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Chapter 1451 The Goddess Sekhmet's Clarity

[The Goddess Sekhmet has regained her right mind.]

[You were able to calm the raging Goddess Sekhmet.]

[The Sun God Ra is expressing his gratefulness to you.]

[You have achieved a great feat. All health and status ailments will be cleansed from you.]

[All skill cooldowns will be reduced by 24 hours.]

[Your core has been regenerated and you can now cast spells normally.]

[Your health can now regenerate back to 100%]

[Your mana can now regenerate back to 100%.]

The Goddess Sekhmet fainted upon having the Spirit of Apophis extracted from her body. The energy that was rising from her body started to die down as well as she is no longer actively trying to push the boundaries of the mortal realm. The diamond scarab also inhibits her own internal energy from rising past the demigod stage.

[You cannot store the Spirit of Apophis in your inventory as it is a living being.]

Adrian wanted to put the Spirit of Apophis in his inventory for safekeeping but that seems to be impossible at this point. The good thing is that there were not many witnesses of what he did which means he can play it out. He decided to give the Spirit of Apophis to the High Priestess Estet as a façade, but he will get it later when other watchful eyes are no longer there.

"Can you guys like transport the Goddess Sekhmet to the Temple of Bastet at least?" Adrian stated as he is now finished with his business.

Cheops immediately moved as he started to say things while the Goddess Sekhmet was asleep. The last thing that the Goddess Sekhmet knew was that it was him that kicked her to the sands. He started to say that it was not him that kicked her but was Champion Equinox.

The other guilds that managed to live the onslaught wanted to send the Goddess Sekhmet to the temple as well, but they were not even allowed to do so. Only the members of the Pantheon Guild were allowed to actually set foot inside of the structure. All they could do was actually hope that the Goddess Sekhmet would at least remember that they participated in regaining her sanity.

A few hours later, the Goddess Sekhmet started opening her eyes as she regained consciousness. She even burned the expensive bed that she was laid onto as she woke up. The High Priestess Estet could only swallow her dismay upon having her own bed become ashes but that was a small price to pay for the forgiveness of the Goddess Sekhmet.

"Greetings, Goddess Sekhmet. I am Estet, a High Priestess of Bastet and her avatar. It is my pleasure to have such an esteemed goddess be physically here in our temple." The High Priestess Estet stated.

"Are you the ones that stopped my rampage? I want to speak to the one called Cheops if I am remembering correctly." The Goddess Sekhmet stated as Cheops suddenly started to sweat.

"Benevolent Goddess Sekhmet, I greet you as the Avatar of Horus." Cheops stated as he bowed with all his might.

"You do not need to worry that much Cheops as I do not hold a grudge even if you did kick me to the ground. You were the one that restored my sanity which is why I am very grateful." The Goddess Sekhmet stated but her face looked fearsome even though she said that she does not take offence.

"Benevolent goddess, it was no..." Cheops stated but Adrian suddenly interjected.

"It was me who separated the Spirit of Apophis from your body. Cheops just held you down which is why I am very grateful. What would have I done if the strong Avatar of Horus did not do such a thing?!" Adrian stated as his acting was on full gear.

"I see. It would make sense that it would be you when your whole body is covered in death energy. Who are you benefactor?" The Goddess Sekhmet stated.

"My name is Equinox, and I am the Champion of the Twin Gods. I want to ask you how the Spirit of Apophis managed to control you." Adrian asked as he knows that is very important information.

The Goddess Sekhmet knew that she must repay her saviors which is why she described how she thought it was possible. Since she was on ice, the Goddess Sekhmet could not fully control her body and soul. She still has control over her soul, but it weakened due to being locked in ice for thousands of years.

The Spirit of Apophis also made use of the long years to slowly get control over the Goddess Sekhmet once it got accustomed to feeding in her energy. The Goddess Sekhmet also described that the Spirit of Apophis started to manipulate some of her memories as well. It even showed her some images of the things outside to tempt it.

The Goddess Sekhmet thought that she would not fall for the tricks of the Spirit of Apophis, but the hold of the serpent was far too great. She did not know but she was slowly influenced throughout the years of being fed on. She was already trapped in an illusion when she was awakened from her long years of being sealed.

"It makes sense since the soul is the core of a being even if they are gods. Manipulating memories using them is the easiest thing once they have access. As expected of the Distorted God Apophis' fragment, it might be small, but it is not to be trifled with despite its size." Adrian stated.

"I am actually surprised that it was only able to achieve something like that despite having thousands of years. One would have been overtaken already but it just means that the Goddess Sekhmet has a very powerful soul." Levin Cloud added.

"Being praised for having a strong soul by beings acknowledged by the Twin Gods is a great praise even for a goddess such as I. I thank all of you once again for helping me break free from the control of the Spirit of Apophis. I must also thank the others as well which is why I ask Cheops to escort me to those that valiantly stood against me." The Goddess Sekhmet stated.

"I will gladly do it if the Goddess Sekhmet asks me of it." Cheops replied as he offered his arm to the Goddess Sekhmet.

The Goddess Sekhmet clutched Cheops arms and even sunk some of her claws in it. She is clearly mad that she was kicked but she was not that mad that she would want to harm Cheops to a heavy degree. She most likely just wanted to torment Cheops while she thanked the people.

The Goddess Sekhmet with an extremely exhausted Cheops as Adrian told her that she must now meet with the Sun God Ra. The Goddess Sekhmet suddenly perked up as she did not expect that the Sun God Ra has truly been revived as that was her lifelong dream. She was the sword of the Sun God Ra and a sword without an owner is merely decoration.

Adrian talked to the High Priestess Estet about relocating the Spirit of Apophis and she agreed. The High Priestess Estet would keep appearances that the fragment is still at her temple though to confuse the enemy. In fact, the Goddess Bastet as well as the God Horus descended on their respective avatars once more to greet the Goddess Sekhmet.

The Goddess Bastet, God Horus and Goddess Sekhmet combined their powers to create a powerful seal on the Spirit of Apophis. They made it so that the Spirit of Apophis would not be detected by Apophis himself unless it is extremely near it. They also created a fake one that radiated a close copy of the Spirit of Apophis.

"The preparations are complete on our end. The Shadow of Apophis will not be able to know the difference unless it is extremely near the temple. Please keep the Spirit of Apophis sealed in the Temple of the Sun as we do not want the serpent to descend." The High Priestess Estet stated as she handed over a golden box to Adrian, but he passed it to Cairo instead.

"You should handle it since you will be the one in charge of protecting it in the Temple of the Sun." Adrian stated as he did not want to carry that burden since he is already full of things he needs to think about.

"Let us now move to the Sun God Ra as I am very excited to meeting him. It is your way of repaying me for the roughhousing earlier." The Goddess Sekhmet stated as she seems to have known of what happened earlier thanks to Cheops.

"It was Cheops that suggested that though as he said that the body of a god is very sturdy." Adrian stated as he just twisted the words that Cheops said before the battle with the Goddess Sekhmet.

Chapter 1452 The Apophis' Vessel

The forces of the Shadow of Apophis could only retreat in shame as they were driven away from getting the other fragment. The Shadow of Apophis is at its weakened state which means it would take at least a month for it to recover back its new body. The Shadow of Apophis is now only five meters in length even with the aid of two other fragments.

"This must not continue! I must find my vessel immediately." The Shadow of Apophis stated as it hissed at its followers.

"We have already started the search, my lord. We have been scouring the entire western continent, but the vessel seems to be lost. We have searched every city and slum, but the piece of your scale does not react to anything." A member of the followers of Apophis stated.

Seeing that nothing was fruitful, the follower's head suddenly blew up and his body made a thud as it fell to the ground. The other followers did not even blink as they saw their representative die as another just went up to replace him. The eyes of the followers did not even show any remorse or fear as they were even shining since that follower was killed by their lord itself.

The vessel that the Distorted God Apophis is talking about is a child born from its former avatar and its power. The vessel would have been ready, but the Distorted God Apophis was split into two and its other half was separated into fragments when the Sun God Ra fell. The Distorted God Apophis also lost contact with its vessel as her avatar died.

Still, the followers of Apophis were able to uncover in a buried tablet that the blood of the serpent lives on. The child of the Avatar of Apophis managed to live and procreate but they do not know what the state of that child is. All they know is that there is a proper vessel for the Distorted God Apophis somewhere in this world.

"If I may speak, master." One of the followers stated.

"Speak." The Shadow of Apophis stated.

"What if your progeny is not in the western continent? There have been desert bandits that sold children into slavery to other continents back then. Your current vessel might be in another continent as we speak." The follower of Apophis stated which made the Shadow of Apophis praise her.

"You might be correct, my follower. Just because I am bound in the western continent does not mean that my vessel will be the same as well. Come and receive my blessing." The Shadow of Apophis stated as the follower came close to the Shadow of Apophis.

The Shadow of Apophis then sprayed its follower with some sort of liquid which made the follower scream in ecstasy. The follower of Apophis suddenly started to shed her human skin as scales started to grow from her body. A few minutes later, the follower of Apophis suddenly fully transformed into a humanoid serpent being that has the properties of the Shadow of Apophis.

"Thank you for the gracious blessing, my benevolent god." The follower stated as she is now a different race called Apophica.

The Apophica race is different from the serpent beast men as they look more like nagas as they no longer have feet. The lower body of the female follower has fully turned serpentine while her upper body is that of a woman with a snake head. Unlike Nagas that can transform their upper body, the Apophica race's appearance is permanent.

"Send word to all of my followers to find my vessel. Take as much of my scales that you have scrapped earlier. Tell the Followers of the Dark Gods as well about this information and tell them that I will award the ones that find my vessel. Whoever finds my vessel will become my own champion." The Shadow of Apophis stated.

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Quest Name: Find the Vessel of the Distorted God Apophis

Quest Difficulty: S

Quest Description: The Shadow of Apophis wants to have a fitting vessel in the mortal realm so that it must not create another physical body. It wants to use the chance while it is regaining its strength to find the descendant of the Avatar of Apophis. Find the vessel of the Distorted God Apophis and you will be rewarded for your loyalty.

Clear Condition: Find the Vessel of Apophis and present it to the Shadow of Apophis.

Clear Reward: Earn the Title of Champion of Apophis and a hidden job class.

Failure Condition: Unable to present the Vessel of Apophis to the Shadow of Apophis.

Failure: Lose 1 level and favorability from the Distorted God Apophis.

Duration: 90 days or until the Shadow of Apophis is still alive.

Restriction: Only Followers of the Dark Gods can accept this request or players that have sworn allegiance to the Distorted God Apophis.

Note: Only one person can get the rewards and the one that presents the vessel first would be the one that gets the clear reward.

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The followers of the dark gods and players that went to the side of the Distorted God Apophis did not even hesitate and accepted the quest. All of them took a discarded scale of the Shadow of Apophis and ran towards the three continents that are currently explorable. Those that left early knew that the quest was hinting at a large clue.

The clue to the quest is that there may be more than one vessel as it is a descendant of the past Avatar of Apophis which means there are many potential vessels. There may be a handful of vessels but that does not mean that searching for them is easy. All of the players that took the mission would have to become a human ancestry expert.

The Shadow of Apophis is ecstatic upon seeing a large number of beings searching for its vessel. While its vessel has yet to be found, the Shadow of Apophis looked at the piles of monsters placed beside it. It started to eat the dead monsters in order to regain strength to recreate a more powerful physical body.

The Shadow of Apophis knew that it cannot fight against the defenders at this state. It needs to search for another fragment to attack since it knew that the Spirit of Apophis would be heavily guarded right now. It already sent some of its followers to search for the entrance to the Temple of Thoth.

"Why have you come, trickster?" The Shadow of Apophis stated as it glared at the looming uneven shadow in the corner of the room.

"Greetings, Shadow of Apophis. I am simply here to see your state and check if you will still be able to hold your end of the deal." A male figure as he suddenly emerged from that looming uneven shadow.

"I know what our agreement is, Trickster Loki. You have awakened me from slumber which is why I am also doing my best in gathering the other fragments to break through the limit. Once I gather

all of my remaining fragments then I can reach the strength of a Greater God even in the mortal realm.

I also know that you aided one of my candidates to sneak inside the Temple of Bastet and get my fragment. You have overstepped your welcome in the western continent as I have told you that awakening the Goddess Sekhmet would be more danger to me!" The Shadow of Apophis stated with a powerful hiss.

"I just wanted to aid you in your complete resurrection by getting that fragment for you." The God Loki stated.

"Help? I know that you are restricting your power trickster which means you cannot actively participate in the happenings right now. If you do so, then you would run the risk of being marked by the world as an elimination target. You would become the current me that will be able to die should your soul be destroyed." The Shadow of Apophis stated as it warned the God Loki to not meddle.

The God Loki made use of his special abilities as a Trickster God to avoid the eyes of the world. He would not be able to avoid it though if he actively participates in the affairs of mortals. The world would recognize him as a threat upon doing so which is why he only manipulates mortals to do things for him as he could be in danger if he acts himself.

"I already have triggered something as I meddled a bit and was noticed by the Champion of the Twin Gods. That baby demon is a real pain in the plans and now he has noticed me which means the world would have a glimpse of me. I will have to lay low for a while which means I cannot help you. This is the reason why I showed up in your hidden area right now." The God Loki stated as he bid his farewells.

Chapter 1453 The Sun And His Warrior

"Are we now ready?" Adrian asked as he was about to open the portal to the Temple of the Sun.

"Just a moment, Champion Equinox. I will need to give my avatar a gift so that she will not be so defenseless the next time someone attacks the temple." The Goddess Sekhmet stated which shocked everyone.

"You have an avatar? If you had one, then where is she?" Cairo asked.

"You are already acquainted with her. Is that not right, Estet?" The Goddess Sekhmet stated as she looked at the High Priestess Estet.

All of the people are shocked to see one person being the avatar of one goddess. In fact, even the High Priestess Estet is shocked upon knowing this revelation. She did not expect that the Goddess Sekhmet would suddenly say that she was her avatar when she is clearly very faithful to the Goddess Bastet.

"It seems that my sister did not say anything about her situation, but the Goddess Bastet and I are twins. My sister is the peaceful representation of protection while I am the aggressive representation of protection. My real title is also that of the Goddess of Protection." The Goddess Sekhmet stated.

"No wonder your soul felt similar to the Goddess Bastet when she descended upon the world. You and she share the same souls which means both of you were one entity. You call each other twins

but the most appropriate term would be split souls." Adrian stated as he now pieced together why the soul of the Goddess Sekhmet is familiar.

"You are correct, Champion Equinox. The Sun God Ra needed more protection back then which is why he aided us in splitting our souls. The Goddess Bastet will resume our duties as the Goddess of Protection that oversees the people while I will become the shield of the Sun God Ra.

The Goddess Bastet and I pull energy from the same followers that she has as we are one entity. This is also the reason why I could harness energy in the mortal realm despite not being praised by the people. In essence, the High Priestess Estet is also my avatar, but you will not be able to wield my powers and the Goddess Bastet simultaneously." The Goddess Sekhmet stated.

The Goddess Sekhmet then gave the High Priestess Estet a boon. Two powerful flaming scimitars suddenly appeared in thin air and became shots of light that entered the High Priestess Estet's forehead. Two golden bracelets suddenly appeared on the wrists of the High Priestess Estet with the mark of the Goddess Sekhmet.

"Use these weapons to call upon my power when you need it. Sometimes, one needs to be part of the battlefield in order to protect those that are important to them. I shall send you my power when you call for me even if I am not there physically." The Goddess Sekhmet stated.

"I am very thankful, Goddess Sekhmet. I am very loyal to the Goddess Bastet though... I understand. I shall keep them." The High Priestess Estet stated as she suddenly changed her mind midway because the Goddess Bastet sent her an oracle.

"You will not be able to wield all of my power as I am still here in the mortal realm, but you will be able to when I ascend. I also task you in choosing a champion for us as this fight with the Shadow of Apophis will need more forces on our side. Choose someone from the people that defended the temple but make sure to test them." The Goddess Sekhmet stated.

"Thank you, my goddess. Your will shall be done." The High Priestess Estet stated as she bid her farewells.

[The Goddess Bastet has proclaimed that the Temple of Bastet shall now be called the Temple of the Twin Protectors.]

[The Temple of the Twin Protectors will worship the Goddess Bastet and the Goddess Sekhmet.]

Two new world notifications were given to the players as the Temple of Bastet is no longer just venerating her but also the Goddess Sekhmet. The existing priests of the Temple of Bastet are also given revelation on how this is possible. New job paths are now available to the players in the Temple of Bastet as well as they are now able to wield weapons.

Adrian opened a portal to the Temple of the Sun and all of them entered it. They arrived at the very center of the temple where the Sun God Ra could be seen floating in the middle near the Sun Disk. The Sun God Ra came down from the air as the Goddess Sekhmet bowed in reverence to her father god.

"You have come, my daughter. Come here and I will ease your pain." The Sun God Ra stated as the Goddess Sekhmet came close.

The Sun God Ra then used some of his energy and directed it to the diamond scarab that is still attached to the back of the Goddess Sekhmet. When the diamond scarab felt the energy of the Sun God Ra, it detached itself without any problems and became a trinket once more. The Sun God Ra then opened a hole in space and kept the diamond scarab inside as that hole led to the treasury of the Temple of the Sun.

"Thank you, father god." The Goddess Sekhmet stated as she can now ignite her body once more, but she made sure to control herself.

"You must have wanted to talk to me, my child. Come and let us have a chat. The rest of you can go and do what you need as I am going to be spending some time with my daughter." The Sun God Ra stated.

"Thank you once again for helping me, brave warriors." The Goddess Sekhmet stated as she and the Sun God Ra walked around the Temple of the Sun to talk.

"It seems that the Shadow of Apophis will not move for now. Let us plan our next course of action but all of you are free to go for now." Adrian stated.

Chapter 1454 New Evolutions For Soulbounds

Adrian told his guild members that they are free to go for now as the Shadow of Apophis will not attack anymore for the time being. They were given teleportation scrolls though as they will be called upon when they are needed. The guild members rejoiced as this is what they really joined the Pantheon guild for and that is freedom.

Most of the guild members scattered as they discovered things when fighting with each other. The loners of the Pantheon Guild might not want to admit it, but they learned a lot from fighting with allies. They also learned a lot of their weaknesses which they departed the Temple of the Sun in order to fix it.

"What about us? I do not have anything urgent to do." Levin Cloud stated as he was not doing any quest for now.

"I am also free." Creepysoo stated.

"Me and hubby are not which is why send us back to the central continent. I will also need to borrow some of our shadow unit." Solstice stated as she was investigating something back at the central continent with Lycan.

"Do not work them too hard, sister. Also, it is fine to complain about her when she is being too much." Adrian stated as he opened a portal and told the members of the shadow unit that they also need to do things on their own.

"Do not worry guild master. The guild advisor may look strict but the things that she tells us to are incredibly fun and helps us a lot." One of the members of the shadow unit stated.

"If that is what you guys are into then I will not stop you." Adrian replied as they seem to enjoy it.

"Have they been broken to the point that they now enjoy torture?" Adrian thought as he did not want to voice his worries out loud.

"I am also stuck here in the western continent as the eastern continent is not even that safe for me." Peridot stated.

"I need to fight another powerful foe as my shield is almost at the point of breaking. I can almost get it to Mythical Tier." Kabrakan stated.

"Maybe you can aid us then. My daughter and I are hunting for a rogue elemental in the western continent." Vayu stated.

"Let us go then!" Kabrakan stated with excitement as him, Vayu, and Soleil took off to find the rogue elemental.

The Evergreen guild and the Briar Rose guild are also off to do their own things as well since they have done their jobs. The guild leaders of the two bid their farewells to Adrian but it seems someone was still left.

"So, what are you going to do?" Adrian asked Frey.

"I do not know for now, but it seems that my goddess has been trying to contact me. Do you perhaps know of an area where the light of the stars is reflected without obstruction?" Frey asked.

"You can use the grand observatory at the second floor. I can lead you there." Cairo stated.

"Can you please help her then?" Adrian stated as Frey thanked all of them.

"What are you going to do then?" Levin Cloud asked his best friend.

"I think it is time for me to search for the materials in evolving my soulbounds. Charon, Dodu and Kimat have all their requirements showed to me." Adrian stated.

"If that is the case then we can help you with that." Creepysoo stated.

"I think I will really need that because we would need to travel to a death realm for Charon's items." Adrian stated.

Adrian saw the evolutions available for Charon and it presented him with two. He did not expect that two evolution possibilities would be available. It actually made him even more confused as both evolution paths for Charon are incredibly great.

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Possible Evolution Path for Charon

1. Dread Overlord
2. Lifeless Overlord

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Evolution Path Name: Dread Lord

Description: A powerful undead that commands fear and dread. It is an incredibly rare undead that is said to have been born from the fears of the living. It is said to be the incarnation of the fear that

the living has for the undead. It emits a powerful aura that creeps up on the surroundings and fills it with dread.

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Evolution Path Name: Lifeless Lord

Description: A powerful undead that commands life and dead. It is an incredibly rare undead that is said to have been born from the resentment of the living. It is said to be the incarnation of the all the resentment that the dead have for the living. Its very presence saps the life out of the area as it emits an aura that make the living suffocate.

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Adrian could surmise that the two evolutions are different beings, but the core of what Charon is about is still the same. An evolution should only be an upgrade of the former form which means that Charon should still have the same skills more or less. He also looked at the evolutions for Dodu as it also gained new evolution paths as well.

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Possible Evolution Path for Dodu

1. Uboth-Sathla
2. Elder Black Sludge
3. Shoggoth

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"All of the evolutions for Dodu are dark and scary sounding," Adrian thought as he looked at the descriptions for each one.

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Evolution Path Name: Uboth-Sathla

Description: A monster said to be born from the mysteries of the unknown universe. It is a huge protoplasmic mass resting and is known as a being of monstrous fecundity, spontaneously generating primordial single-celled organisms that pour unceasingly from its shapeless form.

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Evolution Path Name: Elder Black Sludge

Description: A powerful slime that is said to have the ability to corrode anything in its wake. It is incredibly acidic, but it loses its physical invulnerability as a result.

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Evolution Path Name: Shoggoth

Description: Amorphous creatures composed of a malleable protoplasm, something akin to a colossal amoeba. They are capable of forming whatever organs or appendages they require for the task at hand, although their usual state is a writhing mass of eyes, mouths and wriggling tentacles.

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Dodu's evolution path was decided from the things it has devoured. Adrian thought that it must have fed it too much dark gods as the evolution paths that it got are all monsters called disasters. He did not even know the first type of evolution that Dodu has.

"At least Kimat has a distinct evolution path which will not let me choose." Adrian stated as he looked at the evolution path for Kimat.

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Possible Evolution Path for Kimat

1. Tempest Lodestone Kaiser Tigris

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Evolution Path Name: Tempest Lodestone Kaiser Tigris

Description: A divine beast said to have been lost in the annals of history. It is said to be the center of superstorms that can wipe out continents. It is said that the Tempest Lodestone Kaiser Tigris came to be when the first lightning hit the ground. It is considered a divine beast and an emperor among feline monsters.

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Adrian is happy that Kimat's evolution path is just one, but the requirements are insane since there are eight. Charon and Dodu's evolution only have five requirements for each path, but Kimat has eight. He has expected this as the evolution is that of a divine beast but each item in there is basically something he has never heard of.

Adrian checked the requirements for each of Charon's evolution first. He is confident that he can ask the undead about these items since he is friends with the prince of the undead. Creepysoo could practically help him in getting these items and there are also descriptions for each item requirement.

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Evolution Requirements for Dread Overlord

1. Soulbound must be at least level 250 (Completed.)
2. Soulbound must have absorbed at least 10, 000 souls (Completed.)
3. Soulbound must integrate the item called "Dread Heart". (Incomplete)
4. Soulbound must absorb the energy from an area that is filled with fear and dread. (0% - Incomplete)
5. Soulbound must have the blessing of a Greater God of Death or someone equivalent. (Incomplete)

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Item Name: Dread Heart

Item Description: A heart of a powerful being that is said to have been filled with dread and fear for at least a thousand years. Only undead that have lived in fear and dread can have this heart. It is said that any undead that has this heart is fearful of the living, but their very presence can kill the living.

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Evolution Requirements for Lifeless Overlord

1. Soulbound must be at least level 250 (Completed.)
2. Soulbound must have absorbed at least 10, 000 souls (Completed.)
3. Soulbound must integrate the item called "Soul Devouring Heart". (Incomplete)
4. Soulbound must absorb the energy from an area that is filled with resentment of the living. (0% - Incomplete)
5. Soulbound must have the blessing of a Greater God of Death or someone equivalent. (Incomplete)

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Item Name: Soul Devouring Heart

Item Description: A heart of a powerful being that is said to feed on the souls of others. Any undead that has evolved to contain this heart is said to suck the life essence of everything around it and turning the area into a barren land. It is said that an undead with this heart can absorb the life essence of any being within a kilometer radius.

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Adrian continued looking at the requirements for Dodu's evolutions. Compared to Charon, Dodu has three of them completed requirements which makes it easier for Adrian. He only needs to complete the two requirements for Dodu and it will evolve into the being he desires. The only problem is that he does not even know where to get the items as well.

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Evolution Requirements for Uboth-Sathla

1. Soulbound must be at least level 250. (Completed)
2. Soulbound must have absorbed at least 10, 000 bodies. (Completed.)
3. Soulbound must devour a part of divine being. (Complete)
4. Soulbound must devour the item called "Heart of a Protoss". (Incomplete)
5. Soulbound must have the blessing of a Greater God of Life or someone equivalent. (Incomplete)

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Item Name: Heart of a Protoss

Item Description: The heart of a being that is said to be the progenitor of all life. It is said that they were the first to come alive in the world before humans have been born. It is said that the Protoss

are the blueprint for the humans that are alive now. It is said that they are still some of them that are alive, but no one knows where they are.

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Evolution Requirements for Elder Black Sludge

1. Soulbound must be at least level 250. (Completed)
2. Soulbound must have absorbed at least 10, 000 bodies. (Completed.)
3. Soulbound must devour a part of divine being. (Complete)
4. Soulbound must devour the item called "Acid Dragon King's Heart". (Incomplete)
5. Soulbound must have the blessing of a Greater God of Nature or someone equivalent. (Incomplete)

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Item Name: Acid Dragon King's Heart

Item Description: The heart of an extremely rare dragon that is said to be born once every ten thousand years. It is said that even other dragons do not attack or bother the Acid Dragon King as they release a torrent of potent acid that could melt the scales of even the toughest of dragons. Acid Dragons are also extremely feared by the dragon community which is why they are often killed before they even grow up like the Gluttony Dragons.

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Evolution Requirements for Shoggoth

1. Soulbound must be at least level 250. (Completed)
2. Soulbound must have absorbed at least 10, 000 bodies. (Completed.)
3. Soulbound must devour a part of divine being. (Complete)
4. Soulbound must devour the item called "Everlasting Dark Heart". (Incomplete)
5. Soulbound must have the blessing of a Greater God of Darkness or someone equivalent. (Incomplete)

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Item Name: Everlasting Dark Heart

Item Description: The heart of a devil that is said to have mastered the darkness element but made their magic ran rampant which turned them into a being called the Everlasting Darkness. It is said that they were transformed to this being because of a dark god but no one knows if this is true. If one touches the Everlasting Dark Heart, then they might be trap in eternal darkness for five straight days.

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"Dodu's evolution requirement might only be one item, but I do not even know where to start searching for the items. The easiest would be the Acid Dragon King's Heart but a dragon that rare would be difficult to find as well. Why does my cute slime not turn into a Slime King instead?" Adrian muttered as he looked at Kimat's eight requirements.

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Evolution Requirements for Tempest Lodestone Kaiser Tigris

1. Soulbound must be at least level 250. (Completed)
2. Soulbound must have absorbed lightning filled with divine energy (Completed.)
3. Soulbound must integrate the item called "Lodestone Heart" (Incomplete)
4. Soulbound must integrate the item called "Tempest Core" (Incomplete)
5. Soulbound must fuse the Lodestone Heart and the Tempest Core to create the item called "Storm Bringer Core". (Incomplete)
6. Soulbound must devour five "Eye of the Storms". (Incomplete – 0%)
7. Soulbound must turn its mortal flesh into a divine flesh body. (Incomplete)
8. Soulbound must have the blessing of a Greater God of Wind. (Incomplete)

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Item Name: Lodestone Heart

Item Description: An item that is said to be the heart of the land that draws in the power of lightning. It is said to be an incredible mineral that can be found only in areas that have been bathed in lightning for at least a thousand years.

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Item Name: Tempest Core

Item Description: An item that is said to be formed when there is a special mineral bathed in the power of a storm for one week. This item that is bathed in the power of a storm should then be blessed by three Wind Elemental Kings. It is said that whoever has this item can call upon powerful storms in the area that can even level the land itself.

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"Seeing that the Eye of the Storms is not considered as an item means that Kimat must devour five natural storms occurring in the world by himself. I might not be able to complete his evolution in the month that is needed before the Shadow of Apophis rises once again. The best course of action would be evolving Charon and Dodu as they have the least requirements." Adrian stated.

"I agree because we cannot finish Kimat's evolution even if we are going to help you." Levin Cloud stated.

"We can start with Charon as we can ask the Undead King, my father, about his needed items as he might have an idea about them." Creepysoo stated.

"If you have already a chosen path, what evolution will you choose for Charon?" Peridot asked as she will be coming with them as well.

"Charon's abilities are great for numerous enemies, but he is incredibly disadvantaged when it comes to handling few enemies. I think the path of a Dread Overlord would be better since it gives him access to another means of defeating the enemies. Lifeless Overlord is just an upgrade of Charon's current evolution which is good, but he is limited." Adrian stated.

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Adrian might want to have the Dread Overlord evolution, but he will need to consult first. He wants to know how difficult it is to get the items for each evolution. Creepysoo told him that the Undead King might know how to get those items if he asks him.

"Should we travel to the Undead Citadel then?" Adrian asked them.

"Sure! It is not like we got anything better to do." Levin Cloud stated.

"I am going as well." Peridot stated.

"Let us go!" Creepysoo cheered as he is the most excited out of all of them.

Adrian opened a portal that leads towards the Undead Citadel and all of them entered it. The moment they entered the other side, all of them were surrounded by undead knights as they greeted their prince. Du'an even greeted all of them as he was the one that felt the disturbance in the space.

"Greetings, Prince Creepysoo and esteemed guests. We are very grateful for visiting us since two of you are also important people of our patron god." Du'an stated.

"Thanks for welcoming us but it seems that the guards are a bit excessive." Adrian commented.

"Apologies as all of us are in high alert as some angels suddenly started to wreak havoc in the areas near here. The wraiths are even monitoring the skies even if the sun is up. Undead might tire but night is what makes us even more powerful. Only a handful of special undead could walk easily even during the day." Du'an stated.

"Those angels are going crazy. They even attacked the Temple of the Sun in the western continent. They suddenly spouted some words like they came to enact the punishment of the Goddess of Light Luminaria." Levin Cloud stated as he was in the Temple of the Sun when the angels attacked.

"They were not even that powerful and had to run away from our strength." Peridot stated as she knew that it was only angel players that were sent to attack.

"I was even curious on how an undead angel will revive into a different undead." Creepysoo stated.

"If you are curious about that Prince Creepysoo then you will like the new general that was recruited by his majesty himself." Du'an stated as they entered the audience hall.

Upon entering the audience hall, a new undead was to the right of the undead king. The undead was none other than an armored skeleton with a hood but has black angel wings behind it. It was the undead that Creepysoo was curious about and now he has seen what an angel undead is.

The undead angel even has four wings on its back which means it was from the Second Heavenly Order which is only below the Seven Angels of Light. The fact that a powerful angel was turned

into an undead must have been a big blow to the pride of the angels which is why they are attacking continuously using players.

"Some of the angels cannot be turned into an undead easily as their bodies are filled with the holy energy of the Goddess of Light Luminaria. We were only able to get General Babel because we sucked out the parasitic energy of the Goddess of Light Luminaria from him and turned him into an undead. His contributions have been very nice when it came to swatting the annoying birds flying in the sky." Du'an explained.

"My son! It is good that you have returned but it seems this is not due to you missing me. The Champion and the Envoy of the Twin Gods are present with you which means this is business." The Undead King Arthur stated.

"Greetings, Undead King Arthur. Forgive us for the sudden intrusion as I am in need of your knowledge." Adrian stated.

"If it is my knowledge then the Champion of the Twin Gods is always welcome to borrow it. May I know what you need of me?" The Undead King Arthur stated.

"My undead soulbound, Charon, is nearing its next evolution and I would need to get an item for its evolution. There are two evolution pathways called the Dread Overlord and the Lifeless Overlord. For the Dread Overlord, I need an item called the Dread Heart. For the Lifeless Overlord, I would need the item called the Soul Devouring Heart." Adrian stated but he noticed something different when he paid attention to the people he was talking to.

All the undead in the audience hall was shocked to hear the evolution paths that Charon has. The Undead King Arthur suddenly burst into laughter as he could not contain it as well. It seems that the Undead King Arthur has already expected that Charon was a special undead when it first saw it. The Undead King Arthur did not expect that the evolution would be that special.

"Did we hear correctly about the evolution paths that you said, Champion Equinox?" Du'an asked just to be sure.

"Yes! The evolutions are Dread Overlord and Lifeless Overlord." Adrian repeated.

"Amazing! Maybe we should have the undead knights train under you!" Du'an stated as he also started to laugh with the Undead King Arthur.

"Uhhh... can I know why you guys are laughing? Is the situation funny or something?" Adrian asked.

"We are sorry, Champion Equinox. I just find the situation very funny because the undead that you have mentioned are undead that are considered as Mythical Figures where even demigods are needed to fight them. An Overlord is a different tier of undead because I am one myself." The Undead King Arthur stated which shocked all of the players and even Creepysoo.

Adrian was speechless upon learning that the Undead King Arthur was an Overlord as well. Adrian suddenly felt very nervous and would have started to sweat if he could do it inside the game. The fact that only five requirements are needed for each evolution meant that the item needed must be incredibly difficult to obtain.

"Can you explain what an Overlord is as I thought that it was just a race description?" Adrian asked.

"Take me for example, I am a Death Overlord. Overlords are a special tier of undead that have mastered their claim on death itself. Just being an overlord also makes other undead of lower tier bow to you. You can view it like the bloodline suppression of dragons but for undead instead." The Undead King Arthur stated.

Adrian's mind is suddenly blown away by that description because he was told that Charon's evolution is basically considered as a mythical tier evolution which is equivalent to divine beasts. He is now dreading the fact that the items that he will need for Charon and Dodu are basically Mythical tier items as that might be hinting to their evolutions.

"Then... do you have an idea where the items that I need are located?" Adrian asked the question, but he was praying for an answer that was easy.

"The two heart items that you mentioned are actually items that can be taken by defeating monsters of myths." The Undead King Arthur stated, and Adrian's heart sunk.

"Can you be more specific... please?" Adrian added as he does not know what these monsters are.

"The Dread Heart can be taken from a Mythical Tier monster called the Dread Mansion. It is an undead monster that is born from the fears of living beings. It is a monster that came to be when a very unfortunate thing has happened to a house.

This monster is very elusive as the Dread Mansion itself is an entity that can only be spoken of in myths. I remember when I was still alive and the Champion of Death. Me and my compatriots had to destroy that monster and it was the most frightening time of my living life." The Undead King Arthur stated as he reminisced of those moments.

"What about the Soul Devouring Heart?" Adrian asked.

"The Soul Devouring Heart can be taken from a monster called the Soul Sucking Leech." The Undead King Arthur stated.

"Is the Soul Sucking Leech an actual leech?" Adrian asked.

"I am sorry. I must have said that word wrongly. It is not Soul Sucking Leech but Soul Sucking Lich. It is a monster that looks like a crawling humanoid undead which has three arms and three legs. It is also very blind, but it can sniff out the most delicious of souls.

I can even vividly remember the time when I saw one when I was living. It almost sucked out the soul out of my body. It was such good times." The Undead King Arthur stated.

"So... which one is the best one to fight against?" Adrian asked.

"If I am to choose for you then that would be unwise. You can just fight them both as we have reports for location of those two monsters. The only problem is that we only have the general area, and they are guesses at best." The Undead King Arthur stated.

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"You know the areas of mythical tier undead?" Adrian asked in shock.

"Of course, we do. The God of Death has tasked us to be the ones to monitor the undead that are popping out in the mortal realm since we do not have the ability to summon the Gods of Death in

the mortal realm like you. In fact, the God of Death Abaddon is telling us to tell you that you should train that summoning skill of yours." Du'an stated.

"No, thank you. I already have a lot on my plate. So... where is the location of the two mythical undead?" Adrian stated as he did not want to do something troublesome of maxing a powerful skill just to make sure that he summons gods of death.

The last time he did that made him weaker for a week which is why he does not want it. He already finds it troublesome as some powerful existences are already paying attention to him. If he can just casually summon gods of death to the mortal realm on a whim, then he would have the attention of all the gods.

"A mortal that could summon gods casually is never a good thing. I might do it when I become a Noblesse but an Arch Demon doing that would just be inviting trouble." Adrian thought to himself.

"I guess you are already swamped with many responsibilities as you do clean up the missing souls when you have the time. The other undead in our army did say that they have seen you making sure that the souls of the perished reaches the afterlife." The Undead King Arthur stated.

Just like what the Undead King Arthur stated, Adrian barely has enough time to do things as he would get missions of aiding lost souls to the underworld. He does it every time the emergency quest pops as he feels sorry for the souls and the rewards are 5% experience points which is great for him at this level in the game.

"We have the general area of the two mythical tier undead, but we are not entirely sure if they are really there. We also do not know the strength of the two mythical undead as we are only basing the sightings in the rumors and supposed stories of survivors." Du'an stated.

"Any information would be great at this point." Adrian stated.

"The Dread Mansion is supposedly located at a place in the northwest part of the central continent near the Dregville Village. The residents there have stated sightings of a mysterious house that lures unsuspecting travelers inside it. Even the locals in that area have made children unable to go outside the city in fear that they will be eaten by this monster house." Du'an stated.

"What about the Soul Sucking Lich?" Levin Cloud asked.

"The Soul Sucking Lich is said to have shown itself in the eastern part of the continent where there was a battle between the Blackthorn Kingdom and the Emerald Kingdom. Reports of an undead that appears and vanishes in a mist that saps the energy of anyone inside have been given. That is usually the first sign of a Soul Sucking Lich, but we do not have solid evidence that is the undead you need." Du'an stated.

"Thank you. That information would be enough for me to follow." Adrian stated.

"Also, if you happen to see different mythical undead then please report it to us. With the increase in the actual level that the world can handle, lots of powerful undead that has never been seen could be wreaking havoc." Du'an stated.

"I also thank the champion in advance as you are also doing our part of the job for the God of Death Abaddon. The recent actions of the angels have limited our movement as they seem to see our

undead comrades as target practice. If I could only move away from the Undead Citadel, then I would have made their castle in the sky crash down." The Undead King Arthur stated.

The Undead King Arthur cannot move away from the Undead Citadel for a large period of time because he is also the heart of the place. The undead can respawn thanks to the Undead King Arthur as he is a Death Overlord. He is the reason why the undead race NPCs are not permanently dead compared to other important NPCs.

This special boon also has restrictions though as the Undead King Arthur will have difficulty in getting other powerful undead NPCs to be under his banner. Of all his powerful subordinates, only one new undead has been added and that is the Undead Angel Tron. The core power of the undead are the players which are still growing but at a slow pace.

"Should we spit up?" Adrian asked as they were now outside of the Undead Citadel.

"Do you honestly think that we can handle a Mythical Tier undead with just two of us? They are almost at the level of a demigod, and we are not at that level yet." Levin Cloud stated.

"True!" Peridot stated as she gave a thumbs up.

"Which one do you want to do first then? Haunted house or haunted mist?" Adrian asked.

"I vote for the Dread Mansion first. It has more solid information compared to the Soul Sucking Lich that has no accounts of witness." Creepysoo stated but he actually just wanted to see a haunted mansion first.

"I also think that we should go with that as we have a place in question already. We can just ask the locals about the events." Peridot stated.

"Whatever you guys want." Levin Cloud stated.

"Let us change our forms first. We are not sure if the villagers there are even welcoming us if we are not humans." Adrian stated as all of them used polymorph.

Since Adrian does not have the coordinates of Dregville Village, they had to go there the old-fashioned way. All four of them teleported to the skies but not one of them is screaming because of the height. Creepysoo thinks it is fun while Levin Cloud has already grown numb to it after a certain point. Adrian could remember the images of his friends screaming in terror as they were about to plummet to their dooms.

"Good times." Adrian muttered.

"Dude, what are you spacing out for? We are almost there." Levin Cloud stated via the party channel.

"Sorry. I was just reminiscing of the past." Adrian stated as he controlled gravity and all of them gently descended to the ground.

Adrian noticed that his control of the forces of Arcane Magic has become much smoother ever since the return of Paradox. He asked Paradox about this feeling, and it told him that his mastery of understanding increased because the latter increased as well. Paradox is connected to his soul which means any increase in power from Paradox is also an increase in power for Adrian.

"How should we proceed with the search?" Creepysoo asked.

"Levin Cloud and I would be searching the nearby forest while you two will go to the village and ask the people." Adrian suggested.

"Sure. I have no problem with that as I cannot see the souls of the dead anyway. I would be better asking the living." Peridot agreed as she knew that Adrian and Levin Cloud have special senses for souls.

"I also want to search with you, but Sis Peridot needs someone with her so that she does not pummel anyone there." Creepysoo stated as he got a fist to his head.

"Report to us on what you guys will get in the village via the party chat. We will also call you guys if we see the Dread Mansion or any other mythical tier undead." Adrian stated as Levin Cloud nodded.

Creepysoo and Peridot walked towards the village slowly as they could feel that the atmosphere here is quite heavy. They did not want to just suddenly barge inside a village located in deep woods. Levin Cloud became leaves as his whole body integrated to the soil.

Adrian summoned Sirius, Charon and Wisteria as they were the ones more suited for searching a forest. Sirius did not even waste any time as he integrated in the shadows and searched at the farthest reaches of the forest. Charon became invisible and searched the middle part of the forest where Sirius will not be able to handle.

Adrian summoned Wisteria by his side in order to alter him of the changes inside the forest. Du'an has warned them that Mythical Tier monsters will have some abilities to alter their surroundings to fit their needs. Wisteria is needed beside him in order to tell Adrian whether things surrounding him are actual trees and living fauna.

Adrian even listened to the Undead King Arthur's story about his whole knight squad being sucked inside a Dread Mansion where they were trapped for a week. They did not even know that they were already trapped until they realized that death was all around them.

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"Is there something wrong?" Peridot asked Creepysoo as both of them have finally reached the village.

"Its nothing. I think my nose in the real world might be itching or something." Creepysoo stated as he felt something unnerving when they entered the village, but he got over it as it was only a slight moment.

Peridot and Creepysoo reached the village, and they could see that it was already quiet. There were not many villagers roaming about and even the children have adults escorting them. They were also a bit wary of Peridot and Creepysoo, but they were not entirely ignored.

"Excuse me... can we ask you something?" Peridot asked the stall owner of a potato shop.

"It seems that you are not from around here. The atmosphere is bleak because of a monster menace lingering around the forests. Even adventurers like you are not coming to our quaint village because of this. Fortunately, some of the hunters that live here could still get some game, but they cannot go outside when it gets dark." The potato stall owner stated.

"What happens when it gets dark?" Creepysoo asked.

"The whole forest becomes something that kills indiscriminately. We had to go to bed the moment the sun goes down as we fear that coming out in the streets itself is dangerous. If I were you, you should already book a room at the inn before it gets dark." The potato stall owner stated.

"If you are in trouble then why are the churches in this village sending request for help?" Peridot asked as she knew that churches would definitely send aid when a place that they have a physical church is in trouble.

"Do you think that they did not try? The Church of Light priest has already sent a letter detailing the hardships of everyone here. The main church has sent their aid, but we saw them dead outside the village when morning came. The other smaller churches here tried but their aid ended up the same as they all arrive before dawn." The potato stall owner stated.

"When you mean all of them end up dead, do you really mean all of them? Did anyone witness the way they died?" Peridot asked.

"We did not witness it because we are already too scared to even peek out our windows. The fact that they died when no one even heard screams means that a powerful monster is lurking about. Some in the village wanted to leave as well but we also found them dead on the very next day.

We just learned to cope with being stuck here until a demigod or something aids us. I also pity the both of you because you are also trapped here unless you have a way to escape like the other adventurers that passed by here. They ripped a piece of paper and they suddenly turned to light and vanished from their spots." The potato stall owner stated.

"They must have gotten a teleportation scroll. If some adventurers passed by her then someone must have posted it on the forums at the very least." Peridot muttered.

"Is there a Church of the Twin Gods here?" Creepysoo asked.

"There was a Church of Life here, but the priest has already died two years ago and now it is empty. It is a good shelter though and adventurers that pass by that do not have money often sleep there." The potato stall owner stated.

"Has anyone seen the monster? We might be able to defeat it or at least scare it away so that all of you will not be hold up here in your village." Peridot stated.

"I have not personally seen it, but you can ask the others. You can ask the inn owner as they are usually the ones that have all the information in the village." The potato stall owner stated.

"I see. Thank you for your help. We appreciate it very much. Please have this for your troubles and accommodating our questions." Creepysoo stated as he passed one gold coin to the potato stall owner.

"My! You are rather generous! Heed my warning and book a room at the inn immediately before it gets dark. I would not want you to be killed by the monster." The potato stall owner stated as he waved goodbye to Peridot and Creepysoo.

"Did you feel the same thing that I felt during that conversation?" Peridot asked.

"I did. All the circumstance in the village seem to align perfectly on a monster that cannot be seen but is extremely powerful. To make it even more unbelievable, the monster does not let any villager escape unless they can teleport. Even the help that was asked from the outside were all dead and found outside of the village." Creepysoo stated.

"What bothers me the most is that he was not even unnerved by the fact that they are trapped here. As if he already accepted his fate at the hands of the monster." Peridot stated but she suddenly saw that Creepysoo is being weird.

"Why are you suddenly becoming shiftier?" Peridot asked.

"I have this feeling like I am being watched from all angles. It is very unsettling as I do not like this feeling. This is the same feeling I felt when I learned that the wraiths were all hiding in my room to guard me." Creepysoo stated.

Peridot scrunched her brow as she did not feel the same thing that Creepysoo feels but he was more familiar with this feeling. She did not dismiss the things that Creepysoo experiences without a doubting. She knew that the Prince of the Undead would be more sensitive to the gazes of undead compared to her which suddenly sent alarm bells ringing in her head.

"This is bad! We need to get out of this village. Hurry!" Peridot stated as she suddenly grabbed Creepysoo's hand as she suddenly made a realization.

In fact, Peridot did not have this realization on a whim, but she was already investigating the entire village as soon as she entered it. She used a spell called Tracing Wind and sent a gust of wind to sweep the entire village to see the overall layout. It was only when she received the information back and Creepysoo's remark that she knew that they needed to get out.

Peridot grabbed Creepysoo's hand and transformed herself into her Ryujin form as she needs to get out as soon as possible. Creepysoo did not expect that Peridot would suddenly do such a thing, but he cannot complain as she looked panicked. If there is one thing, then that would be to trust a woman's intuition.

As if something reacted to Peridot's emotions, the whole village suddenly became dark as if night immediately has fallen. Peridot and Creepysoo suddenly felt creeping fear in their bones. Even Creepysoo felt it and he was an undead which are known to not know fear. A wave of darkness suddenly crashed on both of them just before they reached the village entrance.

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Adrian and Levin Cloud scoured the forest for about an hour, and they covered all of it. The forest outside the village was not even that large but they could not even find any trace of the Dread Mansion. They rendezvous back to the area they were at the beginning to see if they can get a reaction.

"Did you find anything?" Adrian asked.

"Nothing. I only saw monsters in the forest, and they were not even that powerful to begin with." Levin Cloud added.

"The forest is not even eerily quiet which means the Dread Mansion is no longer here. Could it have gone to another place?" Adrian stated.

"I do not know but the Undead King Arthur stated that the Dread Mansion will not move locations easily as it is not a mobile undead. It would integrate itself to an area first as it grows by feeding on the emotions that it gives to its victims." Levin Cloud stated.

The Undead King Arthur had told them that the Dread Mansion is not an undead that likes to feed on the living completely. He said that the Dread Mansion would rather lure visitors inside its abode and use illusions to sap the fear in them. When the Dread Mansion has absorbed a lot of negative energy then it would evolve into another being.

Adrian asked the Undead King Arthur what the evolution of a Dread House was, but the latter does not know. Even the Undead King Arthur is afraid that an undead monster like that is already akin to a world ending disaster. If a Dread Mansion were to evolve into a Transcendent type being, then it would be equal to a demigod, but monsters are often more powerful than humanoids.

Just as Adrian and Levin Cloud were about to contact Peridot and Creepysoo, the two of them suddenly felt the powerful energy that fluctuated in the direction of the village. The two of them did not even need to speak as they hurried to the village.

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[Your party member, Peridot, has entered a special space and cannot be contacted.]

[Your party member, Creepysoo, has entered a special space and cannot be contacted.]

Adrian and Levin Cloud rushed to the village, and it was no longer a village. The whole area has turned into a field zone with a looming dark castle at the very middle of it. The Dread Mansion was not located at the forest because it has already swallowed up the village and the villagers inside of it.

"Master, a special barrier has swallowed the entire area. Going inside in a different area is deemed to be impossible unless we use 90% of your mana to destroy the space itself." Paradox reported as it has already analyzed the barrier surrounding the village.

"Master, even my shadows cannot penetrate the barrier as there is no gap." Sirius reported.

"I cannot phase through it." Charon added.

"It seems the only way that is not a hassle would be to enter the village entrance that is left open just for us." Adrian stated.

"So, we are basically just walking to our enemies without a plan for a sneak attack. I guess we must have grown a lot of confidence. Let us just hope that Peridot and Creepysoo are doing fine." Levin Cloud commented.

Adrian and Levin Cloud entered the gates of the village as they know that the fight with the Dread Mansion will start the moment they step inside. They made sure to be ready upon entering as they might get attacked the moment, they took their first step inside. Both of their figures vanished the instant that they stepped foot in the village entrance.

[You have entered the special space called the Dread Village.]

As soon as Adrian and Levin Cloud entered the village, their bodies vanished on sight as if they were sent to another world. The peaceful looking village scene returned as if the dark looming village was just a figment of one's imagination. It was as if the village itself waited for the two to enter before vanishing from the eyes of the outside world.

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Peridot and Creepysoo were immediately transported to the space of the Dread Village as they were swallowed up. They could use teleportation scrolls, but this was the reason why they came here in the first place. They needed to find the Dread Mansion, but they found a different entity called the Dread Village.

The village itself became dark and decrepit as all the people that were walking were actually undead. The fact that even Creepysoo's eyes were deceived meant that the undead responsible for such a space is definitely powerful. Even the potato stall owner that they talked to was actually an undead that hanged out and sold rotten potatoes.

[You cannot contact your party member, Equinox.]

[You cannot contact your party member, Levin Cloud.]

"We are isolated. We cannot contact the big bros." Creepysoo stated as he tried reaching out to both Adrian and Levin Cloud.

"That is the least of our problems because we need to deal with that." Peridot stated as she saw tombs grow out of the ground.

[The first wave of undead shall rise from the graves.]

[Number of enemies to be defeated: 50]

"Can you deal with undead even if you are one?" Peridot asked as she knew that Creepysoo needs monsters that are recently killed to create other undead.

"The great thing about an undead that serves the God of Death Abaddon is that we are undead that has mastered killing other undead. Even the holy churches that hate undead cannot defeat us in making the dead rest in peace." Creepysoo stated as he summoned his undead knights.

[You have summoned your undead knight, Don Quixote.]

[You have summoned your undead knight, Robin Hoodie.]

[You have summoned your undead knight, Mummie.]

[You have summoned your undead knight, Voodoo Marie.]

[You have summoned your undead knight, Frankie.]

"Empower the dead with the might of the gods of death! Hymn of the Dead!" Creepysoo stated as he used a spell using the Necronomicon.

[All undead that serves you will have 20% increased attack damage.]

[All undead that serves you will have 20% increase defenses.]

[All undead that serves you will have 15% increased movement speed.]

[All undead under you will have their attacks be enchanted with death attribute miasma that deals 10% of their total damage for ten seconds.]

[All undead that are under you will revive once when they die in battle at 50% health.]

"Since you are that excited about the battle then let me help you as well." Peridot stated.

"Earthen Armor!"

"Flaming Aura!"

"Aqua Ring!"

"Wind Blades!"

[Your party member, Peridot, has imbued Don Quixote with four different buffs.]

[Your party member, Peridot, has imbued Robin Hoodie with four different buffs.]

[Your party member, Peridot, has imbued Mummie with four different buffs.]

[Your party member, Peridot, has imbued Voodoo Marie with four different buffs.]

[Your party member, Peridot, has imbued Frankie with four different buffs.]

[Your undead knights are buffed with Earthen Armor. All of their defenses will increase by 15% and will receive a defensive barrier that absorbs 10% of their maximum health.]

[Your undead knights are buffed with Flaming Aura. They will radiate a flaming aura that deals 0.05% of the enemy health per three seconds. If any unit buffed with Flaming Aura is hit by a physical attack or deals physical attacks, they have a 5% chance of inflicting Burn on the enemy.]

[Your undead knights are buffed with Aqua Ring. They will restore 5% of their health every 10 seconds for twenty minutes. Doubled when the weather is raining.]

[Your undead knights are buffed with Wind Blades. They have a 5% chance of releasing wind blades that deal 1% of the maximum health of the enemy when they attack.]

[Your undead knights are afflicted with four elemental buffs but are in harmony with each other.]

[All buffs will be increased by 5% due to Elemental Harmony.]

"Clear the first wave before the other boys get here. If they come, then we will not have fun." Peridot stated as she also created clay golems.

"Roger! All knights! Go and rampage to your heart's content." Creepysoo stated as only fifty zombies were the enemies that came out in the first wave.

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[You have entered the outskirts of Dread Village.]

[Defeat the enemies that spawn for five waves and you will be able to advance.]

[The first wave of enemies is spawning.]

[Defeat 10 zombies.]

"We already have a welcoming party even if we just stepped inside." Adrian stated as zombies suddenly rose from the ground as tombstones spawned in front of them.

"We cannot reach them even if we entered the same area. They must be in a deeper area than here which means this place has several layers of security." Levin Cloud stated as he tried using the party chat once again.

"Sirius, tear all of them to shreds." Adrian commanded as Sirius came out of the shadows and destroyed all of the zombies.

[You have defeated the first wave.]

[The second wave of enemies is spawning.]

[Defeat 20 zombies.]

[You have defeated the second wave of enemies.]

[The third wave of enemies is spawning.]

[Defeat 40 zombies and 10 wraiths.]

[You have defeated the third wave of enemies.]

[The fourth wave of enemies is spawning.]

[Defeat 80 zombies and 20 wraiths.]

[You have defeated the fourth wave of enemies.]

[The last wave of enemies is spawning. Defeat all of the enemies in order to proceed to the next area.]

[Defeat 160 zombies, 40 wraiths, and 1 Skeleton Knight.]

"Kanlaon, defeat all of them with your breath attack." Adrian commanded as Kanlaon released his Genesis Dragon Breath upon the horde of enemies.

All of the enemies died the moment they got hit by the breath attack but that is due to the enemies being level 150. The horde of enemies that they faced was not powerful which made them proceed easier. Adrian and Levin Cloud are now thinking what Peridot and Creepysoo are doing as they might also be facing a monster horde like them.

[You can now head to the next area.]

"Let us go! They might be in the next area." Levin Cloud stated as both of them stepped inside another gate.

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[You have defeated the fourth wave of enemies.]

[Number of waves before being able to proceed in the next area is: 6]

[The fifth wave of enemies will now spawn.]

[Defeat 800 zombies, 320 Wraiths, and 16 skeleton knights.]

"If undead did not tire then we would have been exhausted." Creepysoo stated as he started buffing all of his undead knights once again.

"If I actually used mana for some of my spells then I would have been out already." Peridot stated as she crushed an epic tier gemstone and created a powerful cyclone that ravaged through the enemy horde.

[Two new participants have entered the area. The next wave will be adjusted according to their power.]

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[You can now communicate with your party member, Equinox.]

[You can now communicate with your party member, Levin Cloud.]

"They have entered the same area as us. We can now call them." Creepysoo stated as he bashed a zombie with the Necronomicon.

"Fight more and say less. They will come to our area when they see the spells flying about." Peridot stated as she released ten fireballs towards the zombie horde.

The two of them might be strong but the enemies in this area are all level 200 which means they cannot kill them easily. The undead might not tire but damage piling up cannot be easily restored as Peridot is not a healer herself. She cannot use healing magic towards the undead as she might kill them since the powerful healing magic that she possesses have the holy attribute.

Just as they were about to be overwhelmed by the enemies, a draconic roar suddenly erupted in the area. A fast shadow moved towards the battlefield that sliced up all the enemies that it encountered. A divine bird even descended and released a powerful blast of light that disintegrated undead that are low on health.

[You undead knights have been empowered by the Genesis Dragon.]

[All damage dealt using elemental magic will double.]

"Sorry as we were late." Adrian and Levin Cloud stated in unison.

"Less talking and more killing." Peridot stated as she released powerful spells left and right that decimated groups of enemies.

"Of course." Adrian and Levin Cloud replied as they defeated all the remaining enemies.

[You have defeated the fifth wave of enemies.]

[You have ten minutes of respite before the next wave comes in.]

"Now that we have free time, care to tell us what happened?" Adrian stated as Creepysoo gave the details on how they were trapped in the area they are now.

"I see. The fact that the undead that we are looking for has swallowed a whole village frightens me. Do you think that it has already become a Transcendent existence?" Levin Cloud stated.

"If it has become a Transcendent existence then a world message would have alerted all of us. The fact that a world message is not yet given means that it has yet to fully evolve. It might have started its transformation which is why we must defeat it before it evolves to its last form." Adrian stated.

"It is no longer a Dread Mansion but a Dread Village. The whole undead is basically this village. That dark looking castle in the middle is basically just the main body part like the heart." Levin Cloud stated as he used his eyes to see how the soul of the undead monster looks like.

The whole village is basically covered with the Dread Village's soul, but the 'heart' of the monster is the large castle located at the middle of the entire village. It is also in the inner area which means that they need to defeat all the hordes before advancing.

[The sixth wave of enemies is spawning.]

[Defeat 500 zombies, 200 Exploding Zombies, 300 Wraiths, 100 Banshees, and 100 skeleton knights.]

The whole area is suddenly covered with different undead, and some are even the evolved form of the previous ones. They were able to clear the sixth wave with ease as Adrian and Levin Cloud's magic supported them. Adrian can control the entire area with his arcane magic while Levin Cloud's magic could dissolve weak undead.

[You have defeated the sixth wave of enemies.]

[The seventh wave of enemies is spawning.]

[Defeat 500 zombies, 400 Exploding Zombies, 300 Wraiths, 200 Banshees, 200 skeleton knights, and 1 Death Knight.]

The next horde of enemies spawned but the enemies are no longer disorganized. The Death Knight that has spawned became the general that led all of the undead. The undead were no longer just a mess of monsters that charged towards Adrian's party.

The Death Knight made sure to use formations and tactics as a way to defeat its enemies. The Death Knight made use of the Exploding Zombies to whittle down the health of all their frontline units while made use of the Banshees and Wraiths by having them use ranged magic. Adrian knew that they cannot defend like they used to which is why he retrieved Saena for the time being and summoned Dodu.

"Eat to your heart's content, my gluttonous cutie." Adrian commanded as he knew that Dodu has been very hungry as if it was preparing itself for its evolution.

Dodu did not even needed Adrian's command as it already enlarged itself and started coming down on the enemies like a hungry tide. The exploding zombies that dealt splash damage could not even keep Dodu at bay since they do physical damage. The only beings that could damage Dodu are the Banshees and Wraiths, but Kanlaon made sure to destroy all of them.

In the end, the Death Knight clashed with the Doom Knight Don Quixote. The Death Knight lost as it was not even a challenge for the powerful Don Quixote. They fought like actual knights as they did a duel without the interference of the other undead.

[You have defeated the seventh wave of enemies.]

[The eight wave of enemies is spawning.]

[Defeat 500 zombies, 500 Exploding Zombies, 300 Wraiths, 300 Banshees, 200 skeleton knights, and 10 Death Knights.]

The eight wave is much like the seventh wave but there are now ten Death Knights that led the whole army. Each Death Knight commanded 50 zombies, 50 exploding zombies, 30 wraiths, 30 banshees, and 20 skeleton knights. It was a whole platoon that can deal great damage to any group, and this was tailored to four players.

If Adrian and the others were more in number, then they might be facing twice the number of opponents that they have now. Adrian told all of them that they would need to handle at least two platoons each. Adrian and Creepysoo volunteered to deal with three platoons as they can summon beings.

"I think I can thin the horde though." Adrian stated as he flew to the skies.

"Cascading Realm!" Adrian stated as his Quantum Cascade spell has already reached max mastery and evolved to a new and more powerful spell.

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Skill Name: Cascading Realm

Tier: Semi – Legendary

Type: Active Crowd Control Spell

Effect:

- Select a large area that the user can bend the laws of the natural world and create a cascading phenomenon that pulls all beings to the center.
- Deals 200% of the user's total damage in true Damage. (Crowd control can be negated but the damage will still go through.)

Cooldown: 10 minutes

Mana Cost: 1, 000 Mana Points

Cast Time: Varies depending on the user

Restriction: Must have reached maximum mastery over the Quantum Cascade spell

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A powerful wave of energy covered the entire area but the undead did not even react. Adrian already expected this as his control is now covering the whole village itself. It could be said that the radius of effect has already surpassed 10 kilometers. Even Adrian did not expect such a range, but Paradox told him that it only became that large due to it evolving as well.

"Let us call upon their doom then! Vortex!" Adrian shouted as he released a small star from his palm.

The small star rose up in the air and stayed put for a few seconds until Adrian snapped his fingers. The small star exploded and turned into a large black hole while all of the beings in the area felt a strange phenomenon. Adrian tagged all of the undead as targets as the entire realm itself bent to his will.

Levin Cloud, Creepysoo, and Peridot saw the realm itself bend like a crumpled paper when Adrian snapped his fingers. The three of them thought that they were seeing things, but it actually happened as all of the undead even the Death Knights were affected. If Adrian only used Quantum Cascade, then he would have only been able to pick a thousand targets and not be able to sweep the death knights.

The image of a demon relishing the sights of its enemies being grinded inside a black hole could be painted. Adrian even flew using his wings which made the scene even more menacing as he partnered it with a smile. He might look cool with his smile, but one would quiver when they know the reason for it.

"Prepare for the remnants being ejected." Adrian stated as Peridot is already on it.

"I have already prepared the spell. You can look up." Peridot stated as she pointed at the gigantic meteor falling from the sky as she used the legendary tier Meteor spell.

The undead were spat out of the black hole and was smashed to smithereens by the meteor. Only the ten death knights were able to live as the other undead were killed. The ten death knights could only fight with their remaining life as Levin Cloud rained down a powerful holy attribute spell on them which turned them to dust.