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He didn't appreciate being over twenty yet, his hair was blood red and his eyes matched the color, his physique was thin and skinny, and he wore glasses without lenses that made him look like a scholar. 1

Olaf appeared behind the dean in the shape of a cute snowman and looked at Kayden with fear in his eyes, for a few seconds the academy master just tried to measure Kayden and...

Anything. Even when he released his aura lightly or with magical pressure there was nothing, not even a slight twitch in his eyes, Kayden looked like an inanimate statue.

"My name is Jonas Jupiter, could you tell me what method you used to cause Olaf so much fear? He says he doesn't know what it was, he just felt like he was going to die", the man's speech opened a new world for Kayden.

He had never tried to alter the mana inside other people, his control made it possible, but the problem was that it took some time, and in a battle, it was difficult to apply, at least not yet, Kayden made a mental note to work on it later.

"I'm sorry Master Jonas, but I can't, it's a personal secret", Kayden's speech threw a



bucket of cold water on the curious wizard, but even so he regained his friendly smile.

"I see, come, join the third prince, he will guide you to the lecture", after guiding the duo to the prince, the academy master went up with Olaf to resume the blizzard. Raven returned to invisibility once the security issue was resolved.

The prince was sitting at a round table with another teenager who seemed to be a few years older than him, in addition, he had a physical resemblance that made him just look like an older version of Thomas, Kayden recognized him as one of the princes, as his hair it was a light green characteristic of the royal family.

"marquis Kayden, this is my older brother Yuri Sagebrush", Kayden made a soft bow that he learned from books about local culture, his attitude took them both by surprise, the action did not seem mechanical but fluid and natural.

"My regards to the second prince," the first prince was already in the third kingdom, so Kayden knew this was the second.

"What did you do on the academy test?" Yuri's tone wasn't very friendly, it seemed like he didn't put Kayden in his eyes, and his pride was visible.

"It's a secret," your refusal made the prince's brow furrow, he hardly received any action



against his requests or words.

"I heard a lot about your achievements at the Sol Academy, I hope we can exchange some tips after the talk", as soon as Kayden made a scene when clearing the blizzard, everyone who had contacts went looking for information about him and his achievements seemed a bit unreal, making the prince had a suspicious look on him.

"Of course your Highness, I hope we have a good fight", his speech took them both by surprise, the princes knew they were empty words from Yuri, but from Kayden? They weren't, when they looked into the boy's eyes they didn't see any emotion of pride. This meant that Kayden was confident in jumping several levels to face a prince, which was exactly the situation, Kayden was a mage of five rays, five concepts, and a perfect foundation, he did not fear anyone under the same realm.

"I hope you don't regret it," Yuri treated this as a private insult, clearly anyone could say that he was the black sheep of the family of humble sages, luckily his talent allowed him to do that.

In the next few minutes they just exchanged a few words of small talk, Kayden told a little about what his kingdom was like and the princes did the same, the culture was very different in the two countries, in the kingdom of the enlightened

people, adulthood was only reached after the age of 21. , regardless of the magician's strength level.

"It's time", Thomas took out a pocket watch and checked the minutes, Kayden didn't say anything, but he found it strange that they were still standing there, shouldn't they go to the lecture?

'what!?' Kayden felt the flow of mana in the environment become chaotic and accelerated, the platform they were on began to shake as it was levitated into the air and flew a few hundred meters.

Dozens of other platforms could be seen flying around, all with a varying amount of people on them, but only the princes' platform had so few people, the minimum was 5 members, which must be the benefit of the hierarchy.

A few seconds later everyone stopped in a circular shape around a circular platform, this platform was only a few meters in radius and had an elderly woman above it.

The woman used a crutch to support herself, Kayden could not feel any flow of mana over her, her wrinkles and elderly features were apparent throughout her physiognomy.

"She is Athena, the wisest woman who ever

lived, she has a body that prevents her from using mana, it practically becomes poison in her body, she can only manipulate minimal amounts around her and yet she was the person who developed the most techniques for wizards from all four kingdoms, our kingdom personally searches for treasures to increase her life expectancy, currently she is 500 years old and remains at the first level of the apprentice", Thomas' speech caught Kayden off guard.

For the first time in a long time, he felt surprised and then he felt his body shiver, in front of him was a true living legend, someone who from the lowest point that exists overcame all barriers, kayden couldn't even imagine the level of effort she had to put into his actions.

"Hello everyone, my name is Athena" her voice resounded across all platforms, Kayden almost got up from her seat when she saw the woman use a ridiculously low amount of mana to achieve this feat.

Kayden realized that his control was a joke next to what the woman had just done, he would need at least 20 times the amount she used to achieve the same result, that degree of control was completely monstrous.

"Many of you probably just see mana as



something static and the same at all times," Kayden also thought so until he saw the changes in characteristics for each location he passed, "but let me tell you that this is just bullshit, the mana has no form and at the same time has all forms."

The mana around the woman began to slowly change, the process took a few minutes because of how low her ability to interact with mana was, but as soon as she completed it, the mana around her became hot. Kayden didn't know how to express this feeling using his spiritual sense, because in fact what he was feeling was that part of his mana threads were hot, then wet, and then dry.

"High-level spells of a certain element can be done with neutral mana and that is not wrong, but think with me, you have a bonfire and two forms of fuel, the common man would be a piece of wood on fire while the mana transformed into the fire it would be like pouring gasoline directly, the result is the same, but the intermediary is not."

Athena materialized a tiny ball of fire and threw it at a piece of paper that was floating, it was consumed instantly, and then she conjured another ball of fire, this one seemed to be chaotic and angry, its flames danced everywhere, it consumed the paper instantly and

remained burning in the air for a few more seconds.

"That's the basic difference between normal and elemental mana," the woman ate a small pill to replenish her mana, Kayden was impressed with everything she was doing with a ridiculously low reserve. "The easiest way to change the mana element is to use a spell underneath, for example, I use the flame around the mana that I will transform into a fireball, this increases my spell by one step, in addition to you having You have to have very high control over your element so that the mana does not feed the base spell or is consumed by it."

The woman demonstrated both examples, in one the air caught fire and disappeared instantly, this was the mana being consumed and in the other, the flame increased in a frightening way showing the spell being elevated by the mana.

"You have two hours of learning, any questions come floating to me, just come if you have doubts in the final stages, I'm not going to teach anyone how to control their spell", as she spoke, Athena took a book out of her pocket and made to sit down, but a voice stopped her in the middle of her movement.

"One question, Lady Athena," Kayden's voice resounded, making everyone look at him,



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without any fear he continued his question about the woman's eyes, "Can I use a base spell from a different element?" The woman's eyes lit up at the question.

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