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Behind the stone gate of the Seventh Palace, Yun Wuya rubbed his eyes and murmured, “I... am I seeing right? That’s one of the eight great priests...”

Huo Jingjing and Mo Qingyun hugged each other tightly, with worry and excitement that were difficult to conceal in their eyes.

The Seventh Palace Master opened his mouth wide, unable to speak for a long time. The despair in his heart had long been replaced by shock.

“Attack together!” The remaining seven priests looked at each other, a hint of ruthlessness flashed in their eyes, and they attacked at the same time.

All kinds of evil magic weapons and spells attacked Kai. There were chains wrapped with ghost shadows, bone needles emitting deadly poison, and black fire that could corrode spiritual power... For a moment, all kinds of evil things in the sky intertwined to form a huge net of death, covering Kai.

The twelve blood guards also launched an attack at the same time. They turned into twelve blood shadows and used their blood essence to activate secret techniques. Their speed was extremely fast. The blood blades in their hands flashed with a cold light, blocking all of Kai’s retreat routes.

Faced with such a fierce attack, Kai was not at all panicked.

He took a deep breath, and the spiritual power in his body circulated wildly, and the golden light on the Dragon Slaying Sword became brighter and brighter.

“Sword Domain—Open!”

With a low shout, countless golden sword auras appeared around Kai, forming a huge sword domain.

Within the sword domain, golden sword energy crisscrossed like a large golden net.

“Ding ding dong dong...”

The evil magic weapons and spells collided with the sword domain and were instantly shredded by the golden sword energy, turning into light spots all over the sky.

The blood blades of the twelve blood guards chopped on the sword domain, making a crisp sound, but could not hurt Kai at all.

“Impossible!” A priest cried out in shock, his face full of disbelief.

Kai curled up the corner of his mouth into a sneer, and the sword domain suddenly shrank. Countless golden sword qi shot out like a rainstorm, sweeping towards the eight priests and twelve blood guards.

“ah—!”

Screams rang out one after another, and the golden sword energy was like the scythe of the god of death, sending blood and flesh flying wherever it passed.

A priest had his heart pierced by the sword energy, and his body turned into a bloody mist.

The head of a Blood Guard was chopped off by the sword energy and rolled to the ground, his eyes wide open, he died with his eyes open...

Kai was like a tiger among a flock of sheep, galloping through the enemy's camp.

Every swing of the Dragon Slaying Sword is accompanied by blood and death.

His movements were graceful and agile, as if he was strolling in the garden, but he was always able to avoid the enemy's attack at the critical moment and deliver a fatal blow.

In the square, blood dyed the bluestone ground red, broken limbs and arms were everywhere, and the strong smell of blood was nauseating.

Although the Eight Great Priests and the Twelve Blood Guards were fearless and brave, they were as vulnerable as chickens and dogs in front of Kai.

You Wuxie was suspended in mid-air, his expression becoming increasingly uglier beneath his black robe.

He originally thought that the eight great priests and the twelve blood guards were enough to cut Kai into pieces, but he did not expect that the other party was so powerful.

It was beyond his understanding that a sixth-grade cultivator in the Sanxian realm could possess such terrifying combat power.

“How is it possible... How is it possible for a sixth-grade Loose Immortal Realm to possess strength comparable to that of an Earthly Immortal Realm...”

You Wuxie muttered to himself, with a slight tremor in his voice.

In just a stick of incense's time, the eight great priests and the twelve blood guards had all died.

The square was littered with corpses and blood was flowing like a river. Only Kai was left standing proudly in the middle of it. The blood on the Dragon-Slaying Sword dripped slowly, splashing blood flowers on the ground.

He looked up at You Wuxie, his eyes as cold as ice that had been frozen for thousands of years: “Now, it’s your turn.”

You Wuxie suddenly came back to his senses, with a fierce look in his eyes: “Boy, you succeeded in irritating me!”

“Nine Nether Soul Banner, out!”

With an angry roar, the nine soul flags suddenly expanded and turned into nine towering pillars. The human faces on the flags roared and rushed out, turning into countless ghost shadows, rushing towards Kai.

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Each of these ghosts had a hideous look, emitting a strong aura of resentment and evil. Wherever they passed, the air became sticky.

“Ghost Claw of the Netherworld!”

You Wuxie put his fingers together like a claw and grabbed Kai in the air. A huge black ghost claw appeared out of thin air and grabbed Kai with the momentum of tearing through space.

Kai’s eyes were solemn, not daring to be careless. He could feel that You Wuxie’s strength was far superior to the previous eight priests and twelve blood guards, and he had already reached the true earthly immortal realm.

“break!”

Kai let out a low shout, and an unprecedented light burst out from the Dragon-Slaying Sword. A golden sword energy rushed out like an angry dragon and collided with the black ghost claw.

“boom—!”

The golden sword energy and the black ghost claws exploded at the same time, and the powerful shock wave razed the entire square to the ground. The mountain protection formation of the Seventh Palace was completely shattered under this impact, and the tiles of the palace fell down.

Kai was shocked and retreated several steps, his blood boiling, and a trace of blood flowed from the corner of his mouth. You Wuxie was also in a bad mood, and was shocked and retreated a hundred feet, his face under the black robe became even gloomier.

“Interesting.”

You Wuxie licked his lips, a hint of excitement flashed in his eyes, “It’s been a long time since I met a cultivator in the Sanxian realm who can take my attack. Boy, you are worthy of me going all out.”

“The Netherworld Technique, Ten Thousand Ghosts Devour Souls!”

You Wuxie formed seals with his hands, and the nine soul flags trembled violently. Countless ghost shadows poured out like a tide, forming a huge ghost formation that trapped Kai inside.

The ghosts let out shrill roars and pounced towards Kai, trying to devour his soul.

Kai took a deep breath, circulated the spiritual power in his body, and mobilized the power of his soul.

A faint light flashed between his eyebrows, and a powerful spiritual pressure emanated from him, instantly shattering many of the ghost shadows that were rushing towards him.

“cut!”

Kai let out a long roar, and the golden sword energy on the Dragon-Slaying Sword turned into a huge golden dragon.

The golden dragon roared and rushed out, fighting with the ghosts. The golden dragon's might frightened the ghosts, and every collision could tear apart large pieces of the ghosts.

Seeing this, You Wuxie's eyes flashed with surprise: "Soul power? I didn't expect that you not only have a strange cultivation base, but also possess such a powerful soul power. Unfortunately, in my Ten Thousand Ghosts Soul Devouring Formation, your soul power will be exhausted sooner or later."

You Wuxie quickly formed seals with his hands, and the faces on the nine soul banners roared even more frantically. The ghost shadows rushed towards Kai like an endless tide, wave after wave.

Kai gritted his teeth and continued to swing the Dragon-Slaying Sword. Under his control, the golden dragon fought a desperate battle with the ghosts.

His breathing gradually became a little disordered, but his eyes became more determined.

"Give up, kid! You can't beat me!"

You Wuxie's voice echoed in the ghost array, with a hint of temptation, "As long as you hand over the token and submit to me, I can spare your life and even recommend you to join the Evil Dao Palace. Your future achievements will be limitless."

"Stop talking nonsense!" Kai shouted angrily, "If you want the token, come and get it with your ability!"

"You are so stubborn!" A trace of murderous intent flashed in You Wuxie's eyes, "Since you don't want to drink my toast, don't blame me for being cruel and ruthless!"

"Nine Nether Soul Fire!"

You Wuxie flicked his finger, and nine soul banners ignited with dark blue flames. The flames seemed to have life and floated towards Kai. Wherever they passed, the air was ignited, making a sizzling sound.

Kai could feel that this dark blue flame contained terrifying power. Once it touched his body, even his soul would be burned to ashes.

“A flying dragon in the sky!”

Kai leaped up, and the golden sword energy on the Dragon-Slaying Sword turned into a golden flying dragon, rushing towards the dark blue flame with a sound of breaking through the air.

The golden dragon collided with the dark blue flame, and a dazzling light burst out. The flame was torn open by the golden dragon, but the dragon was also burned smaller and smaller by the flame, and finally completely dissipated.

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Taking this opportunity, Kai broke out of the ghost formation and rushed towards You Wuxie.

You Wuxie was not surprised when he saw this, but happy: “Well done!”

His body flashed and merged with the nine soul flags, turning into a huge black shadow and pounced towards Kai.

The two men fought in an instant, the golden sword energy and the black ghost shadow intertwined together, and every collision erupted with a force that could destroy the world.

There were rolling dark clouds in the sky, and lightning and thunder were flashing, as if the whole world was trembling because of this war.

The Seventh Palace Master, Huo Jingjing, Mo Qingyun, Hu Mazi and others hid in the palace, watching the earth-shaking battle outside through the window, their faces filled with tension and worry.

“Kai...can he win?” Huo Jingjing murmured to herself, clenching her hands tightly together.

The Seventh Palace Master sighed: “You Wuxie is a cultivator in the Earthly Immortal Realm after all, his strength is unfathomable.”

“It’s a miracle that Kai can hold on until now. I hope he can create an even bigger miracle.”

Hu Mazi’s eyes widened with excitement: “Boy, that’s awesome! This is the kind of fight a man should have!”

On the battlefield, Kai and You Wuxie had fought for three hundred rounds.

Both of them were injured and their breathing became a little disordered, but neither of them gained an advantage.

Relying on his exquisite swordsmanship and powerful spiritual power, Kai was able to resolve You Wuxie’s attacks time and time again, and even seized the opportunity to counterattack, causing some trouble for You Wuxie.

You Wuxie, relying on his cultivation in the Earthly Immortal Realm and his strange Netherworld Technique, continued to suppress Kai and took the initiative on the field.

“Boy, your strength is beyond my expectation.” You Wuxie panted, a trace of solemnity flashed in his eyes, “But you are only a scattered immortal after all, you can’t be my opponent.”

“This is my last move. If you can catch it, you live. If you can’t, you die!”

“The netherworld kills, and all souls return to one!”

You Wuxie merged all nine soul flags into his body, emitting a suffocating pressure from his body. A terrifying force gathered in his body, and his body gradually became transparent and turned into a huge soul ball.

“not good!”

Kai’s heart tightened. He could feel that this soul ball contained the power to destroy the world. Once it exploded, the consequences would be unimaginable.

“Destroy the heavens and the earth!”

Kai also used his trump card, which he learned from the Sword Sect. A brilliant light burst out from the Dragon Slaying Sword, and the golden sword energy gathered into a huge sword shadow, floating above his head.

“go!”

You Wuxie let out a low roar, and the huge soul ball rushed towards Kai with the momentum to destroy everything.

“cut!”

At the same time, Kai swung the Dragon-Slaying Sword in his hand, and the huge golden sword shadow slashed towards the soul ball as if it was creating the world.

The golden sword shadow collided with the soul ball, and time seemed to stand still at this moment.

The next second, an indescribable terrifying force erupted, the entire Black Wind Abyss was shaking, and a huge hole was torn in the sky, revealing the starry sky outside.

The Seventh Palace was shaking under this force and almost collapsed.

Kai was knocked back and hit the wall of the Seventh Palace hard, spitting out a large mouthful of blood, gasping for breath.

You Wuxie was also shocked to the point of being scared out of his wits. The huge soul ball instantly disintegrated and turned into a black smoke that fled into the distance.

“Kai, I, You Wuxie, will remember today’s revenge! I will surely come back one day and turn you and these seven palaces into ashes!” You Wuxie’s voice echoed in the distance, carrying with it endless resentment and unwillingness.

Kai looked at the direction You Wuxie fled and wanted to chase after him, but found that he was exhausted. His eyes went dark and he passed out.

“Mr. Chen!”

“Kai!”

Huo Jingjing, Mo Qingyun, Yun Wuya and Hu Mazi rushed out and helped Kai up.

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Looking at Kai’s pale face and the blood at the corner of his mouth, everyone felt worried.

“Quick, carry Kai into the stone chamber to heal his wounds!”

The Seventh Palace Master said urgently.

He had just recovered from his injuries and his realm had been raised, but he had already been badly injured!

They were really afraid that Kai’s body couldn’t take it and would eventually collapse!

Everyone hurriedly carried Kai into the stone chamber. The Seventh Palace Master took out a crystal clear pill and carefully fed it into Kai's mouth.

The pill melted in his mouth, and a mild medicinal power slowly flowed through Kai's body. His face gradually regained a hint of color.

"Great, Kai is fine now."

Huo Jingjing cried with joy and held Kai's hand tightly.

Mo Qingyun also breathed a sigh of relief, with a hint of relief in his eyes.

Hu Mazi patted his chest and said, "I was so scared. I thought this kid was going to die here."

"But having said that, this kid is so powerful that he was able to fight a person from the Earthly Immortal Realm to a draw and even beat him away. He is simply a monster."

The Seventh Palace Master sighed, "Although You Wuxie has escaped, he will definitely not give up. This time, our Seventh Palace has completely forged a deadly feud with the Evil Dao Palace. I'm afraid the days ahead will not be peaceful."

"What are you afraid of?" Hu Mazi said nonchalantly, "With Kai here, why should we be afraid of the Evil Dao Palace? When this kid recovers from his injury, we will go straight to the Evil Dao Palace and wipe them out!"

The Seventh Palace Master smiled bitterly and said nothing.

He knew that the Evil Path Palace had a deep background and was not so easy to deal with.

Although You Wuxie was defeated this time, there must be stronger masters in the Evil Dao Palace.

In the stone chamber, everyone quietly stayed by Kai's side, waiting for him to wake up.

The sky outside gradually cleared up, and the sun shone through the clouds, illuminating the devastated square and the hope in everyone's hearts.

Three days later, in the stone chamber.

Kai's fingertips moved slightly, and his eyelids slowly opened. A trace of confusion flashed in his eyes, which was then replaced by clarity.

He propped up his upper body and felt that although there was still a tingling pain in his meridians, the tearing sensation that almost broke him apart had mostly subsided. Although the spiritual power in his dantian was not full, it was more condensed than before the battle.

Although that fatal battle seriously injured him, the extreme pressure also deepened his understanding of the sword's meaning.

"Are you awake?"

Huo Jingjing had been guarding the bedside. When she saw him open his eyes, she stood up suddenly. Her eyes instantly turned red and her voice was choked with sobs: "How do you feel? Is there any pain anywhere?"

Kai raised his hand and pressed her shoulder. His fingertips touched her slightly cold hand and he said softly, "It's okay, Jingjing."

Mo Qingyun walked in from outside, holding a bowl of spiritual porridge in his hand. His eyes fell on his face. Seeing that his blood color had stabilized, he said slowly: "The Seventh Palace Master said that this time you turned a disaster into a blessing. Your body is stronger than before under the influence of the medicine and sword power."

Hu Mazi was holding a piece of grass in his mouth, squatting in the corner and laughing: "What a tough kid! The old ghost You Wuxie is only

a spirit that has escaped. I guess he doesn't dare to stay in the Third Heaven. He has most likely gone to the Fourth Heaven."

Kai took the spiritual porridge and drank it mouthful by mouthful. The warm spiritual power slid down his throat and warmed his limbs.

He put down the bowl, his eyes darkened: "Wherever he escapes to, I will chase him."

"Kai!" Huo Jingjing was anxious. "You just recovered from your injuries. The fourth heaven is a hundred times more dangerous than the third heaven. Even if You Wuxie is only a soul left, he might be able to find a chance to recover in the fourth heaven. You..."

"I know." Kai interrupted her, but his tone was extremely firm, "If You Wuxie doesn't die, wouldn't I have been injured in vain?"

The Seventh Palace Master walked in at this time and sighed: "It's not so easy to get to the Fourth Heaven. How many monks at the peak of the Sanxian Realm were turned to ashes because they could not survive the thunder tribulation and could not get to the Fourth Heaven!"

"You are only at the sixth level of the Loose Immortal Realm now. I am afraid you cannot trigger the thunder tribulation and reach the fourth level of heaven!"

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"How do you know if you don't try?"

Kai's eyes were full of determination. With his apparent strength, it should be no problem for him to trigger the thunder tribulation and break through the passage to the fourth heaven!

Kai sat cross-legged in the square outside the Seventh Palace.

He took a deep breath, and the spiritual energy in his body began to circulate wildly. He released his sixth-level cultivation in the realm of scattered immortals without reservation, and the air around him was stirred by the spiritual energy, making a rustling sound.

“What is Kai going to do?”

Huo Jingjing looked at Kai in the square and asked worriedly.

The Seventh Palace Master’s face was solemn: “He is going to forcibly trigger the thunder tribulation and use the power of the thunder tribulation to break the passage to the Fourth Heaven!”

“What?” Huo Jingjing and Mo Qingyun exclaimed at the same time.

Triggering a thunder tribulation is already extremely dangerous. If you are not careful, you will die. Kai actually wants to use the power of the thunder tribulation to break through the space channel. He is simply playing with his own life!

In the sky, the originally clear weather suddenly turned gloomy, dark clouds gathered, electric snakes slithered in the clouds, and a terrifying pressure enveloped the entire Black Wind Abyss.

“Here it comes!” said the Seventh Palace Master in a deep voice.

Boom!

A thick purple bolt of lightning emerged from the clouds like a dragon, striking towards Kai with the aura of destruction.

Kai suddenly opened his eyes, a fierce look flashed in his eyes, the spiritual power in his body circulated to the extreme, the Dragon Slaying Sword appeared in his hand, and he slashed towards the thunder.

The golden sword energy collided with the purple thunder, making a deafening roar, and the violent energy spread in all directions.

Kai was shocked and took several steps back, with a trace of blood flowing from the corner of his mouth, but the fighting spirit in his eyes became even more intense.

“Come on!” Kai shouted and rushed towards the thunderclouds in the sky.

Boom! Boom!

Thunder came one after another, some like sharp swords, some like huge hammers, and some like divine dragons, constantly striking towards Kai.

Kai wielded the Dragon-Slaying Sword, breaking the lightning into pieces. The golden sword energy shuttled through the thunder, forming a solid barrier.

But the power of the thunder tribulation became stronger and stronger, wounds began to appear on Kai’s body, and blood stained his clothes red.

“Kai!”

Huo Jingjing was terrified and couldn’t help but wanted to rush over to help, but was stopped by the Seventh Palace Master.

“This is a test he must go through. We can’t help him.” The Seventh Palace Master said in a deep voice, his eyes full of worry.

In the square, Kai’s breathing became more and more disordered, but his eyes became more and more determined.

He could feel that his body was being tempered by thunder, becoming stronger and stronger, and the spiritual power in his body was constantly being compressed and condensed.

“Now!”

Kai's heart moved, and he gathered all the spiritual power in his body into the Dragon-Slaying Sword, and slashed towards the thickest golden thunder.

The golden sword energy and the golden thunder collided with each other, bursting out with brilliant light, and the entire Black Wind Abyss was illuminated by this light.

Snap!

With a crisp sound, the sword actually cut a gap in the thunderclouds in the sky, and a passage leading to an unknown space slowly opened in the gap, emitting powerful space fluctuations.

Kai took the opportunity to absorb the energy released by the thunder tribulation. The spiritual power in his body was replenished and his injuries also recovered a little.

He leaped forward and arrived in front of the passage.

“Kai!” Huo Jingjing and Mo Qingyun hurried over, their eyes full of reluctance.

“I’m leaving.” Kai looked at the two of them and said softly.

“Be sure to take care of yourself.”

Huo Jingjing's voice was choked with sobs and tears welled up in her eyes.

Mo Qingyun also looked at Kai, hesitant to speak, and finally just said: “We will wait for you to come back.”

Kai nodded, looked at the two of them deeply, turned around and said to Hu Mazi: “Master Hu, let's go.”

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Hu Mazi chuckled and said, “Okay, kid, let’s go to the Fourth Heaven and have some fun!”

Kai took one last look at Huo Jingjing and Mo Qingyun, turned around resolutely, and rushed towards the passage with Hu Mazi.

“I will definitely come back to find you!” Kai’s voice echoed in the square.

Watching the two figures disappear in the passage, Huo Jingjing could no longer hold back her tears.

Mo Qingyun patted her shoulder gently, his eyes full of anticipation.

In the passage, spatial turbulence was raging, constantly impacting Kai and Hu Mazi’s bodies.

The two of them circulated their spiritual power, resisted the impact of the spatial turbulence, and flew quickly to the other end of the passage.

After an unknown amount of time, a ray of light appeared ahead.

Kai’s eyes lit up, he sped up, and rushed out of the passage with Hu Mazi.

The two landed on an unfamiliar land and took a deep breath.

The fairy air here is dozens of times denser than that of the Three Heavens. The sky is azure blue, and the mountains in the distance are towering into the clouds. Some powerful monsters can be vaguely seen shuttling through the mountains and forests.

Kai looked around, a hint of surprise flashing in his eyes.

The laws of heaven and earth in the fourth heaven were more perfect than those in the third heaven. There was a powerful pressure in the air that made him feel a little stressed.

“This place feels so familiar...”

Hu Mazi sighed.

“Nonsense, you are originally a cultivator of the Sixth Heaven. You have gradually ascended from the Fourth Heaven to the Sixth Heaven. Of course you are familiar with it.”

Kai said speechlessly!

After saying that, Kai suddenly remembered that the Wuji Taoist was an immortal from the fourth heaven, and he wondered if he could meet him.

“After so many years, I don’t know what happened to my people?”

Hu Mazi sighed softly. He had been reincarnated many times and didn’t know what happened to his people!

“Since you are in the Fourth Heaven, why don’t you go and see your people? Do you remember where they are?”

Kai asked!

“I seem to have some impression!” Hu Mazi nodded!

“Then let’s go...”

Kai also wanted to meet Hu Mazi’s tribesmen, so that he could find out more about the situation in the Fourth Heaven!

The strong winds in the fourth heaven were several times stronger than those in the third heaven. When Kai and Hu Mazi were flying in the air, their robes were rustling.

The forest below was surging. Occasionally, a huge monster would stick its head out, but after sensing the fluctuations of the spiritual power from the two people, it would quickly shrink back.

A cultivator who can fly high in the fourth heaven is definitely not someone they can afford to provoke.

“It should be nearby...” Hu Mazi twisted his short beard, frowning, “In the past, there were nine connected mountains where my tribe lived, shaped like a sleeping dragon, hence the name ‘Jiupan Mountain’.”

“But all along the way, all I could see were isolated mountains. I didn’t even see a decent mountain range.”

Kai followed Hu Mazi and looked at the mountains below. “You have reincarnated too many times, so it’s normal that your memory is fuzzy. Maybe it’s because of the changes in the terrain, or some powerful being used a secret method to cover up the traces.”

As the two were talking, a fishy wind suddenly blew from the dense forest below, and seven or eight bloody jackals with wings rose into the sky, with sticky venom dripping from their fangs. It was obvious that they regarded them as prey.

Each of these jackals has the cultivation level of the ninth level of the Loose Immortal Realm, and they are considered to be ferocious creatures in the outer area of the Fourth Heaven.

“Noisy!”

Kai’s eyes turned slightly cold, the Dragon Slaying Sword began to hum spontaneously, and a golden sword energy swept out.

Puff——

Wherever the sword energy passed, the bloody jackal was chopped into several pieces before it could even scream. The smelly blood spilled into the forest, causing a commotion in the forest, but no monster dared to show its head easily.

Hu Mazi smacked his lips and said, “Your sword is getting sharper and sharper. Back then, I...”

“Stop, stop.” Kai waved his hand quickly. “Let’s talk about your glorious deeds after we find your people. If we still have no clues after flying for a long time, we have to find a living person to ask for directions.”

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The two continued to move forward and encountered several waves of ignorant monsters on the way, all of which were killed by Kai with thundering means.

The energy contained in the inner elixirs of these monsters was far purer than that of the three realms. Kai collected seven or eight of them, intending to use them to refine pills in the future.

When the sun sets, the sky is dyed with a magnificent glow, coating the clouds in golden red.

Hu Mazi suddenly stopped in mid-air, looking at a valley covered in mist ahead, his brows furrowed, “Something is wrong... The flow of spiritual energy in this valley is very strange, as if it has been distorted by humans.”

Kai followed his gaze and saw that the valley seemed ordinary, with the vague outlines of a few mountain peaks vaguely visible in the mist.

He activated the Tianming Eye, and a faint silver light appeared in his dark pupils, and his vision instantly penetrated the layers of mist.

“There is indeed a problem.” Kai said in a deep voice, “That piece of fog is not formed naturally, it is a large-scale illusion array, and the center of the array is hidden under the main peak in the center of the valley. The array is arranged very delicately. If you don’t deliberately explore it, it will easily lead you to other places.”

Hu Mazi suddenly became alert: “I told you! It must be that the tribesmen have hidden their territory with an illusion array! Quick, break it!”

Kai took a deep breath and poured the spiritual power in his body into the Dragon Slaying Sword. The golden sword energy condensed on the blade, emitting heart-pounding fluctuations.

He did not attack the center of the formation directly, but aimed at the weakest node of the illusion formation and slashed it out suddenly!

“break!”

The sharp sword energy tore through the sky and slashed fiercely at the seemingly empty mist.

There was a muffled “hum” sound, and the fog in the entire valley began to churn violently, like the surface of a lake with a stone thrown into it, rippling out circles of energy ripples that were visible to the naked eye.

The illusion array shook violently, and the originally blurry outline of the mountain became clear.

But when he saw the scene clearly, the smile on Hu Mazi’s face froze instantly, and was replaced by an expression of incredible astonishment.

There were indeed nine rolling peaks, and their shapes were almost exactly the same as the Jiupan Mountain in his memory.

However, there is no trace of human settlement on the mountain peak. Instead, there are ink-black palaces with hideous skulls and bat totems carved on the top. The thick demonic energy shrouds the mountain like a dark cloud, which is incompatible with the surrounding spiritual energy of heaven and earth.

“This...isn’t this our tribe’s territory? How could it be...”

Hu Mazi’s voice was trembling, and pain and anger flashed in his eyes. “It’s the demons! These architectural styles are the work of the demons!”

Kai's eyes focused. He could clearly feel the demonic aura emanating from those palaces. It was exactly the same as the demon cultivators he encountered in the Third Heaven, only purer and more domineering.

At the moment when the illusion array was broken, a powerful aura suddenly erupted from the peak in the middle of the nine peaks, and an old voice with a bone-chilling chill came: "Which fool dares to trespass into the forbidden area of my Black Demon Palace?"

As the words fell, a black-robed figure rose into the sky from the palace on the main peak and instantly appeared in front of the two of them.

It was an old man with a haggard face, sunken eye sockets, pupils of a strange dark green color, and a faint black mist lingering around him. It was obvious that he had cultivated to the first level of the Earthly Immortal Realm!

The old man glanced at Hu Mazi, and when he saw the human aura on him, his eyes revealed undisguised contempt: "How dare a lowly human from the scattered fairyland run wild in my Black Demon Palace? It seems that the humans of the fourth heaven have become less and less tolerant in recent years."

Hu Mazi was so angry that he was shaking all over. He pointed at the old man and shouted, "Bullshit! This is Jiupan Mountain, which belongs to my Hu family. When did it become the territory of your demon family? I think you are tired of living. How dare you invade my family's holy land!"

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"The Hu family?"

The old man laughed strangely as if he had heard something funny. "I have been stationed here for a hundred years, and I have never heard of the Hu family. This Jiupan Mountain has long been an ownerless land. My Black Demon Palace has occupied it, so how dare you, a lowly human, come and ask for an explanation?"

“court death!”

Hu Mazi was furious, and the spiritual power in his body suddenly burst out. Although his cultivation level is not as high as it was before his reincarnation, he still has considerable strength. He formed seals with his hands, and a giant ochre-colored palm suddenly slapped out, bombarding the old man with the power to collapse mountains and split rocks.

“You don’t know your own limits.”

The old man had a cruel smile on his face, and he was too lazy to even use his magic weapon. He just waved his hand casually, and a condensed demonic energy turned into sharp claws, easily tearing the khaki giant palm into pieces.

Immediately afterwards, the demonic claws continued to exert their force and hit Hu Mazi’s chest hard.

“puff!”

Hu Mazi was hit hard and spurted out a mouthful of blood. His body flew backwards like a kite with a broken string and fell heavily to the ground, creating a deep pit.

“Master Hu!” Kai’s eyes turned cold, and he stood in front of Hu Mazi in a flash, pointing the Dragon Slaying Sword at the old man, “Demon cultivator, how dare you be so presumptuous in front of me?”

The old man looked Kai up and down, and when he saw that he was at the sixth level of the Sanxian realm, his eyes showed even more contempt: “Here comes another ignorant little fellow, do you think you can walk around the fourth level just by killing a few ignorant monsters?”

The gap between earthly immortals and scattered immortals is beyond your imagination.”

“Yeah?”

Kai raised his lips with a cold arc, “Then I want to try, how powerful is the first level of the Earthly Immortal Realm.”

Before he finished speaking, Kai’s figure had already disappeared. The old man’s pupils shrank slightly, and he felt a fierce killing intent coming towards him. He subconsciously offered a black shield, which was engraved with countless resentful souls and exuded a gloomy atmosphere.

“clang!”

The dragon-slaying sword collided with the black shield, making a sharp sound of metal clashing.

The old man only felt a surge of enormous force, and his arm was slightly numb. He was shocked and realized that the sixth-grade human cultivator in the realm of scattered immortals in front of him was definitely not an ordinary person.

“It’s quite interesting. No wonder you are so arrogant.” The old man grinned, “But that’s all!”

The evil energy in his body surged wildly, and the resentful spirit on the black shield seemed to come alive, letting out a shrill scream and pounced towards Kai.

At the same time, he formed seals with his hands and muttered something. Suddenly, cracks appeared on the ground, and countless black devil vines emerged like poisonous snakes and coiled towards Kai.

“It’s just a trifle.”

Kai snorted coldly, and used his Tianming Eye to its full potential, seeing the old man’s attack trajectory clearly.

His footwork changed, and he shuttled between the devil vines and the resentful spirits as if he was strolling in the garden. As the Dragon-

Slaying Sword was waving, golden sword energy crisscrossed and chopped all the resentful spirits and devil vines into pieces.

“impossible!”

The smile on the old man’s face froze. He didn’t expect that his attack couldn’t even touch the corner of the opponent’s clothes.

“Nothing is impossible.” Kai’s voice seemed to come from the underworld. “You just said that the human race is lowly? You said that the gap between earthly immortals and scattered immortals is insurmountable? Now, I will let you see how ridiculous your so-called sense of superiority is in front of me.”

As soon as he finished speaking, Kai’s aura suddenly surged, and his cultivation level of the sixth level of the Sanxian Realm showed signs of a breakthrough. He poured all his strength into the Dragon Slaying Sword, and countless mysterious runes appeared on the sword, emitting a might that shook even the heavens and the earth.

“break!”

Kai let out a low shout, and the Dragon-Slaying Sword turned into a stream of light and slashed towards the old man at a speed that was difficult to discern with the naked eye.

This sword may seem ordinary, but it contains the most masculine and powerful power to break illusions, kill delusions, and destroy evil. It is the nemesis of the demon cultivators.

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The old man felt the destructive force and was frightened out of his wits. He tried his best to dodge, but found that he seemed to be locked by an invisible force and could not move at all.

He could only watch the golden sword light getting closer and closer, and finally reflected in his pupils.

“Puff!”

With a slight sound, like cutting tofu, the old man’s head shot up into the sky, and blood gushed out from his neck, dyeing the sky red.

His head, filled with fear and disbelief, rolled several times in the air, and finally fell heavily to the ground, completely lifeless.

Hu Mazi climbed out of the deep pit, covered his chest and walked to Kai’s side. He looked at the head on the ground, and then looked at the frightened demon monks. He couldn’t help but exclaimed: “Boy, you are too cruel, aren’t you?”

Kai said calmly: “To be kind to the enemy is to be cruel to yourself.

Especially for demons like these who are arrogant and treat human life as worthless, there is no need to be polite to them.”

Hu Mazi was speechless for a while. Kai’s level of prestige was really getting higher and higher!

Suddenly, the space trembled, and then a middle-aged man appeared in front of Kai and Hu Mazi!

“Human race, how dare you kill my demon race?”

The middle-aged man looked at Kai and Hu Mazi coldly!

“Here comes another one...”

Kai was speechless!

“How dare you two ignorant humans enter my demon land? Are you looking for death?”

The middle-aged man said angrily!

“Master Hu, you tell me...” Kai looked at Hu Mazi!

Hu Mazi walked up to the middle-aged man and said, “This is the land of my Hu family. People here are human, not demons like you.”

The middle-aged man stared at Hu Mazi, frowned and said: “You farted...”

When Hu Mazi heard this, he flew into a rage: “You are the one who farted...”

As the voice fell, Hu Mazi jumped up!

The middle-aged man’s face changed and he swung his right hand violently!

boom!

With a loud bang, Hu Mazi was blown away, but the middle-aged man also retreated dozens of steps.

“I didn’t expect that a little human like you would have such strength!”

The middle-aged man’s expression became serious!

Hu Mazi was almost angry to death. If he hadn’t been reincarnated so many times and his strength had not been greatly reduced, he would have killed the demon guy in front of him long ago!

The middle-aged man saw that Hu Mazi could actually fight him head-on, and a flash of surprise flashed in his eyes, but it was quickly replaced by anger. He snorted coldly, and the demonic energy around him surged, obviously preparing to attack again.

“How dare a mere human run wild in my demon clan’s territory? If I don’t grind you to dust today, I will never be able to get rid of the hatred in my heart!”

Before he finished speaking, he suddenly raised his hand, and a ball of inky black demonic flame condensed in his palm, and he slapped Hu Mazi hard!

Hu Mazi’s face changed slightly. The power of this attack was far greater than before. His strength has not recovered yet, and he would probably suffer a great loss if he took it head-on!

Just when the demonic flames were about to fall upon him——

“stop!!!”

A cold female voice suddenly sounded, and then a slender figure appeared out of thin air in front of Hu Mazi. With a light wave of her white hand, the ball of demonic flame instantly melted like ice and snow meeting fire!

The middle-aged man’s face changed drastically when he saw this. He quickly withdrew his hand and stepped back, saluting respectfully: “Witch!”

Kai fixed his eyes on the person who came.

She was a woman in a black dress. Her skin was as white as snow, her eyebrows were as pretty as a painting, but her eyes were as deep as the abyss and contained a hint of coldness.

She has a restrained aura, yet gives people a feeling of being unfathomable.

“Third level of Earthly Immortal Realm?”

Kai was secretly shocked. This woman’s strength might be much stronger than that old man!

The woman glanced at the middle-aged man calmly and said in a cold tone: “Who allowed you to do it without permission.....?”

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The middle-aged man lowered his head quickly and defended himself, “Witch, these two humans broke into my Black Demon Palace and killed our people. I just wanted to teach them a lesson...”

“Teaching them a lesson?” The woman sneered, “If I hadn’t arrived in time, would you have just killed them?”

The Black Demon General’s forehead was covered with cold sweat and he dared not say anything more.

The woman ignored him and turned to look at Kai and Hu Mazi. She looked at them for a moment and finally stopped on Hu Mazi.

“You said that this was once the territory of your Hu family?”

Hu Mazi covered his chest and gritted his teeth, saying, “That’s right! Jiupan Mountain was originally the place where my people lived for generations. When did it become the territory of your demon clan?”

The woman frowned slightly, as if she was thinking, and after a moment she shook her head and said, “My Black Demon Palace has occupied this place for hundreds of years, and I have never heard of the Hu family.

If this is really your ancestral land, why aren’t your people here?”

Upon hearing this, Hu Mazi frowned and said, “Could it be... Could it be that my clan has already been destroyed?”

Hu Mazi had already gone to the Sixth Heaven, and had been reincarnated many times since then, and thousands of years had passed.

He had no idea what happened to his tribesmen!

Now hearing what this woman said, it seems that his people had been destroyed long ago!

In this heavenly realm, a sect or a family can be destroyed in a minute. After all, in this society where the strong prey on the weak, the weak will be devoured sooner or later!

The woman was startled, then understood and said, “Maybe...”

The middle-aged man couldn't help but interrupt and said, “Witch, Jiupan Mountain is originally an unowned land. They are just looking for an excuse to provoke my demon clan. Do you think this is their territory just because they come up with a random reason?”

“Shut up!” the woman shouted coldly, and the middle-aged man suddenly became silent.

She looked at Hu Mazi and said in a softer tone, “My name is Youyue, and I am the witch of the Black Demon Palace. If what you said is true, I can send someone to verify it.

But before that, you have trespassed into my demon territory and killed my people, so you must give an explanation.”

Hu Mazi was about to retort, but Kai stepped forward and said calmly: “We didn't kill people for no reason. It was your people who spoke rudely first and even wanted to take our lives. We were just defending ourselves.”

Youyue turned her gaze to Kai, a strange look flashing in her eyes.

“And who are you?” she asked.

“Kai.” Kai said calmly.

Youyue nodded slightly and was about to ask again, but the middle-aged man couldn't hold back and said angrily: “Witch, why bother talking to

them? These two people are clearly here to provoke us, why not just capture them and set an example!”

Kai glanced at him and suddenly smiled: “It seems that the lesson just now is not enough.”

Before he finished speaking, his figure suddenly disappeared!

You Yue’s pupils shrank, and she subconsciously wanted to stop him, but it was too late –

“Puff!”

With a flash of sword light, the middle-aged man’s right arm was cut off at the shoulder, and blood gushed out!

“ah–!”

The middle-aged man screamed and took several steps back, his face as pale as paper.

The middle-aged man covered his bloody broken arm, trembling in pain, and looked at Kai with eyes full of resentment and fear.

He really couldn’t understand how a sixth-rank cultivator in the realm of scattered immortals could burst out with such terrifying speed and strength. He had clearly activated his magic energy to protect his body, but he couldn’t even see the opponent’s sword moves.

“You...you dare to hurt me?”

The middle-aged man’s voice was hoarse, veins popping out on his forehead, “You cut off one of my arms today, this feud is irreconcilable!”

Kai put away his sword and stood up, saying coldly: “When you don’t have the strength, the best way is to shut up. If you dare to make noise again, next time it won’t be your arm that’ll be cut off, but your head.”

It was a simple sentence, but it carried an unquestionable pressure. The middle-aged man subconsciously closed his mouth, his throat rolling and not daring to utter another word.

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He could clearly feel that the vague murderous intent in Kai was no joke.

At this time, Youyue slowly spoke, her voice was as cold as jade, but with a strange penetrating power: "Back off."

The middle-aged man's face turned pale and blue, and the severe pain in his broken arm made him almost unable to stand.

But facing the witch's order, he finally gritted his teeth, glared at Kai with resentment, staggered back to the side, covered his wound and circulated his magic energy to stop the bleeding.

Youyue then turned her gaze to Kai. Her eyes were a very deep purple, as if containing an endless starry sky. There was inquiry and solemnity in her eyes as she looked at Kai.

When Kai made his move just now, even she couldn't see the movement clearly. She only saw a flash of golden light, and the middle-aged man's arm had fallen to the ground.

You know, the middle-aged man has reached the second level of Earthly Immortal Realm, and is considered a top-notch fighter even in the Black Evil Palace.

"You are only at the sixth level of the Sanxian realm, but you have such combat power. I am a little surprised." Youyue opened her red lips slightly, and her tone could not tell whether she was happy or angry.

"It's just so-so. I haven't used my full strength yet!" Kai said modestly!

But in Youyue's eyes, this humility was just a show-off.

Hu Mazi was watching from the side in amazement. Just now he thought that it was awesome that Kai killed an old man of the first level of Earthly Immortal, but he didn't expect that facing a demon cultivator of the second level of Earthly Immortal, Kai could actually break the arm of the cultivator with one move. This strength was too scary.

He quietly pulled Kai's sleeve and whispered, "This witch doesn't look easy to deal with. Should we quit while we're ahead?"

Kai didn't look back, but just glanced around.

When Youyue appeared just now, the spatial fluctuations were extremely strong. It was obvious that she had mastered some high-level spatial secret technique. And from the depths of Jiupan Mountain, there were faint auras coming from somewhere that were no weaker than Youyue's. It was obvious that the Black Evil Demon Palace was far more powerful than what was visible at the moment.

Youyue pondered for a moment and said, "Perhaps there is a misunderstanding. How about this? You can follow me back to the Black Demon Palace and I will send someone to investigate the matter of the Hu family.

If this is really your ancestral land, I, the Black Demon Palace, will give you an explanation."

Hu Mazi and Kai looked at each other and nodded.

"Okay, we'll go with you." said Hu Mazi.

Youyue smiled slightly, turned and walked towards the mountains.

Following Youyue deep into Jiupan Mountain, Kai and Hu Mazi soon arrived in front of a towering black palace.

The palace is made entirely of obsidian and exudes a cold aura. Demonic energy lingers all around, and shrill wails can be faintly heard, as if countless wronged souls are trapped inside.

“Is this the Black Demon Palace?”

Hu Mazi frowned and said, “The place where my tribe lived back then was not so gloomy.”

Youyue said calmly: “The cultivation methods of the demon race are different from those of the human race, so the environment is naturally different as well.”

She waved her hand, the palace gate slowly opened, and a strong demonic aura rushed towards her.

Kai’s expression remained unchanged, but Hu Mazi couldn’t help shivering.

At this moment, suddenly four monks holding spears and wearing black armor rushed out of the palace!

Moreover, a huge black net directly covered Kai and Hu Mazi!

Hu Mazi was shocked, while Kai frowned and his face became very ugly!

Youyue’s face also turned very ugly. Just as she was about to speak, she saw an old man slowly walking up the stone steps of the hall, and next to the old man was the middle-aged man with the broken arm!

“Two little humans dare to...”

The middle-aged man looked at Kai and Hu Mazi with sarcasm.

But before he could finish his words, a golden light flashed and the middle-aged man’s head flew out!

The black net that enveloped Kai and the others had already been shattered at some point, and Kai, holding the Dragon Slaying Sword, said in a cold voice: “I hate people who act cool in front of me the most!”

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The old man watched the middle-aged man's head rolling to the ground, hot blood splattering on his black robe, and a strong smell of blood instantly filled the air.

“presumptuous!”

The old man roared angrily, his voice was like thunder exploding in front of the palace, and the demonic energy around him suddenly surged.

The originally gloomy sky seemed to be stained with ink, and the strong wind blew gravel past, and even the air became sticky and cold.

A terrifying red light burst out from his deep eye sockets, and he stared at Kai as if he wanted to eat him alive.

“The Black Demon Palace will never allow a youngster like you to run wild!”

The old man had a dark green bone staff in his hand, with a beating blood-red crystal inlaid on the top. “Capture this lunatic and cut him into pieces!”

As his words fell, the four black-armored monks holding spears roared in unison.

The aura of a first-level Earthly Immortal burst out from his body, and the tip of his gun flashed a cold light as he stabbed towards Kai fiercely.

Their movements were in perfect unison, and the shadows of their guns intertwined into an impenetrable killing net. They were obviously a group of death squads that had cooperated with each other for many years.

Hu Mazi subconsciously grabbed a few talismans, his heart beating wildly.

The aura of these four soldiers is even stronger than the old man who was killed before. When the four of them join forces, even a cultivator of the second level of the Earthly Immortal Realm will have to temporarily avoid them.

However, there was no trace of panic on Kai's face.

Just as the tip of the gun was about to touch his collar, he moved.

There was no earth-shaking momentum, nor even obvious movements, only a brilliant golden sword light like the dawn, flashing across the dim sky and earth.

“Puff! Puff! Puff! Puff!”

The four sounds were almost continuous, as crisp as the sound of cutting tofu.

Hu Mazi couldn't even see how Kai drew his sword, he just saw a flash of golden light before his eyes.

The next second, the heads of the four black-armored monks fell to the ground like ripe fruits, and the blood spurted out of their chests like four fountains, dyeing the white jade steps in front of the palace red.

Four headless corpses swayed and fell to the ground with a bang. The spears in their hands made clanking sounds, which was particularly harsh in the silent square.

Time seemed to stand still at this moment.

The old man's hand holding the bone staff froze in mid-air, the rage on his face solidified into unbelievable astonishment.

Those four soldiers were his trusted confidants who had followed him in battles for many years. Their strength had already reached perfection and they could deal with enemies even at the second level of the Earthly

Immortal Realm. But now... they died without even touching the corner of their opponent's clothes?

He didn't even see clearly which direction Kai's sword was coming from!

Kai slowly put away the sword, and the bloodstains on the Dragon-Slaying Sword instantly disappeared, returning to its ancient and unadorned appearance.

He raised his eyes to look at the old man, his eyes were as calm as a bottomless cold pond, and there was no emotion in his voice: "I am very angry."

These four simple words made the old man feel cold all over, as if he was being stared at by a poisonous snake.

"Since I stepped into Jiupan Mountain, there have always been people trying to cause trouble for me."

Kai walked towards the old man step by step. With each step, the ground shook slightly, and an invisible pressure spread out like a tide. "I cut off his arm just now as a warning. I'm killing him now because he doesn't learn his lesson."

He stopped, only ten steps away from the old man, and his eyes fell on the old man's wrinkled face: "You have two choices now, either stand still, or... the next head will be yours."

The old man's throat rolled, and the fingers holding the bone staff turned white from the force.

He has lived for nearly a thousand years. What kind of storms and waves has he not seen?

But I have never felt such fear as I do now.

Kai's eyes were too calm, so calm that it seemed as if he was stating an established fact. The murderous intent hidden behind this calmness was more terrifying than any hysterical roar.

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Especially the two swords just now, they were faster than I could imagine.

How could a sixth-grade cultivator in the Sanxian realm possess such terrifying speed and attack power?

This is totally unreasonable! He even suspected that he was dazzled. The human cultivator in front of him might have hidden his true strength.

The anger in the old man's eyes was gradually replaced by fear. The bone staff he was holding tightly dropped slowly, and the demonic energy that was surging on his body also subsided a little.

He knew that he was no match for the young man in front of him, and if he fought head-on he would end up like those five men.

At this moment, Youyue's voice rang out with cold anger: "Ghost Elder, what are you doing?"

She took a step forward, her purple eyes fixed on the old man, exuding an unhappy aura: "I have already said that they are the guests I invited back to the Demon Palace. Why did you suddenly attack them? And mobilized the Black Evil Guards!"

The four black-armored monks were none other than the Black Evil Guards who were responsible for guarding the core area of the Black Evil Palace. They took orders directly from the Council of Elders, and even a witch like her could not mobilize them at will.

The Ghost Elder's action clearly showed that he did not take her seriously.

Elder Ghost turned around, the fear on his face was instantly replaced by anger. He pointed at Youyue, his voice trembling with excitement: “Guest? Youyue, don’t forget your identity! You are the witch of the Black Demon Palace, the future ruler of the demon race, how can you treat two human cultivators as guests?”

“These two humans killed my Demon Palace disciples and destroyed the dignity of my Demon Palace. Not only did you not avenge them, but you also wanted to bring them into the palace? Are you worthy of the ancestors of the Demon Palace?”

“Where are the Black Evil Guards...”

Following a loud shout from the Ghost Elder, dozens of Black Evil Guards rushed out!

He suddenly turned to the Black Evil Guards who had just been summoned and shouted, “What are you all standing there for? Take down these two humans! If anything happens, I will take full responsibility!”

The Black Evil Guards who poured out from both sides of the palace immediately clenched their weapons and glanced back and forth between Youyue and the Ghost Elder.

There were dozens of them, all of them had a powerful aura, including some second-level Earthly Immortal Realm masters. They formed a black mass and surrounded Kai and Hu Mazi, creating a tense situation.

“Back off!”

Youyue shouted coldly, a stern look flashing in her purple eyes, “I am the witch of the Black Demon Palace, it is not your turn to give orders here!”

However, those Black Evil Guards seemed not to have heard her words. They still stared at Kai and Hu Mazi, with their hands on their weapons, ready to attack at any time.

From time to time, they glanced at the Ghost Elder, obviously waiting for his further orders.

Youyue's face turned extremely ugly in an instant, and the hands in her sleeves trembled slightly.

She knew that the Ghost Elder had a high prestige in the Demon Palace, and she also knew that the Elders had always been dissatisfied with her as a young witch, but she didn't expect that they would dare to disobey her orders in public.

At this moment, Kai suddenly chuckled and looked at Youyue with a playful look in his eyes: "It seems that the position of Witch Youyue in this Black Demon Palace is not very solid."

These words were like a needle, piercing Youyue's pain point.

Her face turned from white to blue, and then from blue to purple. The look she gave Kai was filled with complex emotions, including anger, embarrassment, and a hint of helplessness that was barely perceptible.

Seeing this, the Ghost Elder showed a smug smile on his face: "Did you hear that? Even outsiders can see that you are not worthy of being in charge of the Black Demon Palace!"

He turned to Kai, his tone carrying a hint of self-righteous arrogance, "Boy, you killed so many of my men, are you afraid now? As long as you surrender obediently, I can let you die quickly..."

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Before he could finish his words, his pupils suddenly shrank.

Because Kai moved.

This time, Kai's speed was faster than before!

Only a residual shadow flashed by, almost beyond the limit of what the naked eye could capture. The Ghost Elder didn't even have time to circulate the magic energy to protect his body, let alone swing the bone staff in his hand, he felt a heart-wrenching pain in his right arm.

“ah—!”

The shrill scream resounded through the sky, even more miserable than the middle-aged man's scream before.

The Ghost Elder looked down and saw that his right arm had been cut off at the shoulder. Dark green blood gushed out and splashed all over the ground.

The bone staff that had accompanied him for many years fell to the ground with a clang, and the blood-red crystal on the top of the staff flashed a few times and then dimmed.

“you.....”

The Ghost Elder covered his broken arm, shaking in pain, and looked at Kai with eyes full of fear and disbelief.

He couldn't figure it out. Kai was clearly ten steps away, how could he suddenly appear in front of him? And he acted so quickly!

Kai stepped on the bone staff and crushed it into pieces. He looked at the ghost elder coldly: “I don't want to repeat what I said just now for the third time.”

The Ghost Elder staggered backwards repeatedly, and only stood still after retreating more than ten steps. He looked at Kai as if he had seen a ghost.

He could clearly feel the undisguised murderous intent in Kai. If he dared to say one more word, his head would fall to the ground in the next second.

The surrounding Black Evil Guards were completely stunned.

Elder Ghost is a powerful figure in the elders' group. His cultivation has already reached the third level of the Earthly Immortal Realm. He is considered a top master in the entire Black Evil Demon Palace. But now... he actually had his arm cut off by a human cultivator of the sixth level of the Loose Immortal Realm?

This completely overturned their cognition!

Looking at Kai's cold eyes, feeling the suffocating pressure in the air.

All the Black Evil Guards subconsciously took a step back and made way.

Just now when Elder Ghost gave the order, they still felt that they had a sure win, but now, they only had one thought in their minds: stay away from this evil star!

Even the Ghost Elder is no match for them, so wouldn't they be courting death if they went up there?

In an instant, the originally tense scene became weird.

The circle formed by hundreds of Black Evil Guards automatically separated into a passage. No one dared to step forward, not even to look Kai in the eye.

Youyue looked at the scene in front of her, and was stunned at first, then a complex light flashed in her eyes.

She didn't expect that Kai would suddenly attack the Ghost Elder, and she didn't expect that Kai's strength was so strong.

But anyway, the current deadlock has been broken.

She took a deep breath, suppressed the turmoil in her heart, glanced coldly at the silent Black Demon Guards, then looked at the pale-faced

Ghost Demon Elder, and said in a deep voice, “Why don’t you get out now?”

The ghost elder’s lips trembled, and he wanted to say something, but in the end he couldn’t speak it.

He glared at Kai with resentment, covered his broken arm, and left the square in embarrassment with the help of several confidants.

Seeing this, the Black Evil Guards also lowered their heads and silently retreated to both sides of the palace, not daring to make any more moves.

The square finally returned to calm, with only the corpses and bloodstains on the ground silently telling of the tragedy that had just occurred.

Youyue walked up to Kai, with mixed emotions in her purple eyes: “Thank you.”

Although she really didn’t like Kai’s sarcasm just now, it was undeniable that it was Kai’s help that helped her out of the predicament.

If this incident gets out today, her dignity as a witch will be gone.

Kai raised his eyebrows noncommittally: “I just don’t want anyone to bother me all the time.”

He turned to look at Hu Mazi and found that this guy was looking at him blankly with his mouth open. He couldn’t help but smile and said, “Let’s go. Aren’t we going to investigate your Hu family?”

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Hu Mazi finally came to his senses, swallowed hard, and quickly followed Kai’s steps.

Youyue looked at the backs of the two people, her eyes flickered a few times, and she hurriedly followed them.

Crossing the wide square, the three entered the towering black palace.

The interior of the hall is even more magnificent than it looks from the outside. The dome is dozens of feet high, carved with countless hideous magic patterns, and emits a faint fluorescence.

On both sides stood huge black stone pillars, with lifelike dragon statues wrapped around the pillars, as if they would come alive at any time.

At the end of the hall is a tall throne, carved from a whole piece of obsidian and inlaid with countless gems, exuding a luxurious and cold atmosphere.

Youyue asked Kai and Hu Mazi to sit on the stone chairs on both sides of the hall, and then clapped her hands.

Soon, two demon women dressed in maid's clothes came in with tea. They lowered their heads, placed the teacups on the stone table in front of the three people, and then quickly retreated, not daring to look up at Kai from beginning to end.

"Please wait a moment, I have asked someone to look up the ancient books in the Demon Palace."

Youyue picked up the teacup and took a sip. "The history of Jiupan Mountain may be recorded in the ancient books of the Demon Palace."

Kai picked up the teacup, took a look at the dark green tea in it, frowned slightly, and did not drink it.

This tea gave off a faint fishy smell and was obviously not prepared for the human race.

Hu Mazi also imitated Kai, just holding the teacup, but looking around the hall with a complicated emotion in his eyes.

This was once the ancestral land of his Hu family, but now it has become the palace of the demons. Everything has changed and the people have changed, which makes him feel deeply moved.

The hall fell silent for a moment. Only the fluorescent light emitted by the magic pattern on the dome occasionally flickered and reflected on the faces of the three people. The atmosphere seemed a little subtle.

Kai closed his eyes, seemingly resting, but in fact he was secretly operating his spiritual sense to investigate the situation of the entire palace.

This Black Demon Palace is even larger than he had imagined. Its internal structure is intricate and he can faintly sense dozens of powerful auras, some of which are as powerful as Youyue or even stronger than her.

It seems that the water in the Black Demon Palace is much deeper than imagined.

After an unknown amount of time, an old man in a gray robe walked in quickly, holding a yellowed ancient book in his hand. He walked in front of Youyue and bowed, "Witch, I have checked all the records about Jiupan Mountain and found some information about the Hu family."

Hu Mazi stood up suddenly and looked at the old man excitedly: "How is it? Is there any record? What happened to my Hu family?"

The old man glanced at Hu Mazi, then at Youyue. Seeing Youyue nod, he slowly spoke, "According to ancient records, there is indeed a Hu family living in Jiupan Mountain. They were a famous talisman family in the Fourth Heaven at that time. There were several talisman masters in the family. During their heyday, there was even a fourth-grade cultivator in the Earthly Immortal Realm."

"What happened next?" Hu Mazi asked, his voice trembling with excitement.

The old man sighed and continued, “About 2,800 years ago, the Hu family was suddenly attacked by an unknown force. The entire mountain range was razed to the ground, and almost all the disciples in the family were wiped out. Only a few people managed to escape and have since disappeared.

As for who the attackers were, there is no detailed record in the ancient books. It only says that they were a group of powerful men in black, and their methods were extremely cruel. ”

“What?” Hu Mazi stumbled back as if struck by lightning, his face completely pale. “The Hu family was exterminated? My Hu family... was exterminated?”

His eyes were filled with pain and disbelief, his hands were clenched tightly into fists, his nails dug deep into his palms, blood dripped down from his fingers. Although he had been mentally prepared, he still couldn't accept the news when he heard it in person.

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Kai patted Hu Mazi on the shoulder, signaling him to calm down, and then looked at the old man: “Does the ancient book say that those men in black have any special characteristics? Or what special skills do they use?”

The old man shook his head and said, “The records are very brief. They only say that those men in black were very powerful, ruthless, and their actions were extremely secretive. They did not leave any clues afterwards.

At that time, all the major forces in the Fourth Heaven also investigated this matter, but to no avail. ”

Kai frowned slightly and fell into deep thought.

Unknown forces? Men in black? A revenge for genocide?

There seems to be some unknown secret hidden behind this.

Youyue looked at the painful Hu Mazi, then looked at the thoughtful Kai, and said softly: “It seems that what you said is true.

Jiupan Mountain was indeed the ancestral land of your Hu family.”

She paused and continued, “In this case, according to the previous promise, I, the Black Demon Palace, am willing to give your Hu family an explanation.

If you want to rebuild the Hu family, I can allocate a part of the area to you.

If you want to investigate the truth behind the extermination of the clan, my Black Demon Palace can also provide some help.”

Hu Mazi raised his head, his eyes bloodshot, and said in a hoarse voice: “I just want to know who wiped out my Hu family back then! I, Hu Mazi, will not be a human being if I don’t take revenge!”

His voice was not loud, but it carried a resolute hatred that echoed in the empty hall, making people look sideways.

Youyue smiled slightly: “But what I said requires you to do me a favor.”

“What’s the matter?”

“Help me get something.” Youyue’s eyes were deep, “Deep in Jiupan Mountain, there is an ancient relic called ‘Demon Burial Abyss’.

Among them is a treasure that is extremely important to my demon clan, but there are many restrictions there, making it difficult for my clan members to enter.

If you can help me get it, I will not only return the territory to you, but I can also agree to one condition of yours.”

Hu Mazi frowned and looked at Kai. Kai said calmly, “Demon Burial Abyss? It doesn’t sound like a good place.”

Youyue chuckled: “It may be a dead end for others, but for you...it may be an opportunity.”

Kai and Hu Mazi looked at each other, each with their own thoughts.

Kai tapped lightly on the stone table with his fingertips, his eyes falling on Youyue’s face with a faint smile.

This witch seems to be honest, but in fact, every word she says is filled with calculations. If the Demon Burial Abyss is really that easy to enter, how come the demons have been unable to succeed for so long?

“The Phantom Moon Witch is good at picking people.”

Kai suddenly chuckled, “Are you sure we can get in?”

Youyue put down the teacup, a strange look flashed in her eyes: “Youyue has seen what Fellow Daoist Chen did, and Jiupan Mountain is the ancestral land of the Hu family. Brother Hu may have marks left by his ancestors, which is enough to avoid the outer restrictions.”

Hu Mazi clenched his fists. His mind was now full of the truth about the genocide. As long as he could find a clue, he would not only go through the Demon Burial Abyss, but would also dare to brave mountains of swords and seas of fire.

“Kai, I promised her!”

Kai glanced at Hu Mazi, and seeing his resolute look, he stopped hesitating and said, “Sure. But we need a map of the Demon Burial Abyss, and all the records of your clan about it.

In addition, if we encounter unsolvable dangers during the process, we can withdraw at any time, and you cannot force us.”

“It’s natural.”

Youyue immediately asked someone to fetch a roll of animal skin map and a few thin books, “The map marks the approximate range of the Demon Burial Abyss, but the restrictions inside are varied, and you still need to explore the specific situation on your own.

These books are scattered records left by our ancestors, and they may be useful.”

Kai took the map and unfolded it. He saw that the terrain of Jiupan Mountain was outlined in dark red ink. Deep in the map was an area shrouded in black fog, with the words “Demon Burial Abyss” marked on it.

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There were also a few twisted symbols drawn next to it, like some kind of warning.

The handwriting in the booklet was sloppy, and most of the contents were records about the concentration of demonic energy and the distribution of demonic beasts. One page mentioned that “there are remnant souls of ancient demons at the bottom of the abyss, which are good at controlling people’s minds”, which made him frown slightly.

“When do we set off?” Hu Mazi could no longer hold back.

“Three days later.” Kai put away the map, “We need to make some preparations.”

Youyue had no objection to this. She arranged accommodation for him and sent two demon monks to be on standby at any time, which was actually for surveillance.

After returning to his residence, Hu Mazi immediately locked himself in the room and repeatedly flipped through the booklets, trying to find any clues related to the Hu family.

Kai stood alone by the window, looking at the outline of Jiupan Mountain in the distance shrouded in demonic energy. His spiritual sense quietly spread out, sorting out his current situation.

The water in the Black Demon Palace is too deep, and the aura of those hidden strong men is definitely not that of ordinary people. Youyue dares to let them go to the Demon Burial Abyss, probably not only for the treasure, but perhaps also wants to kill someone with a borrowed knife, and let them test the real danger at the bottom of the abyss.

But things have come to this point, and they have no way out. Hu Mazi needs the truth, and Kai himself has become somewhat interested in the so-called “opportunity”.

Three days later, in the early morning, Kai and Hu Mazi met Youyue at the gate of the Demon Palace.

Youyue was still dressed in purple, followed by ten demon monks with condensed auras, each carrying a black package.

“These are the resources and elixirs prepared for you. Although they are not top-notch, they are enough to deal with the erosion of the demonic energy at the bottom of the abyss.”

Youyue motioned for his men to hand over the package, “The entrance is in the rift valley in the middle of Jiupan Mountain. I’ll have someone take you there.”

Kai took the package and opened it. Inside were several jade pendants engraved with exorcism patterns and a bottle of dark green elixir. It gave off a light herbal scent, but it was not as pungent as the cup of tea before.

He casually gave the jade pendant to Hu Mazi, but kept the pills. His Concentration Heart Technique could absorb demonic energy, so these pills might not be useful to him.

Following the leading demon monk through the dense forest outside Jiupan Mountain, the deeper they went, the thicker the demonic energy in the air became. The trees became twisted and blackened, and huge animal bones could occasionally be seen on the ground, which had obviously been gnawed by powerful demons.

“The rift valley is ahead.”

The monk who led the way pointed to a bottomless ravine ahead. Gray-black miasma was swirling in the rift, and faint sounds like ghosts howling and wolves howling could be heard from within.

Hu Mazi stood at the edge of the rift, and suddenly his whole body was shocked. He took out a broken jade pendant from his arms. The jade pendant actually emitted a faint white light at this moment, resonating with a certain breath in the rift.

“This is... the ancestral jade pendant of my Hu family. It didn’t react before, but I didn’t expect it to move here!”

Kai looked at the jade pendant and saw that it was engraved with symbols similar to those on the animal skin map. He understood: “It seems that your ancestors have indeed been here. This jade pendant may be the key to unlocking the outer restrictions.”

He took out the map to confirm again, and pointed to a relatively narrow section on the left side of the rift valley: “Go down from here, according to the map, there will be a stone staircase after passing through the miasma layer.”

Hu Mazi held the jade pendant tightly in his hand and took a deep breath: “Kai, I’ll go down and check it out first.”

“Let’s go together.”

Kai held his shoulders, and the spiritual power in his body circulated, forming a light golden shield to cover the two of them. “This miasma is poisonous, so be careful.”

The two of them leaped into the rift, and the miasma wrapped around them like sticky mud. The fishy smell penetrated their ears and noses. If it weren't for the spiritual power shield to isolate them, they would probably feel dizzy in an instant.

The light of the jade pendant in Hu Mazi's hand became brighter and brighter, and the miasma in front of him automatically separated to both sides, revealing a passage that was only wide enough for one person to pass through.

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“It really works!”

Hu Mazi was surprised and happy, and quickened his descent speed.

I don't know how long I fell, but I finally stepped on solid ground.

Kai looked up and saw that the miasma above had closed again, like a thick curtain, completely blocking out the sunlight.

It was pitch black all around, with only the jade pendant in Hu Mazi's hand emitting a faint white light, illuminating the stone steps under his feet.

The stone steps meandered downwards, and the rock walls on both sides were covered with dark red lines. Looking closely, it looked like countless tiny runes wriggling.

Kai stretched out his hand to touch the rock wall, and felt a biting chill at his fingertips. The moment his spiritual sense probed into the rock wall, it was bounced back by a cold force.

“Be careful, there’s something wrong with these runes.”

Kai reminded in a deep voice, “They can devour spiritual consciousness. If you come into contact with them for a long time, you may be infected by the evil spirit.”

Hu Mazi quickly retracted his gaze and raised the jade pendant higher. The range of the white light expanded and he could vaguely see a broken stone door at the end of the stone steps. On the door were three ancient characters “Demon Burial Abyss” engraved.

The stone door was ajar, and gusts of wind could be heard from inside, mixed with vague whispers, as if countless wronged souls were wailing inside.

Hu Mazi tightly grasped the short knife at his waist, his heartbeat speeding up involuntarily: “Kai, inside...”

“You’ll know when you go in and take a look.”

Kai pushed open the door, and an even stronger demonic aura rushed towards him. The golden light on the shield flickered violently for several times before stabilizing.

Behind the door was a long corridor. The stone walls on both sides were inlaid with glowing crystals, illuminating the corridor as if it were daytime.

But this light was of a strange green color, and it felt cold when it shone on the face.

The ground of the corridor was covered with bones, some human, some demonic, and even some skeletons of giant beasts that had never been seen before. It was obvious that a brutal fight had taken place here.

“These bones are very old, at least tens of thousands of years old.”

Kai squatted down to check a relatively intact demon skeleton. He saw a smooth hole on its skull, with traces of burns still on the edge. “He died from a sharp weapon, and was killed in one blow.”

Hu Mazi also picked up a human arm bone, on which was engraved the mark of half a talisman, which was somewhat similar to the symbol on his jade pendant: “This is the talisman mark of my Hu family! Could it be that my ancestor also participated in the battle here?”

Kai stood up and looked deep into the tunnel. “No matter who left this place, it means there are not only restrictions but also something more dangerous. Keep going forward and stay alert.”

The two walked along the corridor. The further they went in, the colder the air became and the clearer the whispers became.

Those voices sounded like countless people whispering in one’s ears, telling of pain and resentment. Anyone with weaker willpower would probably have already lost their mind.

Hu Mazi felt his scalp tingling and he quickly mobilized the little spiritual power in his body to resist, but those voices drilled into his ears like maggots attached to his bones, making his eyes go dark.

At this moment, Kai suddenly shouted in a low voice: “Concentrate and calm down!”

A stream of pure spiritual power was injected into Hu Mazi’s body, like a thunder exploding in his mind, and the whispers disappeared instantly.

Hu Mazi was sweating profusely and gasping for breath: “F*ck, I almost...”

“It’s the devil’s sound filling my ears.”

Kai’s eyes were solemn. “The remnant souls of the ancient demons at the bottom of the abyss are causing trouble. They can’t attack us directly, so

they use this method to disturb our minds. Hold the jade pendant tightly, its aura can suppress these remnant souls.”

Hu Mazi quickly put the jade pendant against his chest and felt a lot more at ease.

The two continued to move forward, and a fork in the road appeared at the end of the corridor. The passage on the left was filled with a faint smell of blood, while the sound of flowing water could be heard from the right.

Kai checked the map and found that it only marked the location of the stone gate, and there was a blank space after the fork in the road.

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“It seems that we can only rely on ourselves to explore the way back.” He looked at the passage on the left. “The smell of blood is too strong. I’m afraid there are living creatures. Let’s go to the right first.”

The passage on the right was relatively dry, and the ground was covered with gravel. After walking for about an incense stick of time, the front suddenly opened up and a huge cave appeared.

There is a pool of dark green water in the center of the cave, with white mist floating on the surface, exuding a faint fragrance.

“This is.....”

Hu Mazi approached the pool of water and was about to reach out to touch it when he was stopped by Kai.

“Don’t touch it! There’s something wrong with this water.”

Kai pointed at the mist floating in the water and said, “It may look fragrant, but it is actually highly poisonous. Once inhaled, the evil spirit will corrode your meridians.”

He took out a porcelain bottle from the package, poured out a pill, crushed it, and sprinkled the powder into the pool.

The moment the powder fell into the water, it made a “sizzling” sound, bubbles appeared on the dark green water surface, and the white mist quickly dissipated like ice and snow encountering a raging fire.

“It’s poisonous indeed.”

Kai withdrew his hand, “This pool of water should be used to isolate something, let’s go around it.”

The two walked carefully along the edge of the pool. The rock walls of the cave were inlaid with more dark crystals, and the light became brighter. They could vaguely see a stone platform on the other side of the pool, and there seemed to be something on it.

At this moment, a huge wave suddenly arose in the pool, and a black tentacle as thick as a bucket suddenly jumped out of the water and whipped towards Hu Mazi’s back!

“careful!”

Kai reacted very quickly, pushing Hu Mazi away and at the same time taking out the Dragon-Slaying Sword. The golden sword energy swept out and cut the tentacle into two pieces.

Black blood spurted out with a pungent stench, and it fell on the ground and corroded small pits.

A sharp roar was heard from the pool, and countless black tentacles emerged from the water, like dancing pythons, and attacked the two people frantically.

“It’s the Demonic Dragon!”

Hu Mazi recognized the monster. “Ancient books record that there is a guardian beast in the Demon Burial Abyss that feeds on poisonous water. I didn’t expect it to be hiding in this pool of water!”

Kai’s eyes focused, and the Immortal Sword in his hand turned into a stream of light, continuously slashing at the attacking tentacles.

But these tentacles seemed endless. When one was cut off, another one would immediately grow out, and the speed was getting faster and faster, forcing the two men to retreat again and again.

“This is not a solution. We have to find its true form!”

Kai shouted, and the spiritual power in his body burst out without reservation. The golden shield expanded and shook off all the attacking tentacles. “Master Hu, try with your jade pendant!”

Hu Mazi immediately raised the jade pendant above his head, and white light suddenly burst out, illuminating the entire cave like a small sun.

The monster in the pool seemed to be extremely afraid of the light. Its roar became painful and the attack of its tentacles slowed down.

“it works!”

Hu Mazi was cheered up and walked towards the center of the pool holding the jade pendant.

Wherever the white light passed, the black tentacles retracted into the water, and the dark green water began to churn, as if something was trying to drill out from the bottom of the water.

Kai seized the opportunity, flashed to the edge of the pool, and burst out with all his spiritual sense, finally locking onto a huge figure at the bottom of the pool.

It was a giant black dragon that was dozens of feet long, with a pair of curved horns on its head. Its eyes were like two blood-red lanterns, staring viciously at the two people on the shore.

“You evil beast, you’re looking for death!”

Kai snorted coldly, and the Dragon-Slaying Sword drew a golden arc in the air, slashing towards the pool of water with the momentum of destroying the world.

The sword energy fell into the water, causing huge waves. The water in the pool split to both sides like a piece of cloth, revealing the huge scaly body of the magic dragon.

The magic dragon let out an angry roar, opened its huge mouth and spewed out a stream of black venom, sweeping towards Kai.

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Kai pointed his toes and avoided the venom like a ghost. At the same time, he made a hand gesture with his left hand, and the Concentration Technique in his body started to operate. A light golden beam of light shot out from his palm and accurately hit the head of the magic dragon.

“Ah——”

The magic dragon let out a shrill scream, and its huge body rolled wildly in the pool, splashing water that wet the entire cave.

Hu Mazi took the opportunity to push the light of the jade pendant to its extreme, and the white light pierced into the eyes of the magic dragon like a sharp sword.

The demon dragon closed its eyes in pain, and its huge body lost balance and crashed into the shore.

“Now!”

Kai's eyes flashed, and the Immortal Sword turned into a stream of light, instantly piercing through the vital point of the demon dragon.

Black blood gushed out like a fountain, and the body of the magic dragon twitched a few times on the ground before finally stopping moving.

The two of them finally breathed a sigh of relief and sat on the ground gasping for breath.

“The strength of this demon dragon is comparable to that of a third-grade cultivator in the Earthly Immortal Realm.”

Hu Mazi looked at the corpse on the ground with lingering fear, “The Demon Burial Abyss has just begun, and there is such a strong guardian beast. I'm afraid it will be more dangerous later.”

Kai stood up, walked to the corpse of the magic dragon, reached out and fumbled around on its head for a while, and took out a black inner elixir.

The inner elixir exudes a strong demonic aura, but the energy contained in it is extremely pure.

“This inner elixir may be useful.”

Kai put away the inner elixir and said, “Although the demonic energy is overbearing, it can be refined and can also help improve our strength. Let's take a rest first, recover our strength and then continue forward.”

He looked at the stone platform on the other side of the pond. The light there seemed brighter than the surrounding light, so he thought there must be something hidden there.

And this demonic dragon is probably the guardian of the stone platform.

The water in the cave gradually returned to calm after the death of the magic dragon, but the originally dark green water surface now has a faint black color and emits a stronger fishy smell.

Kai meditated by the pond, regulating his breathing and practicing the Concentration Technique to absorb the evil spirit around him to restore the spiritual power he had just lost. Hu Mazi curiously walked to the stone platform on the other side of the bank.

The stone platform was covered with a thick layer of dust, and on it lay a bronze box. The surface of the box was engraved with the same runes as those on the sesame jade pendant, but they were more complex and sophisticated.

Just as he was about to reach out to take it, Kai stopped him: “Don’t move! There is a restriction on the box.”

Kai came over and carefully observed the runes on the bronze box, frowning slightly: “This is the Hu family’s seal array. It seems that this box is indeed related to your family.”

“My people left it behind?” Hu Mazi was surprised and delighted. “What could be inside?”

“It’s hard to say.”

Kai gathered a trace of spiritual power on his fingertips and gently touched the runes on the surface of the box. “This rune array may seem simple, but it actually contains mysteries. Once it is forcibly opened, it may trigger a counterattack. Have you ever seen a similar rune array?”

Hu Mazi squatted down and placed the jade pendant next to the box. The white light on the jade pendant echoed with the runes on the box and began to rotate slowly.

“This rune... I have seen it in the illustrations of the ancient books of my clan. It seems to be a rune array for bloodline verification. Only the bloodline of the Hu clan can unlock it.”

He followed the method recorded in ancient books and dripped blood from his fingertips onto the jade pendant. The jade pendant instantly burst into dazzling light and merged into the bronze box.

The runes on the box seemed to come alive, flowing along the path of the light, making a slight “click” sound and slowly opening.

There was no gold, silver or jewelry in the box, only a roll of yellowed animal skin and a black token.

A few lines of ancient characters were written on the animal skin in dark red ink, and the word “Hu” was engraved on the token. The edge was inlaid with tiny crystals, emitting faint fluctuations of spiritual power.