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A full load of fuel can only support about 400 kilometers.

But they also have to calculate the return fuel.

Otherwise, if they run out of fuel in the icy wilderness,

Everyone in the vehicle will likely freeze to death.

This meant that every time they drove out for over 200 kilometers,

They had to begin their return journey to ensure they had sufficient fuel.

However, if they went back to resupply and then returned,

They would be wasting another 200 kilometers.

To ensure the exploration progress, Kikuchi Kohei made a radical decision.

He put all the other snowmobiles at the base into operation.

Each exploration vehicle was assigned a snowmobile as a support vehicle,

Shuttling back and forth between the base to transport fuel and supplies,

Ensuring that the exploration snowmobiles wouldn't backtrack.

However, in his frenzy, Kikuchi Kohei overlooked one thing.

Their base was already overloaded, supplies were scarce,

And fuel reserves could only meet the needs of small-scale operations.

Now, with all vehicles in operation, and operating at a high load of shuttling back and forth,

Plus, the deployment of helicopters, fuel consumption was several times faster than designed.

When Charlie awakened Jeremiah and Ria and brought them back to the aurora borealis,

Wu Han Palace's Japanese research team had already entered a high-intensity search phase.

Under the aurora, Charlie once again sacrificed most of his spiritual energy to acquire sixteen new hand seals.

This brought his total number of Great Sun Tathagata hand seals to ninety-six.

The underlying logic of the Great Sun Tathagata hand seals is simple:

Each additional seal enhances the overall effect.

This gradual accumulation has far surpassed the initial limitation of only sixteen seals.

This gave Charlie immense confidence.

If there were further developments in the Great Sun Tathagata hand seals,

The efficiency would likely reach an astonishing level when the number reached one hundred and sixty.

However, Jeremiah, under the aurora, noticed a problem.

She said to Charlie with a puzzled look,

"Mr. Wade, I tried the new hand seals."

"But they don't seem to be working."

"Not working?"

Charlie asked in surprise, "That shouldn't be the case."

"I've already performed ninety-six hand seals,"

"Which are stronger than before."

"How could they not be working?"

Jeremiah was also puzzled and said,

"I have indeed completed all the hand seals,"

"But strangely, spiritual energy was generated after completing the first eighty hand seals."

"I was a little confused at first because when I went from sixteen hand seals to thirty-two,"

"As long as the seventeenth hand seal was connected smoothly and stably,"

"Spiritual energy would be generated when the thirty-second hand seal ended and returned to the first hand seal."

"I thought that should be a complete cycle."

"But just now it seems that the last sixteen hand seals are not connected with the first eighty hand seals."

At this moment, Ria also opened her eyes and said,

"Mr. Wade, my situation is the same as Sister Yun's."

"That's really strange."

Charlie frowned and analyzed, "When I completed the eighty-first hand seal, I performed the eighty-first hand seal at a normal speed and frequency."

"The spiritual energy was also generated when the ninety-six hand seals were completed,"

"And it was indeed significantly improved compared to before."

"Why didn't it work for you?"

Jeremiah asked, "Could it be that our own cultivation is not high enough?"

"So we can only operate the first eighty hand seals?"

Ria added, "Or the hand seals themselves have their own hierarchy."

"For example, eighty hand seals constitute one level."

"And we are currently only at the first level?"

Charlie said, "What you two said is possible."

"Let's go back and try again."

"If it still doesn't work, you should continue your seclusion to consolidate the first eighty hand seals."

Jeremiah nodded slightly and asked him,

"Shall we go back now?"

"Okay."

Charlie stood up and said to the two of them and Maria,

"Let's go back."

Under the aurora, the four of them walked back to the research station.

In the quiet night, Charlie suddenly heard an unusual noise.

He couldn't help but murmur,

"Strange, why is there the sound of a helicopter engine?"