seeing that I released the lightning attack.

"Lightning Finger Technique"

I raised my head.

The next second, a purple ball formed at the tip of my finger.

Boom!

I shot the finger attack at the opponent.

The purple beam swept across in a straight line before hitting the Phantom Shadow.

The purple beam easily penetrated the body of the Phantom Shadow.

Boom!

An explosion occurs.

The body of the Phantom Shadow disintegrates into thin air.

It was only the 1st stage of the lightning finger attack.

Yet the power of the lightning attack was so strong that it easily destroyed the SS-Early Stage Phantom Shadow.

The next second, the lights lit.

I disappeared from the spot.

5th floor:

Swoosh!

When I opened my eyes.

I appeared on the 5th floor.

The 5th floor's Phantom Shadow has SS-Elite Mid Stage Phantom.

The Phantom Shadow appeared.

The pressure it's giving is a little bit stronger than the previous floor.

"Lightning Finger Technique"

Without giving a chance to the Phantom Shadow.

I released the Finger attack.

The purple ball forms at the tip of my forefinger.

Then I raised my hand and targeted the phantom shadow.

Boom!

A purple beam shot at the phantom shadow.

The 2nd stage of the purple beam is so strong that it creates a powerful force.

The purple beam swept across the line before hitting the phantom shadow.

The Phantom Shadow starts disintegrating into thin air.

One attack from the 2nd stage lightning attack easily defeated the Phantom Shadow.

Inside the meeting room,

The Federation Head was surprised again.

He thought Zack would put in a little bit of effort to clear the 4th floor.

But it all took one lightning attack technique.

This shows that Zack has strength to fight across ranks.

If this goes on, it's possible for Zack to fight against SSS-Eite Stage Warrior.

Lowell was happy in his heart.

He didn't expect Zack's lightning technique to improve this much.

Meanwhile,

The Blood Shadow higher ups meeting conveyed again.

They have a lot of important things to discuss.

Among them Zack Lockwood's bounty will be brought up as well.

Soon, everyone came to the meeting room.

The higher ups of the blood shadow starts to discuss the major issue.

A few hours later,

They have finished reading the major issue.

The issue of Zack Lockwood is not an important issue at all.

Suddenly, one of the elders brought up the issue.

Hearing that some of the elders started to laugh.

While others revealed an amusing smile.

Everyone knows about the attack on Delta City.

It was done by their members.

While the whole inner post region is looking for the culprit.

Yet the Federation avoided revealing the issue to the public.

“Ha...Ha...Ha...”

“The Federation Head Ben is a thick skinned person,” one of the elders said with a laugh.

Hearing that everyone nodded their head in understanding.

While others started to give their opinion.

“The Federation Head might be wondering how to handle us,” Another elder said.

“Ha...Ha...Ha...”

“No one succeeded in defeating us in the inner post.

We have completed several incomplete missions.

Some of them had taken years to complete.”

“After seeing our record, it’s natural for Federation to feel a headache,” one after another the elders started to give their opinions.

“Ha..Ha...Ha...,” A strong laughter echoed inside the meeting room.

Everyone in the outside world thinks that Blood Shadow Force don’t have Silver and Gold Mark Killers.

But in reality, they have Gold Mark Warrior Killers.

It’s just that they require an astronomical amount to complete the job.

No inner post forces offered such a task in recent decades.

So the outside world mistook their strength.

In some ways, it has helped them.

They can be low key in their business.

If the existence of Silver Mark and Goldmark Warriors is known to others.

Then the peace of the whole inner post region will be disturbed.

At this moment, one of the main elders coughed.

“Cough”

Hearing his voice, everyone became quiet all of a sudden.

Everyone’s expression becomes serious.

They know that the main elders have something to talk about.

“Don’t underestimate the Federation.

If you cross their bottom line, it might backfire on us,” He said.

Quiet!

Hearing that the meeting room became quiet all of sudden.

“Don’t forget the purpose of the federation.

The Federation works for the people.

It’s not a family owned force like other organizations.”

“Recently the warriors from the Federation guard the Tier-4 Boundary.

In case something happens, you guys should understand the result,” the elder added.

Everyone began to ponder after hearing that.

They can’t belittle the organization which works for the people.

It’s true that warriors of the Federation are patrolling the Tier-4 boundary.

But they don’t think that Federation Head will invest so much on the target.

But they are wrong on this aspect.

The main elder saw through their thoughts.

He said, “That kid is in HQ right now.”

Chapter 778: 7th floor

Blood Shadow Organisation:

The main elder saw that everyone is giving serious thought to his words.

The other hand, he is also putting his mind to finding some solution.

There are countless warriors and core members in the Army Federation.

Even for them they require a huge number of contributions to get accommodation in the Head Quarters.

But the Federation Head had given that kid access.

Which explains that he plans to invest in that kid.

A cold glint flashes in his eyes.

“It must be done quicker.

If that kid develops quickly, then it will become too hard for them to complete the mission later.”

“If that happens, they might have incur more losses then,” He said in his heart.

The other hand, the other elders are discussing among themselves.

It might seem an insignificant issue.

But if they failed to complete the incomplete mission.

It will put black mark on them.

If that happens, they won’t be able to maintain the same hegemony in the future.

“Elder, we had already sent Black Mark Warriors for this mission.

But they failed miserably.”

“Now, that kid is in their Headquarters, it’s going to be difficult to complete the mission,” one of the elders said.

“Yeah, that’s right.

Even our Silver Mark Warriors won’t be able to help when it comes to their Headquarters,” another elder voiced out his opinion.

Everyone can see that an incomplete mission is more difficult than they had imagined.

If they had known about Federation Head’s interest in that kid.

The Blood Force would have sent one or two Silver Mark Warriors to kill that kid.

Now it’s too late to regret.

“Don’t worry, that kid is just a Super Elite Warrior.

He can’t stay inside that HQ for all the time.

If he wants to become good warriors, then he will have to enter those boundaries to fight against monsters.”

“Maybe we will get a chance at that time.

So for the time being, it’s better to lay low,” The main elder said.

Hearing that some objected.

They wanted to kill Zack before he got a breakthrough.

While others accepted the main elder's approach.

If they continue to target the kid, then the federation might not send him outside to train.

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If they retreat now, they might get a chance to kill that kid in future.

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From MC's Perspective:

6th floor:

A Peak Stage SS-Elite Phantom Shadow appears.

With its appearance it brought fierce wind attack with it.

The force swept across the floor before hitting the walls.

I'm feeling pressure from the Peak Stage SS-Elite Phantom Shadow.

As for its element, I don't have to guess anymore.

Boom!

A whirlwind released by the Phantom Shadow.

Before I could think further.

One after another, whirlwinds appeared side by side.

Each of them releasing the same pressure.

Seeing that my eyes gleamed with a twinkle.

I'm getting this feeling that a single attack from it can injure the Super Elite Stage Warrior.

The next moment, I saw those whirlwinds nearing me at fast speed.

Seeing that I didn't fret.

Rather, I want to try out the lightning defensive technique.

The air tearing sound formed by wind attack can hurt low level warrior's ear drum.

When the wind attack got closer to me from all sides.

"Lightning Wheel"

A purple giant lightning wheel formed around me.

Right at this moment, the whirlwind attacks collide with the lightning wheel.

Boom!

The collision chased the explosion.

The deafening sound reverberates throughout the floor.

The burst out lightning power destroys the wind element in the blink of an eye.

The other hand, the collision force sends me a few steps backwards.

In the meeting room,

Federation Head revealed a smile on his face.

“Good” “Good” He uttered twice.

Now he is more confident that Zack can fight against SSS-Elite Stage Warriors.

As the time passed, a hint of expectation appeared in his eyes.

Earlier, everyone speculated that Zack would fight against the SSS-ELITE Warriors after the breakthrough.

It was assumed based on his previous performance.

Now seeing the fighting on the 6th floor.

Federation Head Ben's confidence grew more.

He saw that Zack is keeping the upper hand

Despite fighting against the Phantom Shadow which is 2 small stages higher than him.

Behind, Lowell is also watching the duel with a relaxed face.

He was worried earlier.

He feared that Zack might have faced more hurdles to impress the Federation Head.

But he is relaxed now.

Hereafter, he can be less worried about Zack.

In the trial tower,

The Phantom Shadow attacks again.

This time it released a powerful wind attack.

Boom!

A gray colored tornado appeared.

The tornado itself occupied half of the floor.

When the powerful wind attack got closer to me.

I raised the black sword and began to charge the black sword with the purple essence.

In the blink of an eye, the black sword flickered with a purple glint.

“Sword Divide”

Right at the moment, when the tornado is going to hit me.

The purple beam shot from the sword.

The lightning power swept across in a straight line before hitting the tornado.

Boom!

An explosion occurs.

The purple beam penetrated through the tornado before destroying the powerful wind element from inside.

The tornado starts to lose its shape and starts disintegrating because of the lightning power.

Seeing that I released a similar attack again.

One after another, the lightning beam hits the tornado.

In the blink of an eye, the whole tornado starts disappearing into thin air.

Seeing that I didn't stop attacking.

Rather I continue to release the sword attack.

A few seconds later,

The Phantom Shadow takes the hit finally.

When the tornado disappeared.

The following attack hits the Phantom Shadow.

One after another, the purple beam destroyed the body of the Phantom Shadow.

In the blink of an eye, the Phantom Shadow disappears into thin air.

Seeing that, a hint of relief flashes in my eyes.

More than half of the purple essence in my dantian disappeared.

The next second, the light lit.

I disappeared from the spot.

7th floor:

When I appeared on the 7th floor.

A hint of worry flashes in my eyes.

It had taken me more than half of the essence to destroy the Peak Stage SS-Elite Phantom Shadow.

Swoosh!

A bulky Phantom Shadow appeared in front of me.

The next second, a massive coercion appeared.

The coercion immediately hit my body.

The power of the Phantom Shadow is many times stronger than the Humanoid Puppet.

“Early Stage SSS-Elite,” I muttered to myself.

The Phantom Shadow released the earth elemental attack.

The brown sand began to cover the platform in the blink of an eye.

Seeing that, I felt bad.

If delayed any longer, it will become harder to fight.

“Lightning Phantom Technique”

The purple lightning covered my legs.

I exploded with great speed.

In the blink of an eye, I escaped from the brown sand attack.

Then I started to move in the zigzag manner.

The Phantom Shadow was Swift.

It released the earth boulders again.

More than one earth boulder appeared in the mid air.

The next second, earth boulders flew towards me.

The earth is flying fast towards me.

Seeing that speed my eyes flickered.

Even after using the lightning phantom technique, I was able to miss the attack of the earth boulders slightly.

Boom!

One after another, earth boulders hit empty space.

The attack created a loud noise.

Ignoring the booming sound, I rushed out towards the Phantom Shadow.

It might seem like a reckless move.

But I have a good plan in my mind.

The Phantom Shadow tries to release the next attack.

Before it could do that.

I appeared before the shadow.

Then I released the Lightning defense technique.

“Lightning Wheel”

A powerful lighting wheel formed around me in the blink of an eye.

I poured more purple essence into it.

The wheel is beaming with thick lightning power.

The next second, I started charging against the phantom shadow.

The Phantom Shadow was quick to attack.

It erected the thick brown wall before it.

It formed so quickly that right at the moment.

The lightning wheel attack collided with the brown wall.

Boom!

A deafening sound reverberates throughout the area.

The brown wall was severely hit by the purple lightning.

Several cracks start to appear in it.

In the blink of an eye, the crack starts to expand.

The next second, the broken wall broke into pieces.

The remaining lightning power hits the Phantom Shadow.

Seeing that I didn't let go of the opportunity.

I released the lightning wheel again.

This time the Phantom Shadow failed to defend the attack.

The powerful lightning power collides with the Phantom Shadow directly.

Boom!

A deafening sound appears again.

The Phantom Shadow was torn apart by the powerful lightning.

The body parts of the Phantom Shadow start to disappear.

Because of it the movement also slowed down.

Seeing that I released the finger attack.

The 3rd stage of the finger attack hits the Phantom Shadow head.

Boom!

The powerful explosion occurs again.

Chapter 779: Quitting

From MC's Perspective:

8th Floor:

Swoosh!

When Phantom Shadow's Head was crushed.

Its body completely disintegrated into thin air.

Then I found myself on the 8th floor.

"Mid-Stage SSS-Elite," I said in my heart.

The real trouble starts from here.

The purple essence has become even lower.

It will soon touch the bottom.

Boom!

A powerful air tearing sound reverberates inside the room.

When I looked ahead, I saw a burly shadow with a similar size appeared.

Upon its arrival, the phantom shadow released the coercion.

When the coercion hit me.

I felt like a huge mountain weighing on me.

All of a sudden, I thought it was going to be the final round.

The Phantom Shadow released the wind elemental attack again.

A vertical wind arc slash towards me.

The next second, I felt an imminent threat.

“Lightning Phantom Technique”

I released the technique.

The next second, a purple arc covered both of my legs.

Then I disappeared from the spot.

But the speed of the wind attack was faster than I had anticipated.

When the attack got closer to me.

I had no choice other than to release the defensive technique.

“Lightning Wheel”

A purple lightning wheel formed around me.

By the time of its appearance, the wind arc had already reached and violently collided with the wheel.

Boom!

A loud explosion occurs.

At the same time, the collision force hits me hard.

My whole body was sent back flying.

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I felt a raging wind attacking my body.

The purple lighting completely disappeared.

It couldn't withstand the power of the SSS-Elite Mid Stage Wind essence.

Crash!

After falling down to the ground, I tried to use the lightning movement technique again.

Then I saw that Phantom Shadow before my eyes.

“So fast,” I muttered.

Before I could think further.

The Phantom Shadow punched me.

The heavy punch lands a blow to my chest.

“Argh!”

A muffled grunt left my mouth.

I was forced to retreat a few steps backwards.

I felt the agonizing pain all over my body.

Thanks to the powerful bones and body.

I was saved from having internal injuries.

But if this goes, I will be beaten down heavily.

Boom!

The Phantom Shadow appeared again.

Seeing that I decided to quit.

If I use the blood energy there is a chance to clear this floor.

But I think it's not necessary.

"I admit defeat," I said in a loud tone.

The next second, the Phantom Shadow stopped.

The tower sent me outside directly.

When I appeared outside.

I was already in front of Robbie.

Robbie's eyes gleamed with a twinkle.

He was extremely satisfied with Zack's performance.

He didn't expect Zack to clear the 7th floor successfully.

He has also spent time on the 8th floor.

It's considered the best among other core member successors.

"You did well," Robbie said.

Hearing that I nodded at me.

If he knows that I have kept my hand.

How would he react then?

“Let’s leave,” Robbie said.

Then he activated the teleportation platform.

The next second, we disappeared from the spot.

When we appeared outside.

It’s the premise of the Federation HQ.

I don’t know whether I’m going to meet the Federation Head or not.

Robbie saw through Zack’s thoughts.

He smiled and said, “Let’s go.

The Federation Head is waiting for you.”

Hearing that I followed him to the building.

After entering inside, we came to the lift.

After walking in, Robbie pressed the button to the 25th floor.

Seeing that a hint of surprise flashes in my eyes.

Because that floor was lower than the 50th floor.

I thought we would be heading to the top floor.

Shortly after,

We arrived at the 25th floor.

Similarly, there was a glass shield obstructing us from entering.

Robbie verified his identity.

Creak!

The next second, the glass door opened.

I walked alongside him.

Last time, my secret was almost exposed.

But thanks to the Silver ring in my hand.

I was saved.

When we walked in.

I saw Teacher Lowell standing in front of one burly person.

That person is the Federation Head.

Seeing him a hint of nervousness appeared in my eyes.

“Zack Lockwood, you have improved greatly since I saw you last time,” Ben said with a smile.

He was impressed by Zack’s performance.

Most importantly, the 7th floor and 8th floor caught his attention.

“If I’m right, you must have run out of purple essence in the dantian,” He added.

Hearing that I replied, “Yes, elder.

I don’t have enough purple essence to use the technique.

So I admitted defeat.”

“Good,” Ben uttered.

Lowell is standing beside him looking relieved.

He couldn’t be more happier that Zack was recognised by Head Ben.

Robbie stood there with a smile on his face as well.

Suddenly, he thought of something before saying, “I think it’s time for Zack to join the Hunting Team.”

“Though he is an SS-ELITE Warrior.

He can fight across ranks.

He has strength to kill Class-8 Monsters,” Robbie commented.

He wants Zack to try fighting against the Class Monsters.

He knows Zack’s background as well.

Since Zack is from the outpost.

He hadn’t gotten a chance to fight the Class Monsters in the inner post yet.

“I thought the same as well,” Lowell added.

He has long since wanted Zack to gain real life fighting experience.

It’s because of Zack’s low cultivation strength earlier.

It was all stopped.

Federation Head Ben is listening to everyone’s words.

Class monsters here are different from the outpost.

In the outpost, the class monsters live in monster zones.

They can’t go outside of the monsters.

It’s similar to those monster zones where monsters are artificial bred.

But here they are living beyond the boundary.

Protected by the space barriers from all the four sides.

The land size is many times larger than those cage-like monster zones.

One has to enter and leave those territories by the teleportation platform or by breaking through the space barriers.

After looking at all of this, he turned towards Zack and said, "Yes, it's time for him to enter those places to gain experiences."

"But he needs a team.

Do you guys have any suggestions?" Ben asked, looking at Lowell and Robbie.

Robbie has already thought about this before coming here.

"Head, how about selecting the team from the ranking battles?" Robbie asked.

"Ranking battles?" Lowell said to himself.

"That's right.

Let him participate in the SS-Elite Top list duels," Head Ben said

The other hand, I'm silently listening to their conversations.

"Am I going to step into the real inner post?" I asked myself.

As far as I know the SS-Elite duels are going to happen outside in the big city.

It's not like an internal competition.

After some talk, the Federation Head Ben said,"Robbie, you can accompany him to Redwood City.

I heard that the Top list duels for next month will be held here."

Hearing that Robbie nodded his head and replied,"Yes, head."

Lowell was surprised in his heart.

He didn't expect things to go this fast.

"Alright, Robbie and Zack.

You guys can leave," Federation Head Ben said.

Hearing that I bid goodbye to the Teacher and left with Lowell.

When both left the place.

Federation Head Ben turned towards Lowell.

"Lowell, I think you have something to ask me," Federation Head Ben asked.

He thinks it's time to reveal about the McClain House's involvement in the Blood Shadow's bounty.

Lowell was stunned after hearing this.

Then he took a deep breath before asking, "McClain House's business was hit very badly.

I don't know what's happening or who is behind this?"

Ben smiled mysteriously before asking, "Lowell, what if I say McClain House is the one who is behind the Blood Shadow's assassination on Zack."

Boom!

Hearing that Lowell felt thunderclap rang in his ears.

For a second, his mind went blank.

Earlier he thought about mentioning this to the Federation Head.

But he didn't expect to hear this shocking news.

The only thing he worries about is the condition of the 3rd Branch House.

If they lose strength and become weak, then in future the 3rd house might hit the bottom in the house ranking.

He doesn't wish to see that happen when he is alive.

But after hearing that they are behind the Blood Shadow.

It shook him to the core.

He didn't expect that the Main Family had the guts to go against him.

Especially the dying old man who knows that I'm second in strength in the whole McClain House.

If he is gone, then I should be the one who is going to look after the McClain House in future.

"Then why?" He muttered to himself.

Ben saw through his thoughts.

"Are you wondering why the dying Gold Mark Warrior took this decision?" Ben asked.

Hearing that Lowell's thoughts returned to reality.

"Head, what's going on?" Lowell asked directly.

He thinks that Head Ben knows something.

"Sigh"

Ben let out a sigh before saying, "If my guess is right, then the dying old man knows about changes in the Tier-4 Boundary."

Chapter 780: Training hard

From MC's Perspective:

Federation HQ,

Lowell's eyes flickered after hearing the familiar name Tier-4 Boundary.

He soon connected the dots by comparing the recent behavior of the Supreme Elder of their McClain House.

The other hand, Federation Head Ben is seeing that Lowell is thinking seriously about it.

At first, even he was suspicious.

Not many know about the deep secrets of the Tier-4 boundary.

Among the Gold Mark Warriors there are very few who know about this secret.

That's why he was surprised by the Supreme Elder of the McClain House's boldness.

In case something happens out there, then all the Silver Mark Warriors will be summoned.

The death rate is higher inside the Tier-4 Boundary.

Not all of the Silver Mark Warriors can leave alive.

So the Supreme Elder of the McClain House is betting on Lowell to permanently stay there.

At this point of time, Lowell has also understood everything.

Then thinking that his own family was responsible for the assassination attempts on Zack.

His heart filled with regret.

If he had seen through their sinister heart earlier, then this situation wouldn't have happened.

He would have recommended Zack directly to the Federation Head.

Federation Head Ben said, "Alright, since you know everything.

It's time for you to focus on other important matters.

Leave Zack to Robbie.

He will do his best to protect and train him."

Hearing that Lowell revealed a relaxed smile and said, "Thanks Head.

Then I'm leaving."

After saying that Lowell left the place.

Seeing the disappearing back of Lowell, his eyes flickered.

He doesn't want Lowell to take action against the Blood Shadow Force.

Which is something difficult in their current situation.

That's why he avoided mentioning about the Blood Shadow Killers.

Meanwhile,

I reached my floor.

Elder Robbie left after saying a few words.

The next ranking duels competition will be held at Redwood City.

So he wanted me to train hard in the meantime.

After entering the room, I quickly went to take a shower.

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20 minutes later,

I changed into comfort clothes before laying flat on the bed comfortably.

Today, I pushed myself really hard.

“The 8th floor was impossible at my current essence.

But if I used the blood element method things could have been different,” He said with a regret to himself.

The Phantom Tower is something.

People can watch my fights live.

For this matter alone, I have avoided using the blood energy inside the Phantom Tower.

Then I closed my eyes and started to recall the duels in my mind.

Time passed by,

The new day arrives the next morning.

With a clear goal in my mind.

I made a new schedule for my training.

After completing the morning routine, I left the room and then walked into the Gravity Chamber.

Time went on,

Following that, I entered the next chambers one by one.

In that way, I spent the rest of the days like that.

Morning goes and evening comes.

Weeks went just like that before it was the start of the 1st day of the next month.

The whole warriors in the inner post are excited because of this month.

Because the ranking duels will be held again.

Unless someone defeats the top warriors in the list.

The ranking for the top warriors will be the same for the following month.

Or the top ranking warriors get the breakthrough.

Otherwise, the ranking will be the same.

Most of the forces in the inner post only pay attention to the Commander Rank and General Stage Ranking Duels.

Because they were the ones who got more chances to get recruited by the University.

So there has always been a main attraction on the ranking duels of these stages.

When it comes to SS-Rank and SSS-Elite Stage Duels.

Not much attention is given to them.

As many warriors may die before reaching the commander stage.

So there is no point in wasting time on this.

So the forces won't show interest in them.

Unless they reach the Commander Rank Stage and higher.

If they invest in advance, then they might have to incur loss.

Because previously most of the selected warriors were dead fighting against the high ranking Class Monsters.

Among these forces, there will always be some forces which are exceptional.

They will use these SS and SSS-Elite top ranking duels to find out the talented warriors of the hostile forces to kill in advance.

The Blood Shadow don't know about Zack Lockwood's current status.

Otherwise, they won't let go of this nice opportunity.

50th floor:

Robbie comes to the 50th floor to check upon Zack.

It's been a few weeks since he has been watching the progression of Zack closely.

There was no breakthrough.

But Zack's demeanor has improved compared to the last time when Zack participated in the Phantom Tower.

After pushing down these thoughts, he made a direct call to Zack

Meanwhile,

I'm watching online videos inside the room.

Suddenly, the sci-fi watch lit up with the notification.

Seeing that I noticed that the call was from Elder Robbie.

Then I got out of my bed and walked towards the door.

I'm not surprised by his appearance.

He has been coming frequently these days.

Creak!

After opening the door, I stepped outside.

Then I saw Elder Robbie standing behind the glass door.

Seeing that I entered the code.

The next second, the glass door opened.

Robbie walked in.

Seeing that I said, "Elder, you don't have to do this every time.

If you want you can enter without my permission."

Robbie shook his head and said, "It was instructed by the Federation Head.

I'm just following his orders."

Hearing that I don't know whether to laugh or cry.

Then we entered the room and sat on the chair.

After sitting down, Robbie began to observe Zack.

Seeing Zack's relaxed and calm expression.

He was satisfied in his heart.

The other hand, I remained silent.

But I somewhat guessed the purpose of the visit in my heart.

"Are we leaving for Redwood City soon?" I asked in my heart.