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Chapter 351 - Second Job Class Advancement I

Adrian turned into particles of light once more. He reappeared in the same location just a second after. It has already been his thirty first match, but he has yet to succeed. He did almost clutch victory this time when he used his twin dagger psyche armament.

"I am lacking in terms of mastery and skill if I compare myself to the Anubis but there one thing that I have. I need to be cunning and unpredictable. It looks like the Anubis is predicting my every move." Adrian thought to himself as he needed to beat the Anubis in a fight.

"Are you ready for the next fight?" The Anubis asked as it was once again ready for battle.

"Do you guys not have any other form of entertainment around here? I mean we have been fighting for hours but they have yet to leave." Adrian stated while looking at the other Anubises.

"We have shifts depending on the cycle. It is not like we always guard the door to the world of the dead always. Some of us have nothing to do but stand guard just in case someone from the death realms that are designed as prisons were to escape." The Anubis replied.

"I see. So basically, you guys are reserves until it is your duty guarding that door." Adrian stated as he pointed towards the huge looking door in the distance.

"You are correct. The last time that a prisoner from Tartarus escaped was about a few hundred years ago. It took half of us to subdue that prisoner but that rarely happens because the wardens of the prison death realms are good at their jobs." The Anubis stated.

Adrian found the information he gathered rather shocking because he did not expect a being that could overpower one Anubis in Limbo. Then again, Limbo is neutral ground as it is where souls of the recently departed enter upon death to be judge on what death realm they are sent.

Adrian also found this tidbit quite mind blowing because that could mean that a possible enemy that is in one of the prison death realms could escape from Limbo. The giant imposing door in the distance is not only a way in but also a way out. If the door in Limbo was only a way in, then there would be no reason to put Anubises to guard it.

"Let us fight again but wait a bit for sec." Adrian stated and look toward Kanlaon to beckon the latter towards him.

"Perfect Assimilation" Adrian stated as he and Kanlaon combined.

Adrian now looked different from his usual look as he now had a dragon tail and grew an extra pair of cool looking horns that made him look like he is wearing a crown. The other feature that looks cool is his draconic claws that emits a fiery aura on his right hand while the left hand has a frosty aura.

The Anubis did not say anything towards Adrian like he is cheating or that is not permitted. Adrian look told the Cube of Paradox to release the axe psyche armament as it is the one weapon that he thinks would give him the edge. The Cube of Paradox complied and manifested the axe out of thin air in front of Adrian.

Adrian then drank a mana potion to recover the mana he lost as he will need the other psyche armaments in case of emergencies. The Anubis had a look of expectance because it never thought that the current Soul Summoner would be this cunning then again, every person needs to have a little bit of cunningness.

[All skills unrelated to the Soul Summoner Class will be locked.]

[You cannot revive once you are killed during this battle.]

[No penalties will be given upon dying in battle.]

The battle began and the penalties are in place, but Adrian's pre-applied skills did not disappear. Adrian smiled as he was sure that this time, he would be victorious to an extent. He was hoping to push the Anubis in a corner or better yet win.

"If I had thought of this sooner then I would have won." Adrian thought as he charged towards the Anubis with a giant axe in hand.

The Anubis met Adrian's charge and their weapons clashed. A powerful shockwave ensued but Adrian was only pushed back by one meter while the Anubis was pushed by three meters. The Anubis was clearly overpowered which greatly pleased Adrian. Sometimes brute strength can overpower technique which he was aiming for.

"Earth Splitter" Adrian stated as his axe psyche armament glowed red.

Skill: Earth Splitter

Tier: Legacy

Type: Active Cleave

Effect: Amass power into the Axe Psyche Armament and unleash a wave of destructive force onto the ground. Deal 500% of your total attack damage in a four-meter cone in front of you. Deals double damage to structures.

Cooldown: 1 minute

Cast Time: 1 second

Essence Cost: 25 essences

Adrian struck the floor with all his might, but it only cracked despite the huge force he used. The shockwave that ensued still hit the Anubis that made the Judge of the Dead flinch from the damage. Adrian followed up with attacks of his axe to build up his momentum. The Anubis became riddled with wounds and had to resort to using magic once more.

The Anubis once again tapped its spear on the ground which made numerous ghostly hands grabbed for his ankles. The Anubis did not stop with that magic as he swayed his hands and hundreds of locusts came out to swarm Adrian.

Adrian did his best to swat the locusts, but they were far too many and he backed away. Adrian had to use the second skill of the axe in order to blow away the swarm of locusts.

"Whirlwind Axe" Adrian muttered as he started to spin and became a mini tornado that sucked even dust towards him.

Skill: Whirlwind Axe

Tier: Legacy

Type: AOE

Effect: Spin so fast that you become a small twister that sucks in everything in a three-meter radius. You deal 75% of your total attack damage per second during the duration.

Duration: 10 seconds

Cooldown: 1 minute

Cast Time: Instant

Essence Cost: 15 essence

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The locusts got sucked in by the twister that is Adrian and started dying as soon as they are caught. The locusts were only had numerical advantage but were low on health, so they perished once they were stuck inside the twister.

The time it took Adrian to rid of the locusts also made enough time for the Anubis to recover. The Anubis waited for the exact time for it to attack Adrian as it could not just charge in blindly towards the twister that is Adrian.

What the Anubis did not expect is the twister started moving from its location. Adrian took exactly three seconds of spinning to even try moving towards someone. At first, he stabilized his bearing because spinning continuously for just one second would definitely make anyone dizzy.

If the game did not lessen the effect of the dizziness that Adrian is feeling right now, then he would have collapsed two seconds in. The sudden movement of the twister that is Adrian put a halt on the plans of the Anubis to wait for the perfect time to strike.

The Anubis had no choice but to use the crowd control skill that it uses on souls that try and escape from Limbo's door. The bandages that were wrapping the Anubis' body started to entangle and shoot towards Adrian.

The bandages were like boas that tried strangling Adrian, but his speed of rotation was much faster than the bandages could entangle him. Strips of bandages scattered about but those same strips started to bundle up again and shoot towards Adrian.

The bandages slowly but surely are taking their effect as Adrian's speed of rotation started to dwindle. Some of the bandages started to stick to Adrian's body and started to slow him down. Soon Adrian stopped spinning and the bandages finally wrapped most of his body.

[You are stunned for one second.]

Adrian became stunned due to the bandages wrapping him. One second was enough for the Anubis to deal damage equivalent to 30% of his total health. Adrian made sure to counterattack and deal as much damage as he could.

Adrian could now see the effects of his transformation taking a toll on the Anubis. Adrian's attacks were enchanted with fire and frost. He may not be able to use the dragon breath because of the restriction but the passive enchantments were very welcomed.

"My opponent is at 40% health while I am at 53% health. I need to at least bring the Anubis' health down to 15%." Adrian thought as he finally used the last skill of the axe psyche armament.

"Nature's Punisher" Adrian stated as he jumped ten meters into the sky.

Skill: Nature's Punisher

Tier: Legacy

Type: Area of Effect Damage

Effect: Ascend to the sky and absorb energy from mother nature to imbue the axe with her wrath. Deal 2000% of your total mixed attack damage in an area of five meters. The earth struck will once again explode dealing 1000% of our total mixed attack damage two times with a delay of one second each

Cooldown: 6 hours

Cast Time: 3 seconds

Essence Cost: 50 essences

Adrian's axe psyche armament glowed green with an immense energy imbued in it. Adrian chopped down with his axe towards the ground and the whole arena is enveloped in green energy. The Anubis was not able to dodge because the whole arena was hit so it did its best to defend.

The Anubis summoned a sarcophagus and hid inside to be protected from the initial brunt of the damage. The sarcophagus broke upon the initial hit of the skill while the succeeding explosion dealt huge damage upon the Anubis that was left unprotected.

"Paradox, summon the twin dagger psyche armament." Adrian muttered discreetly as he did not want the Anubis to hear it.

"Soul Seeker" Adrian whispered as he threw the dagger in his right hand.

The Anubis was not able to dodge the dagger due to being blinded by the green burst of light of the final explosion. Adrian immediately became a shadow and reappeared in front of the Anubis as the dagger was stuck in its abdomen. The Anubis tried to dodge but Adrian's skill could not be dodged as it was sure hit once one of the daggers embed on the person.

The Anubis did not bother to dodge anymore as it knows its fate. It is one of the perks of being the Judge of the Dead after all. Adrian saw the Anubis' expression and he was rather disturbed because the Anubis was smiling. The last dagger connected with the other dagger and Adrian finally won the battle after lots of tries.

[You have won the battle.]

[Your skill Perfect Assimilation has ended.]

[Congratulations! You have passed the last requirement to advance to your second job class, Eclipse Summoner.]

Adrian and Kanlaon separated and all his soulbounds returned to the Soul Chamber. Adrian's body then levitated to the sky as new power enveloped him. As a Soul Summoner, Adrian's job class dealt with souls of the dead which made him be considered as a gatekeeper of the dead, but the Eclipse Summoner is different.

The Cube of Paradox hovered over Adrian and broke into tiny pieces. Adrian's weapon was not broken but rather his psyche armaments were finally being imbued with another energy. Adrian's Soul Essence gauge transformed into something different since he was no longer a Soul Summoner.

Adrian's dark colored psyche armament started gaining golden streaks to their overall design. Adrian's little crown that is floating above his head also changed color to a platinum color. Once the psyche armaments changed their color palette, the Cube of Paradox became whole once more and specs of golden light could be seen being emitted from it.

Adrian's job advancement not only affected him but also the world around him as the dark atmosphere of limbo started to form an aurora. This signifies that the Soul Summoner ascended to a greater being that is the Eclipse Summoner. The summoner that sees the balance of all the worlds no matter big or small.

Chapter 353 - Eclipse Summoner

The bright light that suddenly sprouted became the signal that the Soul Summoner has increased his power and ascended to become someone more powerful. Adrian successfully became a Twilight Summoner which is also called the Beacon of Light during a dark sky.

[You have successfully advanced your job class into Eclipse Summoner.]

[The Soul Essence Gauge has been transformed into the Primordial Essence Gauge.]

[You have gained 100 stat points due to successfully advancing your Main Job Class.]

[Your skill Summon: Psyche Armament has been transformed into Summon: Primordial Armament.]

[You have gained the passive skill Primordial Stance.(Sealed)]

[You have gained the title Emissary of Dimensions.]

Adrian allocated the stat points that he has yet to allocate and now his stats looks monstrous.

Name: Equinox

Race: Daemos (Half Asmodian)

Species: Netheros (Greater Demon)

Title: Champion of the Twin Gods, Undead Killer (Expand)

Job: Eclipse Summoner

Sub Job: Scribe (Beginner Level 9)

LVL: 160

Exp: 53.5%/100%

HP: 35,000 / 35,000

MP: 27,500 / 27,500

VIT: 245+105 STR: 355+185

INT: 400+150 AGI: 285+140

DEX: 240+145 END: 244 + 120

Available Stat points: 0

Hidden Stat: Luck +15 Wisdom +35 Persistence +10

Adrian then checked the new title and skill that he received upon advancing his job class.

Skill: Summon: Primordial Armament

Tier: Legacy

Type: Summon Skill

Effect: Reduces the needed essence to use the skills of the Primordial Armaments by half. It also decreases the cooldown time of the ultimate skills of each Primordial Armament by 50%. Can only summon one Primordial Armament at a time.

Cooldown: None

Mana Cost: 6,000 Mana Points

Cast Time: Instant

Skill: Primordial Stance (Unlocks at Level 170)

Tier: Legacy

Type: Passive skill

Effect: Each Primordial Armament summoned will also change the appearance of the Twilight Summoner in order to maximize the effectiveness of the weapon. Additional 20% stat boost will be given to selected stats depending on the Primordial Armament.

Duration: Only active when a Primordial Armament is summoned.

Cooldown: None

Mana Cost: None

Cast Time: Instant

Title: Emissary of Dimensions

Effect: Decreases the mana cost and cooldown of spatial movement skills by 20%. Can forcefully reset the cooldown of one spatial movement skill every 48 hours.

Description: A title given to the Twilight Summoner who guards the realities of the dimensions so that they do not clash against each other.

"Why do I feel like that I will be assigned more troublesome things from now on?" Adrian thought but he was snapped out of his deep thought because the Anubis congratulated him.

"You have bested me, Champion Equinox. This just proves to show that you are now much more capable and could handle much bigger responsibilities for the future." The Anubis cheered.

"Thank you very much for the praise but I best be going now as I have other things that I must do. Mainly trying to find a way to become an Arch Demon." Adrian replied but only whispered the last sentence.

"Take this then, Champion Equinox. It will react when we ever need your help with something. Sometimes there are crafty souls that escape and possess the living." The Anubis stated as he gave Adrian a jackal figurine.

"I will get rewarded for the jobs that you will assign me, though right?" Adrian asked but the Anubis only smiled at him and pushed him to a door that manifested behind him.

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Adrian did not expect that the Anubis would not even dare reply to him and just threw him away to a dimensional door. He was returned to the Paradox Planes where he was before going to Limbo. The only thing different is that everyone is in high alert.

The guards immediately came close to Adrian in order to check on him which did not really happen ever. He was curious why the guards suddenly became active but that only meant that something was amiss.

"Do not tell me someone managed to breach the Paradox Planes?" Adrian thought the worse situation possible.

"You! Please wait to be inspected." The guard shouted as they came close to Adrian.

The guard then brought out an odd-looking stone that looked like a dark sky filled with stars. A bright light flashed that enveloped Adrian's whole body. The guard then looked relieved when nothing peculiar happened after Adrian was blasted by that odd light.

"Can I know why everyone seems to be in high alert?" Adrian asked as this was the first time that the Daemos Corps were actively searching.

"A Cosmie has been spotted by one of the elders earlier today." The guard replied.

"A Cosmie?" Adrian asked as he was not familiar with that type of entity.

"They are like cute looking small hamsters that have fur that shine like the stars and eyes that glimmer like galaxies. They are usually one foot in height." The guard replied.

"From the description that you gave me, it sounds like it is not that big of a deal." Adrian stated as the description sounded harmless.

"It is not those things that are dangerous but the predators that feast upon it. It is the favorite food of the Cosmic Ligers. It being here would mean that a Cosmic Liger is nearby following after it or it could follow the scent of the Cosmie and end up here in the Paradox Planes." The guard stated with a serious tone.

"Cosmic Ligers. Now that would be much more troublesome due to their cunning and voracious appetite." Adrian stated but a few seconds later a rift formed just above him.

The rift in space opened and a golden eye peered upon it. The rift then opened to a size of five meters. A figure then escaped from the rift and landed on the Paradox Planes with a thud. The entity that fell then sniffed the surroundings and roared out loud to declare its presence.

"We are too late! It has followed the scent here!" The guard stated as he and the others surrounded the Cosmic Liger that came to the Paradox Planes.

"Kyuuuh!"

A sound of a small critter could be heard which Adrian immediately took notice. He looked behind him and the stone a few feet away from him started to move. He then used his evil eye to see the camouflaged entity.

Monster: Cosmie

Level: 200

"Holy! Who would have thought that a small looking thing like that is high leveled?!" Adrian thought as he noticed that Pann suddenly coming near him.

Chapter 354 - Origin Of Summoning Magic

Due to Pann coming towards him, Adrian could more or less guess what happened here. Pann was not the type to trouble himself with the job of other people unless he was somewhat involved.

"Bessy! Scare the cute little cat away please." Pann stated and a huge Cosmic Cetacea showed itself above the Paradox Planes.

Monster: Cosmic Liger

Level: 250

HP: ??? / ???

MP: ??? / ???

Description: A creature that looks like an enormous liger but share no common blood with actual ligers. It is born from the playful whim of the universe. Using its claws, the cosmic liger could tear a rift in time and space to hunt for its favorite food which is the Cosmie.

"Saying that a level 250 monster is cute would only be possible to that old man." Adrian muttered.

Bessy made a low toned pulse cry that seemed to threaten the Cosmic Liger as it roared in reply. The Cosmic Liger became rather timid once Bessy appeared and it became tense. It was now deciding to pursue its dinner or suffer the wrath of a higher order cosmic monster.

Cosmic monsters are very rare due to their nature. Pann told Adrian that they do not trust others easily as they are birthed by the universe, so they do not know the warmth of others. Adrian himself wanted a cosmic monster as a soulbound but Pann told him to dream smaller.

Pann said that it was more likely to be hit by lightning than to encounter a cosmic monster. The statement that Pann made about the chances of finding a cosmic monster made Adrian give up because the old man also stated that they are far more powerful than the current him.

Cosmic monsters are born from the energy of the universe thus some monsters are just their stand-alone entity. It also means that they are born powerful and, in an environment, where only those that can adapt survive. Outer Space is not as forgiving as anyone would think. Adrian knows that because Ascalor brought him there.

After a growl of indignation, the Cosmic Liger that has the fur reminiscent of a starry sky finally decided to leave. It swiped its claws at the air and a rift in space happened. The Cosmic Liger entered that rift and left without doing any damage as it knew it was outclassed.

"So Cosmic monsters really do have the starry sky body pattern." Adrian stated as he picked up the cowering Cosmie and handed it to Pann who happily received it.

"Thank you, brat. At least, you are useful for something." Pann stated while the guards were dumbfounded as the old man just left and headed back to his ranch.

"Are you not going to ask the old man for an explanation? I am pretty sure that he is the one that brought that Cosmie here." Adrian asked but not one guard acted interested.

"I am sorry to say this young man but the Old Man Pann really scares me. Us if we are going to be very specific. I am actually in awe that you could even have conversation with him without unconsciously bowing?" Th guard replied as they went back to report to Elder Bronx of what really happened.

"I better go and ask Pann about what is happening to Charon. A system prompt stated that his evolution has finished but the mischievous bugger cannot be summoned yet. The devs already replied that it is not bugged so that can only mean that I need to find an alternative solution." Adrian thought as he followe Pann to his ranch.

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"So, what is the important thing that you want to ask me about? It better be worth my time as I need to find build a house for my new cutie right here." Pann stated as he tapped the head of the Cosmie.

"I really want to ask why you want to adopt that cute but danger magnet Cosmie but I have more pressing concerns. My undead soulbound cannot be summoned as it evolved inside the Soul Chamber." Adrian stated with defeat.

Pann did not ask anything but he peered into Adrian's very being which made the latter shudder. This was the first time that Adrian felt how powerful Pann really was. No wonder the Daemos Corps do not want to ask the old man.

"It seems to be in a state of hibernation due to not being able to digest the energy it ate properly. You would need to help it yourself and enter your Soul Chamber." Pann stated but that only made Adrian have more questions than answers.

"What do you mean help Charon by myself? Or enter my Soul Chamber? Is that even possible?" Adrian asked Pann as he is the closest thing to a Summoner NPC that he knows.

"Summoners of this age might not know it, but summoners back can access the special place called the Soul Chamber when the most powerful summoners were alive. Only summoners that are close to the peak could access it. With your strength now, you are more than enough to go there." Pan replied as he fed the Cosmie with moon rocks.

"So that means if I enter my Soul Chamber then I could help Charon? How do I do that anyway? What is the Soul Chamber exactly anyway?" Adrian reflexively asked.

"You should know this because your predecessor was the one who invented Summoning magic. Have you not ever wondered why Summoners could use Soul Arts that only those that can utilize energy from the death realm use?" Pann asked Adrian but the latter was more shocked by the new information.

"Your previous class Soul Summoner is the core reason how Summoning Magic came to be. Your predecessor mixed elements of Soul Arts and Spatial Magic and watered it down so even those that have no talent for arcane magic could use it.

The big downside is that their magic circuits in their bod will be dominated by summoning magic. This would mean that they could not master other magic to their pinnacle forms. You do not have that downside though because your body could already handle Origin Magic and you are the successor of the original summoning magic." Pann stated which blew Adrian's mind even more.

Chapter 355 - Soul Chamber

The details about the origin of summoning magic made Adrian glad because that means that his job class is special. It would also mean that it is highly unlikely for another summoner to be the same as him. Some job classes are basically just offshoots of the base class with just different specializations.

"What I am really curious is the Soul Chamber? How would I be able to go inside it?" Adrian muttered but Pann finally answered him.

"You should be able to easily visualize it because you have been in your subconscious before. Except this time, you would enter in another door because the Soul Chamber is located at the magic circle that is carved in your heart." Pann stated.

"I see. Thanks for the tip old man" Adrian stated as he waved Pann goodbye, but the latter was not finished with the former.

"Do you need something, old man?" Adrian asked but what was really on his mind is, "Do not tell me that this old man will ask for a compensation."

"Do it here." Pann stated.

"Do what here? I cannot believe that you swing that way, old man. Scary!" Adrian stated in a joking manner, but he whacked in the head. Adrian was hurt a lot but only one health point was deducted from him.

"I see. It is imperative to hit master when his joke is not funny." The Cube of Paradox suddenly stated which made Pann's attention shift to it momentarily.

"Interesting ego weapon. Never show that to that eccentric blacksmith or else he might dissect it. Now as for you..." Pann stated while his gaze intensified towards Adrian.

"Fine. I will meditate here. Just do not let one of your babies to distract me as I can easily get disturbed." Adrian protested.

"I am only telling you to meditate here because you will need someone to guide you. I will be your guide so that nothing goes awry. You do not want to suddenly get a heart attack due to making a mistake." Pann stated as if he was doing Adrian a favor but the latter really knows what the former wants.

"You just want to see the new form of my soulbound." Adrian grumbled.

"It is not like Life Eaters evolve in the wild. You are actually quite lucky to even get one. Most undead would either kill it or absorb its power to become powerful. The Lick King did not become a Lick King suddenly you know. Now no more word and get to meditating. The faster you finish then the quicker I can return to my duties." Pann stated in a grumbling tone.

"Duties my butt. You are the most leisure person here anyway. Even the Elders do not like to question you." Adrian thought as he would get in serious trouble just by muttering it.

Adrian then sat cross-legged and inhaled and exhaled deeply. Pann then started to guide Adrian on properly accessing his Soul Chamber.

"First, you must place your soul weapon near your heart. In your case, that weird thing must float near your heart. You will have to channel your will at it because a soul weapon acts as a conduit between you and your soul chamber." Pann instructed.

"Do not call me weird, old man." The Cube of Paradox stated but the strong glare from Pann made it immediately float near Adrian's chest.

Adrian then started to channel his subconscious mind to the Cube of Paradox and closed his eyes to concentrate more. Adrian's dark vision suddenly shifted to that of being inside a room. Pann knew that Adrian has successfully entered his subconscious because the greater demon started floating in mid-air while meditating.

"It seems that this brat is more intuitive than he looks. He can easily enter a meditative state in a few seconds. It just goes to show how strong his mentality really is." Pann stated as he told Adrian to proceed through the door if he can see one.

Adrian then looked around and saw a pale looking door that has a mirror. He went in front of the door and came face to face with the mirror, but his reflection did not show. He even stared into the mirror, but he could not see anything.

"If you see a door, it will mean that it leads to your heart, but it would not open. You need to be open to seeing through your real self in order to enter that door. I do not know how to assist you in doing that as only you yourself can unlock it. You will be on your own when you enter that door." Pann instructed and he no longer said anything else after that.

Adrian is in front of the door and is now wondering on a way to open it. He was never really that kind of person to easily open his heart as he is rather introverted himself. He kept to himself more rather than telling people of his worries as he believes that one's own problem should be solved by oneself.

He then tried to remember his talk with his inner greater demon. The inner greater demon stated that they are a manifestation of Adrian's thoughts which crept him out and amazed at the same time. Adrian then touched the mirror as he remembered his fight with his inner greater demon.

Adrian closed his eyes and if he opened it then he would have seen his inner greater demon smiling back at him in the mirror. Before Adrian could open his eyes, the door opened with a creak and he was led to a hallway with four doors of different designs.

The first door that he saw was a door with a wolf sigil that seems to be emitting a black aura. Adrian touched the door and could feel the power of the shadows that he is somewhat familiar with because of Perfect Assimilation.

"This must be Sirius' room. I am curious but helping Charon right now would be my priority. I would visit each one of them when I have the time." Adrian thought as he moved to the next door.

The second door is decorated with a dragon sigil and is made of frosted glass colored red and blue. The left side of the door emitted frosty aura while the right side emitted a fiery aura. Adrian could obviously see that this door is Kanlaon's due to the blatant elemental design.

"The Festival of the Dragon King is almost upon us, but I have yet to see where the dragons are living. I should prioritize that next while searching for the world boss, Fenris." Adrian thought as he proceeded to check the next door.

The next door is rather charming and peaceful to look at. The door had a white bird sigil that is standing on a sturdy tree branch. The door also emitted a peaceful aura that calmed the soul.

"This should be Saena's door." Adrian thought as he just touched the door and proceeded to the last door.

The last door that is in Adrian's Soul Chamber should be Charon's, but the sigil of a cute skull is not there. The door is blank as it was not decorated with anything, but Adrian could feel the energy of death from the door. Adrian pushed open the door and was greeted by a dark world.

The room that Adrian entered is dark because even his night vision could not penetrate to it. Adrian then started to look wander inside the room as nothing would be done just by standing there. He looked back and saw that the door that he entered was no longer there.

"It seems that finding and helping Charon would be the only way out from here." Adrian muttered as he searched for Charon.

After wandering for about an hour, Adrian felt that he was going nowhere and not even a sign of Charon could be seen. AS he was finally started to give up, Adrian suddenly heard Charon's cute but creepy giggle. Shadows also started to shift but Adrian was all alone and nothing could be seen.

"Charon! Are you here?!" Adrian started calling out, but the sound of Charon's echoing giggle started to become more distant.

Adrian had no other choice but to move towards the giggle that he heard. Unknown to Adrian that he was getting further and further into the depths of his soul. Adrian's body started to also change as it started becoming his true form.

Meanwhile outside in the real world, Adrian started to release Nether Energy from his body which terrified the creatures on Pann's farm. Pann immediately erected a barrier to stop the leakage of Adrian's terrifying aura. Even he himself is amazed because the energy that Adrian released was not anything that he felt in his lifetime.

"This kid really does have a bunch of surprises but whatever is observing him is rather troublesome." Pann stated as he felt someone or something looking at Adrian when he released his terrifying aura.

Chapter 356 - Charon Evolves I

Adrian went further and further towards his inner soul. He suddenly realized that he was walking on top of a mirrored floor. It reflected his current form which is now his true form.

Adrian then saw something in the distance that is not pure black. A small child with a hood seemed to be laying on the floor. Adrian could only surmise that it is Charon because there could be no other entity besides it to be present this deep in Adrian's soul.

Adrian ran towards Charon, but its figure started to sink onto the mirrored floor. He ran upon seeing what was happening, but he is too late. Charon's whole body already sunk to the other side of the floor.

Adrian tried breaking the floor in order to free Charon, but he could not do so. The mirror floor that he is standing on is not normal because Charon is on the other side. Also, Adrian's side of the mirror has no black tree looking thing with its branches grasping nine orbs.

The large tree extended its branches to the mirrored sky that is in Adrian's side. Each orb looked like it measured with a height of three meters. Each orb also represented something as a runic character is written in them and at the foot of tree is half an orb.

Adrian is standing on top of this half sphere and he could feel that he is lacking. He does not know why but he was invaded by a feeling of lost. He then received a system notification after a few seconds of having this feeling of being lacking.

[You have yet to activate the other half of the Kabbala. Find the missing half in order to fully become one and different at the same time.]

Adrian then realized that the runic character on the dome is incomplete which means he needs to unlock the other part in order to use its effects. Adrian could only thing that this dark tree that is on the other side of the mirror is due to Nether Energy which is the antithesis of creation or life.

The reason that Adrian is on the other side of the mirrored floor is non-other than being alive. He needed to be dead in order to go to the other side or he needs to access the other half of the tree. Nevertheless, Adrian still tried to reach out to the sleeping Charon.

"Charon! Wake up buddy!" Adrian called out as he tapped the floor.

If Adrian was on the other side, then he would have heard that his voice is muffled. Still, his unrelenting nature paid off as he saw Charon's body twitch. Adrian then started to call out more aggressively and Charon emitted a yawn. Adrian became glad as Charon is finally awake and he could not leave this place.

"Charon! Can you hear me?" Adrian asked and Charon cutely nodded.

"Okay! Come here to the other side! I cannot fetch you there, so you have to come towards me yourself." Adrian commanded.

Charon then tried pushing on the mirror floor but the undead could not travel to the other side. The pair of white glowing eyes then manifested at the very top of the dark tree. Adrian did not notice it because he was focused on getting Charon to come to him.

The white glowing eyes then looked at Charon and the Life Eater looked above. Charon no longer hears Adrian's command because he was enticed by something that was whispered to him.

"If you want power then go towards the sphere marked by the number five." These were the words that Charon heard that was whispered to him.

Adrian saw that Charon floated to an orb with a mark of the number five. He wanted to stop Charon, but his voice could not reach him. Charon then touched the fifth orb and Adrian saw it glowed in a golden light as if saying that someone is inside.

Adrian could somewhat read the runic characters that showed up when Charon entered the orb. He then read it aloud.

"Thagirion" Adrian could somehow remember something of a word like that from past games but he could not remember exactly the meaning of that word.

The white eyes then glanced at Adrian before disappearing as if it has succeeded in what it wanted to achieve. Adrian thought that something bad would happen but nothing of the sort happened. He sighed with relief because he thought that those orbs are dangerous but in actuality; it is the root of his existence as a Netheros.

[Your Soulbound Charon has achieved Spiritual Resonance with you.]

[Your Soulbound Charon wishes to evolve. Will you give some of our energy to initiate the evolution?]

Adrian obviously replied with yes. The Nether energy that was present in Adrian's body started pooling to the fifth orb. Even Adrian's true form started becoming undone due to sheer amount of Nether Energy being sucked towards the fifth orb.

The change was not only present in Adrian's Soul Chamber as Pann noticed that the oppressive energy that Adrian was starting to lessen. Pann also noticed Adrian's paling face because of the sudden decrease in the young lad's energy.

Pan had no choice but to supply Adrian with energy that a Daemos could use which is Origin energy. It might be the same oppressive energy that Adrian released but it would be enough to resuscitate the lost energy. Think of it as someone with O type blood giving blood to another person because no one with the person's blood type is present to be a donor.

The Nether Energy that Charon is absorbing is so great in quantity that Adrian's Nether Gauge did not rise back from zero. This channeling of energy lasted for five minutes but Pann felt like he was giving Adrian Origin Energy for hours.

Adrian is awakened from his meditation only to see that a sphere of Nether Mist is in front of him that is connected to his Cube of Paradox.

"The beauty of evolution!" Pann stated as his eyes sparkled.

Chapter 357 - Charon Evolves II

The sphere of Nether mist is connected to a thin thread of Nether mist that is coming out of the Cube of Paradox. Adrian could feel the effects of this Soul Resonance thing because he could feel Charon inside the sphere made of Nether Mist.

Adrian did not use any words but just kept a close eye on Charon's sphere size increasing. The previous sphere that was two feet tall is now eight feet tall. The Nether Mist also started to condense and started taking the shape of a humanoid.

An intense wave of death energy then scattered throughout the Paradox Planes that even made the elders aware. Even Pann himself was not able to contain it partly being too engrossed in the beauty of evolution. Numerous system notification assaulted Adrian as Charon completed his evolution.

[Your Soulbound Charon is evolving.]

[You are experiencing energy deficiency.]

[You cannot generate Nether Energy for one week due to over draining.]

[Skills that needs Nether Energy as a source cannot be use for the duration of one week.]

Adrian could care less that he cannot use Nether Energy for one week because that is a small price to pay for Charon's evolution. He did not even know that Charon could evolve but even he is reluctant for the latter to evolve.

Charon's Soul Siphon is extremely powerful and useful despite the very long cooldown. Evolution sometimes meant complete change not enhancement and Adrian could feel that Charon's case is the former. He would blame the developers if Charon's evolution were to be crappy because Adrian knew that Charon's Soul Siphon is a broken skill.

Charon's new look started to show as the Nether Mist finally outlines his silhouette. Charon's new form is somewhat odd if it is based on a silhouette because there is a humanoid shape and a large box shape. Pann though opened his eyes in wonder as if he realized something not recorded in history.

"A Lifeless Lord! Who knew they are an advance species of a Life Eater!?" Pann exclaimed in shock but Adrian only tilted his head.

[Your Soulbound Charon has successfully evolved from a Life Eater to a Lifeless Lord.]

[Your Soulbound Charon has achieved the title of Unnatural Calamity.]

[Your Soulbound Charon's Soul Siphon skill has been transformed into Life Siphon.]

[Your Soulbound Charon's Unbothered skill has been transformed into Magic Nullification.]

[Your Soulbound Charon has obtained the skill Soul Keep.]

[Your Soulbound Charon has obtained the skill Incorporeal.]

Name: Charon (Thagirion Form)

Level: 148

Race: Undead

Species: Lifeless Lord

Description: An undead said to be the personification of all that is ugly and wrong about the world. It is considered to be a legendary undead and has only been recorded once or twice in all of history. Nobody knows how they come to existence, but one thing is certain about it and that it is considered a calamity.

This undead is considered to be immune to simple magic or magic without the holy element in its body. It is said that a Lifeless Lord is born when a million dead people do not let go of their resentment.

Adrian is amazed by Charon's new form, but he did like the cute version of his undead soulbound better. Still, Charon's new form looked menacing as it was an undead wraith with a coffin chained to it. Charon is also bigger than before as his height is six feet. Every time that he moves a clatter of chains could be heard.

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Charon's new form hovered above the ground as Nether Mist is released from its wraith robe. Charon's right hand has a chained attached to it that is connected to a floating casket that is three meters big. The cute undead is no more as its appearance now screams undead just from the sight of it. Adrian also checked out the title and skills which shocked him to the point that he almost fainted.

Title: Unnatural Calamity

Effect: All skills that is supposed to be single target will become multi-target while increasing the area coverage of Area of Effect skills.

Description: A title given to an existence that is not supposed to naturally occur but did anyway. Bearers of this title are said to be followed by misfortune but that is yet to be proven.

Skill: Life Siphon

Tier: Legendary

Type: Active Absorption

Effect: Pick a target to absorb the life force and increase your own. The life force regained is proportional to the percentage absorbed. This ability is channeled and will be canceled when the user moves from his position. Drain 0.5% health per second of channeling. Cooldown will only occur after the channeling is stopped.

Cooldown: 30 Seconds

Mana Cost: 50,000 Mana

Cast Time: 5 seconds

Skill: Magic Nullification

Tier: Epic

Type: Passive

Effect: Magic damage will be ignored by the bearer unless the bearer of the skill is hit by a super effective magic skill.

Cooldown: None

Mana Cost: None

Cast Time: None

Skill: Soul Keep

Tier: Legendary

Type: Damage Immunity

Effect: Enter the coffin or choose an individual to enter the casket in order to become immune to any type of damage. The one who enters the coffin could see the outside but cannot do any other type of action.

Duration: 10 minutes

Cooldown: 30 minutes

Mana Cost: 100,000 Mana

Cast Time: 5 seconds

Skill: Incorporeal

Tier: Epic

Type: Active Damage Nullification

Effect: Turns the skill bearer's physical form into an incorporeal one to become immune to physical damage.

Duration: 1 minute

Cooldown: 10 minutes

Mana Cost: 10,000 Mana

Cast Time: Instant

"You really are interesting little brat. This is my first time seeing someone contracted to something considered a Calamity. Granted that it is still weak but that can be resolved to training. You can control it can you?" Pann asked as there are times when soulbounds become unresponsive to their masters if they evolve into a higher order being.

"Charon?! Can you hear me correctly?" Adrian asked but Charon just stood there blankly which made him fear the worst.

"Charon? Are you okay?" Adrian asked as he was ready to seal his soulbound if something awry suddenly happened.

Charon just looked towards Adrian's direction and slowly raised its left hand. Pann thought that Charon would attack its owner, but it only held its left hand in a thumbs up as a reaction. It seems that Charon moved slowly because it took time for the undead to become familiar with its new body. Adrian then burst out laughing as he summoned his other soulbounds so they could greet the new Charon.

Chapter 358 - I Want A Slime

Adrian is extremely happy that Charon has evolved, and he is now more of a magic tanker. Charon has forgone the low health and now its health is in the big enough to become a decent tanker.

"The only thing missing right now is a physical tanker that is immune to physical attacks. The only creature that I know that has physical damage immunity is a slime, but they are said to be extinct due to being hunted because of a misconception." Adrian sighed as he did not know how to get his hands on one.

Adrian actually wanted to have a slime as a first summon due to it being the trademark enemies of beginners in RPGs. He did not expect that slimes were not available in the early game and thought that the beta testers do not have footage of them because they are rare.

What Adrian did not expect to know is that slimes are said to be extinct in a book he read. He also looked at the forums and saw threads saying that slimes are no longer around because it was believed that they are the spawn of a Shoggoth.

The Shoggoth is a dark god that is the condensed filth of the world at least that is what the history books talked about it. Adrian asked the elders about the slimes and they could only become solemn because slimes became villainized due to one dark god.

Ascalor told Adrian that a dark god that lost in the war possessed a slime and managed to become a Shoggoth to enact its vengeance. Since slimes could not talk, the dark god that is mistaken for a slime led to the downfall of all slimes.

Due to misunderstanding that slimes that eat the flesh of a dark god will turn it into a natural calamity, the slimes became a target of extermination. Since slimes have a core in their body, they were easy to kill once magic hits that core. Physical attacks do not work on slimes because of the gelatinous or viscous body that repels kinetic force.

"The only way that I could get a slime would be to do something illegal." Adria thought to himself then he got whacked on the head.

"Brat! Why are you spacing out?!" Pann stated as he has been calling Adrian for the past two minutes.

"Sorry about that. I was actually thinking of what my next three soulbounds should be. I can now have seven soulbounds in total but choosing upon the multitude of monsters in Pandemonium is difficult." Adrian stated as he rubbed the area he was whacked.

"By the way you were thinking deeply, it would only mean that you already have an idea but do not know how to get them." Pann stated then Adrian looked at him with serious adoring eyes.

"Old man, you look so energetic today! Do you perhaps have any idea where I can get slimes? Do you have slimes that you are hiding in your ranch? Maybe, I could get one of you have some?" Adrian asked as he activated his ultra-instinct or 100% kiss-ass attitude.

Pann just flicked Adrian's forehead that made the latter become outbalanced. Adrian landed on his butt due to the gravity shifting. It seems Pann is not a fan of over flattery.

"Sorry to burst your bubble, brat. I do not have them because they were exterminated before I could even save one of them. I was far too busy looking for other rare creatures when the slime extermination was taking place." Pann replied in a grumpy tone.

"Do you think that some slimes may have survived?" Adrian asked in a serious tone.

"If they had then there should have been reports about their emergence should have been circulating. The poor creatures did nothing wrong but due to one dark god possessing one of their own led to their extinction.

You do know that slimes were considered as Janitors of the Forests because they eat any dead material in the forest. The dryads and leshies loved them because slimes made their jobs of maintaining the forests easier." Pann stated while remembering the peaceful times.

"It would not be illegal for me to...you know...go back to the past and get one, right?" Adrian asked hesitatingly.

Pann immediately scanned the surrounding if anyone was listening in on their conversation. Thankfully, no one really likes going to Pann's territory due to his temper. Pann then gave a big smile that is filled with mischievousness.

"You just thought of a great idea, brat." Pann stated with a smile but Adrian shivered at the sight.

"But I was taught that going to the past and messing up the timeline is not acceptable or against our rules." Adrian added.

"It is not illegal or against the rules as long as you do not mess up event of the past or become a prominent figure there. You would have to be quick though as I can only give you an hour of protection from the Gods of Time.

If we asked Koronn then we might increase that to a day because he specializes in time magic, but that brat is a stickler for the rules despite not acting like it." Pann stated with excitement.

"So, you are saying, I should just pop in and out? I will seal a slime and return immediately upon doing so." Adrian asked.

"You would get two slimes. One for you and one for me of course. Seriously, I would not do it for free you know." Pann added.

"Why can't you go? You are more powerful than me anyway." Adrian stated in a panicked tone.

"I cannot do that because the more powerful the Daemos then they would be up for observation by the Gods of Space and Time." Pann stated in a smug tone.

"Why would those gods observe us anyway?" Adrian asked what he was really curious about and he did not like the answer.

"To give us divine punishment of course. Do you really think that our powers hold no consequences?" Pann stated but Adrian could only gulp and try to escape from the situation he created himself.

Chapter 359 - Spelunking In The Past

"Are we seriously going to do this? I mean, those Gods of Time and Space that you keep telling me might get a whiff of my presence in the past." Adrian stated as he tried backing down from going to the past.

"I do not want to know what this divine punishment that I would receive when I get caught. I might get reduced stats for like a year or my character might get erased from existence." Adrian thought to himself.

"Why are you backing down right now? It was your idea! You must gather up some courage and put it into action. Do not worry because I would pull you out before the time, I could shield you from the eyes of the Gods of Time and Space. I say gods but they are more like a machine because they rarely have feelings." Pann stated.

"Why do you mean machine? I met Father time in one of the death realms if I remember correctly. He felt very human." Adrian replied.

"Do you really think that one god could control all of time or all of space? If that was the case, then the dark gods would not have been able to come to our universe if that was the case. There was a god that ruled over time and space, but that god has been forgotten even to us who live forever.

Anyways, I will send you to a time I remember where slimes are plenty. You just have to remember not to interact with anyone in that era. You are also not allowed to summon any of your soulbounds because they are not present in that era per se." Pann stated as he suddenly tossed Adrian towards Bessy's mouth.

"Wait! I have not prepared yet!" Adrian shouted in protest, but Bessy's mouth already closed and all he saw was darkness.

"You will be fine. I think?" Pann muttered but Adrian did not hear it because he was already on his way to the past.

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[You are now travelling to the past.]

[You only have one hour to spend in the past before Pann's protection disappears.]

Adrian is currently travelling to a channel to the past that Pann has already determined. He does not know what to expect when he arrives. He hopes that his Glamour would be enough to make him inconspicuous.

Adrian then looked at the channel he is travelling in and is rather not that amazed. The channel was rather normal and just looked like he was inside of a giant tunnel that had some twinkling lights inside. Suddenly, light assaulted Adrian's eyes which made him close it while his body became so light that it feels like he is floating in space.

[You have arrived at your destination.]

Adrian opened his eyes, and he was inside of a cave. He immediately activated Glamour so that he could better blend in. He did not want to be known as a demon because the Daemos are rather a tight knit community.

Adrian then went outside the cave and is greeted by the rays of light from the sun. The smell of the surrounding is that of a forest as he could smell the scent of musty and fresh leaves at the same time.

"I can do this. Slimes are said to be Janitors of the Forest so there should be some here." Adrian muttered to himself as he prevented himself from releasing his soulbounds.

"If I can use Sirius then it would be a breeze." Adria muttered as he started to crawl and look behind the tall bushes.

After a few minutes, Adrian suddenly heard commotion a few meters away from his location. He decided to check it out stealthily because they might be hostile.

"Soul Form Transformation." Adrian muttered as his body changed to an incorporeal form.

Adrian followed the sound of the commotion that seems to be coming at the center of the forest. A few seconds of floating later, Adrian saw an unlikely group of individuals fighting together. The group that he saw consisted of a human, a dragonkin, and a demon.

The three of them looked like they are in their pubescent age but that could only be true for the human. They are currently fighting a Red Bear which is a red-haired bear that can ignite the furs on its body. It also looks like that all of them are struggling. Adrian wanted to use his evil eye on them to see their stats, but they could perceive the skill being cast on them.

"Since they are fighting the Red Bear, they must only be in the 70s." Adrian thought to himself as he started to walk away until he heard their conversation.

"We came here to exterminate the slimes because we will get one gold for ten slimes killed. We did not come here to fight a Red Bear. This thing does not even have valuable fur or meat because it immolates itself when it is close to death." The dragonkin grumbled as he used his spear to damage the Red Bear.

"Allen told us that slimes are plenty in this forest, but we have been searching for an hour, yet we have yet to find one." The demon grumbled.

"It is not my fault that everyone even farmers started hunting the slimes. They are quite easy to kill if you can use magic. Even basic magic could kill them if you perfectly aim for the core." The human named Allen replied. Adrian's ears perked up when he heard of the word 'slime'.

"It seems that the one-hour time limit is not for naught because I have been directly sent to a place where slimes are plenty. The only troubling thing is that Pann sent me to a time when slime extermination is happening." Adrian thought as he went deeper into the forest as he does not realize that he did not bring the Cube of Paradox with him to the past.

Chapter 360 - Slime Den

"Paradox, can you hear me?" Adrian asked but then he realized that he flung to the past without his trusty weapon.

"That damn old man. I told him that I should have time to get ready first, but he just had to send me here in his excitement. What I am most curious is the reason why the Cube of Paradox is not transported with me. It is a bound weapon." Adrian thought to himself as he searched his inventory for a spare soul glove.

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"Why are you still here?" Pann asked the floating rotating cube beside him then also noticed that Adrian's soulbounds are still left in the Paradox Planes.

"You have successfully sent our master to a wormhole that defies the logic of time and space thus his link with us is not severed despite being flung to the past. Worry not for him as we know that he will survive. We will be immediately transported to his side when your one-hour protection has disappeared." The Cube of Paradox stated which made Pann very curious about it, but he was not that into weapons.

"Whatever. Then all of you will help me in my ranch while waiting for my protection to disappear. Come now. It is better if you are much more useful to me than your master." Pann suddenly shifted back to work mode.

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"I cannot summon my soulbounds nor my psyche...they are called primordial armaments now. I guess I should just use the magic I have at my disposal. Thank God that I can still use Greater Seal to obtain some monsters." Adrian muttered as he went to place where slimes like to gather and that is caves.

Slimes are one of the most mysterious monsters due to their origins. Not many books are written about slimes because they are volatile when subjected to experimentation. Slimes either easily die or suddenly multiplies when subjected to experiments.

No tests of slimes also held conclusive evidence due to each experiment that has been successfully recorded having different results each time. Thus, it was only published that no two slimes are ever the same because they do not move in packs and are more of the lone type of monsters.

"If there is a cave where moss and bacteria grow then a slime would be there. Overhunting is really scary." Adrian thought as he has read that slimes are commonly found in areas like these.

Adrian then suddenly heard the rustling of the trees behind him. He was not alarmed much because he was invisible, but he still decided to hide behind the bush. Adrian noticed that the figures coming out from the rustling leaves were the three individuals that he saw fighting the Red Bear.

"We would have easily killed that Red Bear if Ascalor contributed to the fight aggressively." The human stated with a displeased tone, but Adrian's ears immediately perked up upon hearing the name Ascalor.

"If I made a mistake in teleporting you guys then you would be the ones dead and not that Red Bear. You did see the way the portal I conjured suddenly closed and sliced the Red Bear's arm. That could easily be one of your heads." The young Ascalor replied but Adrian could not bear to laugh silently at the feeble looking Ascalor.

"Anyways, the cave you say that slimes come from are not far from our current location, right?" The dragonkin asked in order to dispel the bickering of the two.

"Lead the way Allen. Do your best not to get us lost." The young Ascalor teased.

"Do not worry. I grew up near this forest, so I know it like the back of my hand unlike some people who just used his magic to do pranks and make other people's life miserable." Allen rebutted.

"I was practicing my magic. Their sudden frightened reaction is not my fault." The young Ascalor rebutted and the dragonkin can only sigh as she pushed the two away from each other.

"More action, less talking." The dragonkin stated as she took charge of the two.

Adrian who was hiding behind a tree heard their conversation and decided to follow the group closely. He did not mind having to pick up the scraps of others. He only had 40 minutes left before he gets pulled back to the present anyways.

"But why does the name Allen sound so familiar?" Adrian thought as he followed the group closely.

The three individuals that Adrian is following were bickering and taunting each other on the way but he could feel the bond of closeness between the three. They might be different from one another, but they understand each other on an emotional level as if they are brothers and sisters.

"Ascalor, how is it with your stalker? Did you already do the deed?" Allen teased while the three individuals started to enter the cave.

"You mean Danaya? I do not know about that crazy dryad that is all over my face whenever she sees me. I do not have the luxury of falling in love anyway. I need to build strength to better protect the world like the other elders of my race did." Ascalor stated in a serious tone which made Allen shut up as he did not expect that reply from the mischievous demon.

"That is good. You must always strive for strength. Other tasks can be done later when you have enough strength." The female dragonkin stated but she had a look of relief written all over her face when she heard Ascalor's answer.

"Damn, the old man...I mean the young man still has the thang even before he was already old. I cannot believe that Elder Danaya was that lovestruck. At least her determination finally bore fruit but what happened with that dragonkin, I wonder?" Adrian thought as he does not know that Ascalor has an acquaintance from the dragonkin race.

The three individuals scoured the cave, but no signs of slimes were seen. The cave is not even that large to begin with as five minutes were all that is needed to traverse it in Adrian's full speed.

"There are no signs of slimes. It seems that others have already beat us to them." Allen grumbled.

"Let us search the other areas of the forest. We must have missed some on the way here." The dragonkin stated as they left the cave, but Adrian could see differently.

"It seems that Allen boy was right. The slimes are here in this cave, but it seems that they are not here in this exact area." Adrian stated as he used his evil eye to search the cave and he found out a mass of souls just below the cave floor that is bigger than the cave area itself.

"I found myself a Slime Den." Adrian said while he smiled in anticipation.