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Chapter 1051: Ruth's Determination

"That.... I'm sorry." The general saw Ruth's expression and knew that he wouldn't be able to do anything to stop Ruth.

These returnees were all very different.

But if they have any similarities, then it would be the fact that they were all extremely stubborn.

Once they have decided on something, they would not change it and will definitely see it to the very end.

The General had no power to change it.

Nor did he have any right to stop them from doing what they wanted.

But at the very least....

He wanted to give his thanks.

"On behalf of everyone on Continent W, I would like to thank you, Ms. Ruth." The general looked at Ruth solemnly.

Ruth blinked her eyes and shook her head. "I'm not doing it for you specifically."

She's just tired.

Having to fight continuously after being thrown into Afirer Kingdom. And watching how Afirer Kingdom ended up when she came back to that world, Ruth really didn't want for the same thing to happen on the Green Planet.

The problem is...

She's too weak.

Ruth knew this very well and her current ability was far from enough to deal with the grand magic beasts' tide.

But she's not alone.

There were also other returnees in other continents who were fighting hard and were dealing with powerful magic beasts one after another. They were still fighting on the frontline and doing whatever they could in order to stop the magic beasts from entering the Green Planet.

Even if their actions were far from perfect, it was good enough in Ruth's opinion.

No one wanted to give up.

They all knew that their actions might not be enough to stop the magic beasts, but for various reasons, they want to stand at the forefront and fight together.

Swish!

Ruth came towards the passage right after the bombardment stopped. There were still some magic beasts who were still alive.

Even after being attacked by the powerful nuclear weapon, they remained unscathed.

In a way, it was actually a miracle.

But Ruth was not here to marvel at this matter and instead paid more attention to other things. She looked at the passage in front of her and silently raised her hand. The few bottles of potions that she had drunk allowed her to replenish her mana quickly and then she directly used it on her bow.

"I'm sorry," Ruth whispered in a low voice.

Her weapon had accompanied her for a long time, even when she was still weak and needed a lot of help from other people.

But this time, because of her decision, this weapon might finally meet its end.

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It was just...

This is what Ruth had decided for her life.

"Forbidden magic: Wind of life, arrow of destruction."

Swoosh!

Wind element gathered violently around the passage and Ruth was still aiming her bow and arrows towards the passage in front of her. She didn't know whether this would succeed or not, but this was the greatest strength that she could possibly muster.

By overdosing the recovery potions, she would be able to garner much more than what she could use usually.

In this way, massive amount of wind element magic gathered with Ruth at the center.

Everyone could faintly see the mana that gathered towards Ruth.

It's beautiful.

But they seemed to understand that this might be the last time.

"Ugh."

Her body was not tempered enough to withstand such power, but Ruth had no regrets for her decision.

Even if she felt pain all over her body, there was still a faint smile on her face as she aimed the arrow in her hand towards the passage in front of her.

"Disappear."

SWOOSH!

BOOOOOOOOOOM!

Loud explosion sounded in the midst of the passage, destroying the supposed passage in one go.

Cracks appeared in the space, distorting it.

But Ruth didn't have the energy to care.

She had already used up all of her mana and she watched as the space distorted in front of her as the wind element enveloped it.

It's warm.

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"What is it?"

"What happened?"

"Did the passage disappear?"

"Does it mean that we'll be saved and that no one would need to die anymore?"

"The passage closing meant the world will return to normal, right?"

Amidst the chattering, Jonas Nolan ran out of the laboratory and looked at the distance. Green color intertwined with white, carrying out strong and powerful wind that enveloped the entire passage.

It was beautiful.

But it was precisely because of this beauty that Jonas Nolan instead felt a pang of sadness.

Back in Afire Kingdom, Jonas Nolan had watched many people unleashed various forbidden magic at the cost of their own life. They risked their lives just because they wanted to make sure that they could repel the magic beasts as much as possible at their last moment.

Because they no longer have the strength, yet they wanted to stop the magic beasts.

Jonas Nolan could remember the pain and heartache very clearly.

"Take me to the frontline," Jonas Nolan heard himself said.

"What? But..."

"Take me to the frontline," Jonas Nolan repeated, looking at the soldier in front of him solemnly. He didn't know what kind of expression that he had made because the soldier looked hesitant and worried.

"It's dangerous, Mr. Jonas Nolan."

"She had performed a miracle, so at the very least... I want to see her for the last time," Jonas Nolan replied.

Yes, a miracle.

Ever since the returnees appeared and revealed their identities, many people have long put them on the pedestal and forced their thoughts and hopes into them.

They knew that the world had turned dangerous.

But many people believed that as long as these returnees were still around, they could still survive and that the world will become better.

It was this kind of belief that allowed them to push forward.

But...

Is it really true?

Jonas Nolan knew very well that he was not some kind of savior or hero.

He's just an ordinary alchemist who was lucky enough to survive and have more experience than other people.

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But no matter what the returnees said, it was impossible for them to erase the ray of hope from the people's eyes.

And it seemed as if the burden of saving the entire world fell onto their shoulder.

Why them?

Jonas Nolan had never been able to understand this.

From the very beginning to the very end, Jonas Nolan knew very well that he was far from qualified to become a savior or a hero.

It was not like he didn't have any expectation or dream when he entered Afire Kingdom in the first place.

After all, Jonas Nolan was one of the few who have a relatively peaceful and supportive family. Be it on the Green Planet or in Afire Kingdom, his family members were extremely kind and will not force him to do anything that he didn't want to.

With his poor combat talent and his inability to adapt to the cruel environment, Jonas Nolan knew very well that he wouldn't be able to survive if he had been thrown into a difficult environment.

He's not as good as the other returnees.

Each and every single one of them seemed to be very talented, strong, and were able to continue moving forward no matter what adversity they faced.

Jonas Nolan is a proper young master.

He lived a comfortable life ever since he was young and didn't have much achievement in life. With parents who loved and pamper him, he didn't have to do anything and everything would be handed over to him in a silver platter.

It was definitely the kind of life that was envied by many people all over the world.

And Jonas Nolan himself had to admit that he himself felt that his life was extremely good and was completely different from the other returnees.

So when he found out about the other returnees, Jonas Nolan couldn't understand.

Because he could see that each and every single one of them seemed to be more qualified to stand on the forefront than him.

They were able to become so strong and fought against the magic beasts.

Even when they were on the verge of death, they could still showcase power that far surpassed their original strength and turned the tide of the battle.

It was amazing.

And it would be a lie if Jonas Nolan said that he was not envious.

Something so powerful was shown in front of him...

But Jonas Nolan also knew that it was definitely not something that he could possibly covet in his entire life.

If he really wanted to be like them, then he would need to have the determination to risk his life and fought on the frontline.

But...

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Thinking about the terrifying magic beasts, Jonas Nolan felt that he would only end up trembling in fear and couldn't do anything.

He knew very well that compared to many other people, he lacked the common senses needed for people to live. If he came out of his house and interacted with people, there were many times when he offended people without knowing the reason.

Being a young master, Jonas Nolan was basically living a sheltered life.

Even though he tried his best to do things on his own from time to time, Jonas Nolan could sense that many people were looking down on him.

It's terrifying.

He's scared.

And this made Jonas Nolan felt that he was even more unqualified to be a returnee who was specifically selected.

Why are there 12 returnees in the first place?

Seeing the other returnees were able to fight these magic beasts with ease and moved around on the battlefield made Jonas Nolan at loss.

What's the use of someone like him who's a coward and could only stay at the back.

There were even times when Jonas Nolan felt that it would be better if he hadn't been chosen by whoever it is to enter Afirer Kingdom.

Wouldn't it be better to choose someone else?

But it was him who was selected.

At the beginning, Jonas Nolan naturally didn't understand anything and treated Afirer Kingdom as his second life. Even if he missed his family members, Jonas Nolan tried his best to steel his heart and stepped forward.

Because he knew very well that he had to live a good life in his second life.

He truly treated Afirer Kingdom and his family members as his second home.

A place where he could return to whenever he wanted.

...If only the grand magic beasts' tide didn't happen.

Before his second death, Jonas Nolan had long thought that he should have been able to do something more. He didn't want to lose them and hoped that they could stay together for a long period of time.

Unfortunately, his wishes were destined to remain unanswered.

Jonas Nolan knew that.

The moment he woke up on the Green Planet, he could only cry.

Because he had lost his family members whom he treasured from Afirer Kingdom, yet he also regained his family members whom he thought that he had lost.

Jonas Nolan didn't know what to feel.

And he lived a relatively ordinary and leisure life as the salted fish young master who didn't have anything to worry about in life.

That is until the earthquake happened and the magic beasts appeared.

That's when Jonas Nolan realized that this is not the end yet.

With the knowledge that he had learned from Afirer Kingdom, Jonas Nolan was determined to ensure the safety of the people around him.

But...

When Jonas Nolan saw the magic beasts in front of him, he still couldn't bring the courage needed to fight.

He's scared.

He just wanted to hide.

No matter how many times that he told himself that he had to do this, Jonas Nolan knew that he couldn't.

It's pathetic.

Really.

Jonas Nolan didn't even want to remember his humiliating appearance when he found out that he was actually so scared like that.

As a man, shouldn't he be braver and stepped forward?

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But he couldn't.

And it was his family members who came to him and comforted him, letting him know that even if he was so 'useless,' there were still people who were willing to stay by his side.

Ah...

He knew that his family loves him unconditionally.

But Jonas Nolan always wanted to do something for them because the world outside was getting more and more dangerous.

He didn't want to lose his family for the second time.

And when his identity as the returnee was made known to the officials, there were many people who came to him and asked for his help.

Jonas Nolan couldn't fight.

Even if he were to raise his weapon, he was too scared to fight against the magic beasts directly.

Without any proper talent to become a warrior, his movements have always been a mess and it was truly a pain to look at.

Because of this, Jonas Nolan often stayed inside.

He knew that he couldn't fight.

So he should do what he could...

Make potion and teach other people how to make it.

Because only in this way he could possibly contribute and helped other people and ensure their safety.

Jonas Nolan thought that this would be the end.

As long as he continued to make potion and worked hard, it would be enough to pass through the difficult time and then the world will definitely recover once more.

At least, that's what Jonas Nolan was thinking.

But...

It's wrong.

When the first returnee reached rank 7, the beautiful pattern appeared in the sky. That seemed to signal something and Jonas Nolan remembered that he was only looking at it with the astonished look.

He didn't feel any jealousy, though.

Because Jonas Nolan knew very well that with his aptitude, he would take a long time to be able to reach that rank.

Since he had learned to accept his own weaknesses well, Jonas Nolan tried his best to accept that he was indeed not suited for combat related profession. It would be better to position himself as a logistic and stayed on the back.

In this way, even if Jonas Nolan finally reached rank 7, he knew very well that his combat power might not be as strong as a rank 4 magicians.

It's still pathetic to a certain degree.

But as an alchemist... Jonas Nolan felt that it's acceptable.

Being forced to experience a strange 'second life,' it was already difficult enough for Jonas Nolan to accept losing so many important people in his life. There were many times when he felt like giving up because he couldn't see any future.

The grand magic beasts' tide...

It's a nightmare.

And now that Jonas Nolan was seeing the scene of Ruth sacrificing herself to destroy the passage, he felt as if something was breaking inside him.

Jonas Nolan was not that close to Ruth.

But since the two of them were both returnees, after Ruth came to Continent W, he also spent some time communicating with the other party for various matters. It was also thanks to this that he had gotten closer to Ruth.

Even if they were not to the point of being close friends, they were still friends.

And Jonas Nolan treasured each and every single one of his friend.

It was also because of this that even though he accepted his role as a logistic and willing to stay behind and made as many potions as possible, Jonas Nolan still hoped that everyone could come back alive.

No matter what kind of enemies they faced, Jonas Nolan didn't want to lose anyone.

It's naive.

And probably stupid too.

But this was something that Jonas Nolan hoped from the bottom of his heart.

He didn't want to experience losses once again and felt that it would be better for him work harder and made sure that he prepared enough.

In the past year, Jonas Nolan barely rested.

He had to prepare enough potion for the entire world to prepare for the grand magic beasts' tide. Even if he had taught many other people on Continent W how to create the potion, some potion required better skills and better mana control.

So for the better potions, Jonas Nolan had to make it himself.

And the potion that Jonas Nolan made were specifically reserved for the returnees. Because they all knew that only the returnees could possibly stand a chance fighting against the magic beasts during the grand magic beasts' tide.

It was frustrating.

It was suffocating.

But this was the truth that they had to accept.

They were all weak and these returnees were the real strong ones who could fight against the magic beasts.

Without them, they couldn't do anything.

Even though many of these returnees were truly not built to fight...

"We're here, Mr. Jonas Nolan!"

"Make way! Where's Ruth?" Jonas Nolan saw that they were already at the wall and the space was distorted in the distance.

Considering the fact that Ruth is a long distance combatant...

Jonas Nolan hoped that Ruth could still be alive after sacrificing so much like this.

"Over here!"

"Ahh, there were many magic beasts appearing from the space!"

"Deal with them!"

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Long distance away, the Green Planet's Consciousness was basically watching the scene with the same indifferent expression.

Truth to be told, even if Ruth were to use the forbidden technique, her ability was only slightly higher than average rank 10 magic warriors. And this strength was far from enough to destroy the passage.

Otherwise, other returnees would have done the same thing as Ruth.

It could be said that Ruth's lack of knowledge was the main reason why she was willing to do this.

But since the Green Planet's Consciousness was watching and intervening in secret, Ruth's action still succeed.

Countless magic beasts that were close to the Green Planet still poured out and most of them were only rank 5 to rank 7 magic beasts.

The people from Continent W could still deal with them.

As for the passage...

Chapter 1054: The Pieces

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The Green Planet's Consciousness calmly operated from its position, blocking the other side's attempt to repair and made another passage.

From the very beginning, the Green Planet's Consciousness ensured that there were only 4 passages in total with each of them appearing in the most appropriate location. With each continent having one passage, the returnees could focus on them.

The Green Planet's Consciousness would sent most of the troublesome magic beasts towards Continent Z.

The light and dark element towards Continent X for Pena to handle.

The weaker ones would be divided between Continent W and Continent Y alternately, allowing these magic beasts to be killed by these continents that were somewhat weaker than Continent X and Continent Z.

It was not like the Green Planet's Consciousness wanted to favor these two continents...

But the three most talented people after scouring the entire Green Planet were located in these two continents.

It could only made plans in accordance to this matter.

"One piece have finished the role and the second one is almost fulfilled it." the Green Planet's Consciousness saw the development on Continent W and there was no trace of surprise in its expression.

It had long known what Ruth would do in that situation.

Because in each and every single one of the future that the Green Planet's Consciousness saw, Ruth would never change her decision.

Once she was pressured enough, she would choose to sacrifice herself to destroy the passage.

The power varied, though.

It was not that powerful and the Green Planet's Consciousness felt that Ruth should have spent more time to accumulate more strength.

But it's enough.

With only three passage and their inability to create more passage to the Green Planet, the Green Planet's Consciousness knew that the chance of success would be higher.

"Now, when will the rest of the pieces fell on their places?"

The Green Planet's Consciousness turned its attention to the other continents, awaiting the time for these people to act.

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Long distance away, Continent Y.

Boom!

"What do you mean that we have to use the nuclear weapon? There are indeed thousands of magic beasts, but the returnees are still in the location and you will kill them if you use the nuclear weapon!"

"Continent W had already used the nuclear weapon and I don't think it's possible for us to hold on any longer. The ammunition has been used up by more than 90% and with the battle intensity, we'll run out of bullets soon enough!"

The officials and the military were debating heavily.

They all knew very well that the current situation was far from stable.

With so many magic beasts pouring out of the passage, they were slowly getting overwhelmed. Everyone thought in the beginning that they would be able to defend the Green Planet and that nothing bad would ever happen.

Everyone was filled with hope.

Not only hope, they were also thinking that as long as they passed by the dangerous period when the magic beasts came to the Green Planet, nothing bad would ever happen.

They would survive.

They could win.

The Green Planet will stay intact and thrive.

But after more than two months of continuous battle without giving any chance to rest, everyone was exhausted.

Not only physically but also mentally.

The returnees were basically the one who had to bear the greatest pressure with each and every single one of them standing at the forefront to deal with the magic beasts. But this didn't mean that the soldiers behind them were not under pressure.

It was the opposite.

Each and every single one of them were working hard just to defend their homeland.

On Continent Y, when their relationship with the returnees were practically the worst and the two sides were unable to work together, the military had to spend more ammunition in order to defend themselves.

Thankfully Continent Y has more resources than Continent W and had accumulated a large number of ammunition during the past year.

Even before that, it seemed that their military was quite strong.

And now they were just using this advantage to ensure that even without the cooperation of the returnees, they could still kill these magic beasts as many as possible.

The situation was relatively stable.

At the very least, they all could see that everyone was fighting fiercely and the magic beasts didn't get out of their outermost perimeter.

The inner perimeter was barely hanging on because there were still three returnees who were forced to fight with some magic beasts escaping from their encirclement.

But these magic beasts never went too far.

They would be stopped by the soldiers who were waiting on the outer circle before they could even go far.

In this way, the grand magic beasts' tide would not cause that much negative impact for Continent Y.

The biggest problem was only the fact that there were so many magic beasts here.

The number kept on accumulating.

And they were slowly unable to hold on with most of their ammunition completely used up in order to deal with the magic beasts.

Who knows how many soldiers have already sacrificed their lives at this point.

It was truly...

"But this didn't mean that we have to sacrifice the three people! Even if their relationship with us is not good, this is not the reason for us to use their lives to protect ourselves!"

"The question whether to sacrifice a few people to save a thousands people or vice versa has been a question that no one could answer... but in this situation, we have to make a decision."

The officials and the military were unable to come to a conclusion.

One side felt that it was fine to sacrifice these three returnees.

But the other side felt that they should not do something so inhumane.

Even if these returnees were not on good terms with the officials, they were still working to deal with the magic beasts and helped them.

Chapter 1055: Coldness

But...

"The decision has to be made and there's not much time left. Do you want to continue sacrificing countless soldiers on the frontline just because you don't want to use the nuclear weapon?"

"The three returnees can't move away from their location... If nuclear weapon is to be used, they might end up dead."

"Isn't it good?"

"What?"

"These returnees are fixed around a certain radius from the passage, which meant that from the very beginning, their existence is solely for the sake of the grand magic beasts' tide. Since that's the case, there's no qualms for us to use them too," the official said with a smirk.

The military representative was frowning when he heard such words.

Even though they all knew that these officials were a bunch of b*stards who only cared for their own lives, seeing the scene in person like this still made him sick.

There were many people who sacrificed themselves for the sake of the Green Planet in overall, but these officials only cared about making their lives better and all.

It seemed as if they would never stop unless they could get the greatest advantage.

How disgusting.

Unfortunately, it was not possible for them to refute so blatantly.

Because they were all the beneficiary of these people's sacrifices.

Whether they wanted to or not, it was obvious that they were the one who took advantage in the end.

"The returnees are all still human being. I don't think it's right to do this without informing them beforehand. Perhaps there's a way to make sure that they would not be affected by the nuclear weapon that much."

"Warn them? Would those people even listen?" The man had a disgusted expression when he thought about the way these returnees looked down on them.

The relationship between the officials on Continent Y with the returnees were simply the worst with neither side were willing to back down and accepted the other side.

It seemed that if they were to appear on the same location was more than enough to cause a fight.

Neither side was willing to back down.

"Even if they didn't listen, at least the gesture would make us looks good." Another official thought from another angle.

"No one is watching and you're still thinking about your reputation. Do you think that those people will care about what we're actually doing when we're here?"

"The three returnees are so arrogant. They deserved to be confined around the passage and fight for all of us," another official said with a shrug. "It would be better if they could deal with the magic beasts and then perished together."

The military representative closed his eyes.

Sometimes, he really couldn't understand why it had to be these rotten people who survived in the end.

The earthquake that happened on the Green Planet three years ago had eliminated many people. Coupled with the short period of chaos that followed afterwards, there were many people who had lost their lives.

Among them, there were many good people who could have made the Green Planet even better.

Unfortunately...

That period of time simply eliminated many people who were kind and truly willing to help other people, leaving the selfish people who cared for their own benefits more than anything.

It was frustrating.

To be one of the few people who were willing to speak up the truth and fight for them, yet no one was willing to listen.

The Green Planet had changed.

And Continent Y was among the few continents that were declining step by step.

He was absolutely sure that even without these returnee's rebellions that caused the other three continents to be unwilling to cooperate much with them, Continent Y will slowly but surely fall.

At least, that was what he thought.

Because these people were simply people who cared for nothing but their own benefits.

Why are they the one who have to survive in the end?

He couldn't understand.

"Nevertheless, even if we have to use the nuclear weapon, we still have to inform the returnee about this matter and perhaps, they might be able to avoid getting implicated. There would be more and more magic beasts pouring out of the passage and without these returnees, it's impossible for Continent Y to survive."

"What are you taling about? You're speaking as if the soldiers are not enough to deal with the magic beasts..."

Bam!

"Isn't it the truth? If the soldiers can be more powerful and if we could exchange for more things from other continents, the situation wouldn't have been this bad." The other representative from the military was also at his wits end.

Weapon, potion, and magic scrolls.

These three things were the auxiliary tools that ordinary people or people with lower ranks would be able to use.

The other three continents have exchanged the resources with each other for an entire year.

They were more prepared.

It was not like Continent Y couldn't get their hands on these things, but their amount was limited.

What they could provide for other continents were not valued that much.

It was also because of this that they were struggling.

The resources that they have accumulated with difficulties in the past year were used very quickly in just two months.

Even if they were still busy producing more bullets, bombs, and so on, it was uncertain how long they would be able to hold on.

Letting these powerful magic beasts loose on Continent Y would only destroy this continent further.

The previous cracks' incident had already cost them a lot.

They couldn't afford to cause more bases to be destroyed by these magic beasts.

"We can't exchange it anymore. The other continents are also struggling to deal with the magic beasts coming out of the passage. Rather than thinking about getting more resources, it's better to think about how you're going to preserve our combat strength."

"Those selfish returnees don't deserve it!"

"But we still need them and..."

Chapter 1056: Reminder

At the end of the day, the relationship between the official and the returnees could not escape the cycle of using and being used.

No, they were basically using each other.

And if they were not confined around the passage for some reasons, these returnees would not have any reason to fight against the magic beasts and would have long escaped far away.

"Let them know about this."

At the very least, these returnees deserved to know what the officials decided to do and they had to prepare for the large scale battle that was about to happen.

"Yes!"

The military representative looked at the distance and sighed to himself.

They were the ones who vowed to protect their continent, but in the end, they had to let these returnees be the one to stand at the forefront and dealt with the rampaging magic beasts that flooded the Green Planet.

Right now, he could only do his best to make sure that these returnees were not harmed in the slightest bit.

But...

Whether it could truly succeed or not was another question altogether.

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Long distance away, Continent Y frontline.

Boom! Bang! Bang!

It could be said that there were too many magic beasts to be able to see the humans being. The soldiers had already created large and thick walls within the radius of 100 kilometers away from the passage, hoping to trap these magic beasts in this area.

But the problem is...

Many of these magic beasts could fly away, so they have to stand guard and used various big weapons to deal with the flying magic beasts before they could bypass the walls and possibly threaten the people on Continent W.

The operation couldn't be said to be flawless, but there were many people involved in this matter.

They were all trying their best to survive.

"RETURNEES OF CONTINENT Y, HEAR US OUT. THERE WILL BE A NUCLEAR WEAPON...."

Boom!

Amidst the battle, the three returnees heard the loud announcement from the officials of Continent W and their expression changed considerably when they heard the content.

"Nuclear weapon? Are they crazy using the nuclear weapon here?" Navi almost wanted to rush out of the protection area and complained to those people.

"It's not surprising actually." Nalan looked at the sea of magic beasts in front of them. Since neither Nalan or Navi were actually interested in fighting, they would not clean up all the large rank 9 metallic magic tiger that came out of the passage and simply let them be.

Most weapons on the Green Planet couldn't even cause the slightest bit of harm to the large rank 9 metallic magic tiger.

It was precisely because of this that they continued to accumulate.

Even though most of the magic beasts would chase after the three returnees, it was obvious that many of them were not that fixated on these returnees all the time. Instead, they were all trying their best to get out and destroy the place.

Various craters of multiple sizes have formed on the ground.

This was the result of the three returnees' battle with these magic beasts.

These large rank 9 metallic magic tigers were very powerful so if they wanted to kill them, Navi had to use various large scale magic spells to deal with it. And the end result was not only these large rank 9 metallic magic tigers' deaths but also the changed lands below them.

The craters were deep and it was unknown how many magic beasts' corpses have piled up within the large craters.

Some of these magic beasts' corpses were also destroyed during the returnees' battle with other magic beasts. The end result was extremely tragic and by the end of the day, not even their blood remained.

Everything turned into dust in the brutal battle with the magic beasts.

"Do you think that you can defend against the nuclear weapon?" Navi asked as she turned to look at Nalan.

Even though the current move that Nalan used was called absolute defense, Navi knew very well that this would depend on how strong Nalan is. They could withstand the attack from those large rank 9 metallic magic tigers so far, which allowed them all to rest enough for the time being.

But it was not known whether this would be possible to be done again later.

"It should be possible. Do you think that the nuclear weapons will be stronger than the large rank 9 metallic magic tigers?" Nalan asked.

"Uh..."

Navi truly couldn't answer Nalan's question.

She knew very well that their current situation was not very good because they were too close to the passage.

And if the officials decided to bombard this place with nuclear weapon....

"Damn it! Why can't we stay further away from the passage' entrance?" Navi almost shouted in anger when she thought about this.

They had fought countless life and death's battle but what awaited them was actually a forced restraint that put them beside the gate.

If it was possible, Navi really wanted to run as far away as possible.

It's really frustrating.

"Let's try to move."

"But your shield..."

"If I cut it in the middle, I can recast it even though the time will be shortened," Nalan replied.

It's just that this move would create more burden for him.

But they had to get away as soon as possible from this location.

"The officials are inhuman," Navi muttered to herself, feeling deep frustration because of this incident.

Nalan was silent.

Who didn't feel frustrated?

He himself also feel a deep sense of powerlessness and frustration over this matter. The problem is, he knew very well that no matter how they complained, the officials will never listen to them.

The people from Continent Y were all selfish people.

And Nalan would not hesitate to admit that he himself was also the same, which is why he didn't hesitate at all when he chose to abandon cooperation with the officials and instead busy with his own affairs without caring about other people.

Chapter 1057: Abandonment

Perhaps, their action of abandoning the formal cooperation was one of the fuse that finally lead to this matter, but Nalan didn't regret it.

He didn't want to be burdened by those annoying officials all the time and then asked to care about the well being of other people on Continent Y.

Do they think that the returnees were all saints?

They were all selfish people who have managed to survive for a long period of time in the brutal place where many people died. Showing the slightest bit of kindness would only lead to them hurting themselves.

"Tsk..." Nalan clicked his tongue and then he turned to look at Navi.

"I'll try to get out first..."

Navi walked to the edge where the barrier used to be and when she could pass it, her eyes lit up.

The barrier that blocked them was practically invisible and it was absolutely impossible for them to sense it. They just know that once they tried to stay further away from the passage, something would stop them.

But now that Navi couldn't sense it, she was delighted.

This meant that they could finally stay far away from the passage and didn't have to deal with the ugly large rank 9 metallic magic tiger once more.

"Nalan, we can get away!" Navi said excitedly.

"That's great." Nalan's eyes lit up slightly and then he frowned. Unlike Navi who was very optimistic, he didn't think that whoever trapped them in this area would allow them to leave so easily.

They have been put in this place for a long period of time, would that person or that creature allow them to be released?

There were still many large rank 9 metallic magic tiger here.

Or it was because of the nuclear attack that Continent Y was going to use?

"Nalan? What are you waiting for?" While Nalan was contemplating, Navi was already rushing to the edge of his protection, wanting to go out and leave this forsaken place. There were so many magic beasts that they barely had enough rest.

Navi had enough.

Those large rank 9 metallic magic tiger could be left behind so that the soldiers would be the one to deal with it.

As for whether the Green Planet would fall or not...

Does it matter for them?

Both Nalan and Navi had been struggling to live outside the humans' settlement for a long period of time.

The two of them naturally knew very well what kind of life awaited them if they chose to leave. With a large number of large rank 9 metallic magic tiger and other magic beasts roaming around the Green Planet, this place would not be safe at all.

But they were not afraid.

It could be said that they were fearless because they didn't care too much.

So far, they have survived in the wilderness, so why should they work hard once more to deal with these magic beasts?

That kind of unpaid jobs can be given to those who wanted it.

They didn't want to.

"Coming."

Nalan shook the ominous thoughts in his mind and quickly followed behind Navi.

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When these large rank 9 metallic magic tigers saw these two ants started to move, they were enraged and started to attack once more.

It could be said that most of the magic beasts here had great hatred for humans.

Either it was because they have been attacked or it was because of other reasons. After all, after killing humans, these magic beasts would eat them and then used them for their own advancement.

It was a terrifying sight if Navi and Nalan had to say.

"They're coming!" Nalan reminded when he saw these large rank 9 metallic magic tigers rushing over.

"Ah." Navi grinned and then waved her staff. "I'm the embodiment of wind. Let the sharp wind materialize into my sword and strike the enemy in front of me, rapid wind strike!"

"Wind element?" Nalan frowned.

"Um." Navi nodded and then casted another spell as quickly as possible. "I'm the embodiment of wind. Let the sharp wind materialize into my arrow and strike the enemy in front of me, arrow wind strike!"

Dzing! Dzing!

Several arrows flew towards the large rank 9 metallic magic tiger and pierced through their supposedly thick skin.

Seeing this scene, Navi breathed a sigh of relief.

In the past two months, she hastened her progress with meditation and training to advance to rank 9 as fast as possible. Otherwise, there would be too many large rank 9 metallic magic tigers that she couldn't deal with.

Using the elemental explosion is indeed an option.

But every use of the elemental explosion put a great burden on her body that was not that strong physically.

Navi didn't want to die.

She didn't want to cut off her future either.

So her only option was to get stronger as fast as possible. At least, to let her reach the same rank as these large rank 9 metallic magic tigers.

In this way, Nav would not be so hard pressed with her mana and could still deal with these large rank 9 metallic magic tigers.

"Good." Nalan smiled when he saw this.

"They wouldn't be able to chase after us for the time being. Tsk, I really wonder how the other returnees are doing." Navi quickly casted water shield and blocked these large rank 9 metallic magic tiger's attack on them.

Facing so many magic beasts at the same rank or even higher ranks that them was a true torture.

Especially because these magic beasts were basically flooding out of the passage in a never ending stream.

There were so many of them that they wanted to vomit blood.

"They should be the same as us, right?"

Because the relationship between the returnees on Continent Y was so bad with the officials, it was also impossible for them to know the situation on other continents.

No one would be willing to pass the news to them.

For these officials, the announcement about the use of the nuclear weapon was already them showing mercy and kindness to these returnees.

Chapter 1058: This is Hell...

The strained relationship between the returnees and the officials had already lasted for a long time.

At the very least, the official son Continent Y basically had no hope of restoring this broken relationship no matter how much time has passed.

Because they knew very well that once they give in, these returnees will definitely ask for more.

They couldn't afford it.

So when they prepare for the grand magic beasts' tide, no one considered of using the returnees to let them fight on the frontline. Given by their attitude at that time, everyone was absolutely sure that none of these returnees would be willing to do it.

They just wanted to run away.

Why are these people being chosen in the first place, no one would know the real reason.

At least, the officials from Continent Y wouldn't be able to understand why these selfish people were the ones being chosen to transmigrate into a completely different world and gained powerful strength.

Other people were at most rank 7 and their foundation was not stable enough.

They were definitely not the opponent of these returnees.

It was frustrating.

But this is the truth.

Boom!

The magic beasts rushed over and the two of them looked at the sky. Seeing that the officials had already started to launch their attack, the two of them knew very well that they had to go as far away as possible.

Would one nuclear bomb be enough?

These large rank 9 metallic magic tiger were so strong that it would not be surprising if they had to launch several attacks in order to deal with them.

Not to mention, there were a large number of magic beasts all over the area.

"Damn it! We're too close to the core." Navi had already used her wind element to increase her speed, but she still felt that it was not enough.

These things were getting closer and closer.

At this moment, Navi was using all curses that she knew in her entire life to curse the officials. Because she felt immense hatred for these people.

Can't they wait until they were far away.

"I'll use the normal shield temporarily before we reach far away," Nalan said as he raised his shield.

"Yes!"

BOOM!

Following the launch of the attack, the two of them were swept by the explosion's wind and pushed back a few steps.

Navi stayed close to Nalan, trying her best to protect herself and then looked at the distance where the magic beasts were located.

roar

It was a devastating scene.

Countless magic beasts fell down due to the damage caused by the explosion. Broken limbs, blood splatters, and even minced meat could be seen. The living magic beasts were scorched and burned to a certain degree.

They roared in anger, trying to attack whatever attacked them before.

But no enemies were within sight.

Except for the returnees.

"Hah... To think that we'll have to bear the hatred of these magic beasts because of the official's doing," Navi muttered in annoyance when she saw these magic beasts rushing over.

"Tsk. Run!"

Drap! Drap!

roar

With the magic beasts chasing after them, Nalan and Navi were trying their best to run away.

They didn't know when the officials would launch the second nuclear bombs or any other attacks, but they knew that the surviving magic beasts would attack whoever the closest to them.

Their IQ was really low.

And they only followed their instinct.

This made the two of them aggrieved.

Moreover, they also knew that most of these magic beasts couldn't even find Ami, so they will definitely target the two of them.

"Damn official %^&*(O IJ HI^%&*())(%^&*()*&^%&*())IUJ HJH GUY*&UI O!"

Unrecognizable curses and scream came from Navi as she ran away.

Nalan: "..."

If it was not the right time, he really wanted to tell Navi that the pronunciation was wrong and that some of the curses were not appropriately used.

But there was no time for that.

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"Get down!"

Seeing that the second explosion had already arrived, Nalan yelled at Navi.

"Damn it!"

BOOOOOOOM!

Loud explosion sounded behind the two of them, forcefully killing countless magic beasts that were still staying in one place.

These magic beast have no place to run to and the newly appeared magic beasts were also killed in the explosion. As for the corpses of the dead magic beasts, they were trampled and even destroyed for the second time.

Some of the relatively intact corpses had turned into mince meat.

Blood dyed the ground red.

And the remaining magic beasts were all roaring in anger.

"This is hell..." Navi murmured in a low voice when she saw the scene.

"If this is hell, what do you think about the scene when those bases are destroyed by the magic beasts?" Nalan asked back calmly.

It was obvious that the scene of countless people dying because of the magic beasts before was already terrifying enough.

They have seen enough.

And seeing these magic beasts dying... was oddly satisfying for Nalan.

"Ah, you're right." Navi thought about that scene and then smiled back. "It's more appropriate to say that those scenes are indeed what I have long wanted to see."

Unfortunately, they couldn't stay here for a long time unless they wanted to die.

These magic beasts were going to be killed by more nuclear weapons.

Added with the mana in the bomb, the lethality was even greater and mushroom cloud had already formed in the air.

The two of them were still within the range.

"The walls are nearby!" Navi was excited when she saw the wall that the soldiers from Continent Y had made. Once they cross that wall, they would be free!

Just thinking about it, Navi was delighted.

A life without having to fight these magic beasts were simply the best!

Swish! Bmp!

A kilometer away from the wall, Navi suddenly bumped onto something and she froze in shock. Looking at the transparent air in front of her, Navi raised her hand and bumped onto a wall like thing.

Behind her, Nalan also stopped, his expression was not very good.

As he had expected, it's impossible for them to truly get away.

"Damn it! Why? Don't you already have enough torturing us for such a long time?"

Chapter 1059: Just Why?

Navi roared in anger and despair.

Bmp! Bmp! Bmp!

No matter where she moved, there would be a circular wall that blocked her from going further away from their current location.

At this distance, the nuclear bombs wouldn't affect them that much but it was not completely save.

Because there were still many magic beasts around.

Moreover, the soldiers on the wall were busy killing the magic beasts that managed to reach this area. They were shooting relentlessly and ignored the presence of Nalan and Navi who appeared suddenly.

Ever since they saw that the three returnees were somehow staying around the passage, they chose to ignore them.

Because these returnees were fighting on their own.

And they were also fighting against the magic beasts without bothering these returnees.

Perhaps cooperation would yield better result, but the two sides have long been at odds with each other.

Cooperation is impossible.

At least, in this life it's impossible.

Bang! Bang! Bang!

Bullets passed by their place and from this distance, it was obviously the specifically trained soldiers who were sniping the magic beasts.

The bullet was at least a few meters away from them.

It was targeting the magic beasts.

But for some reason, Navi felt as if these soldiers were mocking them because they couldn't get away from here.

"Why? Damn it! Just why?" Navi pounded on the invisible wall in front of her. The frustration of being forced to fight in the past few days were coming to her all over, making her want to destroy everything that stood in front of her.

Just why?

They had fought a lot of magic beasts in the past two months to the point of almost dying several times.

Is it not enough?

"Just what the hell do you want from us damn it? Forcefully transferring us into a completely strange world without any instruction whatsoever and when we come back, we're subjected to a different treatment.... Just because of our knowledge!"

Navi screamed in annoyance, her hand pounding on the invisible wall.

Nalan stood behind Navi, watching her emotional breakdown and his raised hand was slowly put down.

He knew very well that Navi is not that strong.

They were all indeed returnees who have experienced living in a completely different world and all.

But first and foremost...

They were all ordinary human being.

On the Green Planet, Navi came from a prominent rich family and lived a pampered life of a young miss from an influential family. She didn't have to do anything and there would be many people who came to flatter her simply because of her family background.

But Navi still worked hard.

At least, to make sure that she would not be used by other people and could stand by herself.

Nalan, who came from the branch family, naturally saw what his cousin had to go through when they were on the Green Planet. But even in such a situation, Nalan saw that Navi was still doing well and could handle things with ease.

But their lives turned upside down all of the sudden.

Out of nowhere, they were thrown into a completely different world and in this world, they have to struggle on their own.

No one told them anything.

No one gave them any instruction.

No one informed them of what they had to face.

They had to explore everything on their own, rebuilding their own life and carved their own path forward.

Just because this is the only way they could survive.

Nalan didn't know what Navi experienced when she was alone because when they reunited, what he saw was Navi who had already made a name for herself. And she controlled her family in Afirer Kingdom in order to let her become stronger.

But all of them knew...

Being thrown into a completely strange world without any direction whatsoever was truly terrifying.

At the very least, Nalan could remember his fear when he first arrived.

He didn't know anyone.

He didn't know anything.

He didn't even have any proper knowledge needed for survival.

Perhaps some people would be excited when they were thrown to a completely different world and experienced grand adventure like that.

But Nalan knew that he was not excited nor thrilled.

He just knew that he had to rebuild his life from scratch and suffered for a long period of time without knowing why he came there in the first place.

Bang!

"Damn it! What do you actually want from us?" Navi screamed, repeating her question and she slumped on the ground. "I have grown stronger, I have already learned a lot of knowledge... but it's still far from enough, isn't it? Now, I have to fight for my life all the time just for the damned continent behind me..."

Just why...

Why her?

Navi cried and slumped on the ground, not wanting to take a look at her surroundings anymore.

She was tired.

Having to fight for such a long time and then forced to fight against these magic beasts repeatedly only to have her stranded in this place like this...

Just why?

What did she do wrong to make her have to suffer so much like this?

Swish!

Nalan silently erected a barrier to protect the two of them while leaning against the invisible barrier behind him. He looked at the dying magic beasts that were bombarded by the nuclear bomb in the distance and sighed.

Navi's question might be the question that all of them wanted to ask.

Thrown into a completely different world, not even given the slightest hint of how they should survive, and then they were sent back to their own planet. Before they could enjoy their lives, what awaited them was nothing more than a cruel fact that the entire world had changed once more.

Forced to rebuild their lives over and over...

And now, they were forced to fight for the sake of their survival repeatedly.

Even the strongest person's will would be broken apart eventually.

Chapter 1060: Survive

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Nalan glanced at Navi, who had finally stopped crying. "Are you done?"

"Yeah," Navi replied and then leaned against the wall, looking at the spectacle in the distance.

The officials had decided to use the nuclear weapon and they didn't hold back in the slightest bit. Countless magic beasts were killed as several nuclear bombs were used one after another.

They didn't even care about the returnees who were nearby and simply continued with their deeds.

Navi's eyes had long lost their luster.

She used to be very brave and thought that no matter what the future hold, she would overcome it.

But being forced to the brink of death repeatedly...

Navi felt really tired.

"The bombardment of the nuclear bombs will not last forever," Nalan said as he looked at the distance. "When it stops, we'll have to fight again."

The skill he learned was indeed useful, but it was also very stamina consuming. At this moment, Nalan was trying to rest as much as possible so that he would be able to continue fighting once again.

He didn't want to die in this kind of place.

"You're still fighting?" Navi asked.

"Whoever sets us up is someone or something of higher ranks than us. Since we have been given the chance to fight back, just use this chance to get stronger and when it's possible, I'll kill it," Nalan replied with a snort.

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

Having one's entire life directed and controlled by other people, it would be a lie to say that he was happy and pleased with his current life.

But Nalan also knew very well that it would be foolish of him not to take this chance.

He had to become strong enough to dictate his own life.

Instead of being pulled around by others and being forced to do things that he didn't want to do.

"Do you think it's possible?" Navi asked softly as she took out some magic cores that she collected before. The non elemental magic cores were still somewhat useful for her because as long as she's careful enough, it could help her to recover her mana.

But the effect was indeed not as good as potion.

And she was not like those demonic magicians who were not afraid of the violent nature of the mana inside these magic cores.

"I don't know," Nalan replied honestly. "But no matter what, I don't want to die."

Even if it took him everything, he will take revenge against the one who toyed with their lives.

Being able to get stronger is one thing.

But having his entire life controlled like a doll by someone else is another matter altogether.

"I don't want to die either," Navi murmured.

But she could still remember that when she was in Afire Kingdom, those people said to her that the shortest time possible for a rank 9 to advance to rank 10 was to practice for at least 10 years.

10 years.

Does it mean that they would have to fight against these magic beasts for 10 entire years?

Navi had the feeling that if she had to fight continuously for such a long period of time, she would rather die.

The past two months alone had already worn her down.

But...

Thinking about the fact that the one who controlled her life get away freely without her being able to do anything, anger burned Navi's heart.

She wanted to take revenge personally.

"Why does this grand magic beasts' tide had to appear in the first place?" Navi murmured in a low voice and then started to eat.

She had to recover.

Even if it's not just for the sake of her future but for the sake of her dream that she longed to achieve.

This might not be easy.

But...

Navi swore that she would never let whoever caused this problem scoot free.

"I don't know."

Nalan remained calm and impassive, but it was not like he didn't have any emotions in the slightest bit.

It was because...

Nalan knew very well that once he got emotional, he might end up making Navi worry for him.

Right now, they had to focus to deal with the magic beasts.

Survive.

Because only if they continued to live would there be hope in the future.

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Boom! Boom! Boom!

The loud explosion continued and Ami was watching while scurrying to the side. Even though her soul form would not be affected by the nuclear weapons, but there were some soul type magic beasts that were chasing after her.

This made Ami nearly fainted.

Why are there so many soul type magic beasts?

She felt as if her entire soul was burning because she had to face so many magic beasts repeatedly.

If only it was possible, Ami really wanted to hide as far away as possible.

She didn't like this.

"The officials are truly ruthless... Do they really have to destroy everything like this?" Ami saw the lands were filled with large craters and shook her head slightly.

She didn't have the shield to protect her like Nalan and Navi, but her soul form could be said to be the best protection for her.

In this form, she's basically extremely free and didn't have to worry about anything.

But at the same time...

It's also very lonely.

In any case, Ami knew very well that she had no other choice but to continue following this path once again.

'I hope this bombardment end soon.'

Ami sighed and closed her eyes to rest for a period of time.

The battle with the soul type magic beasts was extremely tiring and she was not given any time to rest either.

It was as if... someone wanted to drive them to the brink of collapse.

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Long distance away, the Green Planet's Consciousness was silently watching everything that had happened on Continent Y.

It was not surprised to see the large bombardment of nuclear bombs around the passage.