

Last Days 1041

Chapter 1041: It's Frustrating, Isn't it?

"Got it!"

Both Arnold and Ruben didn't ask any question to Samuel and quickly executed the order.

They knew very well that they were racing against time because who knew what kind of magic beasts would be thrown out of the passage.

The rank 10 lightning magic birds that appeared not long ago had already told them that this was not a battle that they could possibly fight.

It would be better for them to go as far away as possible and avoid holding these people back.

"Damn it." Arnold saw the passage shook once more.

For such a big movement, they clearly able to sense it and knew that more powerful magic beasts will definitely come out of the passage in the next moment.

But...

"It's frustrating, isn't it?"

Hearing Ruben's voice, Arnold frowned and then said, "What are you talking about, Ruben?"

Ruben gave a faint smile and looked at the rank 10 lightning magic bird that appeared from the passage quietly. He knew very well that this rank 10 lightning magic bird had to be solved quickly by Riya once again.

But to do that, Riya would have to push herself to the limit.

Again and again.

Even though he's Riya's disciple, Ruben knew that he couldn't participate in such a battle because the pressure from the rank 10 lightning magic bird was more than enough to kill him, who was still far away like this.

It was only because Riya dealt with the rank 10 lightning magic bird fast enough that the damage didn't reach further away.

But...

Looking at the scorched land around the passage and the fact that all other magic beasts nearby died the moment the rank 10 lightning magic bird appeared, one could only imagine what kind of terrifying magic power that the rank 10 lightning magic bird leaked out.

For these two people to stand around the rank 10 lightning magic bird and fought it...

In a way, it gave a sense of security no one else could possibly compare to.

But at the same time, there was a strong sense of frustration at the fact that they couldn't do anything to help them to deal with the rank 10 lightning magic bird.

Three years are not enough.

These returnees were granted more time than them.

But they also had to pay the price to be able to have much more time than them to learn magic and training that would allow them to deal with the powerful rank 10 lightning magic bird.

Boom!

Loud explosion came from the distance and Ruben saw very clearly that Riya was panting as she dealt with the third rank 10 lightning magic bird that came out of the passage.

Who knew how many rank 10 lightning magic bird would come out?

And from the behavior of Samuel and Riya, they all seemed to have known that these rank 10 lightning magic birds are definitely not the strongest magic beasts on the other side.

There were other more powerful magic beasts that they might have to deal with.

"I'm just thinking that if I had been stronger, I might be able to help Samuel and Riya more," Ruben replied as he continued to run.

The rank 10 lightning magic bird was split into two once more.

As someone who had been taught runes by Riya, Ruben naturally knew that this was the result of her using the space related formation. He didn't know the details and Riya had handed over a large number of books related to runes to him.

It was obvious that she was treating him as her disciple and have great expectation for him.

Unfortunately, Ruben knew very well that his own talent was definitely far from Riya and couldn't be compared to her.

But he didn't want to give up.

Even if his talent might not be as good as hers, he still wanted to step forward and do what he could in order to achieve more things.

Because this is the only thing that he could possibly do.

"...What are you actually talking about, Ruben?" Arnold almost wanted to punch Ruben. "We've been doing everything we could... so all we could is to ensure that everything we did is not for nothing and these magic beasts couldn't cross the barrier. As long as we protected the back areas, they would be able to fight to their fullest."

"That's..."

Roar!

After a few powerful magic beasts came out, what followed was rank 7 and lower magic beasts.

Riya and Samuel were still hovering in the air, not making a move in the slightest bit. It was obvious that they were exhausted from facing three rank 10 lightning magic birds. One was dealt with by Samuel and the other two were dealt with by Riya.

As for the large rank 9 metallic magic tiger, the last two were handled by Samuel because Dina and Peter were having difficulty dealing with them at such a short period of time.

And from the way it looked like, there would be more rank 9 magic beasts coming out from the passage soon.

"I understand, Arnold," Ruben replied with a smile. "We just have to protect their backs and make sure that they could focus on dealing with the powerful magic beasts."

"Good. Now, let's inform the soldiers to put the defensive line further to the back. Tell the construction team that we want them to create a new defensive wall at this..."

With Arnold giving more instruction, Ruben also quickly helped.

Since he used to be studying architecture, he was involved in the defensive fortress layout plan. Moreover, he helped with the selection of the materials in order to allow it to be built at the shortest time possible.

Boom!

As the soldiers retreated, more and more magic beasts came out.

There were only some of them remained at the original defensive area, dealing with the magic beasts while the other prepared for a new defensive layer to deal with the magic beasts.

Chapter 1042: I know

Riya watched the scene while hovering in the air.

Dealing with the third rank 10 lightning magic bird on her own truly took the toll of her body. While she really wanted to find that annoying Green Planet's Consciousness and asked why the Green Planet's Consciousness allowed for such a powerful rank 10 lightning magic bird to come here several times...

But Riya knew very well that the Green Planet's Consciousness should have its own difficulties.

There was no way that the Green Planet's Consciousness would send powerful magic beasts that they couldn't defeat, right?

pant *pant*

"Rest for the time being." Samuel looked at Riya's condition and was worried for her. He knew very well that fighting against the rank 10 lightning magic bird one after another was definitely very tough.

It wouldn't be easy for Riya to maintain that focus and using her magic again and again.

In fact...

'The magic power that Riya used far surpassed what normal magician at rank 9 could possibly have.'
Samuel thought about the books that his father in Afirer Kingdom left him.

Those books were filled with various knowledge that he didn't have the chance to learn before.

Each and every single one of them was extremely valuable.

And it was precisely because they were so valuable that Samuel shouldn't have been able to read them if it was not because of this chance.

Besides...

Afirer Kingdom would have been destroyed because of the grand magic beasts' tide and nothing would ever remain. Everything that they used to see would cease to exist because it had become inevitable.

Leaving the book in his hand might be his father in Afirer Kingdom's way to ensure that the family's lineage would continue.

But...

If the Green Planet failed, then what awaited them would be nothing more than a complete destruction of the entire world. It was nothing more than a gamble and perhaps also a blessing for them.

"I know," Riya replied and looked at the Protective Rune Circle around her. From the moment the rank 10 lightning magic bird appeared, it had already exuded extreme pressure and terrifying power that no other magic beast could possibly match.

Because she failed to advance to rank 9 quickly, her mana was far from enough to deal with a rank 10 magic beast properly.

So every time Riya deal with a rank 10 lightning magic bird, she had to take out a mana stone in order to replenish her mana quickly. Otherwise, what awaited her would be nothing more than her own destruction.

And for the last rank 10 lightning magic bird, Riya used the potion that she obtained from the officials.

They bought a lot of potions from Jonas Nolan in preparation for the grand magic beasts' tide.

But most of them were still given to the returnees.

Because only these returnees could possibly deal with the magic beasts that came out of the passage.

'Just the appearance of that rank 10 lightning magic bird alone had already caused damage on my Protective Rune Circle.'

Riya knew that the rank 10 lightning magic bird was strong.

And it was thanks to the Protective Rune Circle that she could focus on drawing her runes and continued to fight.

But this was clearly too much!

Her Protective Rune Circle would crumble if she met with another rank 10 lightning magic bird.

"Sam, how did you handle that rank 10 lightning magic bird's pressure?" Riya suddenly asked.

Samuel killed one rank 10 lightning magic bird on his own and competed in lightning element. The two of them could be said to be quite evenly matched and since they fought in the air, it didn't affect other people who were surrounding the place.

It was precisely because of this that Riya was not that worried and could focus on dealing with the second rank 10 lightning magic bird.

But now that she saw the condition of her Protective Rune Circle....

"I use my aura," Samuel replied as he held out his hand. "Since I have lightning element, the rank 10 lightning magic bird's elemental magic suppression doesn't work that well. It couldn't affect me that much and vice versa. However, I still use my aura to protect my body or I wouldn't be able to move freely."

He used wind magic to fly and thankfully, it didn't really cost a lot of mana.

Added with the rank 10 lightning magic bird's meat that Riya handed to him, Samuel felt that he could continue to hold on and fight with more rank 10 lightning magic bird even if they were to appear.

Though...

Samuel doubted that Riya would give him the chance.

When the last rank 10 lightning magic bird appeared, Riya directly made her move and used the Space Splitting Formation to kill it and split the body into two.

To be honest, her rapid movement was done in consideration that the rank 10 lightning magic bird could destroy the entire place in an instant.

But...

Using magic above one's rank would put too much burden into one's body.

"...Aura, huh?" Riya's expression scrunched slightly.

She's a rune master and if one wanted to extend the profession, then calling it magician would be more appropriate.

So Riya was not able to use aura.

Even though Riya had strengthened her physical strength with the help of her runes and all, but she still couldn't generate aura on her own. After all, her own practice as a warrior could only be said to be a mess.

She didn't have what it takes to become a warrior.

"When the next rank 10 lightning magic bird appear, you can let me be the one to handle it, Riya." Samuel couldn't help but extend his hand and rubbed Riya's head tenderly. He knew that there were not many people that could deal with the rank 10 lightning magic bird, but he was definitely one of them.

He didn't want to be protected by Riya all the time.

Chapter 1043: "..."

"But..."

"If you're talking about how rank 10 lightning magic bird's magic element is conflicting with me and that my skills are not as effective, I'll use more fire elements." Samuel gave a reassuring smile. "Fire element is likely to be suppressed by 20%, but it's better than lightning element that's suppressed by half."

This was the calculation made by the magician.

When magician and magic warriors were facing opponent with the same elements, they would have resistance towards each other.

At lower rank, this didn't have much effect aside from their magic will not be effective when they clashed against each other. But higher ranked magician and magic warriors would have a certain degree of elemental resistance.

And it was precisely this resistance that made them unable to truly deal with others who have the same element as them.

When Riya found out that the opponent is rank 10 lightning magic bird, she knew very well that Samuel's attack would be less effective against it.

That's why she wanted to step forward and deal with the rank 10 lightning magic bird before it could start launching large scale attack. A rune master was used to destroy the fun in battles anyway.

Many times, they would use methods that other people would find despicable.

Attacking without warning, running away all of the sudden, or even divert their attack to their own allies.

The rune masters in Afirer Kingdom didn't exactly have good reputation in battles.

But their support ability has always been praised.

Because not many people could possibly contend against the rune masters and the equipment they made were extremely useful.

"You're really stubborn." Riya looked at Samuel helplessly.

"It can't be helped." Samuel shrugged and spread his hand. "If I'm not stubborn enough, I'm afraid that I won't be able to fight against those rank 10 lightning magic birds on my own."

"I can deal with them quickly."

"It's more like you can deal with any rank 10 magic beast that appeared, but Riya... I don't want you to be so tired. When you need to recover your mana, leave the battle to us and you just wait for your turn." Samuel paused for a moment as his eyes stared deeply at Riya behind him earnestly. "You're not alone."

She's not alone.

Riya blinked her eyes.

She knew that she's not alone, for a long time, in fact.

But to be honest, Riya had long gotten used to her solo battle and solo journey. Even when she have friends, she rarely asked them for help because she was afraid that she couldn't repay them in the slightest bit.

They were so kind to her just because she's their friends.

Not because she has any value whatsoever.

It's warm and comforting.

Yet, Riya was walking on a path that would separate her from her friends and everyone else whom she used to know.

She knew this very well.

Because no other returnees would be able to stay silent and do nothing when everyone around them got stronger one after another. They would try their best to ensure that they would get stronger and catch up with them.

But many other people wouldn't be able to keep up with their pace.

This was something that Riya had noticed when she interacted with Amelia and the others.

As for whether this gap will become even bigger...

She honestly didn't know.

And perhaps it was because Riya kept on standing at the forefront, she started to feel that it was her duty to fight against these powerful magic beasts without consideration of her own condition.

"The war has only started and even though it might seem short, but for those who experience it, it will definitely feel extremely long." Samuel rubbed his cheek slightly and then added, "I'm not entirely sure if this is the right thing, but I hope that you can balance your work and rest, especially when you're dealing with the magic beasts."

"Life is short and long at the same time. If you don't appropriately manage your time, what awaited you would be nothing more than your own destruction."

Riya looked at Samuel's awkward look as he added, "That's what my father used to say to me and I think that you also need it."

Because he didn't want to see Riya continuously fighting hard without having any rest in the slightest bit.

It'll be very tiring.

They have been training hard for the past three years in Afirer Kingdom and Samuel wasn't entirely sure what Riya has been doing during that period of time.

Each and every single one of them went on a separate ways and had no intention of interfering with each other's training.

But after coming back to the Green Planet...

Samuel hoped that Riya would remember that she's not the only person who had to fight against the magic beasts.

There were also other returnees.

"You're right." Riya gave a weak smile. "I'm sorry, I guess I'm too arrogant and stubborn."

She turned her head to look at the passage.

From the fluctuation, it didn't seem that another rank 10 lightning magic bird would appear but rather a rank 9 magic beast.

Peter and Dina were still busy recovering their mana or stamina on the side, but Riya believed that the two of them would still be able to deal with a rank 9 magic beast. As long as it was not another rank 10 lightning magic bird, it seemed to be doable for them.

"No, you're not arrogant... you're just forgetful," Samuel quickly said.

Riya: "..."

She gave a sidelong glance at Samuel and then moved away from the passage slightly through controlling her Protective Rune Circle and infused more mana into the circle. If she only rely on the recovery ability of her Protective Rune Circle, it might end up shattering the next time another rank 10 lightning magic bird appeared.

'As expected, I should have designed a Protective Rune Circle that's suitable for a rank 10 rune master instead.'

Chapter 1044: Tired

Unfortunately, Riya is still a rank 9 rune master.

If she had reached rank 10 or above... then it would be possible for her to create a Protective Rune Circle that truly could handle a rank 10 lightning magic bird.

"They're here."

"Don't worry and leave it to the others. Focus on recovery so that when a new rank 10 magic beast appear, you can deal with it," Samuel said solemnly.

"Um."

Riya nodded and silently recovered her mana while hovering in the air.

To be honest, she was hoping that there would not be any rank 10 lightning magic bird appearing anymore.

But at the same time, Riya knew very well that it would be impossible.

The Green Planet's Consciousness kept on sending them opponents bordering their own limit, but they could still solve it as long as they worked hard enough or used their brain enough.

Still...

It's extremely tiring and exhausting.

Can the Green Planet's Consciousness really stop the grand magic beasts' tide?

Riya couldn't help but think about the Green Planet's Consciousness whenever she was meditating. Even though she had already met with the Green Planet's Consciousness, she didn't actually understand what it wanted.

...No, that's wrong.

She knew that the Green Planet's Consciousness wanted the Green Planet to survive.

But being targeted by these magic beasts in a grand magic beasts' tide, is it really possible for the Green Planet to survive?

No matter how much the Green Planet's Consciousness struggled, is there any hope?

'There must be hope...'

Riya closed her eyes.

The Green Planet's Consciousness had already seen countless possible futures and if it dared to send them to Afirer Kingdom and helped to nurture them to become stronger, Riya believed that the Green Planet's Consciousness should have seen a future where the Green Planet survived.

Besides, Riya herself didn't want to see another planet be destroyed.

And this planet is also the place where everyone she truly cared for were located.

Even if it's just for them instead of for the entire world, Riya hoped that the Green Planet would survive the grand magic beasts' tide.

roar!

While Riya and Samuel were talking in the air, far away from the others, Peter and Dina were not in a good condition.

They might not have to deal with the rank 10 lightning magic bird, but the large rank 9 metallic magic tigers were chasing after the two of them and they had to deal with them one way or another.

Dina's magic was exhausted while Peter felt that he had used up his entire aura.

"...You can't use aura again?" Dina asked after the large rank 9 metallic magic tiger had fallen down. She had no energy to move the large rank 9 metallic magic tiger's corpse and planned to let the soldiers come forward to pick it up.

As for the rank 10 lightning magic bird's corpse, Riya used her space magic to transport it instantly into her world.

The others couldn't follow through her footsteps.

"Ahh... I'm so tired," Peter replied.

Fighting with these large rank 9 metallic magic tiger one after another truly took a toll on his body. Even though a life and death battle was necessary for him to get stronger, but Peter really didn't want to face so many large rank 9 metallic magic tigers in such a short period of time.

Can't these magic beasts delay their appearance for a while longer?

At least, give them enough time to rest.

"Tsk." Dina clicked her tongue and took out the refined blood essence that she had prepared for herself while looking at the disappearing rank 10 lightning magic bird's corpse in the distance.

With Riya and Samuel around, Dina felt that nothing would happen to them.

At the very least, they didn't have to worry so much because someone more powerful than her would cover their backs and all they needed to do was to focus on fighting with these large rank 9 metallic magic tiger.

Both Dina and Peter almost advanced to rank 9.

They only needed a little bit of push and as long as they have enough resources and fought more rank 9 magic beasts, they should be able to advance.

Even though advancing to rank 9 didn't mean that they would be able to directly fight against the rank 10 lightning magic bird, the situation should get much better for them and if they cooperated together, it might not be impossible.

...Probably.

Dina was not entirely sure.

"Are you planning to continue cooperating with me when dealign with the large rank 9 metallic magic tiger?" Peter suddenly asked.

Dina was stunned and glanced at Peter. "Why do you ask such a question?"

She did think that dealing with the large rank 9 metallic magic tiger was a bit troublesome, but it was much better than asking her to deal with the rank 10 lightning magic bird. Because she was absolutely sure that without forbidden technique that would sacrifice a lot from her, Dina wouldn't be able to deal with the rank 10 lightning magic bird.

In fact, she was not entirely sure that a rank 8 could ever have a chance of dealing with a rank 10 magic beast.

"It's just..." Peter looked at Dina in front of him and couldn't help but reminded on the days when he met with Dina in Afirer Kingdom.

The two of them were in embarrassing situation at that time and their situation was not very good, but they cooperated together and resolved the crisis in time. Ever since then, the two of them would communicate from time to time...

But at the end of the day, the two of them came from a completely different world and had to go back to their own lives.

That short and brief experience could be said to be their best memory.

After coming back to the Green Planet, neither ever mentioned their experience in Afirer Kingdom.

"I want to know whether you will like it."

Chapter 1045: Reminiscence

Dina looked at Peter's earnest expression.

To be honest, she never thought that Peter would suddenly ask her such a question when they were in the midst of the grand magic beasts' tide.

Everyone was busy thinking about how to survive and how to deal with the grand magic beasts' tide, but he was actually thinking of such a thing.

Does he really need to pick such a time?

'Dina...'

Thinking about their short yet fulfilling time when they were in Afirer Kingdom, Dina's eyes shook for a moment.

It would be a lie if she said that she didn't miss it.

But she knew very well that nothing good would come out from the two of them having anything more than being friends with each other.

Dina knew very well what kind of person she is.

Her family education taught her to be a ruthless person ever since she was young and she would not hesitate to destroy other people's lives for the sake of her own future. There were many people who hated her to death and wanted to kill her.

But Dina never cared.

Because she knew very well that if she wanted to survive, this was the kind of world that she would have to face.

Living is tiring.

Sometimes, Dina felt that it was even scarier than fighting against the rank 10 lightning magic bird that would grant them almost a certain death.

Because she couldn't get away and those people would figure out various methods to suck out her blood and made her tied up.

She hated her family members.

Yet at the same time, it was thanks to their cruel education that she could survive in the cruel family and cruel world.

Without their help, she would have never been here.

Her family has never been peaceful and Dina never expected it to be peaceful either.

She had long known from young that her family was twisted with so many dark sides that were not suitable to be seen by the entire world.

If it was not because they had been raising her, Dina really didn't want to stay there even for a second longer.

Going to Afirer Kingdom was indeed dangerous.

But it was also a life that Dina could never imagine before. The family in Afirer Kingdom was kinder and even though demonic magicians were often hated and shunned, but many of them were quite united.

Well...

It was not like all of them were good.

Dina had to admit that there were many people whom she really wanted to kill among the demonic magicians.

Conflicts occurred almost every single day.

But it was far better than when she was staying with her family on the Green Planet, which gave her a stronger sense of belongings. So when she realized that everything was gone, Dina had to admit that she really didn't want it to end so quickly.

If only the grand magic beasts had never arrived...

Unfortunately, no matter how many times she lamented about this matter, she couldn't change the past.

Dina looked at Peter, who was so upright to a fault and sighed.

She could still remember how Peter did things and the conflict they had with each other when they were in Afirer Kingdom.

After all, their deals were not only filled with beautiful memories but also some conflicts.

Most importantly...

"You know very well that the way we do things are too different, Peter. Even if we can fight together occasionally, it's impossible to do it for the rest of our lives," Dina said quietly and looked up at Samuel and Riya who were still hovering in the sky.

To be honest, Dina herself could also fly in the air, but it would waste too much mana. Especially because her own physical strength was a bit too weak and if she forced it, she might end up experiencing nausea when she was staying midair.

Rather than embarrassing herself, Dina felt that it would be better to stay here.

But watching the two people midair...

Dina saw Samuel gently patted Riya's head and there was an imperceptible envy within her eyes that disappeared as soon as it appeared.

Even if she has some longing, she knew very well that she does not deserve it.

Her future paths would become even more bloody and perhaps even more cruel. It was not something that any morally right person would be able to accept.

The main reason why she still chose to help Continent Z to resist the grand magic beasts' tide was because Dina didn't want to lose her homeland.

She might not like the Green Planet as much as Afirer Kingdom.

But it was undeniable that this is her birthplace and also the place where she grew up when she was young until she become an adult.

There were a lot of memories she had made in this world.

And Dina didn't think that she would be able to watch indifferently as the entire world collapsed.

But...

She's by no means a righteous person.

The main reason why she spread out her meditation technique was to create a stable supply of mana for her own improvement.

When other demonic magicians died, their hard work would flow into Dina.

No matter where she is.

Thanks to this method, Dina was able to grow up quickly even with her poor talent that should have long limited her achievements.

What a demonic magician did was something against the fate.

It was also because of this that Dina knew that her future would become even more difficult.

But at the same time, Dina refused to change her paths.

This is the best path for her, a path that was filled with blood and thorns.

Many people might spurn her and hated her in the future, but Dina would not care in the slightest bit.

And in this arduous path... there was simply no place for a righteous person like Peter to stand beside her. He should stay on the opposite side, as far away as possible from her.

Chapter 1046 Reminiscence (2)

Peter's eyes dimmed slightly after he heard Dina's answer.

This is not the first time.

As an orphan, Peter was someone who paid great attention to other people's expression and taught himself to adapt to their changes of expression as much as possible. In this way, he would be able to react appropriately no matter what happened.

And because he's an orphan, he learned to give things back to the people who had shown kindness to him.

His life couldn't be said to be smooth sailing.

There were both good and bad people whom Peter had encountered in his entire life with each and every single one of them teaching him various things.

To be honest, Peter never thought of himself as a good child and often got into trouble.

He was also not very good at studying and often got into a fight with other children ever since he was young.

After he became an adult, he started to work in construction site.

It was easy and all they needed was a strong man who was capable of working and moving bricks. For such a thing that didn't really require him to use his brain, Peter felt that he should be able to do it well.

And things have indeed gone quite smooth sailing for him.

Unfortunately, this life didn't last for long before he was transported into Afire Kingdom. Being an orphan once again and with limited talent, Peter could only throw himself to train and challenge himself.

'Your talent is not good enough, so you might not be able to achieve much.'

He remembered the words of the village head when Peter begged the other party to let him practice with the other children.

Even though it was only the simplest practice technique...

But it could be said to be his first step to become a martial artist and Peter appreciated the village head's kindness for letting him learn.

For months, he worked hard.

And after he reached his first bottleneck, the village head gave him another advice.

Life and death's battle.

It could be said to be the only option available for Peter who didn't have any other paths available for him. Not to mention, during the magic test, it was revealed that he had no talent to become magician in the slightest bit.

With his lack of sensitivity to detect mana, Peter knew very well that he would never be able to become magician in his entire life.

It would be a lie to say that he was not disappointed.

Coming to a sword and magic world, yet he was not able to use magic in the slightest bit and could only watch as other people practiced magic. But Peter was not discouraged and there were many people who supported him and helped him when he was down.

It was also because of this that Peter could maintain his positive attitude and had good relationship with many comrades who often fought magic beasts together.

Everything was good...

Until the grand magic beasts' tide arrived.

The sight of countless high ranked magic beasts, just like the rank 10 lightning magic bird that appeared not long ago, filling the sky was a sight that Peter could never forget in his entire life.

There was a formation that protected the city, allowing them all to fight and defend the city for as long as possible.

But it didn't last long.

At the end of the day, what happened would be nothing more than a complete destruction as these magic beasts destroyed the entire place. After who knows how long, what left was nothing more than the ruins.

Peter couldn't even find their bodies anymore.

Coming back to Afirer Kingdom made him remember many things.

The good and the bad things.

Dina was one of the few people whom he had met and saw when he was still in Afirer Kingdom and then reunited on the Green Planet.

Perhaps he had some other thoughts...

But Dina is more level headed than him.

Looking at the woman's solemn expression in front of him, Peter gave out a smile. "You're right..."

rumble

The passage shook once more and a few large rank 9 metallic magic tigers came out of the passage.

roar!

Seeing more large rank 9 metallic magic tigers coming out and then a rank 10 lightning magic bird followed behind it, Peter's expression was not very good.

Why do these magic beasts keep on appearing before they could fully recover their strength?

It seemed as if someone or something was forcing them to fight for 24 hours a day.

Even though many higher ranked professions didn't really need sleep anymore, it was obvious that fighting against the magic beasts for such a long period of time was definitely not something that many people wished for.

At the very least, neither Dina or Peter wanted it.

"I'll deal with one of the large rank 9 metallic magic tiger," Peter said as he kicked the ground, ready to fight once again.

Even though Peter hadn't fully recovered after fighting the previous large rank 9 metallic magic tiger, he would not back down when facing a new opponent.

Dina arched her eyebrow, but she didn't stop him.

There was another large rank 9 metallic magic tiger that she had to face right now.

As for the rank 10 lightning magic bird, Dina could see that Samuel was the one to rush forward while Riya stayed still midair.

She didn't know what these two people talked about.

And it was not important either.

All she knew is that she had to deal with this large rank 9 metallic magic tiger.

"I am the lord of the dark. May the darkness come and envelop the entire world. Block every ray of light, descend onto the world and cover every surface in the darkness. Darkness is the greatest power in the entire world. Let the darkness come, Dark World!"

Swoosh!

Once again, the dark element covered up the area and the magic beasts roared in anger.

Chapter 1047: How Long Can You Last?

Bang! Boom!

In midair, Riya watched as Samuel fought against the rank 10 lightning magic bird and silently looked at the passage.

Since she had promised that she would let him be the one to fight the rank 10 lightning magic bird, she didn't take any action. And it seemed that Samuel was using the combination of fire and wind element in order to fight the rank 10 lightning magic bird.

'To be specific, he's using the oxygen from the wind element to aid the fire element and make it stronger. In this way, the attack would be more effective and can kill the rank 10 lightning magic bird quickly.'

Riya watched the battle as fire spread out from where Samuel and the rank 10 lightning magic bird clashed.

The two of them were really strong and Riya was paying close attention.

If the rank 10 lightning magic bird tried to escape, then she would directly use her teleportation formation to deal with it.

This is her agreement with Samuel.

When one is tired, the other would step forward to fight.

Because they were both standing at the forefront and no one is better than the other. They all have their own fighting methods and against the rank 10 lightning magic bird, one person is enough.

It was not like Samuel and Riya couldn't cooperate together.

But...

Slash!

Midair, Samuel cut through the rank 10 lightning magic bird's throat, effectively killing it in one move. His sword was covered in flames and the wind element made the fire element even stronger and hotter than usual.

His strong control over his two elements was truly remarkable.

Even Riya might not be able to use such specific element in the air like what Samuel did.

It was not like she didn't know that the air was composed of various elements as she had learned in her chemistry class in the past. But to control the smallest particles like this was something that Riya couldn't achieve.

Moreover, Riya didn't spend that much time studying wind element specifically.

'Perhaps, I'm more of jack of all trades and master of none.'

Riya smiled slightly as she waved her hand, putting the rank 10 lightning magic bird's corpse into her space.

"Eat something, Samuel. If your mana didn't recover fast enough, drink the potion from Jonas Nolan."

Swish!

Samuel had already come back to Riya's side. Even though he was controlling his wind magic to float, but it would be better to stay here rather than staying on the ground.

Besides, it's not a bad idea to watch over the other two people from this position.

At this moment, Peter and Dina were still facing the large rank 9 metallic magic tiger. And it was obvious that Dina's magic was running low. She has some potion from Jonas Nolan, but Dina had no intention of using the potion unless she truly needed it.

As for Peter...

He was busy running around to avoid the large rank 9 metallic magic tiger's attack and then pummeled it.

"They might need help if more large rank 9 metallic magic tiger come out," Samuel commented.

"Indeed." Riya glanced at the passage.

The fluctuation hadn't stopped, which meant that more and more powerful magic beasts will definitely come out.

Next time, it might not be the rank 10 lightning magic bird anymore.

But perhaps other magic beasts.

"The space fluctuation hadn't stopped?" Samuel asked. He could only sense the fluctuation when it's near the appearance of new magic beast, but Riya could sense it much faster than others.

It seemed that Riya's specialization in space law and magic had become better.

"Um." Riya nodded. "You might not have time to rest at all."

As she said that, Riya took out the rank 10 lightning magic bird's meat that she had prepared in her world. Half of it was for herself and the other half was for Samuel. Since the rank 10 lightning magic bird's meat was basically the highest ranked magic beasts' meat that Riya had, it would be the most effective too.

Eating magic beasts' meat might not be as fast as potion or mana stone, but it was more cost effective.

Because they were on the battlefield and they could get as many magic beasts' meat as possible through killing their enemies and then processed the meat.

Well... Riya was half cheating with her world, though.

"It's fine," Samuel replied calmly. "No matter how many magic beasts that come out, I'll deal with it."

rumble

Roar!

Boom!

...

In all continents, every returnee but Murin who hadn't returned to the Green Planet were busy fighting with the magic beasts.

None of them were able to rest because after some other lower ranked magic beasts came out of the passage, what followed would be the higher ranked magic beast. Either rank 8 or rank 9 magic beast that only the returnee could possibly defeat.

The highest ranked so far was the rank 10 lightning magic bird.

There were other species of rank 10 magic beasts, but they were not as powerful as the rank 10 lightning magic bird.

"But even the troublesome rank 10 magic beast can't stop you two..." the Green Planet's Consciousness was watching the battle from its position.

At this moment, all returnees were still full of fighting spirit.

Even though their battle basically put them in the midst of danger, all of them were still able to deal with the magic beasts in their own way and made sure that they survived.

Some of them were for their own selfish reasons.

And some others was simply because they wanted to protect the people behind them.

But...

"How long can you last in such a state?" the Green Planet's Consciousness whispered in a low voice.

One day, two days, three days...

The Green Planet's Consciousness knew very well that these returnees were all human beings and they all have limitation.

It was basically impossible to ask them to fight against the magic beasts without stopping in the slightest bit.

So when they reached their limit...

Chapter 1048: Two Months

That's when the real ordeal truly started.

The Green Planet's Consciousness watched as the returnee fought bitterly. Countless other people around them died one by one when facing the magic beasts for these returnees couldn't always protect the others.

But the Green Planet's Consciousness never changed its expression.

It was still watching quietly.

"Two months of full fighting 24 hours a day... have you finally reached your limit?" The Green Planet's Consciousness whispered in a low voice.

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Long distance away, Continent W

Bang!

pant *pant*

Ruth looked at the large number of magic beasts in front of her, her hand trembled. But even though she was so tired that she only wanted to sleep, she still raised her hand and aimed towards the rank 9 flaming magic horse that came out of the passage.

Dzing! Jleb!

In one move, the rank 9 flaming magic horse died in her hand.

Ruth knew very well that in the past two months, she had been forcing herself to the limit countless times.

With the help of potions and also magic beasts' meat, she was able to hold on and kill more and more rank 9 magic beast.

There were several species.

But the one that Ruth remembered the most was definitely this rank 9 flaming magic horse.

Because it was her first opponent that caused a lot of trouble.

When the rank 9 flaming magic horse first appeared, Ruth even doubted that she could defeat it. Because the wind element that she was best at was not very effective when facing the rank 9 flaming magic horse.

It took her several arrows to deal with the rank 9 flaming magic horse.

But now...

Ruth was able to deal with the rank 9 flaming magic horse almost as soon as it appeared because she had long memorized its route and attack methods. With the complete information in her mind, Ruth didn't have any problem dealing with the rank 9 flaming magic horse.

The problem is...

neigh

"It's endless," Ruth muttered to herself.

She didn't know how many rank 9 magic beasts that she have been dealing with in the past two months.

Even though Continent W had been preparing for the grand magic beasts' tide in the past year, but the ammunition was far from enough.

"Ruth, the higher ups is considering of using the nuclear weapon and destroyed the areas around the passage," the general called out.

Since Ruth was not that good at close combat, she maintained her distance from the passage.

Right now, the areas around the passage had long been turned into large crater. Countless rank 9 magic beast appeared from the passage and to deal with them, Ruth had to try sniping them from a distance away with her arrows.

This happened over and over again.

It was honestly extremely tiring, but Ruth didn't give up and continued to try her best.

"Is it decided?" Ruth frowned.

Even though she knew that using the nuclear weapon was their last resort... but she really didn't want to abandon this place.

"Everyone had been evacuated to miles away from this place, so even if nuclear weapon is to be used, it wouldn't affect them. However, how effective the modified nuclear weapon is, we are not certain," the general replied while looking at Ruth with worries. "Besides, you can't last longer like this."

They all have watched as Ruth fought without stopping.

In fact, they all knew that almost all returnees were doing the same thing all over the Green Planet.

Each and every single one of them were not given the chance to rest and only have a few minutes of rest before they have to face the next battle.

This cycle repeated over and over, bringing people on the verge of their limit.

No...

Perhaps these returnees have long reached their limit, but they forcefully broke through their so called limit because they wanted to survive.

The soldiers were also working hard, but they all worked in shift.

Because they still needed to rest.

And the more powerful magic warriors who had reached rank 6 or a select few that managed to reach rank 7 were all working hard to maintain this delicate balance. They have stronger body, which allowed them to last longer.

But they couldn't reach Ruth's level where they didn't need to rest in the slightest bit.

It was precisely because of this that everyone could see how heavy the burden of these returnees.

Not only the physical burden but also their mental burden.

"I don't think that it would work," Ruth replied honestly.

Even though they have modified those nuclear weapons to add the power of the elements and so on, but facing the rank 9 flaming magic horse...

Ruth doubted that it would work.

"Even if it would not work, at least it's something worth trying. Ms. Ruth, please retreat within the safe line," the general said seriously.

They have to try whatever means possible and this is their last resort.

The four continents secretly cooperated together to create this weapon because they had the feeling that if they couldn't stop the grand magic beasts' tide, what awaited them would be their own destruction.

So they might have to sacrifice a few areas...

But it's better than having the entire Green Planet destroyed, right?

For the sake of this plan, they all agreed that no matter where the passage appeared, the people around the area for more than 100 km in radius at the minimum had to be evacuated and no one was allowed to be nearby.

Because their own defense line has been pushed further and further to the back.

"...I understand." Ruth sighed and then waved her hand. "You go back first and I'll follow up in 15 minutes."

"Yes!"

The general didn't hesitate and leave.

Ruth looked at the passage in front of her.

Since she had just killed the rank 9 flaming magic horse, the next rank 9 magic beast will definitely take some time before it would appear.

But...

"I have to kill it."

Chapter 1049: Why?

Glug!

Drinking the potion, Ruth silently recovered her mana while staring at the passage in front of her.

On Continent W, Ruth is basically the only person who could fight on the frontline among the returnees.

Because there were only two returnees on Continent W.

It seems unfair.

But Ruth knew very well that someone or something was deliberately controlling the strength of the magic beasts that came out of the passage. Otherwise, it would be difficult why her strongest opponents were only rank 9 flaming magic horses or other rank 9 magic beasts but there were some rank 10 magic beasts appearing in Continent Z.

Something was holding these magic beasts back.

But even if something was helping them, Ruth knew very well that it would be impossible for them to rely on that unseen thing all the time.

They had to eliminate all the magic beasts.

'But is it really possible for us to win this war?'

Watching the large rank 9 metallic magic tiger, Ruth felt that there were still a lot of enemies that she might not be able to beat. Even if she had heard that the other returnees were facing powerful magic beasts...

It's endless.

"Just how long do you want us fight?" Ruth muttered to herself.

Swish!

The wind element gathered around Ruth as she lightly jumped around in the air and aimed her arrow towards the large rank 9 metallic magic tiger. Her eyes gleamed and the bow seemed to respond as the elemental power increased once more.

Dzing! Jleb!

roar

With one last roar, the large rank 9 metallic magic tiger fell to the ground lifeless.

pant *pant*

Ruth didn't know how many times she had been fighting against these large rank 9 metallic magic tiger. She looked at her space storage scroll and looked at the number of potions left and felt her heart was bitter.

Despite the fact that Jonas Nolan has been stocking up potion for more than a year ever since he knew the matter of the grand magic beasts' tide, it was obvious that their supplies were far from enough.

Moreover, Ruth knew very well that the largest number of potions belonged to Continent W.

Other continents were all unable to use as much as them.

How did they fare when facing the grand magic beasts' tide?

Ruth looked at the passage in front of her, not wanting more large rank 9 metallic magic tiger to come out.

She really couldn't hold it any longer.

"A grand magic beasts' tide is truly worthy of its name... never-ending stream of magic beasts pouring into the Green Planet and what awaited us would be nothing more than destruction."

Ruth looked at the passage that had already started to spew out a large number of magic beasts.

Even if there were no large rank 9 metallic magic tiger, it was obvious that these magic beasts were growing in power and number. If there was someone controlling the number of magic beasts coming out of the passage...

Then they obviously have the ability to stop the magic beasts from coming to the Green Planet.

Then why?

Why did they have to let these magic beasts coming and pouring down into the Green Planet?

roar

Ruth shook her head and looked at the soldiers who have retreated to a safe distance and lightly jumped in the air, rushing to the safe place too. Her control over her wind element had increased rapidly in the past two months of life and death's battle.

Even though she somehow managed to advance to rank 9, she knew very well that this was an unconventional advancement.

And Ruth might not be able to make further advancement.

But she didn't seem to care that much.

In the past, she did have a lofty dream of reaching the peak and so on. With her talent, she did have the qualification.

Unfortunately, life can be long.

There were too many things that happened in between, making it impossible for Ruth to truly pursue it anymore.

Besides...

She's tired.

"Ready to fire! Ruth have already evacuated to the defense line!" Ruth heard the general gave the order and stood still on the wall, watching as the nuclear bombs they have prepared was launched.

'Ahh... has it reached this stage?'

The newly upgraded nuclear weapon has become even more powerful than before, which is why everyone had to evacuate further.

And after this, their battle would become even harder because the radiation would definitely hurt their bodies more than ever.

It was inevitable.

Ruth herself knew about this very well, which is why she also stepped back.

Even if her control over her natural element could allow her to protect herself, but Ruth didn't want to waste her mana.

roar

Seeing the passage shook and more large rank 9 metallic magic tigers were coming out, Ruth closed her eyes.

She was really tired.

It has been a while since she let her body recover mana naturally and had been using the potion or eating the magic beasts' meat in order to recover mana faster. Her body has been in the state of strain for a long time.

Just like a taut string... a little bit of force was what it takes to make it snap.

And right now, it was precisely what had happened.

With so many magic beasts practically flooding Continent W, it would be a miracle for Ruth to be able to stay calm.

BOOOOOOM!

The explosion was loud and countless magic beasts were engulfed within, which included the large rank 9 metallic magic tigers that came out of the passage. Mushroom cloud sprang up, telling everyone how terrifying the scene would have been not long ago.

pant *pant*

Standing motionless, Ruth watched everything with an indifferent expression.

It was not like she had no emotions, but she was really tired and even killing these magic beasts had made turn numb.

She kept on killing, killing, and killing.

To the point that she could no longer think of anything.

Chapter 1050: Despair

This is the first time in her entire life that Ruth was forced to fight without the slightest bit of rest.

The previous magic beasts' tide on the Green Planet will still give them a break.

But this passage didn't.

Whenever more large rank 9 metallic magic tigers or other rank 9 magic beasts came out, what awaited Ruth would be nothing more than a brutal battle. Not only the large rank 9 metallic magic tiger, there were also rank 9 flaming magic horse that appeared even more often.

What Ruth noticed is the fact that the dark and light element didn't appear here.

They might have been attracted by Pena in Continent X because he was of dark element.

After all, Ruth had heard from the general about the opponent they faced during the short few minutes break before more rank 9 flaming magic horse coming out of the passage.

"Miss Ruth, please rest for the time being. The order is to let the nuclear weapon be used temporarily. Moreover, there are some more potions that Mr. Jonas Nolan have prepared for you."

"Ah... Thank you."

Receiving the space storage scroll, Ruth checked the content and pursed her lips. In the past two months, her rapid consumption of potions had become common knowledge. Even though the potion was building up resistance in her body, Ruth had no other option but to continue drinking one potion after another.

Because Ruth knew very well that if she ever stopped, she would lose the battle in front of her.

This is something that Ruth could not allow to happen in the slightest bit.

She had to fight.

Again and again.

Even if her main reason is simply because she didn't want to see people dying in front of her when she had the ability to save them.

But...

Even with Ruth at the forefront, the continuous battle for over two months had exhausted Ruth's spirits. Not to mention, her body was really unable to hold on any longer and whoever made this arrangement for them was truly cruel.

Everyone was forced to the brink of collapse.

Even if they hadn't collapsed yet...

Who knew when they would suddenly collapse out of exhaustion?

Be it their mental state or their physical state, they were clearly not in the condition to continue fighting.

But none of them were willing to back down simply because they couldn't afford the consequences of backing down.

Were they willing to let the world be destroyed?

BOOOOM!

After the first bomb, they launched the second one not long afterwards as more and more magic beasts poured in from the passage. Seeing these rank 9 flaming magic horses were still alive even after being hit by the nuclear weapon, Ruth's expression was not very good.

The nuclear has been modified to add the elemental power that belonged to the magicians.

But it's not enough.

"They're too powerful," Ruth muttered in a low voice. "With just one move, they're capable of destroying cities and the modified nuclear weapons are barely able to hold them back."

"If one is not enough, then we'll fire more," the general replied as he continued to give order for more nuclear weapons to be fired.

They have stocked up a large number of ammunition just for this grand magic beasts' tide.

Even if they couldn't stop the magic beasts, at the very least, let them try and injure these rank 9 flaming magic horse as much as possible.

In this way, the burden on the returnees would be lesser.

BOOOM!

Ruth watched as explosion fell one after another.

She saw the rank 9 flaming magic horse failed to defend after a few times and the few other rank 9 flaming magic horses that came out of the passage also died one after another.

Is it successful?

But...

"How many times can you launch such indiscriminate attack?" Ruth asked in a low voice.

The general didn't answer.

They all knew very well that the ammunition in their hands were actually limited. The earthquake back then had destroyed many things and even if they had restarted the production of these weapons and so on, the past two months have exhausted their ammunition.

Otherwise, the general would not approve the plan of using the nuclear weapon to deal with the magic beasts like this.

Ruth looked at the general's expression and could guess more or less.

She smiled bitterly.

"Is this really the end for the Green Planet?"

After Afirer Kingdom, is she going to lose her home once again?

Even though Afirer Kingdom is not exactly her home, but Ruth had long treated Afirer Kingdom as one because of her experience in that world.

It's her second home.

And it's also the place where she could relax and laugh along with many other people.

But the Green Planet is also her home.

There might not be any of her close family members who were still alive, but she had met with many other important people along the way.

Or perhaps, she was just too kind to ignore what had been happening on Continent W.

She owed them nothing.

And they owed her nothing.

But...

She just wanted to do this.

"Continent W has never been a continent that produced a lot of ammunition and the large scale war have already taken the toll for you." Ruth looked at the potion in her hand and then smiled. "General, can I have one last request?"

"Ms. Ruth, you..."

"I know that this would not solve the problem and the Green Planet might still end up being destroyed in the end, but I hope... that I don't have to see them anymore."

It's so tiring and frustrating.

Countless negative emotions welled up within Ruth's heart the more she had to fight these magic beasts.

They were so powerful...

And their number was basically endless.

She had no idea whether the war could be stopped in this way, but if risking her life could stop them from coming through this passage... Then she would gladly offer it.