

Eternal Heart 331

Chapter 331: Swift Victory

"Are you sure you want to fight to the death?"

Jin Zhuo Peak slightly furrowed his brows, as the other party was so aggressive and unwilling to share the resources of this area.

"Ha ha, you two from No Demon Academy really think highly of yourselves."

Lv Ze burst into laughter.

Yunyang Academy is the foremost among the four major academies, and he inherently believed he was a notch above the other three.

Moreover, with three people on their side, victory seemed certain.

Jin Zhuo Peak's expression darkened, he was not keen on clashing directly with the opponents, as it could easily result in mutual destruction.

If others passing by this place happened to come across them, wouldn't they just reap the benefits effortlessly?

However, before Jin Zhuo Peak could reflect further.

"Attack."

At Lv Ze's command, he transformed into a blur as he dashed out.

The other male and female, merely outer court disciples, dared not disobey and also drew their weapons.

In their view, Yunyang Academy was surely superior, and the two from No Demon Academy were no match for them.

Swoosh!

As Lv Ze approached, he suddenly changed direction and attacked Chen Yu.

Jin Zhuo Peak and Chen Yu were both taken aback, neither had expected this turn of events.

Lv Ze's hostility towards Chen Yu was one-sided, and naturally, Chen Yu was unaware.

"Senior Brother Jin."

Without uttering another word, Chen Yu moved closer to Jin Zhuo Peak seeking protection.

"Hmph, cowardly and afraid of death."

Lv Ze snorted disdainfully.

Seeing Chen Yu cowering in fear like this only increased his sense of pleasure.

Swoosh!

Jin Zhuo Peak drew out a blood-colored spear and thrust it out fiercely.

Having decided to temporarily win Chen Yu's favor, he naturally could not stand idly by and watch him die.

Clang!

Lv Ze's long saber harshly sliced down, cleaving a pale cyan saber light.

"Good, we didn't meet in last year's academy competition, but now let's determine a winner,"

Lv Ze roared, engaging in combat with Jin Zhuo Peak.

Although his teammates were from academies outside the major four, they were at least at the Late Innate stage, enough to handle an Early Innate like Chen Yu.

Boom!

The power from the clash of two Innate Peak cultivators dispersed, causing debris to rain down from above the cavern.

On the other side.

A male and a female attacked Chen Yu.

"Hehe, I've heard this youngster is a disciple of the vice dean of No Demon Academy, he should have numerous good items on him,"

The male disciple started with a sinister chuckle.

Since it was Lv Ze who told them to kill, even if it got out, they had the Lv Family and Yunyang Academy to shield them.

"Kek kek, so young and weak, not staying safely in the academy, instead he just came out to die,"

The female disciple revealed a sinister smile.

The two flanked Chen Yu from both sides, a sword and a saber thrusting directly at him.

Although not from the top four acadacies, both were top entities within their own second-tier academies.

"Heh, students from academies outside the major four, all so shortsighted and extremely foolish!"

Chen Yu mocked.

"Seeking death!"

The male disciple's face instantly became frosty.

Having previously failed to enter No Demon Academy and settling for a second-tier academy left him holding some grudge against No Demon Academy.

At this moment, he was excited about the prospect of killing a genius from No Demon Academy.

Drink!

The male disciple's shout was accompanied by a fierce surge of True Qi in his long saber, as he ferociously slashed out a giant black saber aura.

Meanwhile, the female disciple's long sword rippled with deathly water light, directly aiming for Chen Yu's throat.

In contrast, Chen Yu remained motionless on the spot.

As the attacks neared, Chen Yu suddenly extended both hands.

His right hand turned into a palm, which suddenly shone with a bronze light densely covered with bronze patterns, the surface surrounded by a layer of Evil Qi.

Boom!

The male disciple's black saber aura struck Chen Yu's palm, leaving behind a shallow mark before dispersing into nothingness.

Meanwhile, Chen Yu's other hand, infused with Evil Qi, grasped the tip of the female disciple's sword, stopping it dead.

"How can this be!"

The female disciple exerted all her strength, but her long sword couldn't advance an inch.

Both disciples were stunned, their minds overwhelmed with shock.

In their sight, the tall youth stood like a copper Buddha, his arms surrounded by a layer of scale-like black True Qi.

One palm, one pinch, resolving their attacks instantly, all done with an air of nonchalance and composure.

Suddenly.

Chen Yu moved, holding the female disciple's long sword in one hand and clenching his fist with the other, lunging forward.

Seeing this, the female disciple immediately dropped her sword and fled.

Boom!

Chen Yu's punch swung out, sending a mass of black-scaled fist aura roaring forth.

The female disciple couldn't dodge in time and was struck by the punch, her body smashing against the rock wall, blood spilling from the corner of her mouth.

After knocking down one, Chen Yu thunderously attacked the male disciple.

"No, how can you be this strong?"

The male disciple's face showed terror.

He himself was at the Late Innate stage, and it was beyond his expectations to ever fear someone at the Early Innate level so much.

Swoosh!

Completely devoid of the will to fight, the male disciple swiftly retreated.

But after Chen Yu employed his movement technique, his speed was even faster, instantly catching up.

Boom!

In an instant clash, the male disciple was kicked flying by Chen Yu.

Chen Yu dusted off his hands, looking utterly relaxed.

If he were facing someone from the top four academies at the Late Innate stage, maybe they could exchange a few blows; these outer court disciples, however, were much easier to handle.

On the other side, Jin Zhuo Peak and Lv Ze were still fiercely battling.

Suddenly, the body of a male student flew past from the side.

"What?"

Lv Ze caught a glimpse from the corner of his eye and his expression turned to shock.

The two students from his own team had actually lost!

Wasn't this too fast? He and Jin Zhuo Peak had barely exchanged ten moves.

Jin Zhuo Peak was surprised too, but not overly so.

During the quota battle, Chen Yu had defeated the top fighters in the Late Innate Stage of the academy in just a few moves.

"Senior Brother Jin, let me help you."

Chen Yu immediately leapt forward, launching a domineering and chilling punch imbued with Evil Qi.

Boom!

Lv Ze swung his long knife, shattering Chen Yu's punch.

From this exchange, Lv Ze felt the power of Chen Yu's strike.

"His True Qi is stronger than that of a regular Late Innate!"

Lv Ze was inwardly horrified.

He knew Chen Yu practiced Body Cultivation and had excellent strength and defense. Adding such powerful True Qi, defeating a regular Late Innate was indeed as easy as turning over one's hand.

Chen Yu showed no mercy, joining forces with Jin Zhuo Peak to relentlessly attack Lv Ze.

He had realized that Lv Ze bore hostility towards him; if it were someone else, they definitely wouldn't have chosen to fight.

Unfortunately for Lv Ze, he had underestimated Chen Yu's strength.

"Damn!"

Lv Ze felt immense pressure, knowing his defeat was inevitable.

Evil Qi takes shape!

Chen Yu gathered a massive surge of true evil energy and unleashed a vivid Black-Scaled Giant Python.

"What?"

Lv Ze was startled by Chen Yu's sudden explosive attack.

On the other side, Jin Zhuo Peak took the opportunity to attack, his spear technique sharp and overwhelming, crushing everything like a sea of spears.

Boom~

Lv Ze was blasted back by their combined assault, his body smashing against a wall, and a trickle of blood seeping from the corner of his mouth.

"Since Brother Lv is unwilling to share the resources of this place with us, we will unapologetically take them all."

Chen Yu laughed heartily.

Just now they had talked about sharing, but Lv Ze had disagreed.

Lv Ze, furious, turned a shade of purple. His gaze, sharp as a knife, fiercely swept over his two teammates.

"Hold on, I discovered this place first, and the Black Iron Demon Scorpion here was eradicated by us. You should at least leave some resources for me!"

Lv Ze said unwillingly.

But after speaking, he immediately felt a sense of humiliation. As a member of the Yunyang Academy and one of the Ten Ancient Clans, when had he ever been so subservient?

"Hehe, you still haven't grasped the situation, have you? Right now, your life is in our hands. If you don't hand over all your tokens, this cave will be your grave."

Chen Yu threatened.

"You dare! If you push Lv too far, we might all die here anyway!"

Lv Ze, face red with anger, seemed desperate.

Jin Zhuo Peak's face showed warning.

"You have your trump cards, we have ours. It's really hard to say who would die!"

Chen Yu was undeterred and continued to threaten.

Lv Ze's arrogance was instantly suppressed.

Chen Yu, being a disciple of the vice dean and having such low cultivation, the vice dean certainly had provided him with life-saving measures.

And Lv Ze, severely injured, truly couldn't match up to Chen Yu and Jin Zhuo Peak.

"Hand over all the tokens, or you will die right now."

Chen Yu's eyes surged with killing intent.

Jin Zhuo Peak also gained confidence, red ripples pulsing on the Blood Gun.

Eventually, Lv Ze had no choice but to hand over the tokens he held.

The tournament had just started, and he still had a chance to collect tokens, besides, he didn't have many on him.

Chen Yu's gaze sharpened; Lv Ze actually had four tokens.

Two of those might belong to those students, and another was probably seized from someone else.

"Senior Brother Jin, with your strong capabilities, you will definitely pass the first stage. These four tokens, please give them to your junior. If my master knows, he would certainly thank you."

Chen Yu immediately took the tokens, then said.

Jin Zhuo Peak's lips twitched slightly, he did not speak and merely gave a stiff nod.

In order to gain Chen Yu's favor, he let go of just four tokens.

Afterward, the two went to the spring.

"Senior Brother, let's evenly distribute the resources of this place based on their value."

Chen Yu took the initiative to speak.

"Evenly?"

Jin Zhuo Peak was momentarily startled, harboring some resentment and preparing to voice his doubts.

In the past when he teamed up with other students, he always took the larger share, while the others received minor benefits.

And now Chen Yu, merely at the Early Innate, was actually proposing an even split!

Before he could agree, Chen Yu immediately picked two "Demon Spirit Poison Heart Flowers."

"Senior Brother Jin, I am a Demon Cultivator, these three Demon Spirit Poison Heart Flowers are extremely useful to me, I trust you will not contend with me over them."

Chen Yu unapologetically stated.

Jin Zhuo Peak's lips twitched again, he even somewhat regretted his decision.

Or maybe he should go back on his word now, kill this junior, and then he could obtain all the exotic materials.

"If my Master knew that senior brother took such good care of me, he would definitely be very pleased."

Chen Yu continued, then glanced at the other exotic materials.

"Fine!"

Mentioning Chen Yu's Master, Jin Zhuo Peak immediately calmed down, suppressing his dissatisfaction.

Subsequently, the two of them scavenged the resources of the area clean.

During the distribution, Chen Yu made several demands, and Jin Zhuo Peak kept enduring, suddenly realizing his own patience was quite strong.

After the distribution, Chen Yu gained benefits amounting to more than sixty percent.

They each received three hatching eggs, but Chen Yu monopolized most of the other materials.

After all, this was the den of the Black Iron Demon Scorpion, most of what was inside were demonic exotic materials, with the years of growth at least above three hundred, and three types even reached four hundred years, which were more valuable.

And the resource Chen Yu valued the most, the Ghost Demon Poison Heart Flower, was all in his possession; if he successfully absorbed and utilized it, he might have a chance to advance to the Innate Middle Stage.

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The treasures inside the cave were all divided between Jin Zhuo Peak and Chen Yu.

Lv Ze took a Healing Pill, with a glance of envy occasionally fleeting past him as he gritted his teeth in frustration.

He knew he had no share in the resources here, so he took two students and left straight away.

However, the trio had just reached the entrance of the cave.

When suddenly, a fierce demonic aura, accompanied by a stench, charged towards them head-on.

They saw a giant scorpion, over ten meters long, charging furiously. Its body was pitch black, shimmering with a metallic luster like steel, and its massive scorpion tail swung in the air, its tip bright red.

Inside the cave, Chen Yu and Jin Zhuo Peak also sensed something was amiss and immediately came out.

"Black Iron Demon Scorpion King!"

The five of them exclaimed in unison.

"The strength of this Black Iron Demon Scorpion King is probably close to the Guiyuan Realm!" Jin Zhuo Peak said, a hint of wariness on his face.

Merely depending on him and Chen Yu alone, it would be difficult to kill the Black Iron Demon Scorpion King.

Furthermore, with Lv Ze and others on their opposing side, it was impossible for both sides to cooperate perfectly. During the fight, Lv Ze and his group might unexpectedly strike at them.

Therefore, there was no need to confront the Black Iron Demon Scorpion King head-on.

"Let's go!"

Jin Zhuo Peak made up his mind and immediately shouted.

Chen Yu also had no intention of fighting the Black Iron Demon Scorpion King and fled with Jin Zhuo Peak.

However, the pitch-black eyes of the Black Iron Demon Scorpion King flickered with a dim light, fixating on Jin Zhuo Peak and Chen Yu as a pair of pincer claws fiercely swooped down.

Whoosh~

Amidst the howling black wind and a flash of dark light, two pincers moved with lightning speed and slashed fiercely.

Blood swirled around Jin Zhuo Peak's body, his speed suddenly increased as he dodged the strike.

On the other side, Chen Yu also employed "Devilish Evil Frenzy Shadow" and dashed forward suddenly, dodging the Black Iron Demon Scorpion King's attack.

"Not good, the Black Iron Demon Scorpion definitely smelled the scent of the incubating eggs on us," Chen Yu speculated.

Among the five people present, only he and Jin Zhuo Peak had touched the incubating eggs.

Therefore, the Black Iron Demon Scorpion King was particularly hostile towards Chen Yu and Jin Zhuo Peak.

"The speed of the Black Iron Demon Scorpion King is not slow, and its attacks are even more formidable. Once hit by its pincers, poison is almost certain, and if hit by its tail, it's almost a certain death," Jin Zhuo Peak thought to himself.

Whoosh~

Seeing that it failed to kill them, the Black Iron Demon Scorpion King became even angrier, and its black iron pincers attacked frantically.

In an instant, the area within tens of meters was engulfed by a blade of black light, and numerous neat scratches appeared on the surface of the mountainside.

"Hehe, they brought it upon themselves," Lv Ze revealed a sly smirk.

"Haha, those two took the Black Iron Demon Scorpion's incubating eggs, which is why they're entangled with the Black Iron Demon Scorpion King now."

The other two students also laughed heartily.

"Let's go!"

Lv Ze and the other two students took the opportunity to retreat to the side while Chen Yu and Jin Zhuo Peak were attracting the Black Iron Demon Scorpion King.

"Senior Lv, why don't we retreat?"

The female student asked in confusion.

"Hehe, don't you find this fight very interesting?" Lv Ze's lips curled into a smile.

"Senior Lv is watching the tigers fight from the mountain, waiting to reap the fishermen's benefits," the male student said with a flattering smile.

Lv Ze nodded, looking toward Chen Yu, his heart filled with hatred.

He hadn't expected that Chen Yu, whom he once considered an ant, had grown to this extent.

And what was most hateful was that he had even been defeated by Chen Yu.

If this matter reached Princess Ning's ears, how could he show his face in the future?

Therefore, the best way was for everyone who knew about this to disappear.

The appearance of the Black Iron Demon Scorpion King just created that possibility.

If Chen Yu and Jin Zhuo Peak were to use all their tricks, they might defeat the Black Iron Demon Scorpion.

But then, the exhausted Chen Yu and Jin Zhuo Peak would be at their mercy, wouldn't they?

Ding ding dong!

Chen Yu and Jin Zhuo Peak were tightly entangled by the Black Iron Demon Scorpion King, unable to break free.

And since they had the scent of the incubating eggs on them, the Black Iron Demon Scorpion King would definitely chase them relentlessly.

"Chen, Lv Ze is still hiding in the shadows. If we kill the Black Iron Demon Scorpion King, we surely won't have the strength to deal with them," Jin Zhuo Peak secretly transmitted.

He was also considering strategies secretly.

Perhaps he could use Chen Yu as a scapegoat and take the chance to leave.

But with Lv Ze and others watching from not far away, if this matter leaked, the Vice President would still question Jin Zhuo Peak.

"Hehe, they want to watch us fight the Black Iron Demon Scorpion King and wait to reap the benefits. How could such a good thing happen so easily?" Chen Yu chuckled slightly.

In fact, if he were to use the black residual wings to aid his movement technique, he would be able to escape the pursuit of the Black Iron Demon Scorpion.

But unless absolutely necessary, he still didn't want to reveal this trump card.

"Do you have any plan?" Jin Zhuo Peak's eyes brightened.

"Of course!"

Chen Yu immediately took out a deep black colored incubating egg from his storage bag.

At once, the Black Iron Demon Scorpion King in front of them let out a crazy screech, and a terrifying fierce aura engulfed the surroundings.

"Send them one!"

Chen Yu looked in the direction of Lv Ze and others and fiercely threw the incubating egg.

In the distance.

Lv Ze and the others were watching the battle with smiles on their faces.

Suddenly, Chen Yu took out an incubating egg from his storage bag and threw it towards them.

The trio was momentarily stunned, then their expressions changed drastically.

"That damn Chen Yu, such a vicious scheme!" Lv Ze cursed as he faced the incoming innerHeight egg. Instead of catching it, he immediately said, "Let's go."

Whoosh!

The gaze of the Black Iron Demon Scorpion King instantly shifted to the other side, and it rushed over frantically.

Clamping the hatching eggs, the Black Iron Demon Scorpion King's dark pupils swept around angrily and menacingly.

Chen Yu and Jin Zhuo Peak had already fled without a trace, but Lv Ze and the other two disciples were still in the sight of the Black Iron Demon Scorpion King.

Without further ado, the Black Iron Demon Scorpion King charged towards Lv Ze and his two companions.

"Damn it, they actually used us as bait to attract the Black Iron Demon Scorpion King."

Lv Ze was furious but helpless, and he could only run away.

Relative to Chen Yu and Jin Zhuo Peak, his team's overall strength was far inferior, and it was uncertain whether they could survive a direct confrontation with the Black Iron Demon Scorpion King.

However, the Black Iron Demon Scorpion King seemed to have gone mad, stubbornly chasing after Lv Ze and his companions, closing the distance more and more.

After a short chase, the Black Iron Demon Scorpion King caught up with Lv Ze and the others.

Whoosh!

A red light flashed, and that scorpion tail, like a deadly beam of light, descended from the sky.

Lv Ze's body chilled as he dodged the attack.

But one of the female students was grazed by the scorpion tail.

Instantly, her wound turned pitch black and rapidly spread.

"Save me

The female student screamed in pain.

However, Lv Ze and the other male student, as if facing a great enemy, had no time to save her.

In just a moment, the female student was dead.

"Senior Lv, what should we do?"

The male student's face was pale as he felt death approaching.

"Don't be afraid, we're saved."

Lv Ze suddenly calmed down.

Boom boom boom!

The ground suddenly shook, and three giant figures appeared in the distance.

Among them, a rhinoceros stood enormously tall at nine meters, its huge horns gleaming metallically, while another giant tiger had fiery eyes, leaving a trail of flames as it walked.

In the sky, an enormous blue Cang Ying hovered with a yellow-clad woman standing upon it, her long hair cascading like a waterfall, her willow-leaf eyebrows conveying a proud demeanor.

"Sister Qiuling!"

Lv Ze immediately shouted.

"Lv Qiuling, the second top genius of Sky Star Academy, is said to have extremely strong spiritual power and is a Beast Taming Master!"

Beside him, the male student excitedly said.

At this moment, the three Spirit Pets beside Lv Qiuling, including the blue Cang Ying and the Silver-Horned Rhinoceros, both emitted an aura close to the Guiyuan Realm.

Such formidable combat power was enough to suppress any thoughts of resistance in ordinary people.

"Lv Ze, how did you end up in such a sorry state?"

Lv Qiuling's eyebrows slightly furrowed as she spoke coldly.

Though her attitude was cold, she still decided to help.

Boom!

The Silver-Horned Rhinoceros suddenly charged forward, its huge sharp horns heading straight for the Black Iron Demon Scorpion King.

Clang!

The Black Iron Demon Scorpion King snapped with its claws, but was still repelled dozens of meters by the Silver-Horned Rhinoceros.

At the same time, the Fire-eyed Giant Tiger pounced, its sharp claws aiming for the Black Iron Demon Scorpion King.

"Sister Qiuling, you must help me. In a cave, I found many precious materials and treasures, including the Black Iron Demon Scorpion's hatching eggs. But after we killed the Black Iron Demon Scorpion, Chen Yu and Jin Zhuo Peak from No Demon Academy suddenly appeared and snatched all my trophies

Lv Ze immediately recounted his grievances and then added, "They even took all the tokens from me."

"Hmph, how audacious, to bully a member of the Lv Family like this!"

Lv Qiuling snorted coldly.

"They have now fled to who knows where."

Lv Ze looked both saddened and resentful.

"Hmph, no matter where they are, I can find them."

Lv Qiuling's words carried extreme confidence.

Just then, the other Black Iron Demon Scorpion King was killed by Lv Qiuling's two Spirit Pets.

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On the other side, Chen Yu and Jin Zhuo Peak, having escaped from the Black Iron Demon Scorpion King, found a hidden valley and took refuge there.

"This time, it should be enough for Lv Ze."

The normally aloof and unsmiling Jin Zhuo Peak couldn't help but smirk.

"They brought it upon themselves."

Chen Yu was unconcerned.

If Lv Ze and his people had retreated directly, nothing of this sort would've happened.

Jin Zhuo Peak sat down cross-legged and took some Elixirs to heal and recover.

Seeing this, Chen Yu also sat down.

He patted the pet bag and released the Red Flame King.

The Red Flame King looked fierce and was about to curse loudly, but noticing someone nearby, he held his tongue and glared fiercely at Chen Yu.

Then, Chen Yu released the Iron Moon Strange Insect and took out a Demon Spirit Poison Heart Flower.

"Chen, when did you turn to practicing the demonic path?"

Jin Zhuo Peak couldn't help asking, as he was unaware of these developments before the competition.

"Not long ago." f

Chen Yu answered truthfully, having not been practicing the demonic path for very long.

"Are you planning to consume the 'Demon Spirit Poison Heart Flower'?"

Jin Zhuo Peak looked shocked.

This flower, although capable of enhancing cultivation, contained a severe poison that attacked the heart, causing unbearable pain.

If one meditated while enduring such agony, the meditation's effectiveness would drastically decrease, and it was not unusual to deviate from the correct practice.

"Yes."

Chen Yu nodded, plucked the flower, and stuffed it into his mouth.

Watching Chen Yu consume the Demon Spirit Poison Heart Flower, Jin Zhuo Peak did not stop him, thinking to himself, "Doesn't this kid know the Demon Spirit Poison Heart Flower is poisonous? Normally, one needs to take painkillers or antidotes while consuming it."

"If this boy suffers from poisoning or deviates from the practice later, it'll be my chance to act."

Jin Zhuo Peak's thoughts of killing Chen Yu were still not completely gone.

Chen Yu was also wary of Jin Zhuo Peak, which is why he had released the Red Flame King.

Last time, Chen Yu had given the Red Flame King twenty fire cores; now, the Red Flame King had reached the Innate Middle Stage.

With the Red Flame King's capabilities, Jin Zhuo Peak could not do much to him.

Moreover, Chen Yu felt that his heart probably had strong resistance against the toxin of the Demon Spirit Poison Heart Flower.

How effective it was, however, would still have to be tested.

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The Red Flame King beside him also showed a look of surprise.

He naturally recognized the low-grade precious material, the Demon Spirit Poison Heart Flower, which could enhance the cultivation of a Demon Cultivator, but it contained a potent poison that directly targeted the heart.

If the Red Flame King didn't have some understanding of Chen Yu, he would also suspect that Chen Yu had gone mad, to just swallow the Demon Spirit Poison Heart Flower like that.

Meanwhile, Jin Zhuo Peak occasionally glanced at Chen Yu from the corner of his eye.

After all, killing Chen Yu would bring great benefits from Luo Haotian, in addition to claiming the resources and treasures on Chen Yu's person.

"When this lad's poison strikes his heart, or he suffers from a deviation in his cultivation, I'll be able to easily kill him, but first, I must deal with this Ancient Beast."

Jin Zhuo Peak's gaze couldn't help but size up the Red Flame King.

Such a precious breed, Jin Zhuo Peak truly felt a bit reluctant to kill.

But once a Spirit Pet contract was signed, Spirit Pets were sworn to protect their masters to the death, so to kill Chen Yu, he first had to deal with the Red Flame King.

After swallowing the Demon Spirit Poison Heart Flower, Chen Yu immediately felt a dominating and robust power burst within his body, permeating his flesh, muscles, veins, and flowing to his heart.

Chen Yu immediately activated the mental method of the "Heavenly Demon Secret Pattern Record," channeling the qi of the Demon Patterns and actively drawing in and absorbing this Demonic power.

The two forces met and merged without any conflict.

During this process,

Chen Yu felt the Demonic presence in his Demon Pattern qi strengthen slightly, the maturity and purity of which also significantly improved.

Just then, Chen Yu felt another force uncontrollably and irrepressibly flow towards his heart.

"This is the poison of the Demon Spirit Poison Heart Flower!"

Chen Yu's mind tensed slightly.

Watching the dark liquid flow into his heart,

Chen Yu waited for a few moments but detected no discomfort.

The dark liquid, like a droplet falling into the sea, caused no effect and disappeared instantly.

Thump! Thump! Thump!

Chen Yu's heart continued to beat normally.

"The poison is ineffective!"

Chen Yu's heart surged with secret joy.

At this moment, he recalled the time in Chu Country when he was pursued by the Water Moon Sect Master.

Back then, the Water Moon Sect Master's sword had pierced his heart, and Chen Yu behaved as if nothing had happened.

Compared to that, this bit of poison was nothing at all.

Now, Chen Yu was completely reassured.

His heart was not only impervious to sword stabs but also immune to poison.

Immediately, he focused all his attention on the medicinal effect of the Demon Spirit Poison Heart Flower, refining and absorbing it with all his might.

Not far away,

Jin Zhuo Peak and the Red Flame King both kept their attention on Chen Yu.

After a while, Chen Yu's complexion showed no change; in fact, he seemed quite comfortable, and the Demonic qi emanating from his body was even stronger than before.

"Something's not right, the poison should have acted by now."

Jin Zhuo Peak felt surprised in his heart and grew impatient.

He even suspected that Chen Yu was forcibly enduring, deliberately putting on such an expression.

The Red Flame King also revealed a hint of surprise.

Chen Yu, who had taken the Demon Spirit Poison Heart Flower, showed no abnormality, which was somewhat against common sense.

Even some Poison Cultivators would feel pain and discomfort when their hearts were invaded by poison.

Another moment passed, and Chen Yu's demeanor remained unchanged.

Jin Zhuo Peak's face turned sullen, his mind in chaos, and the thought of secretly killing Chen Yu gradually dissipated.

After some time, Chen Yu opened his eyes, and the Demonic aura around his body quickly retracted and disappeared.

"There's one more plant left. If I use it and absorb it, I should be able to break through to the Innate Middle Stage."

Chen Yu took out another Demon Spirit Poison Heart Flower from his storage bag.

"Junior Brother, this flower is poisonous. Didn't you feel any discomfort when you took it just now?"

Jin Zhuo Peak immediately asked.

Since a while ago, this doubt had been plaguing his mind.

"Senior Brother knew this flower was poisonous? Why didn't you stop me just now?"

Instead of answering, Chen Yu retorted with a question.

Jin Zhuo Peak stiffened suddenly, his pupils shrinking.

While the two were at a standoff, Chen Yu, through the vision of the Iron Moon Strange Insect, noticed that something outside was amiss.

"There's trouble."

Chen Yu suddenly spoke out, put away the Demon Spirit Poison Heart Flower, and swiftly walked to the outside of the valley.

Jin Zhuo Peak also got up and left.

Boom boom boom~

The ground trembled slightly, and a massive fierce aura came descending.

Three Demon Beasts were seen charging straight for the valley.

"Demon Beasts? No... Lv Qiuling!"

Jin Zhuo Peak's expression turned doubtful, but when he saw the two figures on the blue Cang Ying, his face changed drastically.

Lv Qiuling, the second-ranked top expert of Sky Star Academy.

Her own strength wasn't that formidable, but when she released all her Spirit Pets, she could even contend with Duan Xinyue, the number one of Sky Star Academy.

"Lv Qiuling, the Beast Tamer!"

Chen Yu thought of this person's relevant information. f

Being a Beast Tamer, possessing the ability to control beasts, it indeed wasn't difficult for her to track the two of them down.

"Run!"

Without a second word, the two immediately fled.

Someone as terrifying as Lv Qiuling, with combat power close to the number one of Sky Star Academy, Chen Yu and Jin Zhuo Peak would stand no chance even if they joined forces.

Besides, Lv Ze was also on that blue Cang Ying.

"Haha, where do you two think you're escaping to?"

Lv Ze laughed loudly.

"Eh? An Ancient Beast Spirit Pet!"

Lv Qiuling's eyes sparkled brightly, fixated on the Red Flame King, not expecting such an unexpected surprise.

Ancient Beast Spirit Pets were extremely valuable, but taming an Ancient Beast was far from easy.

"Go!"

Lv Qiuling gave a sharp command.

Swoosh!

The blue Cang Ying beneath her flapped its wings, stirring up a blue windstorm.

In an instant, the blue Cang Ying drew near Jin Zhuo Peak and Chen Yu, its pair of steel claws carrying formidable might, fiercely striking down.

Clang clang!

Jin Zhuo Peak and Chen Yu both drew their weapons, clashing against the steel claws.

The combat power of this blue Cang Ying was on par with the earlier Black Iron Demon Scorpion King.

Because it was a dive from the air, the attack of the azure Cang Ying was extremely powerful, sending Chen Yu and Jin Zhuo Peak into a retreat.

Boom!

Jin Zhuo Peak crashed to the ground, breaking an ancient tree.

At the same time, he took advantage of this force to employ his movement technique and flee.

On the other side, Chen Yu also fell down but managed to keep his footing and was uninjured.

"The opponent has a flying spirit pet and is a Beast Taming Master; this is going to be tough!"

Chen Yu's eyes darted around, and he immediately fled in another direction.

"Sister Qiuling, leave Chen Yu to me."

Lv Ze glanced at the direction in which Chen Yu had escaped and immediately spoke up.

"Leave him to you?"

Lv Qiuling hesitated slightly.

She had planned to deal with Chen Yu herself and seize his Ancient Beast Spirit Pet.

"Don't worry, Sister Qiuling, after I kill Chen Yu, I will capture that ancient beast alive for you!"

Lv Ze knew that Lv Qiuling was interested in the ancient beast and wanted to take action herself, so he requested again, "Chen Yu and I have some grievances; Sister Qiuling, please let me personally kill him!"

Chen Yu's act of throwing the hatching egg to Lv Ze, using them as bait, had intensified Lv Ze's hatred toward Chen Yu.

Lv Qiuling nodded, considering Lv Ze's strength, dealing with Chen Yu should be a trivial matter.

"Alright, I'll give you 'Little Cai'; it can help you capture the ancient beast."

Lv Qiuling took out a pet bag and handed it to Lv Ze.

Swoosh!

With an excited smile on his face, Lv Ze leaped down from the Cang Ying and chased after Chen Yu.

As the eighth-ranked student at Yunyang Academy, Lv Ze's strength was not much different from Jin Zhuo Peak's, and he moved incredibly fast.

Within the ancient forest, two figures, one fleeing and the other pursuing.

"Good, only Lv Ze is chasing me."

Chen Yu breathed a sigh of relief.

It would be difficult for him to contend with a top genius like Lv Qiuling at his current stage.

"Kid, you're courting death!"

Seeing Chen Yu's relaxed demeanor, Lv Ze was seething with rage, cursing loudly.

After all, he was a talented student ranked eighth at Yunyang Academy, equivalent to the top five in other academies, yet Chen Yu dared to look down on him, dealing another blow to Lv Ze's pride.

After running a distance, Chen Yu suddenly stopped.

With only Lv Ze chasing after him, he wasn't worried at all.

"You... you!"

Lv Ze's eyes widened as he stared at Chen Yu, who was no longer fleeing. His chest heaved violently, and he was so angry he couldn't speak.

Chen Yu actually despised him so much that he couldn't even be bothered to run.

"You can't do anything to me anyway, we might as well go our separate ways."

Chen Yu spread his palms.

"Ha ha, if I don't kill you today, you won't realize how ignorant and foolish you are!"

Lv Ze burst into laughter.

In his view, Chen Yu must be full of himself because a vice principal had taken him as a disciple, and he didn't have regard for anyone else.

"Go, Little Cai!"

Lv Ze released the pet given by Lv Qiuling.

Swoosh!

A huge, colorful spider appeared beside him, its patterns brilliantly colored, though not particularly attractive; they made Lv Ze feel a bit nauseous.

But none of that mattered, as long as the colorful spider could capture the Fire Scale Beast.

After releasing the Spirit Pet, Lv Ze drew a long knife and charged at Chen Yu.

Chen Yu wasn't worried about the Red Flame King. He pulled out the Giant Ruler Sword and confronted Lv Ze.

Clang!

The knife and sword collided, True Qi clashed, and a wave of energy swept out.

Chen Yu took several steps back before stabilizing his stance.

"An exceptional artifact!"

Chen Yu's gaze sharpened as he stared at the pale cyan long knife in Lv Ze's hand.

Of course, if he fully utilized the Giant Ruler Sword in his hand, reaching the superior king grade, it wouldn't be much different from an exceptional artifact.

Besides, as Lv Ze was at the Innate Peak, his True Qi was slightly stronger than Chen Yu's True Demonic Qi.

Therefore, in a one-on-one clash, Chen Yu was at a disadvantage.

However, in Lv Ze's eyes, it was already astonishing that Chen Yu could block his knife strike.

Against an ordinary Innate Middle-Stage cultivator, a casual strike from him could be lethal.

"Previously, you could only push me back with Jin Zhuo Peak's help. Now that it's just the two of us, I, Lv Mo, can defeat you in ten moves, not even needing twenty to kill you!"

Lv Ze laughed heartily, a cruel look on his face.

Chen Yu's previous contempt made it difficult for Lv Ze to calm his animosity without killing him.

"Anyone can make big claims!"

Chen Yu shouted in a low voice, and his body shone with copper light, revealing an ancient pattern.

Clang!

The two clashed again.

Running the Copper Statue Technique, Chen Yu's strength increased somewhat, and even though Lv Ze had an exceptional artifact, Chen Yu could still meet him head-on.

Five moves had passed.

"Azure Dragon Slash!"

Seeing Chen Yu being so formidable, Lv Ze immediately cast his combat skill.

On his cyan long knife, a cyan light bloomed, and with a fierce slash, a vast cyan light blade accompanied by an imposing dragon's might descended.

The powerful dragon's might wasn't from Lv Ze himself but was an amplification from the exceptional artifact.

Chen Yu's pupils contracted; his physical strength and True Qi were both transitioning toward demonic arts, becoming less potent than before, which made this move difficult to block.

Shout!

Chen Yu roared, his body glowing with copper brilliance as he suddenly grew in size, transforming into a copper Buddha.

After growing larger, Chen Yu's strength and defensive power both increased.

Swinging the Giant Ruler Sword with full force, Chen Yu unleashed a formidable black scale sword wave.

Boom!

An explosion sounded, and a cyan gust enveloped Chen Yu.

However, as he had grown larger, his defensive power had greatly increased, his body gleamed with copper light, and he was mostly unharmed.

"How can this be?"

Lv Ze internal felt a jolt of concern.

He was ranked eighth at Yunyang Academy, yet he couldn't even handle an Early Innate.

Suddenly, he heard a screech.

Looking over, he saw the colorful spider was actually wrapped up in a layer of colorful silk.

The Red Flame King was playing with the spider, now bundled up like a hairball, seemingly very bored.

Chapter 334 Inviting the Treasure Turtle (Third Update)

"How could this happen?"

Lv Ze revealed a look of surprise, somewhat incredulous.

The colorful spider given to him by Lv Qiuling, although not an ancient beast species, had a cultivation reaching the late Innate stage, excelled at long-range attacks, and its spider silk was extremely tough, with very strong binding power.

Even if Chen Yu's Spirit Pet reached the level of an ancient beast, it shouldn't have been taken care of so quickly.

Moreover, it looked like Chen Yu's Spirit Pet had won with an overwhelming advantage.

Chen Yu himself didn't feel it was anything special; if the Red Flame King had been dealt with by a little spider, then he would have lived in vain.

"Since that's the case, I can only take you down in a short time."

Lv Ze snorted coldly, his expression growing grave.

Chen Yu's Spirit Pet seemed not so simple; if he got caught between Chen Yu and his Spirit Pet in combat, he feared it would be difficult to emerge victorious.

Whoosh~

Dark cyan patterns emerged on Lv Ze's skin, and the azure True Qi surrounding his body suddenly became more profound, exuding a cold and dangerous aura.

"The Lv Family's Bloodline Power!"

Chen Yu's gaze slightly sharpened.

The Bloodline of the Lv Family could increase the strength of True Qi.

With a strengthened True Qi, other aspects also received a slight enhancement.

Swoosh!

Lv Ze suddenly burst forward, his speed a few notches faster than before, and he swiftly closed in on Chen Yu, swinging his long saber in a fierce and wild dark cyan saber glow.

Boom bang~

Chen Yu, with the Giant Ruler Sword in hand, parried the slash.

"Hmph, after activating Bloodline Power, the power of my True Qi has greatly increased. How could you possibly block it?"

Lv Ze snorted coldly.

Pur pur~

That mighty slash forced Chen Yu to retreat continuously backward, kicking up a shower of mud and grass.

"Bloodline Power, I have it too!"

Seeing Lv Ze like this, Chen Yu no longer held back, tapping into a bit of the dragon scale Bloodline Power.

Instantly, semi-transparent red scales appeared on his arms and forehead, emanating an ancient and powerful dragon's aura.

At that moment, Lv Ze's Bloodline power seemed to tremble faintly, suppressed somewhat.

"How is this possible? You have Bloodline Power too?"

Lv Ze's complexion drastically changed.

He never would have expected Chen Yu to possess Bloodline Power, and of a higher quality than his.

Boom bang!

After activating the dragon scale Bloodline Power, Chen Yu's strength and defense greatly increased. He lifted the Giant Ruler Sword abruptly, repelling Lv Ze's saber.

"What strong power!"

Lv Ze was inwardly shocked, realizing that Chen Yu's strength had greatly increased after activating his Bloodline Power.

Of course, Chen Yu's dragon scale Bloodline Power also held an intangible deterrence over his, weakening Lv Ze's Bloodline Power somewhat.

"Sha Qi Sword Frenzy!"

Chen Yu swung the Giant Ruler Sword, gathering a solid Sha Qi Sword on it, furiously slashing out. A series of astonishing Black Scale Evil Swords streaked through the air.

"Azure Dragon Nine Forms!"

Lv Ze dared not to be careless, executing his blade technique and martial skills, his long saber rapidly weaving, and the dark cyan saber glow enveloping his vicinity.

Boom bang explosion!

With Bloodline Power activated, their clash became even more intense, sword aura and saber light flying wildly, destroying all the sturdy ancient trees around them.

In a certain moment.

Boom!

Lv Ze was sent flying by one of Chen Yu's swords, spitting out a mouthful of fresh blood.

In terms of Bloodline Power, Lv Ze's was inferior to the dragon scales.

"Run!"

Taking advantage of the force from the blow, Lv Ze fled.

He never would have imagined that in a solo fight against Chen Yu, he would not be the match.

If Chen Yu's Spirit Pet joined the battle, Lv Ze feared even escaping would be difficult, so he retreated right now.

Hum~

The phenomenon of Chen Yu's Bloodline Power dissipated from his body.

"Let's go!"

Chen Yu had no intention of pursuing Lv Ze.

Firstly, Lv Ze was from one of the eight major families and might have some tricks up his sleeve, which could be problematic if pushed into desperation.

Secondly, if he went after him, encountering Lv Qiuling would be troublesome.

Besides, the Token that Lv Ze held had long been in Chen Yu's hands.

Boom~

The Red Flame King opened its mouth, spewing out a ball of scorching red flames, igniting the colorful spider bound in spider silk into a ball, with wails of agony following.

Before long, the screams stopped, and the colorful spider was roasted alive.

"Kid, how do you have such Bloodline Power?"

The Red Flame King asked.

"If you beg me, I'll tell you."

Chen Yu didn't feel like explaining, so he responded thusly.

It was, of course, impossible for the Red Flame King to beg Chen Yu.

The Red Flame King snorted coldly, lifting his head in a proud and disdainful manner.

"Let's move quickly. Lv Qiuling should have sensed the situation here through that spider."

Chen Yu and the Red Flame King sped up, leaving the area.

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"This kid actually has Bloodline Power, something not mentioned in the reports. Besides, with such strength, by the next grand tournament, who could be his opponent

Lv Ze muttered to himself as he went on.

"Now I should hurry and contact Sister Qiuling, and have her kill Chen Yu."

Lv Ze looked slightly downcast and sorrowful.

Had he known earlier, he wouldn't have volunteered for the task; he should have let Lv Qiuling go after Chen Yu.

Now, not only had he failed, but he also caused Lv Qiuling's Spirit Pet to die, and punishment was unavoidable.

"Who's there?"

Lv Ze seemed to hear something, suddenly shouting out.

He had just turned his head when he saw a pitch-black dagger, less than a meter away from himself.

Lv Ze's body broke out in goosebumps, his heart pounding erratically.

When had the other person approached, without him noticing at all?

In this moment, Lv Ze felt the threat of death.

Boom bang!

Lv Ze activated his Bloodline Power, exploding out with a saber strike.

Amidst the hazy dust, a black shadow suddenly arrived behind Lv Ze, the dagger stabbing out silently.

"No!"

Lv Ze screamed in terror.

He had just been through a chase, a grand battle, and was not in condition to fight.

Moreover, the opponent's strength was far beyond his own.

Even at his peak, Lv Ze feared he would be no match for his adversary.

Additionally, from the wound on his back emanated a putrid smell, clearly the opponent's dagger had been poisoned.

Lv Ze stared intently at the figure, but the person was clad in a pitch-black cloak with a pure black mask, their face obscured.

Nevertheless, Lv Ze felt a sense of familiarity from this person.

Bang!

The masked man struck with his palm, and Lv Ze was sent flying several meters, breathless.

Approaching Lv Ze's corpse, the masked man grabbed the storage bag.

"Such damned luck, not a single token!"

The masked man transferred the contents into his own storage bag.

Then, he took out a jade bottle and spilled some black-green powder.

"There's someone."

Sensing something, the masked man leaped away.

Just then, a massive azure Cang Ying hawk flew across the sky.

"Lv Ze!"

Lv Qiuling leaped down from the Cang Ying, eyes chilling to the bone as she beheld Lv Ze being burned by green flames.

"With Lv Ze's strength, Chen Yu couldn't possibly have killed him

Lv Qiuling swung her hand, unleashing a pale blue Qi Force that extinguished the green flames on Lv Ze.

Upon closer inspection, Lv Qiuling found the small wound on Lv Ze's spine.

"This wound, the deadly poison, these methods of destroying the body... the work of an assassin!"

Lv Qiuling finally found something amiss.

"Among the students who entered here, is there such a powerful assassin? Chen Yu must have colluded with this assassin, finding him will reveal the real culprit!"

Lv Qiuling mounted the azure Cang Ying and swiftly departed.

In her view, Chen Yu was certainly in cahoots with the assassin, conspiring to kill Lv Ze, thus the two were murderers.

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Beast Tamers possess the ability to control beasts and have a strong knack for tracking people.

Chen Yu fled all the way, encountering numerous students from academies other than the major four, and he promptly seized their tokens without hesitation.

By now, his total count of tokens had reached twelve.

Of course, Chen Yu also encountered a powerful team led by students from the Sky Sword Academy, whom he avoided from afar.

At one moment, Chen Yu noticed three or four students eagerly making their way towards a certain place.

Piqued by curiosity, Chen Yu followed to see what was happening.

Before long, a dark green lake appeared at the edge of the forest.

The lake was surrounded by many people, roughly divided into three camps.

The first group was mainly students from Yunyang Academy, among them a noble lady in azure clothes, with deep, pond-like eyes and waterfall-like black hair, extremely eye-catching.

This lady was none other than Princess Ning, who had a few encounters with Chen Yu.

On the other side, the Sky Sword Academy was represented, with Chen Yu spotting Ye Luofeng and He Qiuyun among them.

The third group belonged to the No Demon Academy.

No Demon Academy's leader was Wei Bin, who stood out during the quota competition, accompanied by Duan Hao and Kong Zhong.

Besides, among the three groups, there were also several students from other academies.

"Chen Yu!"

When Kong Zhong and Duan Hao saw Chen Yu, they couldn't help but exclaim in a low voice.

Team leader Wei Bin also looked his way; after all, Chen Yu was the Vice Dean's disciple, so he too had some impressions of Chen Yu.

Chen Yu immediately approached.

At the same time, quite a few people from the opposing two groups also turned their gazes towards Chen Yu.

"Could it be him?"

Princess Ning looked towards Chen Yu with a radiant smile, causing several male students by her side to be momentarily stunned.

"Is it that kid?"

He Qiuyun also noticed Chen Yu.

Beside him, Ye Luofeng's cold eyes stirred with ripples as she emitted an intangible Sword Intent.

Ye Luofeng was not content with her last loss to Chen Yu.

After a long time apart, she couldn't help but want to compete with Chen Yu once again.

The unusual reactions of the two beauties caught everyone's attention, and they all looked towards Chen Yu.

"My, Brother Chen really has great charm with the ladies!"

Kong Zhong said enviously.

Chen Yu smiled and walked in closer.

He was curious about what was happening and why so many people had gathered here.

As he approached, he immediately saw that the dark green, foul-smelling lake was dotted with many extremely rare and precious materials such as Ice Spirit Fruit, Electric Light Grass, Three-leaf Sunflower.

These treasures varied in kind, including materials from ice, fire, lightning, and even those from the demonic path.

"Magic Triangular Grass!"

Chen Yu discovered such a rare magical material among them.

The Magic Triangular Grass contained powerful demon spiritual forces, which could refine one's mental willpower, imbuing it with demonic intent, and making it stronger and more resilient.

However, if the cultivator had a weak mind or harbored inner demons and consumed this material, they could be invaded by evil intent, plagued by hallucinations, and driven to madness.

"Now that Chen Yu is here, our team is a bit stronger. When the time comes to compete for these resources, we will be that much more confident!"

Wei Bin greeted Chen Yu proactively.

"Why isn't anyone making a move?"

Chen Yu asked.

The materials floating on the lake were tempting even to him.

Even if he couldn't use them, they could be auctioned for a high price.

After exchanging for the "Heavenly Demon Secret Pattern Record," Chen Yu found himself impoverished once again.

"Wait!"

Kong Zhong simply stated.

Just then, there was a surge on the lake surface.

The treasured materials began to rise slowly, and beneath them emerged a giant brown tortoise.

All the precious materials were growing on the shell of this tortoise.

"This is a 'Duo Bao Golden Wood Turtle,' also known as 'Treasure Attracting Turtle,' an extremely rare low-level ancient beast. This turtle loves collecting exotic herbs and cultivating them on its shell. Who would have thought we'd encounter one in this secret realm

Wei Bin explained.

This Duo Bao Golden Wood Turtle, which had reached the Guiyuan Realm, belonged to the category of ancient beasts.

But this turtle was naturally timid and had been hiding in the depths of the lake.

Eventually, the students present coerced the turtle out by throwing various toxic pills and powders into the lake.

"Great, the turtle can't hold out anymore, the poison has driven it out!"

Wei Bin let out a piercing cry.

The three groups present all showed a slight change in their expressions, their eyes collectively focused on the center of the lake.

Chapter 335: Treasure Snatching

"Alright, this turtle can't hold it in any longer; it has been forced out by the poison!"

Wei Bin let out a piercing weird scream.

The three groups present changed their expressions slightly and all stared intently at the middle of the lake.

"I didn't expect to encounter the legendary 'Treasure Turtle' here."

Chen Yu also showed a look of amazement, focusing on a brown giant turtle in the center of the lake.

In the middle of the Treasure Turtle's shell was a piece of special rock soil, planted with all sorts of precious and exotic treasures, immensely valuable, making one's heart race with desire.

After exchanging for the "Heavenly Demon Secret Pattern Record," Chen Yu had few No Demon Points and Primordial Stones left.

And to exchange for the fourth to sixth levels, he needed a million No Demon Points.

So Chen Yu was in dire need of resources at the moment, and he wouldn't let go of anything valuable.

Moreover, this Treasure Turtle had reached the Guiyuan Realm and belonged to the category of ancient beasts.

Of course, the turtle was naturally timid and not good at attacking; otherwise, just the people present might not have been able to deal with it.

"Attack!"

From the Sky Sword Academy's side, a man with a straight and skinny figure with eyebrows sharp like swords, suddenly soared into the air.

"That person is Zhou Yuning from the Sky Sword Academy, ranked third. His strength far surpasses mine and Princess Ning from Yunyang Academy. Adding the talent of Ye Luofeng to their team, Sky Sword Academy is the strongest of these three teams; we must be careful of them."

Wei Bin cautioned Chen Yu.

Wei Bin was ranked eighth in No Demon Academy, Duan Hao eleventh.

Among the teams of Yunyang Academy, Princess Ning was ranked tenth in the academy.

Hence, Sky Sword Academy had the strongest overall strength here.

Clang!

Zhou Yuning drew a crimson sword, forming a streak of crimson flame sword light over twenty to thirty feet long, surrounded by many crimson sword shadows.

Many nearby students felt a burning pain on their skin.

Boom!

The crimson flame sword light, dragging countless red sword shadows, struck the Treasure Turtle's head in an instant.

Wuu~

The Treasure Turtle let out a pitiful cry, a shallow gash left on its head, blood oozing out.

"Such strong defense; even Zhou Yuning's attack only caused some superficial injuries to the Treasure Turtle!"

An external academy student exclaimed in shock.

Then, one after another, the rest of the attacks rained down, a myriad of colorful sword light and blade intent, leg shadows, and fist glows scrambling to be first.

People from No Demon Academy also joined in the fray.

Feeling the terrifying fluctuations of True Qi around them, the Treasure Turtle showed a look of fear, retracting its head into the shell.

At the same time, ripples of water light shimmered around it, forming a green protective water shield that enveloped both the Treasure Turtle and the precious materials on its back.

The Treasure Turtle cherished its treasures as if they were its life; even when attacked, it would still find ways to protect its treasures.

Pff!

Everyone's attacks shattered the water light shield around the Treasure Turtle.

Some attacks missed while others hit the shell, leaving faint marks.

Since they were all long-distance attacks, they were not very accurate.

"Idiots, don't attack recklessly; you'll destroy the treasure on the back of the Treasure Turtle!"

Wei Bin suddenly cursed out loud.

Why else would everyone here be ganging up on the Treasure Turtle, if not for the treasures on its back?

Suddenly, several Ice Dao Practitioners stepped forward, releasing a burst of extremely cold frost power.

Immediately, a layer of ice formed on the surface of the lake.

The lake was filled with poison thrown in by everyone, and standing on it carelessly would result in being affected by the toxins.

But with the lake water frozen into ice, as long as they protected their feet with True Qi, there wouldn't be much of a problem.

Stomp, stomp...

Many people stepped onto the frozen lake surface, attacking the Treasure Turtle at close range, not only increasing the accuracy but also the power of their attacks.

However, the shell of the Treasure Turtle was like a steel fortress; any attack that landed on it could not cause any significant damage.

Only the top powerhouses like Zhou Yuning, Princess Ning, Wei Bin, Ye Luofeng, and others could leave some shallow marks on its shell.

"This shell is really tough; even a Guiyuan Realm expert personally arriving here may not be able to break through it."

Many people felt helpless.

Once the Treasure Turtle retracted into its shell, the range for everyone's attacks became even smaller, and they could only send their attacks through the gaps in the shell.

At this point, a few people had gotten very close to the Treasure Turtle, attempting to pick the treasures from its back.

Wuu wuu!

An angry cry came from inside the shell.

Suddenly, the Treasure Turtle stuck out its head and spewed out a huge water column.

"Move!"

He Qiuyun immediately shouted.

Boom, crash!

Two external academy students failed to dodge in time and were hit by the water column, thrown more than a dozen feet away, breaking five or six thick ancient trees, and they fell to the ground motionless.

"Although the Treasure Turtle is not adept at attacking, it still is a Guiyuan Realm ancient beast; its attacks can instant-kill ordinary Late Innate. Be careful, everyone!"

Commandery Princess Ning's tender and melodious voice sounded.

"When the turtle itself is under attack, it dodges and defends, but as soon as someone tries to snatch its treasures, it immediately counterattacks."

Chen Yu was somewhat speechless; this turtle really did cherish its treasures like life itself.

Swish!

At that moment, when the water shield protection around the Treasure Turtle was shattered, a thin thread suddenly shot out, wrapping around a silver fruit on the Treasure Turtle's back.

Instantly.

The Treasure Turtle's head stretched out, furiously enraged.

Rip!

The thread jerked fiercely, breaking off the root of the silver fruit and flying out with it, landing in the hands of the Puppet Master Kong Zhong.

"Hehe!"

Kong Zhong laughed triumphantly.

Just then.

Rumble rumble!

Inside the lake, dark green waves roiled wildly, rising into the sky, turning into dark green streams of water, sweeping forth.

"Quick, avoid it; this water is poisonous!"

Wei Bin shouted loudly.

Earlier, everyone had poisoned the water to force the Treasure Turtle out, but now, the Treasure Turtle was using the toxic water from the lake to attack them.

Swish, swish...

The scene became chaotic, everyone used their movement techniques to dodge.

Many were also touched by the toxic water, and the toxins invaded their bodies, with those of lower cultivation immediately succumbing and dying.

Chen Yu seemed rather relaxed; his movement technique was profound, and coupled with his unique physique, even when the poison of the Demon Spirit Poison Heart Flower attacked his heart, he acted as if nothing happened.

"Damn beast, courting death!"

Seizing the opportunity, Zhou Yuning's treasured sword flashed with astonishing firelight and chopped down.

Bang!

A fiery blaze of Sword Intent struck the head of the Duo Bao Golden Wood Turtle, leaving behind a gory, bleeding wound.

On the other side, Wei Bin and Princess Ning also took the chance to attack the Duo Bao Golden Wood Turtle.

As the turtle came under siege, its wounds deepened, and it once again retracted into its shell.

"Everyone, put in more effort, this turtle won't last much longer!"

Zhou Yuning shouted, his voice echoing throughout the arena.

"Who has poison left? Throw it into the turtle's shell."

He Qiuyun suddenly had an idea and bellowed.

"That's right, as the turtle has strong defensive power and keeps hiding in its shell, we can throw poison into the shell."

Many people's eyes lit up in agreement with this approach.

Unfortunately, in order to force out the Duo Bao Golden Wood Turtle, most of the people present had nearly exhausted their stock of poison pills and powders.

"I have some!"

Chen Yu remembered something and spoke up.

In the past, he had ventured into the Poisonous Fog Forest, slain the "Poison Dragon" on the wanted list, and obtained various kinds of poison pills and powders from the opponent's storage bag.

From the nickname "Poison Dragon," it was clear that this person excelled in the use of poison.

Whoosh!

Chen Yu quickly took out many jade bottles and medicine bags, distributing them to the people from No Demon Academy.

Hum!

Chen Yu used True Qi to wrap some red and green poison powder into a ball and shot it into the turtle's shell.

Wuu wuu~

The Duo Bao Golden Wood Turtle roared, as these humans dared to poison its shell.

It suddenly stretched its head out, blocking some of the poison pills and powders.

Suddenly, the surrounding True Qi on one clump of pink powder burst open, releasing a strangely enticing fragrance.

"What is this

Many people inhaled a bit, instantly feeling dry-mouthed and parched.

The cheeks of one or two female students even blushed a bright shade of red.

"This is an aphrodisiac powder

Wei Bin let out a wicked laugh, looking towards Chen Yu.

"Despicable and shameless!"

From a distance, Ye Luofeng glared fiercely at Chen Yu, shocked that he actually possessed such things.

Many people's gaze towards Chen Yu started to become strange.

"These are just my spoils of war

Chen Yu wanted to explain, but found it somewhat difficult to make clear.

Not proficient in poison and without a thorough study, how could he know that among the Poison Dragon's many poison pills and powders, there were such aphrodisiacs?

The crowd didn't bother with these details and continued to attack the Duo Bao Golden Wood Turtle.

Under the prolonged assault by the many students, the turtle was covered with cuts and bruises, and already extremely weak.

Many people cautiously approached the turtle, ready to seize the treasure.

"Magic Triangular Grass!"

Chen Yu's speed suddenly exploded as he charged towards the Duo Bao Golden Wood Turtle.

Seeing this, the others also immediately rushed forth.

But when it came to straight-line speed, only Zhou Yuning could match Chen Yu.

Hum Boom!

Just at that moment, the Duo Bao Golden Wood Turtle went berserk, and green waves surged once again all around.

Zhou Yuning had to slow down to dodge the poisonous water.

But Chen Yu's speed did not decrease in the slightest.

"He's asking for death."

Zhou Yuning hummed lowly.

This water, mixed with various poisons under the Duo Bao Golden Wood Turtle's control, became a deadly weapon. Ordinary people dared not touch it.

"Heh heh!"

He Qiuyun also sneered coldly.

But suddenly, Chen Yu's body shone with a burst of bronze light, transforming into a copper statue.

Chen Yu's physique naturally had a great resistance to poison, and the Copper Statue Gang Body was invulnerable to all fire and poisons.

He veered to the side, dodging as much of the widespread poisonous water as possible, and shot through it.

"Hiss~"

Chen Yu hissed, smoke rising from his copper body, but the damage wasn't severe and he quickly healed.

"How is this possible? Such a strong resistance to poison?"

Zhou Yuning's face paled in shock.

"However, this guy dares to approach the Duo Bao Golden Wood Turtle and will face its furious counterattack in the throes of death."

He Qiuyun's gaze darkened.

So far, only Kong Zhong had used long-distance methods to snatch something from atop the Duo Bao Golden Wood Turtle.

"Go!"

When Chen Yu was three meters away from the Duo Bao Golden Wood Turtle, he suddenly stopped and flung an insect from his hand.

The bug pierced through the back of the Duo Bao Golden Wood Turtle, bit off the stem of a precious plant, and brought back a dark purple precious herb.

"Got it!"

Chen Yu chuckled.

The precious herb brought back by the Iron Moon Strange Insect was indeed the Magic Triangular Grass, which Chen Yu highly regarded.

Seeing this, many people showed expressions of envy.

"He got it."

Ye Luofeng felt somewhat irritated.

In her heart, she had already been competing with Chen Yu, determined to get the precious herb on the back of the Duo Bao Golden Wood Turtle before him.

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Not far away.

A huge blue Cang Ying flew over.

"What's the situation over there?"

Lv Qiuling, riding on the Cang Ying's back, looked towards an area with dark green waters.

"Keke, I am so lucky, not only did I find Chen Yu, I also encountered the legendary Duo Bao Golden Wood Turtle!"

Lv Qiuling showed a delighted expression, her Cang Ying's wings shook, and she quickly rushed over.

Chapter 336: Fishing in Troubled Waters

"Keke, Miss here seems to have great luck, not only did I find Chen Yu, but also encountered the legendary Duo Bao Golden Wood Turtle!"

Lv Qiuling's face lit up with joy.

Humming!

Her feet on the Cang Ying trembled, creating a layer of light blue tornado, and she dove down rapidly.

Around the lake.

The precious materials on the back of the Duo Bao Golden Wood Turtle were stolen by Chen Yu, causing it to go mad again. Waves churned around its body, sweeping in all directions.

Many students temporarily avoided its edge.

Having gone insane, the Duo Bao Golden Wood Turtle became weaker and seemed unable to hold on much longer.

Just then, everyone sensed a powerful aura rapidly approaching.

Suddenly, a large shadow appeared on the ground, and a huge green Cang Ying flew down, emitting an aura fluctuations nearly reaching the Guiyuan Realm.

The mere gusts from the green Cang Ying blew many Innate Strong People several meters away.

"Die, Chen Yu!"

Lv Qiuling's cold eyes fiercely glared at Chen Yu.

Puchi!

A pair of iron-like green giant claws reached out towards Chen Yu.

In the critical moment, Chen Yu pushed his True Copper Statue to the limit, and drew out the Giant Ruler Sword, holding it in front.

At the same time, he stomped hard, cracking the ice below, and his figure sank downwards.

Ding dang!

The Giant Ruler Sword collided with the Cang Ying's iron claws, emitting a loud resonating sound.

Chen Yu's body smashed into the bottom of the lake as a result.

Seeing this scene, many nearby students felt a chill down their spines.

"What did Chen Yu do to make Lv Qiuling so angry that she would strike a deadly blow!"

"This lake must contain countless poisons; the Duo Bao Golden Wood Turtle can resist it due to its familiarity with water, its shell's defense, and having strong bloodline. But if an ordinary person were to fall into the water, they would definitely be invaded by countless poisons with no chance of survival."

Many students discussed and lamented.

Just when Chen Yu had shone brightly, in the next moment he was suddenly struck down by Lv Qiuling, the contrast in events left people sighing.

"Brother Chen!"

Far away, Kong Zhong's expression shifted.

"You

On the side of the Sky Sword Academy, Ye Luofeng's cold eyes stared unwaveringly at Lv Qiuling, bursting with a bone-chilling Sword Intent.

At the bottom of the lake.

Chen Yu's skin burned with corrosion, he pushed his True Copper Statue to the limit, activated the defense shield of the High Grade Treasure, and stirred up a powerful demonic rune aura to create a protective layer.

"This damned woman, to attack me so ruthlessly, she really intends to kill me."

Chen Yu's eyes gleamed coldly.

"It's not suitable to go out now."

Chen Yu did not leave but stayed at the bottom of the lake.

If he firmly resisted, he could still stay at the lake bottom for a while.

"You guys leave, this Duo Bao Golden Wood Turtle is mine."

Lv Qiuling proudly stood atop the Cang Ying, shouting out with a formidable presence.

"What big talk, we struggled so hard to weaken it; you want to take all the benefits at the end?"

Wei Bin was the first to express dissatisfaction, his voice shrill.

"Your Excellency, don't you think that's unreasonable?"

Commandery Princess Ning also spoke out.

"Haha, I gave you all a chance. Since you don't cherish it, you can't blame others."

Lv Qiuling sneered, pulling out several pet bags and releasing all the Spirit Pets inside.

Boom boom boom!

The ground shook continuously as several strong Demon Beasts appeared all at once.

There was a Silver-Horned Rhinoceros, a Fire-eyed Giant Tiger, a yellow poison bee, and three to four black spiders.

Among them, the Silver-Horned Rhinoceros and the green Cang Ying were at the same level, and the other Demon Beasts also reached the Innate Peak.

"Beast Tamers are too frightening!"

Many students felt intimidated.

"Lv Qiuling, you're really taking me too lightly!"

From the side of the Sky Sword Academy, Zhou Yuning's slender eyes burst with a blazing Sword Intent.

"Keke, out of all present, only you could be my opponent, what about it? Do you want to fight against me?"

Lv Qiuling looked towards Zhou Yuning.

"Watch out!"

Zhou Yuning wasted no words, cleaving with his sword, a stunning blaze of sword light hurtling towards Lv Qiuling.

Ding dang!

The green Cang Ying flapped its steel-like feathers, releasing a layer of green tornado, reducing the force of the sword.

Bang!

Lv Qiuling produced a brown leather whip in her hand and fiercely lashed out, shattering the sword light.

The intense clash between two top fighters raised a wave of True Qi, forcing the other students to retreat.

The scene grew chaotic as, apart from Zhou Yuning, the other students and the Demon Beasts and Spirit Pets released by Lv Qiuling were engaged in fierce combat.

At the lake's bottom, Chen Yu resisted the poison while keeping an eye on the situation outside.

"The Duo Bao Golden Wood Turtle is about to die!"

Chen Yu was very clear about the turtle's condition.

Go!

Chen Yu released a dark blue light point from his hand, which was the Iron Moon Strange Insect.

At this time, the Iron Moon Strange Insect had reached the Innate Middle Stage, its poison astonishing; normally, an Innate Late Stage creature bitten fatally by it was almost certain to die.

Shoop pu!

Suddenly rushing out from the lake bottom, the Iron Moon Strange Insect burrowed into the wound on the Duo Bao Golden Wood Turtle's neck.

Instantly, the Duo Bao Golden Wood Turtle struggled for a second or two and then died completely.

"This lake is poisonous enough, I can barely hold on anymore, it's all thanks to the Duo Bao Golden Wood Turtle floating on the lake surface for so long!"

Chen Yu remarked.

His True Qi shield and the High Grade Treasure Armor's protective shield were both eroded by the poison.

By now, Chen Yu's skin surface showed signs of other colors where the poison had invaded.

Go!

Chen Yu rose and approached the treasure turtle.

In the air, Lv Qiuling and Zhou Yuning were fighting intensely.

Zhou Yuning, ranked third in talent at Sky Sword Academy, launched fierce attacks. Lv Qiuling and the blue Cang Ying fought together, yet the Cang Ying demon beast was still significantly wounded in several spots.

As a sword cultivator, defense was Zhou Yuning's weakness. His clothes were also torn in several places, stained red with blood.

"Zhou Yuning, you are no match for me," Lv Qiuling said.

She had a flying mount, giving her a significant advantage.

Had she not feared flying too far and allowing Zhou Yuning to snatch the treasures from the treasure turtle, she definitely would not have clashed directly with him.

Zhou Yuning didn't speak, feeling extremely unwilling.

His team had been the main force attacking the treasure turtle earlier, and Zhou Yuning had invested much effort and time. He couldn't simply let someone else take the treasures from the treasure turtle.

Just then—

Splash!

A figure emerged from the lake, holding a black spear in hand.

"Brother Zhou, let me help you."

Chen Yu pursed his lips into a smile, his heart power surging as he violently threw the spear.

The spear, soaked in the poison lake and coated with the venom of the Green Moss Poison Mushroom,

"You... you're not dead yet?"

Zhou Yuning's gaze faltered.

Struck by the blue Cang Ying and plummeting into the depths of the poison lake, Chen Yu had surprisingly emerged after such a long time.

Such vitality made even cockroaches seem incomparable.

However, the next moment, he was taken aback again.

Whoosh!

The spear hurled by Chen Yu dragged a layer of dark shadows through the air, its tip gleaming with a golden cold brilliance, piercing through a distance of several dozen feet in an instant, aiming at Lv Qiuling.

"What?"

Lv Qiuling looked as if she had seen a ghost, her delicate face showing a trace of shock.

She had never expected Chen Yu, who had fallen into the deadly lake, to come out alive.

Not only that, the powerful force of Chen Yu's thrown spear made her feel threatened.

Thud!

The spear harshly grazed past the feathers of the blue Cang Ying, splashing blood and scattering iron-like feathers.

That wasn't all—the spear continued its relentless flight towards Lv Qiuling.

Zing!

Lv Qiuling hastily dodged, the spear's trailing wind grazing past her right arm, tearing off a part of her sleeve.

"This

The nearby students opened their mouths wide, faces filled with shock.

Not only had Chen Yu not died after falling into the lake, but he had also suddenly launched an attack that injured the blue Cang Ying.

"He's not dead!"

Ye Luofeng's eyes, icy and piercing, gradually lost their coldness.

Staring again at Chen Yu, and seeing his smug, mischievous smile, Ye Luofeng couldn't help but give a slight, pursed smile.

Boom!

The blue Cang Ying, already injured from previous battles, struggled to maintain balance after being hit by Chen Yu's spear. The toxins spread, and it faltered and fell.

Moreover, the Cang Ying's point of descent was near the lake, with one wing landing in the waters.

Boom! Bang!

Dust and smoke rose as the Cang Ying cried in pain, stirring a layer of poisonous water, creating a toxic rain under the sky.

Many people were splashed by the toxic rain, immediately showing black spots on their bodies.

Everyone swiftly retreated, seeking shelter in the forest.

"Chen Yu, how dare you

Lv Qiuling stood up, her fists clenched tight, a faint green True Qi around her body trembling, exuding an extremely dangerous aura.

Yet, when Lv Qiuling looked towards the center of the lake, there was no trace of Chen Yu.

Upon further inspection, the most valuable and oldest precious materials on the back of the treasure turtle were missing.

Zhou Yuning paused for a moment, his gaze sharpening.

Whoosh!

He swiftly swung his long sword, slicing out a blazing sword light, cutting down a grove of ancient trees in the distance.

At the edge, Chen Yu's figure appeared.

At this moment, his body was patchy with black and green, the toxins not yet fully purged, appearing somewhat ragged.

But Chen Yu's face was full of smiles, running swiftly.

At this point, Zhou Yuning and Lv Qiuling understood—they must have been outmaneuvered by Chen Yu, who took advantage of the chaos to steal the most valuable materials from the back of the treasure turtle.

Indeed, among so many present, only Chen Yu had been closest to the treasure turtle and possessed surprising resistance to poison.

"Lv Qiuling, shall we continue the fight?" Zhou Yuning immediately went after him.

A junior in the early Innate Realm, right in front of them, had muddied the waters and humiliated Zhou Yuning, making him feel utterly disgraced.

"Little Qing!"

Lv Qiuling looked at the blue Cang Ying, her heart aching, and then glared at Chen Yu with intensified hatred.

She immediately fed some healing elixirs to the blue Cang Ying and then returned it to her spirit pet bag.

"Fine, we'll split the materials here equally," Lv Qiuling gritted her teeth to say.

Although the combat strength of the blue Cang Ying was compromised, she still had other spirit pets, and there were one or two students from Sky Star Academy around. Together with Sky Sword Academy's team, they were the strongest here.

"Alright!" Zhou Yuning agreed.

Together, they were a match for the remaining teams from No Demon Academy and Yunyang Academy, who had no choice but to step aside.

"Damn bitch... but Chen Yu is really something," Wei Bin cursed, then laughed.

Being able to outmaneuver a powerful person like Lv Qiuling was not something ordinary people could achieve.

"Absolutely audacious, not only did he injure Lv Qiuling's mount, he also took several valuable materials right under Lv Qiuling and Zhou Yuning's noses!"

The other students remarked, worried for Chen Yu's life.

Lv Qiuling, having been outplayed by Chen Yu, would definitely not let him go.

Soon, Lv Qiuling and Zhou Yuning divided the resources.

Their two teams, combined, had a large number of people.

In the end, the benefits that Lv Qiuling and Zhou Yuning shared were only slightly better than the materials Chen Yu had taken during the chaos.

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After distributing the benefits, the two teams established their boundaries.

Swoosh!

Lv Qiuling leapt onto the Fire-eyed Giant Tiger in the blink of an eye.

"Let's go!"

"Chen Yu... I swear I will tear you to pieces."

The Fire-eyed Giant Tiger took Lv Qiuling away, kicking up a trail of dust as numerous Demon Beasts stirred up dust and left noisily.

"Senior Zhou, it seems that a few students from Sky Sword Academy have been ambushed and assassinated by killers who've erased all traces, including Senior Sister Liu."

He Qiuyun whispered.

"Senior Sister Liu is ranked fourth in our academy. Whoever could assassinate her must be extraordinary. As far as I know, the top students from the other three academies don't specialize in assassination."

Zhou Yuning pondered for a moment before replying.

"Not only that, I've heard that Fan Dong from No Demon Academy and Lv Ze from Yunyang Academy have also been assassinated."

He Qiuyun added.

"An assassin not distinguishing between academies? That suggests another possibility—someone from a sect who has infiltrated might also be participating in this trial!"

Zhou Yuning's eyes flickered with a brief flash of light.

In the four major academies or within the Imperial Family, there have always been infiltrators from various sect forces. They're just very well concealed and skilled in assassination.

If these infiltrators belong to a sect force, it could explain the assassinations across all four academies.

Of course, these infiltrators might not necessarily be within the four major academies; they could also have come through academies outside of the main four.

"Tell the other students from Sky Sword Academy to be cautious in their actions, and not to fully trust even those around them."

Zhou Yuning secretly transmitted his voice.

Not far away.

The shell-less Clamoring Turtle was surrounded by the teams from No Demon Academy and Yunyang Academy.

As people dissected the Clamoring Turtle, they discovered that all of its internal essence had vanished.

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In the forest.

Chen Yu hid in a lush ancient tree.

Swoosh!

A dark blue light point flashed by, and the Iron Moon Strange Insect landed in Chen Yu's hand.

"Feasted well, huh?"

Chen Yu quickly left and dashed wildly.

Turns out, the Iron Moon Strange Insect had burrowed into the Clamoring Turtle and had been hiding inside all along.

The innards of such an ancient beast like the Clamoring Turtle were of immense value and greatly beneficial to the Iron Moon Strange Insect.

"Ha ha, I've made a huge profit this time, that woman must be furious."

Chen Yu laughed heartily without panic, "Lv Qiuling won't let me off the hook, but her flying mount is seriously injured and won't catch up so easily."

While fleeing, Chen Yu jumped into a stream to wash off his scent.

Just then, he heard a loud boom in the distance.

"Let's go have a look!"

Chen Yu approached slowly, allowing the Iron Moon Strange Insect to scout ahead.

Soon after, Chen Yu saw a scene through the Iron Moon Strange Insect.

Roar~

A Long-haired Vajra Ape, standing thirty feet tall, pounded its chest, roaring and bellowing loudly.

"Long-haired Vajra Ape!"

Chen Yu's eyes widened.

The Long-haired Vajra Ape was at the Guiyuan Realm, a low-level ancient beast with exceptionally strong offense and defense.

However, the ape had several gaping, bloodied wounds.

In front of it floated a handsome, golden-robed man, radiating a brilliance like the sun, dazzling to behold.

This man was none other than Yunhai Zhen, the top student of Yunyang Academy and the Fourth Prince of the Imperial Family.

"Slash!"

Yunhai Zhen wielded a golden, dragon-etched sword and swung fiercely.

Whoosh!

A scorching sword rainbow, glittering with golden light, struck the Long-haired Vajra Ape, leaving a long, bloody gash.

The residual sword light caused a wildfire in the surrounding area.

"A single sword carrying such power!"

Chen Yu was shocked.

Before, their three teams, twenty or thirty people, had attacked the Clamoring Turtle with all their might and only managed to kill it slowly.

Yet now, Yunhai Zhen injured the Long-haired Vajra Ape with a single sword strike.

Suddenly, Chen Yu noticed something.

Yunhai Zhen was floating mid-air, and the powerful energy oscillating from his sword was clearly beyond what True Qi could match.

"Guiyuan Realm!"

Chen Yu concluded that Yunhai Zhen must have made a breakthrough to the Guiyuan Realm at this moment.

With Yunhai Zhen's strength, breaking through to the Guiyuan Realm shouldn't have been a problem.

But he had been suppressing it to solidify his foundation.

Now it appeared that Yunhai Zhen must have come across some fortune here, prompting his breakthrough to the Guiyuan Realm.

Roar~

The Long-haired Vajra Ape roared furiously, leaping up to engage in a desperate fight with Yunhai Zhen.

Boom!

Yunhai Zhen's body shone with a golden radiance, and he appeared behind the ape like lightning.

Slash!

His golden sword blazed fiercely as he swept it across, a stunning golden sword rainbow piercing through, its light making the whole area gleam gold.

Thump!

Blood spurted wildly as the Long-haired Vajra Ape fell to the ground dead.

One man, one sword, had slain an ancient beast of the Guiyuan Realm!

"Those hiding around here, hand over all your Tokens!"

Yunhai Zhen's pupils, glittering with golden light, swept his gaze around.

His gaze seemed to penetrate the trees. Those who met his eyes instantly felt an irresistible pressure and their spirits quivered.

A battle at the Guiyuan Realm Level would naturally shake the heavens and earth, attracting many onlookers.

Yunhai Zhen didn't care about this and began extorting Tokens right after killing the Long-haired Vajra Ape.

Swoosh!

Chen Yu immediately ordered the Iron Moon Strange Insect to return.

"Good thing I didn't get closer, or I'd have to surrender my Token."

Chen Yu felt relieved and quickly left.

Having witnessed Yunhai Zhen's strength, Chen Yu felt immense pressure and a strong urge to quickly elevate his cultivation and power.

After running for half an hour, Chen Yu found a concealed crevice in the mountainside.

"This place is not bad. Right here, I'll consume and absorb the remaining Demon Spirit Poison Heart Flower!"

Chen Yu was just about to sneak in.

Whoosh!

A red figure burst out from within but stopped immediately upon seeing Chen Yu.

"Chen Yu?"

Senior Brother Jin appeared slightly surprised but then seemed a bit relieved.

If it had been a strong practitioner from another academy who found this place, things might have gotten complicated.

"Senior Brother Jin, I trust you've been well."

Chen Yu offered a slight smile.

He had let the Iron Moon Strange Insect search for a hidden spot and happened to discover Senior Brother Jin, so he came over.

Chen Yu glanced at Jin Zhuo Peak and noticed his complexion was a bit pale, his body stained with blood. It appeared Lv Qiuling had chased and attacked him quite miserably.

"Chen Yu, did you kill Lv Ze?"

Senior Brother Jin asked.

"Lv Ze is dead?"

Chen Yu was somewhat surprised.

He had defeated Lv Ze before but had not killed him.

Now, he understood why Lv Qiuling was set on killing him when she saw him.

It turned out Lv Ze was dead.

"He was hunting you, weren't you aware?" Senior Brother Jin pressed.

"I didn't kill him."

Chen Yu asserted.

Senior Brother Jin had also heard along the way that Lv Ze was dead.

He was quite frightened at the time, wondering how Chen Yu, with his strength, could have possibly killed Lv Ze.

Now that Chen Yu confirmed he did not kill Lv Ze, Senior Brother Jin found it more believable.

"Senior Brother Jin, you don't mind if I come in, do you?"

Chen Yu asked as he walked into the crevice in the mountainside.

Next, Chen Yu began to sort his spoils of war.

Swish!

He took out everything he obtained from the back of the treasure-seeking turtle, one by one.

"This is Ghost Fire Ganoderma, White Moon Spirit Light Grass, Three-leaf Sunflower, Magic Triangular Grass

Senior Brother Jin was dumbstruck.

The rarities Chen Yu now produced had a minimum age of five hundred years, with the Ghost Fire Ganoderma and Magic Triangular Grass reaching six hundred years.

These precious materials were scarce and extremely valuable in the outside world, and with such an age, their value was immeasurable.

At that moment, Senior Brother Jin felt an urge to kill and loot.

But he was a calm and smart person.

"Junior Brother, where did you get all these from?"

Senior Brother Jin inquired.

"Haha, earlier Zhou Yuning and Lv Qiuling were going at it hammer and tongs, and I simply fished in troubled waters and stole these things

Chen Yu explained very simply.

Senior Brother Jin's heart surged with shock.

Chen Yu really had some nerve, daring to fish in troubled waters right under the noses of Zhou Yuning and Lv Qiuling.

This made Senior Brother Jin somewhat wary of whether Chen Yu had some powerful trump card.

"The Red Flame King, help protect me as I attempt to break through to the Innate Middle Stage."

Chen Yu communicated through a transmission.

"Oh? You don't seem to be in any danger right now? I am under no obligation to help you."

The Red Flame King refused with an air of arrogance.

"Set up an offensive array here to protect me, and if I'm safe and successfully break through to the Innate Middle Stage, this Three-leaf Sunflower is yours."

Chen Yu took out the precious resource to entice the Red Flame King.

Once his strength broke through to the Innate Middle Stage and improved,

He would naturally feel more at ease with the Red Flame King's cultivation increasing a bit.

"Fine, I need the following herbs as well, keep an eye out for them

The Red Flame King thought for a moment then agreed, and then conveyed several types of herbs through a transmission.

"No problem."

Chen Yu immediately agreed, then took out some Primordial Stones and a fire core, handing them to the Red Flame King.

After doing all this, Chen Yu sat down cross-legged, took out a Demon Spirit Poison Heart Flower, and swallowed it.

Instantly.

Chen Yu felt a domineering and vigorous force explode within his body, roaming freely inside.

He immediately circulated the demonic rune energy to guide and integrate the medicinal effect of the Demon Spirit Poison Heart Flower.

As for the poison flowing toward his heart, he did not bother with it.

Meanwhile, Senior Brother Jin began to heal his wounds as well, but his peripheral vision occasionally observed Chen Yu.

After a while, Chen Yu's expression revealed no fluctuations.

"How can this kid be perfectly fine after consuming the Demon Spirit Poison Heart Flower

Senior Brother Jin couldn't wrap his head around it.

"Eh? What's this ancient beast scribbling?"

Senior Brother Jin glanced at the Red Flame King, his eyes showing a hint of amazement.

The Red Flame King was squatting on the ground, its claws shimmering with strange flames, slowly dragging them across the ground, leaving behind lines.

Senior Brother Jin couldn't understand what the Red Flame King was drawing, yet he could sense that those lines seemed to contain some mysterious principles, possessing peculiar power.

At this moment, Senior Brother Jin felt either he had become stupid, or something was off. He couldn't see through Chen Yu, and he also completely failed to understand Chen Yu's Spirit Pet.

Just then, a layer of faint demonic runes appeared on the surface of Chen Yu's body.

A formidable and domineering demonic aura, with intricate patterns, radiated from him.

"Is he attempting to break through to the middle stage?"

But with this thought, Senior Brother Jin's expression became alert, "This kid is currently only at the Peak of Early-stage Innate, and he's already terribly strong. If he breaks through to the middle stage, he might be able to contend with me."

As time passed, the demonic fog around Chen Yu grew denser, resembling a layer of demonic clouds enveloping the area for several tens of meters.

Woo woo~

From within the dark demonic clouds, intimidating roars that could shake one's soul rang out.

"Having recently converted to the demonic path, the momentum of his advancement to the middle stage is so powerful—what Cultivation Technique is he practicing?"

Senior Brother Jin inwardly marveled.

Normally, advancing to the Innate Middle Stage shouldn't cause such significant phenomena.

And Senior Brother Jin, being close to Chen Yu, could feel the boundless domineering demonic power inside Chen Yu even more clearly, making even him shudder with fear and apprehension.

Chapter 338: Join Forces to Face the Enemy (Request for Double Monthly Passes)

Chen Yu's cultivation had already reached the peak of the early stage of the Innate realm, and he was confident that by absorbing the medicinal power of the Demon Spirit Poison Heart Flower, he would be able to break through to the Innate Middle Stage smoothly.

After consuming the precious material, he circulated the mental method of the Heavenly Demon Secret Pattern Record, and Chen Yu's body slowly absorbed the medicinal effects of the Demon Spirit Poison Heart Flower.

Buzz~ Buzz~

Inside the Qi Sea, the massive demonic pattern energy and the True Sha Qi rapidly spun.

Within his body, a continuous stream of spirited blood merged into the Qi Sea, transforming into True Qi.

In less than two hours, the True Qi sphere inside Chen Yu's body had grown slightly.

Not far off, Jin Zhuo Peak's gaze remained on Chen Yu.

"This is a critical moment for the kid's seclusion and impact. Should I make a move and kill him?"

Jin Zhuo Peak pondered, somewhat struggling internally.

The precious materials that Chen Yu had just brought out were worth a fortune, far exceeding all the gains Jin Zhuo Peak had made so far.

At the same time, Jin Zhuo Peak also felt doubtful and apprehensive.

"Does Chen Yu really trust me so much? He's breaking through right beside me without any precautions?"

Jin Zhuo Peak questioned himself.

Just then, his attention was once again drawn to the Red Flame King.

At this moment, the Red Flame King had finished setting up an offensive array.

Near Chen Yu, countless lines formed an odd pattern, with some Primordial Stones and fire cores placed in certain spots. At a glance, it looked extraordinary.

"Is this an Array or

Waves surged within Jin Zhuo Peak's heart.

A mythical beast setting up an array was too strange!

Moreover, the peculiar lines around Chen Yu made Jin Zhuo Peak feel an invisible threat.

"It seems that Chen Yu is not without precautions; if I were to strike now, who knows what the consequences would be

The turmoil and killing intent in Jin Zhuo Peak's heart gradually calmed down.

In less than half a day, Chen Yu's True Qi sphere had grown significantly.

The astonishing demonic intent emanating from Chen Yu's body and the demonic cloud phenomenon centering on him slowly faded until it eventually dissipated.

"He succeeded," Jin Zhuo Peak sighed to himself.

Chen Yu opened his eyes and exhaled a breath of stale air.

Having made a breakthrough to the Innate Middle Stage, every aspect of him had improved to some extent.

Originally, Chen Yu had also planned to consume the "Magic Triangular Grass."

But this precious material was too old and probably had an extremely ferocious medicinal effect. Without the suppression of the Moon Spirit Ore Mother, there might be accidents.

With Jin Zhuo Peak nearby, Chen Yu naturally could not bring out treasures like the Moon Spirit Ore Mother.

Therefore, he put the idea aside for now.

Next, he began circulating the mental method of the Heavenly Demon Secret Pattern Record to consolidate his newly achieved cultivation.

However, just at that moment.

Boom Boom Boom!

The ground suddenly shook, and a fierce and bloody aura pressed down.

"Not good, it's Lv Qiuling!"

Jin Zhuo Peak instantly leaped up.

It was Lv Qiuling who had previously chased him, causing him to end up in such a state. If not for playing his trump card, he might have had difficulty escaping.

Now, his injuries had not fully recovered, yet Lv Qiuling was attacking again.

Upon reflection, the culprit who had drawn Lv Qiuling here was likely Chen Yu.

"Senior Brother Jin, there's no need for panic!" Chen Yu said with a smile.

"No need for panic?" Jin Zhuo Peak's expression was stunned as he stared at Chen Yu as if looking at a fool.

Lv Qiuling was the second-ranked powerhouse at Sky Star Academy, and the number of Spirit Pets she commanded was vast. If all were mobilized, they could even contend with Duan Xinyue, who was the top student of Sky Star Academy.

And Jin Zhuo Peak himself was injured, not in his prime condition.

Yet Chen Yu was telling him not to panic.

"Haha, I didn't expect both of you to be hiding here. Perfect, I can capture you both at once," Lv Qiuling's proud and resonant voice reached the ears of Jin Zhuo Peak and Chen Yu.

Through the narrow cracks in the mountainside, Jin Zhuo Peak observed the outside situation.

Lv Qiuling was riding on a Fire-eyed Giant Tiger, accompanied by a Silver-Horned Rhinoceros, a yellow poisonous bee, and three black spiders.

"Huh? Where is her flying Spirit Pet?" Jin Zhuo Peak was taken aback.

Lv Qiuling's flying Spirit Pet was one of her main combat forces.

Besides, with the ability to fly, it controlled the initiative.

But at this moment, Jin Zhuo Peak didn't see Lv Qiuling's flying Spirit Pet.

"Haha, Lv Qiuling, without your flying Spirit Pet, do you still think you can capture us all?" Chen Yu burst into laughter.

Lv Qiuling's flying Spirit Pet was temporarily out of the fight.

And Chen Yu's cultivation had just advanced. Plus, he had Jin Zhuo Peak by his side. The two of them together need not fear Lv Qiuling.

"Chen Yu, you've injured my 'Little Qing'; I will have you shattered into a thousand pieces!" Lv Qiuling, seeing Chen Yu's audacity, blazed with rage in her heart.

"Lv Qiuling's flying Spirit Pet was injured by Chen Yu, and that's why it can't join the fight?" Jin Zhuo Peak inhaled sharply, his gaze filled with disbelief as he looked towards Chen Yu.

The combat ability of that blue Cang Ying was on par with the Black Iron Demon Scorpion King they had encountered earlier.

It was inconceivable that Chen Yu could harm such a terrifying Spirit Pet.

And these words had come straight from Lv Qiuling's mouth, forcing Jin Zhuo Peak to believe them.

"Smash through this place for me!" Lv Qiuling gave the order.

Roar~

The Silver-Horned Rhinoceros let out a low growl, its legs fiercely kicking, stirring up dust and dirt.

Accompanied by a thunderous "Rumble," the Silver-Horned Rhinoceros charged forward, its nasal horn shining with a silver light as it collided toward them.

"Quick, dodge, Chen Yu!" Jin Zhuo Peak shouted.

The combat power of this Silver-Horned Rhinoceros was not much different from that of the blue Cang Ying.

With his injuries, Jin Zhuo Peak was not confident he could contend with this Spirit Pet.

"Hehe, Senior Brother Jin, why should we dodge? There's no need for you to deal with this Silver-Horned Rhinoceros, just move a few steps to the side."

Compared to the somewhat flustered Jin Zhuo Peak, Chen Yu appeared very calm, with a faint smile playing at the corners of his mouth.

"Just need to move a few steps?"

Jin Zhuo Peak widened his eyes, his heart thumping wildly as he stared at Chen Yu for an instant.

At this moment, he couldn't see through Chen Yu at all.

But there was no time for him to think more, as the attack of the Silver-Horned Rhinoceros had already arrived, and Jin Zhuo Peak immediately retreated to the side.

"Red Flame King, it's your turn."

Chen Yu transmitted his voice.

"Humph!"

Red Flame King snorted coldly, raising his head.

His claws, glowing with flames, landed on an array that had already been set up.

Instantly, the patterns on the ground started shimmering with burning flames, unleashing a fierce fire power that made the Heaven and Earth Primordial Qi in the vicinity tremble.

Boom!

From within the array, the fire condensed and shot out a pillar of flame, striking the Silver-Horned Rhinoceros directly.

This beam of flame, with a might comparable to a blow from a Guiyuan Realm expert, pierced a large hole in the head of the Silver-Horned Rhinoceros with its terrifying power.

Boom bang pong~

The body of the Silver-Horned Rhinoceros flew backward for several meters and crashed heavily to the ground, with blood gushing wildly from its head.

The scene instantly fell into a deathly silence.

Jin Zhuo Peak and Lv Qiuling both widened their eyes, seemingly numb, and stood still.

"Little Silver!"

Lv Qiuling came to her senses, jumped down from the Fire-eyed Giant Tiger, and rushed to the side of the Silver-Horned Rhinoceros.

However, by this time, the body of the Silver-Horned Rhinoceros had already turned cold, twitched a few times, and then lay still.

"This is what that ancient beast was scribbling on the ground... to have such horrifying power!"

Jin Zhuo Peak swallowed hard, his clothes soaked with cold sweat, and his heart still violently trembling.

Had he attempted to kill Chen Yu just now, he most likely would have no place to be buried.

"Chen Yu... You hurt my Little Qing, and now you've killed my Little Silver, an unforgivable crime. I will chop your body into pieces and feed it to my Spirit Pets!"

Lv Qiuling's entire face twisted with rage, her body trembling slightly, with faint blue True Qi fluctuating violently around her, stirring up a gale.

"Senior Brother Jin, now that Lv Qiuling has lost the help of her two main Spirit Pets, our joint efforts are enough to deal with her."

Chen Yu said to Jin Zhuo Peak.

"As a Beast Tamer, without her Spirit Pets, her combat power will drastically decrease."

Jin Zhuo Peak calmed down, a layer of blood-colored ripples appearing around his body, emitting a bloodthirsty aura.

Naturally, he wanted to take revenge for the severe chase he had suffered from Lv Qiuling.

With his current strength, he probably couldn't defeat Lv Qiuling, but it was much better than running away.

Swoosh!

Jin Zhuo Peak charged out, Blood Gun in hand, sweeping out a layer of blood-colored spear shadows.

"Jin Zhuo Peak, you're still injured right now. Even without my powerful Spirit Pets, you're not my opponent."

Lv Qiuling produced a brown whip in her hand and lashed out fiercely, creating a surge of blue winds.

Boom bang pong!

Jin Zhuo Peak and Lv Qiuling fiercely engaged in battle.

At the same time, all of Lv Qiuling's Spirit Pets charged at Chen Yu.

"Kill!"

Chen Yu was not the least bit afraid, drawing his Giant Ruler Sword and lifting a layer of Black Scale Sword waves.

Boom bang!

The heavy and terrifying Black Scale Sword waves swept out, causing a yellow poisonous bee to retreat continuously.

This toxic bee was at the Innate Peak stage, adept at offense and speed but lacking in defensive power.

"Where do you think you're going!"

Chen Yu used the "Devilish Evil Frenzy Shadow," his body enveloped by shrieking Sha Qi. He turned into a pitch-black shadow, chasing after the yellow poisonous bee.

"Sword Sha Frenzy Slash!"

A solid Sha Qi Sword condensed on the Giant Ruler Sword, with the giant sword crazily hacking away, sending out astonishing Black Scale Evil Swords cutting wildly in every direction.

Facing such a frenzied assault, the yellow poisonous bee quickly became panicked.

Adept at speed, it continuously dodged, but eventually, one or two Evil Swords struck it.

At the same time.

Around Chen Yu, three black spiders spewed out white silk threads from their mouths, trying to entangle Chen Yu's legs and right arm.

Swoosh!

The injured yellow poisonous bee raised its slender stinger and fiercely stabbed at Chen Yu as if it were taking revenge.

"Heh heh, you all underestimate me too much."

Chen Yu couldn't help but laugh.

Buzz!

Chen Yu's body lit up with copper patterns, and a splendid layer of copper light burst forth. He suddenly grew larger, transforming into a copper Buddha giant.

Crack snap~

The three silk threads instantly broke.

"Die!"

Chen Yu lifted his sword with both hands, swinging it with full strength.

The fully powered Giant Ruler Sword reached the might of a High Grade King-level Treasure.

Boom bang!

The yellow poisonous bee didn't have time to escape and was cleaved by Chen Yu's sword, smashing deep into the ground to form a crater ten feet wide.

Pfft!

Chen Yu delivered another sword strike, killing the yellow poisonous bee.

"Hahaha!"

Chen Yu laughed heartily, turning his attention to the other three black spiders.

The black spiders' strength was weaker compared to the yellow poisonous bee.

Moreover, these spiders were more adept at long-range battle, being better at binding than attacking. Close combat would greatly reduce their capabilities.

Chen Yu closed in on a black spider in an instant.

At the same time.

A dark blue light flashed underground, as the Iron Moon Strange Insect suddenly bit the black spider's most vulnerable underbelly.

"Die!"

Chen Yu and the Iron Moon Strange Insect coordinated their attacks, slaughtering one black spider within moments.

With the one killed by the array before and the continuous slaying of Lv Qiuling's Spirit Pets by Chen Yu, two more had fallen.

"Chen Yu, no

From a distance, Lv Qiling's angry scream could be heard.

Chapter 339: Chasing Lv Qiuling

"Chen Yu, no

From afar, Lv Qiuling's angry scream carried over.

Although Lv Qiuling knew that Chen Yu had made a breakthrough, in her eyes, the Innate Middle Stage was nothing significant; she hadn't cared at all.

Yet, to her surprise, Chen Yu's strength was monstrous, and the power he displayed was nothing like that of someone in the Innate Middle Stage.

She had sent four Spirit Pets of the Innate Peak Level to kill Chen Yu, yet in the blink of an eye, Chen Yu had slain two of them.

At this rate, the remaining two black spiders were not going to last much longer.

"His strength has actually improved so much."

Jin Zhuo Peak also noticed the commotion over by Chen Yu and couldn't help but inhale sharply.

Actually, Chen Yu's breakthrough to the Innate Middle Stage hadn't greatly enhanced his strength; he had simply never gone all out in front of Lv Qiuling and Jin Zhuo Peak before.

"No?"

Chen Yu glanced at Lv Qiuling. How could he possibly agree to her plea?

Previously, Lv Qiuling had attempted to kill Chen Yu, although it was, to some extent, because she mistakenly believed that Chen Yu was the murderer of Lv Ze.

Roar~

The black Evil Qi roared as Chen Yu executed “Devilish Evil Frenzy Shadow,” turning into a pitch-black whirlwind and charging at another black spider.

Seeing Chen Yu approach, the black spider let out a sharp screech, its body bristling as it hastily fled.

"Chen Yu, you dare!"

On the other side, Lv Qiuling shouted furiously. True Qi surged wildly within her, and hundreds of powerful green whip shadows surrounded her, temporarily pushing Jin Zhuo Peak back.

Swoosh!

Lv Qiuling utilized her movement technique and, in a flash, bypassed Jin Zhuo Peak and charged towards Chen Yu.

She had previously thought that as long as she held off Jin Zhuo Peak for a while, her Spirit Pets would kill Chen Yu. However, things had gone contrary to her wishes; Chen Yu’s strength exceeded her expectations.

Thus, she had no choice but to personally deal with Chen Yu.

At this moment, Jin Zhuo Peak hesitated once more.

"If I don't stop Lv Qiuling, Chen Yu will face a fight to the death against Lv Qiuling and the two Spirit Pets."

That's what Jin Zhuo Peak pondered inwardly.

But recalling Chen Yu's previous displays, Jin Zhuo Peak's concerns grew. What if Chen Yu found a way to escape?

Suddenly, Jin Zhuo Peak saw the Red Flame King, who was currently lying within the place they had secluded for cultivation, adopting an utterly bored posture as he watched the battle outside.

Remembering how the Red Flame King had effortlessly slain Lv Qiuling's Silver-Horned Rhinoceros with a casual doodle, chills ran down Jin Zhuo Peak's spine.

Immediately, Jin Zhuo Peak sprang into action, chasing after Lv Qiuling.

"Jin Zhuo Peak, if you do not stop me, let us set aside our past grudges. I will thank you with a gift afterward," Lv Qiuling immediately demanded.

Her speed didn't lessen as she bore down straight toward Chen Yu.

"Chen Yu and I are both from No Demon Academy. How could I help you, an outsider!"

Jin Zhuo Peak declared righteously.

Boom! Whoosh!

Jin Zhuo Peak slapped his blood-colored spear forcefully, and a surge of bloody waves rolled over it, a blood dragon flying out and thrusting directly at Lv Qiuling.

"Damn it!"

Lv Qiuling cursed inwardly as she felt Jin Zhuo Peak's attack.

She had to stop temporarily to dodge the blow.

As a result, Jin Zhuo Peak bought Chen Yu some time; at least, Lv Qiuling wouldn't be reaching Chen Yu anytime soon.

However, Chen Yu's action left Jin Zhuo Peak dumbfounded.

"You bitch, you want to kill me?"

Chen Yu cursed loudly, seizing the opportunity to launch an attack on Lv Qiuling.

At that moment, due to dodging Jin Zhuo Peak's attack, Lv Qiuling's movement paused.

Buzz buzz!

The Sha Qi Sword on Chen Yu's hand-held Giant Ruler Sword solidified as if real and grew stronger.

He thrust out violently with the sword, and before the giant sword even arrived, the Sha Qi Sword had already charged into Lv Qiuling's spiritual consciousness.

A bladed light enveloped in black scales streaked out following.

Boom Bang Peng!

Dirt exploded, and smoke billowed.

"You're asking for death!"

From the center of the explosion, a yellow figure burst forth.

As a Beast Tamer with spiritual power at the Guiyuan Realm, Lv Qiuling was highly resistant to the mental impacts of the Sha Qi Sword.

Therefore, Chen Yu's sword only inflicted some minor injuries on her.

Swoosh!

Lv Qiuling quickly closed in on Chen Yu, snapping her tan whip, dragging a pale blue wave behind it.

Bang!

Chen Yu placed the Giant Ruler Sword vertically in front of him to assume a defensive posture and moved backward.

On the other side, Jin Zhuo Peak rushed over.

He stretched out his hand, and the blood-colored spear embedded in the ground trembled and returned to Jin Zhuo Peak's hand.

"Senior Brother Jin, let's join forces."

Chen Yu called out in a low voice.

With Jin Zhuo Peak's arrival, Chen Yu switched from defense to offense, swinging the Giant Ruler Sword once more.

"Sword Breaking Nebula."

Chen Yu thrust the sword fiercely, and the force swirling around the giant sword exploded into a murky nebula blast.

"Blood God Spear!"

Jin Zhuo Peak mobilized Blood Path True Qi and lunged forward, creating a gargantuan blood-colored spear glow that penetrated forward.

"Get lost!"

Lv Qiuling shrieked, her tan whip lashing forward, dragging a streak of blue wind and light across.

Boom Bang Peng!

Lv Qiuling forcefully resisted the combined strike from both parties, proving evenly matched.

For a Beast Tamer to possess such prowess was truly terrifying.

"This strike is stronger than before."

Chen Yu was inwardly startled.

"She has used Half-step True Essence."

Jin Zhuo Peak whispered lowly.

In the four major academies, most of the Innate Peak talents had condensed some amount of Half-step True Essence.

Jin Zhuo Peak had also recently condensed some, but as one of his trump cards, he would not use it lightly.

At this moment, the two black spiders in the distance, under Lv Qiuling's control, shot out two strands of white spider silk.

But this time, the target of the black spiders was not Chen Yu but Jin Zhuo Peak.

"If I can just hold off Jin Zhuo Peak for a moment, I will be able to kill Chen Yu."

That was Lv Qiuling's plan at the moment.

Whoosh—hiss!

Jin Zhuo Peak's gaze sharpened as he swept the Blood Gun twice, shattering two spider strands.

"You're done for, Chen Yu."

Lv Qiuling seized this opportunity to launch a fierce attack on Chen Yu.

Swish!

A blue whip shadow flew out at breakneck speed, its might far beyond the ordinary.

Lv Qiuling's will to kill Chen Yu was boundless. Facing a Cultivator at the Innate Middle Stage, her strike also employed Half-step True Essence!

"Be careful, Chen Yu."

Jin Zhuo Peak couldn't help but exclaim.

Boom!

Jin Zhuo Peak immediately circulated a portion of his Half-step True Essence and swept out with his spear.

However, his support seemed a bit delayed at this moment.

Thump!

Jin Zhuo Peak's spear couldn't block Lv Qiuling's whip shadow; it only succeeded in reducing its power slightly.

Swoosh!

The bluish-green whip shadow, now somewhat dimmed, continued its path towards Chen Yu.

Even though Lv Qiuling's strike had been weakened by sixty percent, the fact that it employed Half-step True Essence meant that its might was still extremely formidable.

"If that's the case, I won't hold back any longer."

Chen Yu's expression grew intense, a dark light swirling in his eyes, emitting a staggering Demonic aura.

Hum!

The dazzling coppery light surrounding Chen Yu receded, replaced by a layer of pitch-black luster.

The aura of Demonic patterns surged into motion, and Chen Yu ferociously swung his Giant Ruler Sword.

Boom-bang!

A violent surge of Demonic patterned Sword Qi roared out, colliding with the bluish-green whip shadow.

"Demon True Qi."

Jin Zhuo Peak watched Chen Yu at this moment and was inwardly taken aback.

When he learned that Chen Yu had switched to cultivating the Demonic Path, he always wondered why Chen Yu had never used his Demonic powers.

At first, Jin Zhuo Peak thought that Chen Yu's Demonic powers were far weaker than his Sha Qi since he had just switched paths.

Only now did he understand that the Demonic powers were Chen Yu's trump card; all along, he had been hiding his strength, playing the pig to eat the tiger.

On the other side, Lv Qiuling was completely stunned.

"This is Demonic power!"

She never imagined that Chen Yu had another formidable force hidden within him.

Thump!

Her brown whip was knocked away as part of the Sword Qi affected Lv Qiuling, sending her reeling back several steps.

"Go."

Chen Yu shouted lowly, wielding his sword once more.

Jin Zhuo Peak immediately reacted, his spear stabbing out repeatedly.

At this moment, Chen Yu, having invoked his Demonic power, joined forces with Jin Zhuo Peak.

And Lv Qiuling, with only two Spirit Pet spiders remaining, wasn't much of a factor in the battle.

Boom-bang-thump!

After a brief clash, Lv Qiuling was sent flying, blood trickling from the corner of her mouth.

"Damn it, Chen Yu actually hid his strength."

Lv Qiuling swiftly retreated, wiping the blood from her mouth clean.

She now knew that it would be very difficult to kill Chen Yu and that if Chen Yu and Jin Zhuo Peak joined forces, they might even be able to kill her.

"Senior Brother Jin, let's chase!"

"Alright!"

Jin Zhuo Peak smiled at the corner of his mouth.

He had never expected to defeat Lv Qiuling in this battle.

Previously, when Lv Qiuling hunted him down, it nearly cost Jin Zhuo Peak his life; how could he let her off now?

Whoosh! Whoosh!

The two men pursued at full speed.

After breaking through to the Innate Middle Stage, Chen Yu had improved in all aspects and now, deploying his full movement technique, was able to keep pace with Jin Zhuo Peak.

But Lv Qiuling's speed was also quick.

While fleeing, Lv Qiuling took out a whistle and played a strange melody non-stop.

Suddenly, two Demon Beasts burst out of the forest and furiously attacked Jin Zhuo Peak and Chen Yu.

"This woman is using the nearby Demon Beasts to stop us."

Jin Zhuo Peak's face grew grim.

The two Demon Beasts were not strong and were instantly taken care of by Chen Yu and Jin Zhuo Peak.

It seemed that Lv Qiuling's method could only control weaker beasts, unable to dominate equivalent level powerful Demon Beasts.

However, it still impeded Jin Zhuo Peak and Chen Yu somewhat.

"We won't be able to catch up at this rate."

Jin Zhuo Peak inwardly sighed.

Just then, Chen Yu took out a black javelin.

Thump-thump! Thump-thump-thump!

His heart suddenly surged, and Chen Yu fiercely threw the javelin.

Whoosh-sizzle!

The black javelin trailed layers of dark shadows, its tip shining with a hint of dark gold, and flew out in a piercing thrust.

Caught by surprise from behind, Lv Qiuling's reaction was a fraction slower.

"A javelin?"

Lv Qiuling's spiritual power was strong; she immediately dodged, and the black javelin, dragging a heavy storm of Evil Qi, brushed past her, tearing her sleeve and leaving a chill that grazed her skin, causing a few light red scratches.

After a brief pause, Lv Qiuling escaped once more.

Chen Yu continued the pursuit, retrieving the javelin.

This was Chen Yu's last javelin, which he needed to conserve.

Throughout the chase, Chen Yu kept throwing the javelin, greatly impacting Lv Qiuling.

On a hillside, two groups of combatants were locked in combat.

Suddenly, Lv Qiuling dashed past them.

Known as the second top fighter of Sky Star Academy, Lv Qiuling's fame was well-established; her sudden appearance made many tremble in fear, believing disaster had struck.

But the next moment, when they saw Lv Qiuling's disheveled appearance, her slightly haggard face, wearing torn clothes and missing both sleeves, revealing her snow-white jade-like arms, they realized something else.

"The second rank of Sky Star Academy, Lv Qiuling, seems to be getting chased!"

Soon after, Jin Zhuo Peak and Chen Yu came into view for everyone.

"It's Jin Zhuo Peak and Chen Yu. Jin Zhuo Peak is only fourth-ranked at No Demon Academy, and Chen Yu is merely at the Innate Middle Stage. How could they possibly force Lv Qiuling into such a sorry state?"

These two groups of fighters were astonished beyond words.

Chapter 340: Astounding Harvest

"Chen, just forget it," Senior Brother Jin Zhuo Peak advised during the chase. "If we run into other powerhouses from Sky Star Academy, the situation could turn grim."

The space in this secret realm was not small, but it wasn't large either.

Continuing the chase, we were bound to encounter other teams.

If we ran into people from Sky Sword Academy or Yunyang Academy, they might take advantage of the situation.

If we encountered a team from Sky Star Academy, our current pursuit could easily be reversed.

Therefore, Jin Zhuo Peak did not recommend pursuing for an extended period.

At that moment, Chen Yu once again hurled the pitch-black javelin in his hand.

Whoosh!

The black javelin trailed a shadowy blur as it shot through the air.

Thud!

The javelin pierced through Lv Qiuling's shoulder, splattering blood, accompanied by her agonized scream.

"Good!"

Jin Zhuo Peak couldn't help but clap and cheer.

Chen Yu's throw this time was not as good as the previous ones, but it inflicted the most severe wound on Lv Qiuling.

After all, facing the relentless pursuit, Lv Qiuling was unable to calm her mind, constantly vigilant against the javelin behind her, leaving her more exhausted mentally.

As this continued, her condition deteriorated sharply.

With a moment of inattention, Chen Yu's javelin struck her.

Wounded by the javelin, Lv Qiuling swallowed an elixir and quickly got up to continue fleeing for her life.

In a bamboo grove.

Two teams clashed with countless green snakes.

One team, led by members from No Demon Academy, had a woman in white with black hair flowing like a waterfall. She moved through the green bamboo grove like a beauty in a poem. This was Shang Han, the number one beauty of No Demon Academy.

Yu Hong, who was defeated by Situ Lin Yu and later challenged Chen Yu only to fail again, was also among this team.

The other team belonged to Sky Star Academy, led by a young man in black. His skin was fair, and his face as gentle as jade, very handsome.

Additionally, there was another young man in black, none other than Fu Beiling, the genius of the Fu Family who had been tricked by Chen Yu in the Red Earth Secret Realm.

Just then, a woman's screams echoed from outside the bamboo grove.

Both teams couldn't help but look over.

"Qiuling!"

The young man in black was shocked and instantly shouted out.

He greatly admired Lv Qiuling within the academy; if his strength were not inferior to hers, he might have already started pursuing her.

"Lv Qiuling of Sky Star Academy, ranked second!"

Within the No Demon Academy team, many trembled uncontrollably at the thought.

If Lv Qiuling joined here, they would be no match for Sky Star Academy's team.

But upon closer inspection, the Lv Qiuling outside the bamboo grove was down on the ground—a total mess with one arm covered in fresh blood.

"Who could have driven Lv Qiuling to such a state?"

Yu Hong's mind roiled with shock as he stepped back to look outside the bamboo grove.

At this moment, neither team had the mood to deal with the green snakes in the grove.

If a powerfully skilled student appeared outside, the situation here could change in an instant.

As everyone gazed in that direction.

Swoosh! Swoosh!

Two figures arrived in front of Lv Qiuling.

"Senior Brother Jin and Chen Yu!"

Yu Hong shouted out in surprise.

Unexpectedly, the ones chasing Lv Qiuling to this state were students from No Demon Academy; this meant they no longer had anything to fear.

But on second thought, even Senior Brother Jin's strength combined with Chen Yu's couldn't possibly compete with Lv Qiuling, right?

"Chen Yu!"

Shang Han's expression tightened, her face darkening.

She had thought that with so many enemies against Chen Yu, he might have already died in the secret realm.

However, Chen Yu was not only alive and well, he was also pursuing Sky Star Academy's second-ranked Lv Qiuling alongside Jin Zhuo Peak.

It was well known that if Lv Qiuling's Spirit Pet were fully deployed, she could even contend against Duan Xinyue.

"Hand over all your Tokens," Chen Yu said coldly.

Whoosh~

From the bamboo grove, a team bolted out, clearly Sky Star Academy's.

"Senior Sister Qiuling!"

The leading young man in black, seeing Lv Qiuling, was filled with rage and shouted, "If you dare to hurt Sister Qiuling, I will never let you off."

Fu Beiling looked at Chen Yu with a surge of fighting spirit.

The two had cooperated in the Red Earth Secret Realm, but their relationship had soured. Moreover, now with them being in different academies, they were on opposing sides.

In the meantime, No Demon Academy's team also emerged.

Chen Yu and Jin Zhuo Peak were slightly relieved, paying no attention to the young man in black, their eyes fixed on Lv Qiuling.

"What if I don't hand them over?"

Lv Qiuling snorted coldly, arrogantly saying, "You wouldn't dare to kill me, would you?"

Chen Yu was immediately irritated.

These geniuses with strong backing were truly different; they had been defeated yet remained so defiant.

But considering that Lv Ze had died because of Chen Yu, if he were to kill Lv Qiuling too, the Lv Family would certainly not let him go.

"You're right, I really don't dare to kill you."

Chen Yu revealed a teasing smile, then continued, "But apart from not daring to kill you, I dare to do anything else."

"You

Lv Qiuling's eyes widened in shock, then she was so infuriated she could not speak.

"I once killed a poison-using Cultivator and got many kinds of poison powders and pills from him; I'm not exactly sure what their effects are. How about we use you to test the poisons?"

Chen Yu grinned and then took out over a dozen small bottles from his storage bag.

"You wouldn't dare!"

Lv Qiuling scolded angrily.

Test poisons? There were so many strange and varied poisons, some could even cause excruciating pain and a fate worse than death.

"Oh right, I remember there are some... aphrodisiacs in here too, do you want to give those a try?"

Chen Yu's smirk grew lewd.

Hearing this, many nearby displayed looks of contempt, but most of the male students were secretly excited.

"You

Lv Qiuling was consumed with rage and embarrassment, her cheeks burning red.

If she took that kind of medicine, she couldn't imagine what she would become; even the involuntary act of stripping off her clothes was a possibility.

"You should think this through," Chen Yu's expression suddenly turned cold as he opened the lid of a jade bottle.

"Wait... I'll give you all the tokens," said Qiuling, truly frightened. She glared at Chen Yu, wishing she could flay him a thousand times over, yet at the same time, she was very afraid of him.

If Chen Yu forced her to take those elixirs, she didn't dare to think about what might happen next...

"Impressive, to actually make Qiuling concede!" Yu Hong highly admired Chen Yu in his heart.

Right afterwards, Qiuling pulled out a pile of tokens before everyone.

"Not bad at all, over a hundred tokens!" Chen Yu said with a smile on his face.

He himself had not deliberately collected tokens; up to now, he only had twelve.

As a Beast Tamer, Qiuling was powerful and skilled in finding hidden enemies. That's why she had managed to collect so many at the beginning.

"I suspect you still have some tokens hidden away. Show me your storage bag," Chen Yu's gaze sharpened as he turned to look at Qiuling again.

Just as Qiuling was about to refuse, Chen Yu brought the bottle of medicine closer.

"Here Qiuling angrily handed over her storage bag.

"Hmph, you really did hide more tokens. Hey? There's quite a lot of other stuff here too. Senior Brother Jin and I have been chasing you for so long, let's call it compensation," Chen Yu brazenly took all the tokens and also took some precious materials and ores.

The resources Qiuling obtained from the Treasure Turtle were all taken out by Chen Yu.

Then, he threw the storage bag back to Qiuling.

"Senior Sister Qiuling, are you alright?" The team from Sky Star Academy immediately went over.

"I'm fine," Qiuling said with a sullen expression, swallowing a few elixirs and healing under the protection of the young man in black.

"Senior Brother Jin, you made quite a haul this time!" Shang Han immediately came over, showing a noble and elegant smile.

In Qiuling's hands were a total of one hundred and fifty-six tokens. In addition, there were several rare and precious materials from the outer world, ores for refining top-quality treasures.

Such a rich harvest; if only she could get a share of it.

"Hmm," Jin Zhuo Peak nodded, without saying a word.

Seeing that Jin Zhuo Peak was not engaging, Shang Han felt somewhat annoyed.

At this moment, Chen Yu and Jin Zhuo Peak began to divide the spoils of war.

"Senior, I'll take six parts and you take four, is that okay?" Chen Yu asked without courtesy.

"No problem, after all, Chen has contributed more," Jin Zhuo Peak agreed readily.

From start to finish, Jin Zhuo Peak was just restraining Qiuling, not contributing much.

In contrast, Chen Yu had repeatedly turned the tide of the battle.

However, during the subsequent distribution, Chen Yu put forward various demands.

To this, Jin Zhuo Peak was mentally prepared and reluctantly nodded in agreement.

Out of the one hundred and fifty-six tokens, Chen Yu got ninety.

To the side, students like Shang Han watched with their mouths agape.

In the distribution of benefits between Chen Yu and Jin Zhuo Peak, Chen Yu took at least seventy percent.

Logically, Jin Zhuo Peak should be the main force against Qiuling and definitely put in the most effort.

But in the end, Jin Zhuo Peak's share was not even half of Chen Yu's.

The key point was that Jin Zhuo Peak did not object or question.

Aside from Qiuling, everyone present was somewhat confused and suddenly felt that Chen Yu was somewhat inscrutable and unfathomable.

"It must be because he relies on the deputy headmaster as his master Shang Han muttered to himself.

"Now, I have a total of one hundred and two tokens," Chen Yu calculated.

There was no doubt he would pass the first stage, but to compete for the top ten, it was still far from enough.

The further it went, the harder it was to obtain tokens; most of them were now concentrated in the hands of the top powerhouses.

"Did you discover anything here?" Chen Yu asked.

Shang Han's expression was cold, and he did not reply.

But Yu Hong stepped forward and said, "In this place, we found many toxic materials, but around those materials, there was a nest of green Demon Beasts

In the quota competition, forced by Luo Haotian's coercion, Yu Hong had challenged Chen Yu and failed.

Now, feeling the extraordinariness of Chen Yu, he wanted to please Chen Yu to atone for his previous fault.

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Following that, Chen Yu and Jin Zhuo Peak temporarily joined Shang Han's team and proceeded towards the bamboo forest.

On the other hand, Qiuling's injuries had mostly healed; she joined the team of the young man in black and also entered the competition for these resources.

The addition of three powerful cultivators meant that the green snakes in the bamboo forest were quickly eradicated.

The two teams split the resources of this place evenly.

Afterwards, the team from No Demon Academy divided the resources they had acquired internally.

Among them, Jin Zhuo Peak voluntarily gave the lion's share to Chen Yu.

This move surprised all the students.

After that, Chen Yu left Shang Han's team and chose to go into seclusion for a while. He had just broken through to the Innate Middle Stage but had not had time to consolidate it, and from the battle with Qiuling, he had many insights.

"Chen, I'll cover you, and my previous injuries are not fully healed either; I need to rest and heal. It's good for us to look out for each other!"

Jin Zhuo Peak took the initiative to propose continuing as Chen Yu's teammate.

His injuries truly had not fully healed, and after the consecutive battles, he now needed to recuperate.

Then, the two found a secluded cave and began their seclusion.

In the blink of an eye, ten days passed.

In the cave, the Demon True Qi around Chen Yu slowly receded.

Just then, a white, ethereal light suddenly drifted in front of Chen Yu and then stopped moving.

"A Communication Talisman?"

Chen Yu stared at the white light in front of him and reached out his hand.

He himself had a Communication Talisman, given to him by Yuan Chen, which was very similar to the one in the white light before him.