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Right now my body, the vessel of my soul is unstable as it was upgraded only to house two consciousness but now trying to multiply my consciousness to three I ended up with 4 soul consciousness which was twice the amount my body could hold. What happens if you pour 2 litres of water in a bottle with a volume of 1 litre, the water will overflow similarly my new 4 consciousness mutated soul was on the verge of overflowing.

While forming the 4 consciousness mutated soul I also gained a huge boost to my active soul control enough for me to break through and step into the card soldier realm. Breaking through would also solve my problem of unstable body and soul overflow, using the baptism upon my breakthrough. Call me greedy but I wanted to create my second origin card and then breakthrough so that my second origin card could be blessed by the baptism. Who knows when I will break through to the next higher realm, also one can only undergo baptism 9 times in their life and I did not want to waste this opportunity of getting stronger. Therefore I held back my breakthrough until I had created my second origin card.

Holding back a breakthrough meant I could not take care of my unstable physique and soul overflow issue for now. And I had to create my second origin card in this condition. But thankfully having a 4 consciousness mutated soul came with advantages such as 4 separate mental strengths and 4 times refined soul energy which is 4 times more pure and concentrated than regular soul energy, making it more efficient and stronger.

Thanks to the Demigod bestowed skill Insight Forecast I was able to upgrade the AI programming of my 3 slave consciousness which made them more obedient and efficient. So I could assign one slave consciousness to monitor and stabilise unstable physique and soul overflow while my main consciousness along with my other two slave consciousness would create my second origin card. And then I can break through while in that process baptising my new mutated soul and my second origin card along with the regular benefits of baptism.

My plan was simple but during the execution, many variables can transpire and my lust to grow stronger has once again led me to gamble with my life. But if I had to be the strongest out there then I had to do what others may never think of or dare to attempt.

This mindset took me to the pinnacle of the world in my past life and using the same mindset I will ascend to the pinnacle in this life too.

Now that I was done with my soul mutation, I stepped out of the card lab and headed to the front desk of the card hall to get the ingredients that Susan had sent from the warehouse.

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Dungeon Calamity Seed is mostly found in rare barren dungeons. Barren dungeons are types of dungeons that exist even after their dungeon core is abolished. The phenomenon is not possible if the core is abolished by a card apprentice, it is only possible if the core of the dungeon is abolished by the Dungeon Calamity Seed. So if you find a Barren dungeon then it means it contains a Dungeon Calamity Seed.

Over the years researchers have found how a fully functioning dungeon becomes a Barren dungeon but could never solve the mysteries related to the dungeon calamity seed's origin as to where did the dungeon calamity seed come from? How did the dungeon calamity seed end up in that particular dungeon?

According to researchers findings, there are 5 stages for the dungeon calamity seed to go through before achieving its initial form,

When you sow a dungeon calamity seed in the land of a fully functioning dungeon it will absorb the soul energy in the soil then sprout into a seedling and later establish into a healthy plant, this stage of the dungeon calamity seed is called the sapling stage.

Next, the healthy plant will grow new leaves going on to form a single bud, this stage of the dungeon calamity seed is called the budding stage.

Later drawing enough soul energy from the atmosphere and ground the bud will develop into a flower, this stage of the dungeon calamity seed is called the flowering stage.

Then the flower of the dungeon calamity seed will undergo asexual reproduction and the flower will turn into a fruit, this stage of the dungeon calamity seed is called the ripening stage.

Once this fruit reaches full maturity this stage of the dungeon calamity seed is called the harvesting stage.

During the five stages of the dungeon calamity seed to achieve its initial form, the plant emits a type of soul energy that will repel all kinds of monsters from disturbing its growth. This soul energy emitted by the dungeon calamity seed plant is very special as it can repel all kinds of dungeon monsters- beasts, undead, golems, spirits, elementals

alike. The repulsiveness of this soul energy is so strong that within 500 meters radius of the dungeon calamity seed plant no dungeon monster dares to step in.

After the dungeon calamity seed plant's only fruit matures completely the dungeon calamity seed achieves its initial form. And it stops emitting the repulsive soul energy and emits strong aromatic soul energy to attract as many monsters towards it as possible and have them fight over its only mature fruit. The aromatic soul energy released by the dungeon calamity seed is so strong that the dungeon monsters go completely mad over the dungeon calamity seed fruit mad enough to massacre all its competition.

One would think that if the dungeon monsters are crazy enough to massacre and go on a rampage for a fruit then that fruit must be some kind of rare soul medicine or miracle fruit. That assumption would be wrong as the fruit brings no benefits to the champion dungeon monster who ate the dungeon calamity seed fruit. Instead, the fruit will put the champion dungeon monster under absolute enslavement to the will of the dungeon calamity seed.

How is the dungeon calamity seed fruit able to enslave monsters? The fruit contains replica or daughter dungeon calamity seed within them, once the monster consumes the fruit the daughter dungeon calamity seed sow's itself into the body of the monster putting the monster under absolute enslavement to the will of the dungeon calamity seed.

Using the corpses of the monster that fought over it as nutrients the dungeon calamity seed plant will grow and achieve its second form, Dungeon Calamity Seed Treant. The Treant can bear multiple fruits allowing it to enslave a large number of monsters. The Treants are inherently slow so it uses the enslaved monsters to fight and gather monster corpses for its nutrition.

Slowly the Treant strengthens itself and its enslaved monster army to fight the dungeon boss monster. The dungeon calamity seed Treant is very cautious and will not wage war with the boss monster unless it is 100% sure that it will win. But once it is sure of victory it will not delay any further and hunt the dungeon boss monster to capture the dungeon core.

Over the years it is found that dungeon calamity seed is not limited to two forms but its number of forms is limited by the strength of the dungeon it is in. Other than its first form plant and second form Treant two more forms of the dungeon calamity seed are known, the third form Elder Treant and the fourth form Ancient Treant. It is popularly believed that there are more forms to the dungeon calamity seed but nobody dared to find out because Ancient Treant is scary enough.

After defeating the dungeon boss monster the Treant will find the dungeon core and will take root on it. And start to devour all the soul energy in the dungeon and its core. Interestingly even after the dungeon core is abolished the barrier limiting the dungeon

will not vanish as it will be powered by the soul energy from the dungeon calamity seed Treant rooted in the place of the dungeon core, without its knowledge.

Now there is zero soul energy in the dungeon but the Treant wants more soul energy, so it will try to uproot and find a new location but it can not uproot as it has now replaced the dungeon core. But unlike the dungeon core, it can not extract soul energy from time and space. Unable to uproot Treant will send its army to fetch food for it but its army can not leave the dungeon as the dungeon barrier is still actively being powered by soul energy from the Treant, without its knowledge.

In a way, the dungeon calamity seed has imprisoned itself. So finally unable to control its hunger the dungeon calamity seed will start to devour its entire enslaved monster army. After the monster army is wiped out, under its hunger it will devour itself and finally, it will relapse to its first form plant. later to seed form and fall into a long slumber still embedded in the place of the dungeon core.

It is found that the seed form of the dungeon calamity seed is in a way immortal. So powered by it the dungeon barrier continues to get enough energy just to stay active and imprison the dungeon calamity seed.

Chapter 131: Ingredients List

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[C-rank Gore Bat Ear Bone

C-rank Gore Bat core

C-rank origin core

Dungeon Calamity Seed

E-rank High Wood Wisp x 200

C-rank Kaiju Heart

C-rank Hungry Soulpoles x 200

Heathen Stone Vault]

The Ingredients I was going to use for my Second origin card were all rare and some were even restricted ingredients. But the total cost was within \$100 million as three of

the key ingredients... Dungeon Calamity Seed, Gore Bat Ear Bone and Gore Bat Core were gifted to me by Elliott.

While C-rank Kaiju Heart and C-rank Hungry Soulpoles were also rare and restricted incidents, not many Card apprentices use these ingredients mostly because there are very few card recipes that require these ingredients and the available card recipes are complex and less in demand barely fetching them enough profits for the effort it took to create the cards.

C-rank Kaiju heart is what you call an advanced ingredient because most of the Card recipes it is used in are advanced card recipes. Kaiju heart is used by the card apprentice to create their very own version of Frankenstein's monster cards or you can also call them Chimaera creature summon cards. With Kaiju heart as a key ingredient, you can create a whole lot of freaky more like abomination summon cards.

There are not a lot of Chimaera summon card recipes because the chimaera creature's body created using various parts of different monsters is barely stable when converted to card their card durability will be very low. To master these chimaera card recipes a lot of time and resources is required but card apprentices are not willing to buy a hideous creature when they can buy a cute or heroic summon card at the same cost.

Due to its nightmare level mastery requirements and low market demand Card apprentices shun these recipes making a rare ingredient like Kaiju heart stock up over the period and be available in large quantities, due to this they are also cheaper.

Next comes Hungry Soulpoles they are small tadpoles like creatures hence the name Soulpoles, inexperienced eyes may even mistake them for tadpoles. What's special about these Hungry Soulpoles is that they are so tiny that their core is their body. They feed by directly absorbing the soul energy in their surroundings and move by developing limbs or extensions made up of soul energy constructs. So basically their tail is a soul energy construct. And fend off the predators using pure attacks made up of solely soul energy untainted by elemental or spirit energy.

This dream of purely creating a body or body parts with soul energy constructs still haunts many top card creationists, A body or a body part purely made up of just soul energy no flesh no blood just soul energy similar to some spirits and elementals. I chose Hungry Soulpoles over the spirits and elementals because it is proven that Soul energy body extensions created by Hungry Soulpoles are much more solid, stronger, durable and close to flesh and blood in appearance compared to the soul energy bodies of Spirits and elementals.

Many card creationists have tried to create card recipes for Hungry Soulpoles abilities but failed disastrously because the cores of Hungry Soulpoles are of Tadpole size due to which their soul pathway arrangements is very congested and cramped making it difficult for the card creationists to decipher their soul pathway arrangement. But the government has gathered countless expert card creationists and poured in enormous

resources to uncover the soul pathway arrangements of Hungry Soulpoles and create card recipes for the abilities of Hungry Soulpoles.

Even if the government is successful, the copyright of card recipes made using this research is going to cost a buttload. Until then even though Hungry Soulpoles are rare they can easily be procured at a cheaper price if you have the right connections.

Heathen Stone is mostly used to create mental strength proof walls for prisons and other secure places. Heathen Stone shavings are mixed in the concrete so that a card apprentice's mental strength is unable to pass through the walls to eavesdrop or spy on the other side of the wall. Some use these heathen stones to create pure heathen stone prisons to imprison the minds and mental strength of the prisoner in a never-ending illusion. And some maniacs even try to enhance and strengthen their mental strength using these stones.

I lust for power but am not crazy enough to endure years of mental torture to enhance and strengthen my mental strength, that's just inhuman and crosses the boundary of normal to fetishism. And there is no guarantee that after undergoing strengthening of mental strength through heathen stone one is human anymore. I was going to use the Heathen stone vault for defence.

Even though the Dungeon calamity seed's Will/consciousness is asleep but when it comes in contact with a certain amount of soul energy or feels threatened it will awaken. And I was planning on using it as an ingredient so it is safe to say once I proceed with this plan I will awaken the consciousness of the calamity seed and face its retaliation, once that happens I plan on using the heathen stone vault to imprison consciousness of the calamity seed and by the time it breaks free I should transfer the soul pathways and soul pathway arrangements of calamity seed to origin core such that the calamity seed doesn't have a body to return to. And without a body to return to the calamity seed's consciousness will die.

I did not plan on using calamity seeds consciousness as many mysteries are surrounding it and it is also rumoured to be immortal, instead of using it I might be enslaved by it... so I plan to stay clear of it. What I was planning to do was very risky, I was not only endangering my life but the entire sky blossom city, because if Calamity seed enslaves me instead of me using it then the sky blossom city will be facing a disastrous calamity.

After checking all the ingredients I proceed with the plans to create my second origin card. The first step is to deal with the calamity seed's consciousness. After this bomb is dealt with I can calm my nerves and peacefully proceed further with card creation.

I take the Heathen stone vault and place it horizontally and afterwards crush a soul jade into powder. Then mix one-third of soul jade powder with mud. Next, I fill the Heathen stone vault with a mixture of soul jade powder and mud. Sowing the calamity seed in the mud I hurriedly lock the vault.

The soul energy in the mud was enough to awaken the consciousness of the calamity seed but not enough to satisfy it, unable to get more soul energy the seed will try to check what happened by letting out its mental strength to probe. And during this probe, the mental strength of the calamity seed will come in contact with the heathen stone and then instantly the mental strength and consciousness of the seed will be stripped and imprisoned in the illusion of heathen stone.

And how will I know if the calamity seed's mental strength and consciousness are stripped and imprisoned in the illusion of the heathen stone vault? When consciousness is trapped in the heathen stone its surface begins to glow. Using this property of heathen stone I will know if the calamity seed's mental strength and consciousness are stripped and imprisoned in the illusion of the heathen stone vault.

3 minutes after locking the vault the heathen stone prison started to glow indicating the capture of the calamity seed's mental strength and consciousness within it. I waited for 10 seconds just to be sure and hastily opened the vault and dug out the calamity seed.

After placing the calamity seed and origin core on the grimoire card creation page, I close my eyes and pour my mental strength into the grimoire to begin transferring soul pathways and soul pathway arrangements of the dungeon calamity seed into the origin core using all four of my consciousness the fastest speed possible. 15 min later I was finally done transferring soul pathways and soul pathway arrangements of the dungeon calamity seed into the origin core.

sigh letting out a sigh I glanced at the glowing heathen stone vault at the corner of the card room, the glow on it was slowly getting dimmer and dimmer until finally, the heathen stone stopped glowing completely.

After I completely transferred the soul pathways and the soul pathway arrangements of the dungeon calamity seed into the origin core, the consciousness of the calamity seed lost its connection with its seed body which kept it immortal. Losing connection with the calamity seed body the calamity seed consciousness was no longer immortal nor had the energy to sustain itself independently so it slowly dissipated into nothingness.

Now that threat of the calamity seed was taken care of I could relax and peacefully continue with the creation of my second origin card.

Chapter 132: Second Origin Card!

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Dungeon Calamity seed had many notable abilities but these 4 abilities were the ones I was eyeing for,

1. Immortal Will

2. Body Restructure

3. Transformations

4. Parent/Daughter Seeds

First, Immortal Will. It is more like a trick. The core of the calamity seed, that is its seed body which keeps its consciousness protected and feed regardless of how long the calamity seed consciousness is dormant by spontaneously absorbing and storing enough soul energy to maintain the calamity seed surprisingly the soul energy used in this process is almost negligible.

Not to mention the soul pathway arrangements are coded with a set of instructions for various variables that may transpire during the dormancy of the calamity seed consciousness. The seed body is more like a self-sustaining natural life-pod. Seeing how the calamity seed consciousness dissipated being cut off from its seed body I was assured that calamity seed consciousness is not immortal but it had a better core than the rest of the creatures.

Second, Body Restructure. Calamity seed can restructure its body based on the availability of soul energy. This was possible because the calamity seed's body is a mixture of flesh, blood and soul energy. Making the regeneration ability of calamity seed reach another level.

A body enhanced by soul energy and a body made of soul energy both are very different. Normal beast bodies are enhanced and reinforced by soul energy which gives them their racial high physical prowess when compared to a regular card apprentice's body but this is nowhere near the body which is made of soul energy along with flesh and blood, this gives the calamity seed total control over its physical body and every cell in it allowing it to structure or destructure its body to its will.

Third, Transformations. Whenever the soul energy absorbed by the calamity seed reaches a certain ceiling its physical body will evolve to the next form or evolution this process is called Transformation. Every creature in the universe yearns for evolution and calamity seed is no exception except it can switch between its evolution to suit its circumstances. But this comes with a price as every time it switches between two forms there is a huge loss in soul energy making it greedy for soul power to restore the lost soul energy and maintain the highest form of its evolution.

Fourth, Parent/Daughter Seeds. Dungeon Calamity seed itself is the parent seed while the fruits produced by it contain the daughter seed which sows into the body of those

that consume this fruit and enslave them to the will of the parent seed that is the dungeon calamity seed.

Of the four abilities the two Immortal will and parent/daughter seed abilities are near perfect and do not need many optimisations while the Body restructure and Transformations need a lot of tuning to fit my human body specification. Don't get me wrong all four of the abilities require tuning but some more than others.

As the first step towards my origin card creation, I had to convert the origin core to my viltronian based human core. This time the human core creation is going to be complex and special as I have two designs of the human core to choose from the first one being the viltronian human core and the second one being calamity seed form. Both had their advantages and I wanted both so I had spent a little more time and came up with a new design that incorporates the best of both designs.

There was another complication to my human core formation, it was my proud mutated soul, because of it I had to optimize the new design to satisfy my current mutated soul and its future possible mutations. Taking care of all the variables I proceeded to create the newly designed human core. The newly designed human core incorporated all the abilities and advantages of a viltronian, calamity seed and mutated soul.

Viltronian's core protected their souls and acted like an engine allowing them to enhance their physical body using soul energy and in-process giving them a long lifespan

Mutated Soul gave me extra consciousness and mental strength which in turn gave me refined soul energy which is much purer and denser than normal soul energy.

Calamity seed's seed form protected and nurtured its soul and incorporated soul energy within its flesh and blood giving the calamity seed control over its body at the cellular level.

My newly designed human core incorporated combined results of all these abilities allowing my human core to protect and nurture my mutated soul with refined soul energy. It incorporated refined soul energy into my flesh and blood, enhancing my physical body to another level and giving me control over it at the cellular level. It also acted as an engine and pumped refined soul energy into my body adding to my enhanced physical prowess and giving me a long life span.

Done with the human core I had to optimise other abilities of calamity seed and the coded instruction in them. First I took up the enhancement of the body restructure ability of calamity seed.

To enhance the body restructure ability of calamity seed I was going to use the 200 Hungry Soulpoles whose soul pathways will be enhanced by 200 High wood wisp core soul pathways.

After the soul pathways of Hungry Soulpoles are enhanced then I will use them to combine with the soul pathways of the calamity seed related to its body restructure ability. While I am at it I change all the plant body-related coding to human body related coded instructions using my soul pathways. so that when I use this ability I do not restructure into a plant body but a human body.

By using Hungry Soulpoles soul pathways to enhance the ability of body restructure I not only make the soul energy body construct purer and denser but also give it the ability to use soul energy projectiles for offence and defence. First, my new human core could only incorporate soul energy and its constructs to its flesh and blood but now it can emit them as projectiles for offensive and defensive purposes.

My next step was the Transformation ability of the calamity seed, this was uncharted territory and no one knew what the next evolution for human beings was but I had to try as I could not bear to lose such an awesome ability. All I could do was remove all the plant-based soul pathways and replace them with my soul pathways and the soul pathways of the kaiju heart. I do not know what will happen but I could only gamble on this.

After that, the next step was to optimise parent/daughter seed ability. I am a human and with all kinds of cards present, there is no telling if I can produce seeds or not but in any case, I had decided to replace all plant-based soul pathways with my soul pathway turning this ability to parent/daughter core ability.

Next, I dug deeper into this ability and found its enslavement soul pathways and coding which I altered and enhanced with my upgrade slave AI program which I used to enslave my extra consciousness. And also added a chat software program that uses mental strength to form a chat group consisting of all the daughter cores with Parent core as admin of the group. This will help form proper and covert communication networks among all the daughter cores and the parent core.

Now I had to enhance the hearing soul pathways of my new human core using the soul pathways from the Gore bat core and ear bone. For this, I utilized a different method to enhance the soul pathways. The reason I am using a different method to enhance these particular soul pathways because now the new human core had found an equilibrium between the Viltronian design, calamity seed and mutated soul so I can not just enhance soul pathways randomly this will offset the equilibrium achieved in the new human core.

So I decided to use the bestowal method I copied during Pax's card creation. The demigod was able to add an unrelated ability to Pax's card using the bestowal method, thanks to my soul pupils I was able to mentally record all of it, I still had not deciphered this method completely nor did I have the power to replicate this method but I had come up with a new lower-end version derived from what I understood about bestowal method.

Using this cheap lower-end version of the bestowal method I combine the hearing soul pathway of my new human core with soul pathways from the gore bat ear bone. This would allow me to listen to the soul pathways afterwards I use the same low-end method to combine soul pathways of gore bat core to the soul pathways of the nose and mouth of my new human core which would allow the core to generate frequency sound pulses through the enhanced mouth or nose and listen to the echo through enhanced ears, giving me the ability echolocation.

Lastly, altering all the soul pathway arrangements and coded instructions to be suitable and appropriate for a human physique, only one thing remained for the formation of my Origin card, morphing.

Morphing the origin core to the origin card I had successfully created my second origin card. Without any further delay, I hurriedly checked the card info,

[Card Name:....

Chapter 133: False Relic

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After reading my second origin card info I nodded in satisfaction and equipped it into my second origin card slot.

As soon as I equipped my second origin card and was basking in the power that filled my body the grimoire buzzed with notifications,

[Second origin card Calamity Human core equipped!]

[Alert! False Relic Soul Pupil reacting to False Relic Calamity Human Core!]

Caution: Equipping two False Relics not recommended.]

[Alert! False Relic Calamity Human core reacting to False Relic Soul Pupils!]

Caution: Equipping Two False Relics not recommended.]

[Warning! False Relic Soul Pupil rejecting False Relic Calamity Human Core!]

[Warning! False Relic Calamity Human core rejecting False Relic Soul Pupils!]

'WTF!' Reading the notifications I was dumbfounded, 'What are False Relics? Aren't Soul Pupil and Calamity Human core my origin cards! Why does the system keep calling them False relics?'

Before I could even make sense of what was happening two bright bodies made up of intertwined soul pathways floated out of my grimoire. One of the bright bodies was shaped in the form of a pair of human pupils while the other bright body was shaped like a human core, they were the soul pathway bodies of Soul pupils and the calamity human core.

Soul pathways extended from both bright bodies and started to fend off each other's soul pathways. It was as if both the soul pathway bodies wanted to strangle each other.

I tried using my soul pupils to find any clue to what was happening but all I could see was that both the soul pupil body and the calamity human core body seemed like living beings with their own will. And also they were hell-bent on destroying each other.

Unfortunately for the soul pathway body of Calamity human core it was less bright than the soul pupil and seemed to be on the losing end.

Soon I heard another notification ring from the grimoire, I hurriedly read it as I did not know what was happening but from the looks of it, it seems my first origin card was rejecting my second origin card rather it seems to be trying to kill the second origin card.

[Alert! False Relic Calamity Human Core nearing collapse due to huge damage!]

'Fuck!' I cursed reading the notification, 'did my first origin card just kill me!'

Be it Soul pupil or Calamity Human core both are part of me if either of them is destroyed the same fate befalls me so I couldn't allow this to happen. Since the beginning of this incident, I was wrecking my head to come up with a way to stop whatever was happening here but if my guess is right false relics are some kind of living cards of a sort. My first origin card Soul pupil is a false relic and considers me as its property and does not like the idea of sharing me with another of its kind False relic Calamity human core.

Living cards?... Even I was having a hard time getting around the theory I just came up with. But what I saw with my soul pupils supported this theory. Unable to come up with a solution, a brave idea came to my mind, what if I broke through now!

I was on the verge of a breakthrough after the second mutation of my mutated soul, but I was holding back from breaking through as I wanted to get my second origin card to also gain the benefits of baptism. The more I thought about the idea the more plausible it seemed. I had to hurry as the soul pathways of the calamity human core seems to be on the verge of collapse any second now.

'Damn it all! Risk it!' I thought as I steeled my heart as I broke through to the next realm. As my active soul crossed to 30% a very familiar strength surged into my body. Yes! This is the feeling of stepping into a higher realm, it is so addictive.

When I was enjoying the feeling of ascending to the higher realm I suddenly realized I could not feel my body, I tried to lift my hand to check but nothing came into my field of vision so I looked down only to see my arms and other body parts slowly dissipate into black dust it seems my body is collapsing.

'It seems my second life ends here. It was very short...' I thought as I looked at the culprits for my demise they seemed to be fighting more intensely and my death did not seem to matter to them. 'What's the point you fuckers? If I am dead you guys will also be destroyed!'

Just then it suddenly hit me, 'Maybe! Maybe this could work.' Then using my mental strength I poured all 812+ soul jades that I had on me onto the floor right below me. 300 soul jades were used to procure 30 tonnes of Liquid spirit gold(LAG) and some were used during the second mutation of my mutated soul. I did not know if this would work but this was the gamble I was willing to risk as I was losing everything anyway. I was having trouble breathing but thankfully the collapse had finally reached my head. First, I lost my vision and then...

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'Um... what is that sound? Crying... who is crying next to a sleeping person... Wait! I can think. Wasn't I supposed to be dead, if I am alive then there can only be two reasons for this. first, I have been reincarnated again or Second, my last-ditch efforts worked.' I hopefully opened my eyes rooting for the latter as I did not want to be reincarnated again nor did I want my second life to end just like that.

I looked around the room in search of the wailing person only to find a middle-aged couple, uncle Wyatt was embracing the grief-stricken auntie Wyatt, the source of the sobbing sound.

'Where am I? Why are uncle and auntie Wyatt here? Is it Ronnie, was the Zhang mercenary bothering him again.' I thought looking at the grief-filled uncle and auntie Wyatt. Kevin Zhang did challenge me but that does not mean he would leave Ronnie alone. Soon uncle Wyatt's eyes met mine.

"You are up my boy! How are you feeling? Let me call a professional." Without waiting for my answer uncle Wyatt rushed out of the room to call for a doctor.

Auntie left his embrace and knelt next to my bed, she embraced my bedridden body and said, "Sorry! Auntie could not be there for you in your time of need. I am sorry! I am so sorry!"

Hearing auntie Wyatt my whole body shook in alarm, 'They know! What happened here? How long was I out cold?'

Then I heard a bunch of hurried steps walking into the room, due to auntie Wyatt embracing me my field of vision was limited and could not see who and how many appeared?

"Dear, let the doctor take a look at Wyatt." Said Uncle Wyatt as he freed me from auntie, finally I could see that almost everyone I knew in this world had appeared, crowding the room. Susan, Corey, Pax, Amy, Beth, Ronnie, Jackie, Eliza... even Elliott was here.

The middle aged lady whom uncle Wyatt had led in standing next to my bed summoned her grimoire and then turning to uncle Wyatt she said "He is fine and there is nothing to worry about. He seemed to have exhausted his mental strength during card creation and has lost consciousness in the process. All he needed was a little rest to recover his mental strength.

"That does not explain him being naked when we found him, his clothes were right next to him." said Beth, looking at me menacingly.

"Ms Beth I am a doctor, not a detective or you can ask him now that he is awake. My work is done here I will take my leave" Saying the doctor left the room.

"Well, Wyatt..." Beth took the doctor's advice. And the rest also curiously waited for my answer.

"I don't remember. Wait! Who are you?..." I asked, I will just pretend that I do not remember what transpired.

Beth was stuck, she did not expect such an answer from me. Finally, collecting her mind she shouted, "I am your friend! I showed you my dress collection just yesterday."

'I think she doesn't know the meaning of friends.' I thought watching the aggrieved expression on Beth's face but my joke with Beth worried my aunt as she suddenly held my hands and said, "I am your aunt remember!"

"I remember you, auntie. And how long was I unconscious for?" I asked.

Auntie did not answer instead, she looked at Eliza, who answered me, “we don’t know exactly! But by midnight you did not come out of the card lab. The card hall staff tried to check on you but getting no response they followed the protocol and found you unconscious lying naked on the floor. It’s been an hour since then.”

Chapter 134: Pregnant Dungeon

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Location- Sky Blossom City, Whiteburn Manor, South Wing, Guest building

It was hectic for me but I finally managed to assure everyone that I was fine, especially auntie Wyatt she seemed to be blaming herself for everything, but thankfully uncle Wyatt knew how to encourage her.

“Thank you guys for all your care and I really do not remember what transpired in the card room for me to end up unconscious in such comprising position. But if you guys can leave the room for a second I need to talk some things with Elliott. Uncle and auntie Wyatt please.” I pleaded, I just woke up and have been answering and assure them that I am fine again and again. Lots of things have transpired while I was unconscious so I wanted to catch up to perfect my cover story.

“So did you remember me...” Beth confronted me excitedly.

“Sorry, Miss I still do not remember you. You keep calling yourself my friend but you don’t act that way. Now if you are done I would like to talk to Elliott alone, please.” I said sternly, hearing my words Beth’s excitement died down Amy and Pax consoled her as they tugged her out of the room along with others.

Eliza who was quiet all this time suddenly moved and handed me a bunch of notes saying, “These are the contact numbers of some of the card hall Staff, they asked you to contact them when you are free. It seems they liked what they saw. And a heads up, these digits are of both male and female staff since I did not know your type.” Handing me the notes she walked out of the room with a devilish grin. Leaving me feeling violated all over.

“You seem to be quite popular among the Whiteburn family card hall staff.” Said Elliott looking at the stack of notes.

“Please stop! don’t bring that up. Even though I was unconscious I still feel violated thinking about it.” I really do, fuck! If I did not have enough confidence in my size down there I would be facing a whole lot of other mental dilemmas right about now.

“I don’t get it why the hell would you create a card while being naked!” Elliott’s expression seemed genuine enough but I knew better so I stuck with my story, “I really do not remember.”

“Yes, so what are we doing here!” Asked Elliott enquiring why I asked him to stay behind.

“What is the current date and time?” I asked

“25th and 2hrs past midnight. I don’t think you sent everyone out just for this.” Elliot was right, if I wanted to know data and time I could just summon my grimoire for that.

I completed my second origin card yesterday evening at 6 something... so about for 8 hrs, I was unconscious. I wanted to summon my grimoire and check the situation with my origin cards but I was worried if my origin cards would reject each other and battle for supremacy again or even worse, do I still have origin cards.

“What are false relics?” Hearing me Elliott’s expression solidified.

“Boy, you take the cake, Wyatt. why is it that every time I talk to you I end up fearing for my life?” Elliott exaggerated.

“Just answer me!”

“Before that, you answer me. you are graduating high school soon, are you planning on applying for the top 10 universities.”

“No, I don’t plan on applying for the top 10 universities. I am thinking of setting up my business here and attending a college nearby.” I told the truth since I need Elliott’s help to set up my business anyway.

“Are you dumb! Why would you do that? Do you know how many people yearn to enter any one of the 10 universities, even a genius like Eliza was not able to enter the top 10 universities! Heck, it has been 200 years since any citizen of Sky blossom city or its neighbouring cities entered the top 10 universities.” Elliott cried out.

“What’s so special about the top 10 universities?” As nonchalantly.

“Well for starters the answer for what a false relic is there.” Elliott sighed, “I really do not know what a false relic is but it is said that it an easier way to get stronger than an origin card. If you want to know more you can talk to Corey’s grandfather, he possesses a false relic.”

“Wait! That old fool has a powerful unique origin card and a false relic. How strong is he?” Good thing I know his kryptonite and am shameless enough to use it.

"His unique origin card is the false relic, you see false relics become a card after they are placed on a card apprentices origin card slot and enter a monogamous contract with that card apprentice. So, one card apprentice can only have one false relic." Explained Elliott.

Now that explains why the Soul pupils rejected Calamity human core. But that opens a new can of worms, as to Why mama Wyatt's grimoire happens to have a false relic? How did she get a false relic?

"You seem to know a lot for someone who said he does not know anything about false relics."

"I said I don't know what a false relic is but I know how to use it. Heck, it is every high ranked adventurer's dream to get his hands on a false relic" beamed Elliott.

"Are you saying there are ways to get false relics?" I asked.

"Yes, there are. Have you heard of pregnant dungeons!"

"A dungeon within a dungeon!"

"Yes, that one! The dungeon within the dungeon is not a dungeon but a tomb of some big shot. The tomb has many traps, grave keepers and rewards similar to a dungeon so many mistake them as a dungeon within a dungeon and call it a pregnant dungeon but its real name is tomb dungeon these types of dungeons are very rare. And they usually have one or two false relics within them."

There are many stories of low-level card apprentices getting a relic in a tomb dungeon and becoming high ranking card apprentices within a few months. Now you know why the top brass dream for a relic." Elliott empathised.

Did Mama and papa Wyatt find a tomb dungeon and end up becoming a victim of human greed. Whoever prevailed it seems mama Wyatt made sure to hurt them the most by hiding the relic in her grimoire, also securing her son's future. Unfortunately, young Wyatt was not fortunate enough to reap what his mother painstakingly sowed for him. Wait! Doesn't that mean there are still dangerous people searching for the relic... And why did they not check mama and papa Wyatt's grimoires for the relic?

"Anything else!"

"Um... you remember the dungeon calamity seed that I gave you." Reminded Elliott

"Yes, what about it?" Does he want it back, well too late I used it.

"That is also a kind of false relic."

"What! And you gave me such a precious gift. Wait, What do you mean by kind of." Acting ignorant I looked at Elliott with a suspicious gaze.

"Not all false relics are good and increase card apprentice's strength. Dungeon calamity seed is one of the bad ones and is mostly referred to as a cursed false relic. So don't even think about getting into a contract with it." Cautioned Elliott.

"What were you thinking giving me such a thing in the first place?" I asked, I too wanted to know why someone would gift something like that to someone they just met.

"I wasn't thinking I just wanted to show how much the card you created meant for me. At that moment if I could I would have written my entire JK group shares in your name. Alas, I only had a few soul stones and a cursed false relic on me." Confessed Elliott. The rules dictate that Elliott, one of the major shareholders of the JK group cannot trade his share without a board meeting.

"It's every child's right to have a normal childhood and dream to become a high-level card apprentice but I could have neither.

Since birth, I was robbed of a normal childhood and after contracting a grimoire I was rodded of any future as a high-level card apprentice.

Though the origin card you created cannot chance my childhood and past it made sure I could pursue my dream of becoming a high-level card apprentice now. It meant the world to me." Elliott poured his feelings out.

"Do not worry about it. I destroyed the dungeon calamity seed." I said casually.

"You don't have to lie to make me feel better, Wyatt." Elliott did not believe my words and misunderstood my intentions.

"Please don't misunderstand I am not lying, I did destroy the dungeon calamity seed." I assured him.

"You are telling me, the problem which even the greatest minds of the top 10 universities could not solve you solved it."

"Yes"

"You are telling me, the undying monster seed titled as Calamity and hailed as immortal and indestructible was destroyed by you."

"Yes!"

"Unbelievable!"

Chapter 135: Madman

Date- 25 Mar 2321

Time- 2:15

Location- Sky Blossom City, Whiteburn Manor, South Wing, Guest building

“Unbelievable! How did you do it?” Enquired Elliott, it seems it will be hard for him to believe my words without a proper explanation.

“Well, I guess it doesn’t hurt to tell you, a heathen stone vault, a pail of soul energy-rich mud along with a soul jade and following a few simple easy steps, you can also do it.

First, crush the soul jade into powder and mix 1/3rd of it with mud and pour the mixture of mud and soul jade powder in the vault, after sowing the dungeon calamity seed in the mud you lock the beaten stone vault at the fastest speed possible.

Wait for 3 – 4 minutes and then once the Heathen stone vault starts glowing wait for another 20 to 30 seconds. Then open the vault and dig out the calamity seed. Now that the seeds consciousness is trapped in the heathen stone vault the seeds physical body becomes very feeble and fragile, unlike its previous indestructible self, by applying a simple force you can crush it into powder. Once the heathen stone vault stops glowing you know that calamity seed consciousness has dissipated as its physical body has been destroyed.

It would have taken less time if I had the purest of the heathen stone.” I explained, once I dug up the calamity seed from the vault to transfer its soul pathway to the origin core I noticed that the seed body of the calamity seed had become fragile and would collapse with enough force. So I did not lie about being able to destroy the calamity seed.

“You madman! Madman! You feed and awoke the calamity seed with soul energy in the middle of the Sky blossom city... You son of a madb!tch.

What if the heathen Stone vault was not able to trap the calamity seed consciousness or even worse what if the calamity seed had used its variant soul energy to enslave you?

What made you think that once the consciousness of the calamity seed separated from its seed body it would be easier to destroy its indestructible physical body. And what made you sure that once the physical body of the calamity seed is destroyed its consciousness will dissipate...

What made you so sure that you were willing to risk the lives of everyone in the sky blossom city? Answer me you mad son of a b!tch.” Elliott went ballistic hearing my

explanation on how to destroy a calamity seed but he was not wrong too as he didn't have almighty revealing soul pupils like me.

"Haven't you heard of the egg theory which states that the eggshell of an egg becomes a lot fragile without the egg white and yolk inside it? I applied the same theory to the calamity seed.

Without its consciousness, its physical body lost its indestructible status. And it was easier for me to destroy its physical form. And what made the consciousness of the calamity seed immortal was its indestructible seed form and with it destroyed consciousness of the calamity seed is no longer immortal." I came up with a bunch of lies and theories to support why I did what I did. As I could not just say that I just wanted to imprison seed consciousness long enough for me to transfer all its soul pathways and arrangements into an origin core. Now that would just drive Elliott insane.

"How do you know that the eggshell of an egg becomes a lot fragile without the egg white and yolk inside it as it's impossible to separate the egg white and yolk without breaking the egg. As far as I know, there is no such theory. And since when did an egg become the same as a calamity seed... You madman you risked the lives of everyone in the city just to satisfy your curiosity.

The old academicians of the top 10 universities will love you. I did not understand half of what you said but if you publish a paper on this I will make sure that it catches on before you graduate high school and get a scholarship for the top 10 universities." Spoken like a true businessman, in my past life I have met so many people who only cared how much profits my invention would gain them instead of appreciating its ingenuity and applications. Because of this many of my useful and revolutionary inventions were shot down... in a way leading to me becoming an entrepreneur to finance my research so that I can invent something that helps society rather than fill the pockets of corporate stooges.

"Why are you so bent on making me attend the top 10 universities?" I did not understand Elliott's fixation with the top 10 universities, if it is something to do with marketing and connections then count me out.

"Why aren't you! Even after I told you... for 200 years no one in our city or the nearby cities had been accepted in the top 10 universities. Do you know how many alumni of those universities have become card emperors, well even I don't know but I have heard it is a large number.

One of the examples is the last one to attend one of the top 10 universities from our city he has already stepped into the Card king realm and is about to break into the Card Emperor realm just within 200 years!"

"Where is he right now?"

“Working under some Demigod, who took a liking to his talent and accepted him as his subordinate.” Said Elliott with a sad expression. It is sad considering that the local legend is just a mere subordinate. But he is still not someone the likes of us could look down on.

“What’s so wonderful about the top 10 universities?”

“I don’t know, I have only heard the rumours as for their credibility, it is up to you what you chose to believe. They say that the top 10 universities can custom make false relics suitable for the card apprentice studying there. Making it easier for those who study there stronger than opponents of the same realm.” Said Elliott with a serious expression, if I did not have two false relics I might have believed what Elliott said but I have the false relic and know that something like that is not man-made. But seeing how the secret to false relics lies in the top 10 universities I was beginning to consider whether to attend one of the top 10 universities. But I will have to consult William Bright on false relics before I make a decision.

Chapter 136: Trust

Date- 25 Mar 2321

Time- 2:35

Location- Sky Blossom City, Whiteburn Manor, South Wing, Guest building

“Enough about the top 10 universities, I will write a paper on my method for destroying the dungeon calamity seed and respective findings. Help me publish it.” I did this because to form my reputation in the card creationist world and the method to destroy a dungeon calamity seed may be a good start, it should help me highlight my name in the market.

“Great! Leave the rest to me. Do give the method a catchy name.” Elliott seemed more enthusiastic about publishing the paper than I.

“Sure! About my uncle and aunt, how much do they know?” I finally asked the question weighing my heart the most. For some reason, the brief moment in auntie Wyatt’s loving and warm embrace still lingered in my mind. It has been so long since I have felt someone’s care and love, especially something so close to maternal love. I could feel auntie Wyatt treated me as one of her own. I was not a fool enough to think I mattered more to her than her blood-related child Ronnie.

For the First time in my second life, I regretted that I could not meet papa and mama Wyatt. They must have been great parents. Was it wrong for an old soul like mine to want to feel the love and support of a family? I don’t know... my past life has been about me and my invention during which I forgot to experience other things life has to offer until the very end.

But this time I will not make the same mistake. I will not only reach the pinnacle of the world but also life. This time around I will make sure to enjoy what I could not in my past life.

“They know everything! When the Whiteburn’s found you unconscious they tried contacting your next of kin but nobody was listed so Amy contacted Susan and then Susan informed your uncle and aunt about your condition. When they reached here one thing led to another and your uncle and aunt found the devastating news of your parents passing... it seems even Susan and Corey did not know the recent passing of your parents, It was a shock for them too.

Come to think of it I can understand you not telling Susan and Corey as you just met them but your uncle, aunt and cousin, what about them, why did you not inform them of the news?” It was not surprising that Elliott knew about my past since he must have done a background check on me.

“About that, I am not sure why I did that! Not just that, I do not remember what happened these past two months after I received the news of my parents passing, everything is foggy. Until I attempted suicide a day before I contracted my grimoire.

With my parents passing I was no longer myself and it turns out without my two silver rank parents the world did not want me anymore. So I decided to put an end to all of these.

But when I was finally dying I knew I did not want to die yet! I struggled and strived to call for help with all my might and willpower which led to a miraculous breakthrough in my active soul control, the last straw that saved my life.

After that incident, I stopped feeling sorry for myself and stopped thinking the world owed me something for taking away my parents. I decided I am going to live my life on my terms and to the fullest. It’s almost been a week since then and I have accomplished so much that one couldn’t in their entire lifetime.” Mixing a little truth in I lied my ass off to the fullest of my abilities. Anyone who did a background check on me will be suspicious that how can a boy who was bullied and scammed suddenly shine so brilliantly. And me gaining an epiphany as I attempted suicide was the perfect cover for it. As I did attempt suicide and failed by breaking through in my active soul control, in a way.

“Whoa!... You finally opened up to me. Don’t worry this will be our little secret. And the foundation of a strong and long friendship.” Elliott beamed trying to lighten the mood.

“Stop saying weird stuff you jerk!” I said casually.

“Hey! Suicidal thoughts are common, I had them too. But my body was my prison so I could not act on it. Not to mention all the servants and staff monitoring and taking care of me 24/7.” Shared Elliott. Elliott tried to connect with me by sharing his dark times. I

appreciated it, though my story was a lie it's not like I did not have my share of dark times.

"Good now get out! I want to rest... and please inform my uncle and aunt that I will rest now and talk to them first thing tomorrow morning while we go visit my parents grave." Though most of what I shared with Elliott was a lie still some of my true feelings were mixed in them. Though coded, letting out some of my feelings made me realise I have lived through worse and I should check on my grimoire and origin cards.

"And here I was preparing my shoulder for you to cry on!... But I think you should talk to your uncle and aunt right now. You know they blame themselves for not checking up on you" Uncle and auntie felt guilty that they did not keep in touch and check on young Wyatt for the past few months, even though they knew papa and mama Wyatt had gone on a mission.

"No! They must be tired too... let them rest, we can talk when everyone is fresh and more clear-headed in the morning." Everyone had their share of guilt, nothing I say will help them. They can only learn to deal with and process it by themselves, "And one more thing could you make some arrangements for them, they had to move... Why am I explaining this to you! Karen must have narrated everything to you already."

"Haha! What are you talking about! Karen is my Secretary! not some shadow info merchant. Why would she tell me about your uncle and aunt?" Elliott lied with a straight face and then added, " I have just purchased a housing society for the housing of my staff, they can live there until everything is settled. The security there should be enough to keep them out of trouble."

"Good, I will leave them in your hands." I have grown to trust Elliott since our goals seem to align. Trusting uncle, Auntie, Ronnie and Jackie's safety to him was my way of showing him that.

After Elliott left, Susan and Corey came by to report and head home. Elliott graciously offered them a lift, but I knew better he had an angle to this and that was William Bright.

Chapter 137: Calamity Human Core

Date- 25 Mar 2321

Time- 2:55

Location- Sky Blossom City, Whiteburn Manor, South Wing, Guest building

After everyone left for me to have a good rest. I got up from the bed and stood on my feet. I was dressed in some kind of hospital gown. Thankfully the room had an inbuilt bathroom with fresh towels and a few sets of men's clothes, worthy of Whiteburn manor. I walked inside the bathroom in search of a full-body mirror as I could feel many

changes in my body due to the destruction and reconstruction of my body using the ability of calamity human core. I wasn't sure what changes happened to my body neither did the others as I was lying on the bed.

Only Whiteburn family staff saw me in my birthday suit and they got a chance to appreciate the new changes to my body, all this was thanks to my last resort of me dumping all my soup jades on the floor. I did not know who was going to win between the Soul pupils false relic and calamity human core false relic but I chose to bet all my chances on Calamity human core false relic's restructure ability. As long as my core remained intact and had enough soul energy, I was immortal similar to the dungeon calamity seed.

As I observed myself in the full-body mirror of the bathroom, I saw that my body had grown into the body of a professional bodybuilder with all the cuts and muscle tone in the right places, my body had turned from a skinny short kid body to an Olympian gods body. Since I was covered in a blanket by the staff, none of my friends or relatives knew the changes that happened to my body, especially my height. How am I going to explain the changes in me to them tomorrow morning?

But soon my mind diverted from this question, as I ran my soul energy in my body. The soul energy circulation in my body was faster and fiercer than before, this was one of the benefits of having refined soul energy. As the four times purer and denser soul energy passed through my veins, muscles and bones they started to absorb the soul energy like hungry ghosts, and my body burst forth with unimaginable power and vitality.

I finally knew why my body felt so weak even after so many positive noticeable changes had been carried out in my body. Turns out they just need to be nourished by the refined soul energy which can only be pumped by the mutated soul, since I was unconscious there was no one to circulate soul energy through my body especially my 3 other slave consciousness, they seem to be on standby mode as they had no protocol regarding the restructuring of my body. Handing over all my bodily and soul energy functions to my slave souls I finally gathered enough courage to check my grimoire.

By the looks of it, it seemed my calamity human core came victorious during the battle using the baptism power I directed towards it after stepping into the card soldier realm, And the changes in my body and refined soul energy were prime examples for it.

I summoned my grimoire to check the situation and aftermath of the battle. Right now I was very scared, so scared that I could not bring myself to activate my soul pupils, because soul pupils were my only source of hope in this world that I can make it to the top of the world while living life to its fullest. Without it, I still had confidence that I could make it to the top of this world but it would require my undivided attention which would keep me from living my life and enjoy everything it had to provide, soul pupil made things easier.

I was heavily dependent on Soul pupils. without them, I could not have reached this point so fast. I finally steeled my heart and opened my grimoire to check only to find one origin card slot occupied while the other was still empty. My body went cold at the thought of losing my soul pupils card. In denial, I try to activate the soul pupils but to my surprise soul pupils activated. Not only did they activate but they were stronger and sharper than before. I was confused and hurriedly checked the name of the only origin card in my grimoire.

[Card Name: Calamity Soul Core]

My mind was blown away again, this card was neither the soul pupils card nor the Calamity human core card it was a different new card. Confused, I began to check the grimoire log for what had transpired when I was unconscious.

[Warning! False relic Soul pupil fighting for dominance over false core Calamity Human core.]

[Warning; False relic Calamity Human core fighting for dominance over false Soul pupil.]

Turns out I had mistaken the two false relics were not trying to destroy each other instead they were trying to swallow each other to further enhance and evolve themselves.

Clearly, false relic Soul pupils were stronger than the Calamity human core in terms of soul attainments and it was slowly winning the battle between them.

Seeing its defeat approaching the calamity human core utilized all its ability at its disposal including relapsing me to core form to gain extra soul energy and defend against the attack. That's when my body started to disintegrate into dust, thankful I had believed in the prowess of the Calamity human core and had prepared in advance by dropping all the soul jades on the floor under me. So when the core falls on the floor it will fall in the pile of soul jades which can be utilised by the calamity human core to restructure my body.

But before the false relic calamity human core was completely defeated by the false relic soul pupils I brought in reinforcement in the form of baptism by breaking into a higher realm. With the empowerment of the baptism, the battle between the two relics came to an impasse.

The false relics seemed to want to devour each other and strengthen themselves, this way if the soul pupils were to swallow the calamity human core its prowess would double maybe even triple times its current power, similar was true for calamity human soul. They were trying to devour each other to evolve themselves.

But when the baptism empowered them both, they both were at peak of their power and reaching an impasse in the battle. But Baptism not only empowered them but also

guided them to combine and form the most suitable origin card for Me, hence forming the new card Human Soul core.

When my body disintegrated I thought I was dead for sure and as for leaving the soul jades on the floor, it was my last-ditch of struggle. Not only was I not dead but I got a stronger origin card and an empty origin card slot, meaning I can have another origin card but this was for the future. Right now I wanted to check up on my new card and compare it with its parent cards.

[Card Name: Calamity Human Core

Card Type: Origin card

Card Rank: Unique grade

Card Rate: -/-

Card Durability: -/-

Card Effect: This card gives the host an artificial variant human core designed based on the Viltronian human core and dungeon calamity seed.

1.Viltronian Physic – the host has a similar physique to a Viltronian.

2.Immortal Core – The human core has abilities similar to a calamity seed, it can nourish and protect the soul of the host. As long as the core is not destroyed the host is not dead.

3.Body Restructure – The host's flesh and blood have incorporated soul energy constructs to enhance the host body's strength, agility, regeneration etc. Using this ability the host can switch between different transformations without the risk of losing the real form.

4.Transformations – this ability allows the host to transform to the higher evolutions,

Base Form – Calamity human core form.

Form one – Mutant Viltronian – A viltronian physique enhanced by mutated souls, refined soul energy, variant human core.

Form Two – locked, conditions not met.

Unlock Form 2 for further transformations.

5.Parent/Daughter core – parent core and daughter core are connected by a special link that allows them to communicate regardless of the distance between them.

There is only one parent core and it can produce N number of daughter cores based on the materials provided.

The parent core has total control over the daughter core.

The daughter core can be ingested by a coreless humanoid to gain a similar power to a Daughter calamity human core.

6. Mutated soul – the host has a mutated soul which doubles upon every large breakthrough.

The mutated soul produces refined soul energy which is purer and denser than normal soul energy. Being pure and denser than the normal soul energy, it can give increased enhancement to the body of the host.

7. Echolocation – with the help of mutated ears and mouth the host can produce different frequencies for detecting the presence, direction, distance like a natural radar. The host can also listen to the soul pathway but the mental strength consumption will be greater.

Chapter 138: Calamity Soul Core

Date- 25 Mar 2321

Time- 3:10

Location- Sky Blossom City, Whiteburn Manor, South Wing, Guest building

The Origin card Calamity human core was exactly what I intended it to be but also not. It had all the abilities I want it to retain from the calamity seed, viltronian core, mutated soul, kaiju heart but it did not seem to retain the abilities of the Hungry Soulpoles.

All the abilities of the Calamity human core are above and beyond but also demand a lot of soul energy, if not for my soul energy being 4 times refined most of the card's abilities would be just a burden to me. All these abilities are overpowered and soul energy-oriented, they do not have a cooldown period or card effect duration.

For example, Debra's Skeleton Centaur knight and its undead minion skill. Debra can summon the skeleton centaur knight anytime she wants but the same is not true for the undead minion skill of the Skeleton Centaur knight. This skill has a cool-down period of 12 hours. This skill is not soul energy-oriented but time-oriented therefore Debra doesn't have to worry about the soul energy consumption for the 100+ skeleton soldiers summoned.

People look at cooldown time as a limitation whereas, in reality, it allows the user to access powerful skills which are beyond their strength. If Debra were asked to

exchange an equal amount of soul energy for summoning 200 skeleton minions then she could not achieve it with her card soldier strength and wouldn't be able to access the undead minion skill.

Right now this is true for me too, I cannot switch between two transformations as I wish, each time I transform I break my body to the molecular level and rearrange to get to the higher form or lower form. Though currently I only had access to the Base form core form and Initial form variant Viltronian form which I was currently in. I also required a huge supply of soul energy to unlock my next form and the forms after that. These abilities were overpowered but also have gluttons in terms of soul energy consumption. So I could only use these skills one time at most before I run out of energy.

I knew that a card soldier like me can barely support the energy consumption of these overpowered abilities based on the inherent soul energy absorption aptitude of a card apprentice. Therefore I had used the Soulpoles as an ingredient in the creation of the card. Soulpoles can actively absorb and emit soul energy into nature for defence and to meet their daily consumption. But somehow the abilities of Soulpoles that I had transferred to the original core of the calamity human core card had not surfaced, I even enhanced their soul pathways using High Wood Wisp core but still, these abilities were not incorporated into the origin card.

Therefore I had inspected the card to check for the reason why the hungry Soulpoles ability did not surface in the origin card, turns out that the abilities of the Soulpoles were incorporated into the origin card but the effects of the abilities were so weak that they were neglected from being mentioned in the card info section. High wood wisp core soul pathways were not enough to enhance hungry Soulpoles ability and their soul pathways, they require something with greater vitality than the High wood wisps for the Soulpoles ability to make any contribution for their presence to be noticed in the Origin core.

So in fact the calamity human core was not a total success. It was missing the abilities of soul poles and required huge soul energy when compared to my current realm. Despite its shortcoming, this card was already very satisfying.

But all these shortcomings were answered by the card Calamity Soul core, the product of soul pupils and calamity human core.

[Card Name: Calamity Soul Core

Card Type: Origin card

Card Rank: Unique grade

Card Rate: -/-

Card Durability: -/-

Card Effect: This card gives the host an artificial variant human core designed based on the Viltronian human core and dungeon calamity seed.

1.Soul Pupils- the host gains the ability to see the soul pathways of all things.

2Viltronian Physic – the host has a similar physique to a Viltronian.

3.Immortal Core – The human core has abilities similar to a calamity seed, it can nourish and protect the soul of the host. As long as the core is not destroyed the host is not dead.

4.Body Restructure – The host's flesh and blood have incorporated soul energy constructs to enhance the host body's strength, agility, regeneration etc. Using this ability the host can switch between different transformations without the risk of losing the real form.

5.Transformations – this ability allows the host to transform to the higher evolutions,

Base Form – Calamity human core form.

Form one – Variant Viltronian – A viltronian physique enhanced by mutated souls, refined soul energy, variant human core.

Form Two – Kaiju Form, Viltronian Titan

Form Three – locked, conditions not met.

Unlock Form 3 for further transformations.

6.Parent/Daughter soul core – parent core and daughter core are connected by a special link that allows them to communicate regardless of the distance between them.

There is only one parent core and it can produce N number of daughter cores based on the materials provided.

The parent core has total control over the daughter core.

The daughter core can be ingested by a coreless humanoid to gain a similar power to a Daughter calamity human core.

Additional skill – Hive AI

7.Calamity Daughter core – The host can bestow transformation ability to creatures with Daughter calamity human core within them

Base Form – Calamity human core form.

Form one – Mutant Viltronian – A viltronian physique enhanced by mutated souls, refined soul energy, variant human core.

Form Two – locked, conditions not met.

Unlock Form 2 for further transformations.

Additional skill – Hive AI

8. Mutated soul – the host has a mutated soul which doubles upon every large breakthrough.

The mutated soul produces refined soul energy which is purer and denser than normal soul energy. Being pure and denser than the normal soul energy, it can give increased enhancement to the body of the host.

Additional skill- Hive AI.

9. Soul Echolocation – The host can control and produce different frequencies using his/her inherent soul pathways near its mouth and ear for detecting the presence, direction, distance like a natural radar by listening to the reaction of soul pathways in the surrounding area because of the frequency emitted by the host.

10. Soul energy manipulation – The host gains abilities to absorb, store and emit soul energy in large quantities in his/her flesh and blood.]

Reading the card info of the Calamity Soul Core its predecessor Calamity human core did not feel overpowered any longer. As the result of combining with soul pupils, the soul related abilities of the origin card have undergone a huge transformation and also resulted in new soul related skills like soul energy manipulation, modified Soul Echolocation and now Calamity Daughter core was a separate skill from Parent/Daughter Core. Not to mention that even the Soul pupils were also adopted by the new origin card.

Most importantly the second form of the transformation ability had been unlocked, and the only reason for this has to be the consumption of 800+ soul cores I had piled up below for the reconstruction of my body. The reconstruction of my body took 10 soul jades but the remaining soul jades were absorbed to unlock the third form of my transformation ability.

It seems that the soul abilities of the hungry Soulpoles were enhanced by a great margin after family human core and soul pupils dominated to form a single-origin card. Leading to the formation of Soul energy manipulation skill. The unlocked second form was the Kaiju form showcasing the power of the kaiju heart I used as an ingredient, but what surprised me was that my Kaiju form was a Viltronian Titan. I do not know what kind of monster a Viltronian titan is but considering it's a Viltronian it should be strong.

Soul energy manipulation is the higher version skill of the hungry Soulpoles, it enhances the user's inherent soul energy absorption ability and gives the host the ability to store soul energy in his/her flesh and blood enhancing the physique of the body. It also gives the host the option to emit the soul energy in the form of constructs or projectiles for defence and offence.

The combination of the card had also enhanced the natural ability of the dungeon calamity seed, parent/daughter core. Leading to a new separate calamity daughter core.

Calamity daughter core is a separate skill but it is still dependent on its stem skill parent and daughter for the creation of daughter cores. The function of this skill is to give holders of calamity daughter core the transformation ability of the parent calamity core.

The calamity daughter core also has a Hive AI which is the baptized and evolved version of my slave program. Not just the calamity daughter core but the mutated soul also had a Hive AI.

Chapter 139: Hive AI

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Hive AI is an AI program with the ability to create slave AI's, these AI's share their knowledge with one another, producing a collective intelligence network. Making it easier for Master AI to monitor, control and govern all the slave AI's. Not to mention how efficient these AI's have gotten ever since they were updated with the Insight forecast program.

So now I do not have to install a slave AI program into every mutated soul or calamity daughter cores created in the future. Worthy of the miracles of the baptism. Just imagining monitoring and governing hundreds of slave conciseness and hundreds of daughter core slaves I felt chills. Who cares about loyalty when you can get slaves. It was okay for me to enslave my duplicate consciousnesses but enslaving other people with the calamity daughter core this ability had to be used limitedly and covertly because once the word gets out that I can enslave people then one can only imagine the repercussions that followed.

Soul echolocation, the modified version of echolocation. This ability is quite similar to echolocation but the soul pupil's principles swallowed by the Calamity human core has enhanced its ability to hear soul pathway frequencies to the point where the mental strength consumed and stress involved are negligible. Here the mouth is not required to emit certain frequencies to hear soul pathways in the nearby area but to increase the range of the echolocation you can use the mouth to emit frequencies that will rebound

back to the ear and inform about the presence, dimensions and other information about the soul pathway from a further distance.

I tried the soul echolocation ability right away since it was a sensory and detection type ability, this skill will not cause any commotion and disturb my hosts. The soul echolocation was a different experience compared to the soul pupils, hearing and watching are two different things but once I activated soul echolocation I felt a different connection to the world surrounding me than the usual one and the frequency emitted by the world and the objects in them were numerous and listening to these frequencies made these inanimate objects seem more vivid, it's as if I can see them through my ears. Giving me enough confidence to create cards with my eyes closed.

Both soul pupils and soul echolocation have their advantages but for card creation, I would still choose soul pupils as we humans are dependent on our eyes more than ears and suddenly switching to ears as the main sensory input would just send me back millions of evolutionary years even though my soul pathways of ear and mouth were modified and enhanced to perform more than what they were meant to be. I am not saying that echolocation is not as good as soul pupils but as a human who used to see, I prefer to see my soul pathways rather than listen to them.

Then why add this ability to the card, I added this ability to differentiate different unknown and unidentified soul pathways in a soul core based on the frequency they emit. Differentiating unknown and unidentified soul pathways in a soul core by soul pupils is taxing as they often require sharper concentration and presence of mind but echolocation doesn't as it is it's the ability to differentiate and identify different soul pathways based on the frequency they emit.

After exploring the soul echolocation and all its wonderful applications I focused on Soul energy manipulation, as mentioned I was able to absorb, store and emit soul energy in large quantities in my flesh and blood leading to lesser soul energy loss and consumption in the restructuring and transforming abilities of the calamity soul core.

Not to mention now thanks to soul energy manipulation I can weaponize the soul energy within me to enhance my body strength and defence or directly fire soul energy projectiles without having to worry about running out of soul energy. It was fun I was able to materialise soul energy and shape them according to my imagination but more sophisticated design coated more mental strength and it required a high level of soul energy control which was nothing to me thanks to my Hive AI and multiple slave mental strengths.

Afterwards, I decided to look into the creation of calamity daughter core and check out how it worked. To my surprise, I can produce the calamity daughter core in the form of a core or a card through my grimoire card creation page. If a core then it can directly fuse with a host through oral ingestion and occupy an origin card slot of the subject ingested with it. But in the card form, it has to be directly placed on the empty origin card slot of the subject to equip it.

Calamity daughter core also had the ability Immortal Core – it can also nourish and protect the soul of the subject. As long as the core is not destroyed the subject is not dead. But here it was more like the subject's soul is trapped in the calamity daughter core while being dominated, monitored and governed by slave AI.

The calamity daughter core can also give the subjects integrated with it a few of the abilities from the parent core based on the authority of the daughter core created.

Authority of Daughter Core,

1. Slave

2. Servant

3. Subordinate

4. Right/Left Arm

5. Partner

These authorities of the dungeon daughter core not only show the priority of how many abilities and power can be incorporated in the calamity daughter core but also shows the level of freedom I have given them.

Thanks to the imprisonment of daughter core and the slave AI I can turn any or every subject with daughter core into a mindless slave and order him to do anything I wish. With this authority system, I can thoroughly control how much freedom to be given the subjects based on how much I trust them.

The calamity daughter cores were all set ready to be used once created, all they required was a conscious soul to imprison within their core body and fulfil their purpose. I can use calamity daughter on both card apprentice and monsters. The card form of the calamity daughter core was for the card apprentice and the core form was for the monsters to ingest it. Either way, I could control both of them using the slave AI.

As I was thinking about the calamity daughter core and its taboo abilities a sudden thought stuck to my head, this idea was so ingenious that it made me stand on my feet in excitement and I couldn't wait to experiment it ...