

## Old Gods 72

### Chapter 72: Big Lamb Leg

The appearance of the Bengal cat truly brought a lot of joy to Lu Ran's life.

It would jump into his arms while he meditated,

sometimes cuddling, other times falling deeply asleep.

Occasionally, when Lu Ran felt like petting the cat, it would quickly jump away and keep its distance.

One must say, the cat really knows how to work its charm~

Who knows which heartbreaker it learned this little trick from.

Hmm... maybe it's a natural talent?

The only downside was that the little Bengal wasn't very fond of using the litter box.

However, under Lu Ran's firm but gentle coaxing, the little Bengal had no choice but to comply obediently.

The days of cultivation passed in the blink of an eye.

Time came to Mid-Autumn Festival, early in the morning.

Lu Ran made calls and sent messages to his mother and sister, then, grabbing three knives, he rushed out of the house.

"Huff~"

Lu Ran stood at the entrance of the apartment building, taking a deep breath.

By the end of September, the days were getting cooler.

The trees in the neighborhood showed signs of wilting, their leaves tinged with gold.

On this fifteenth day of the lunar calendar, Lu Ran's presence in the neighborhood naturally made him the center of attention.

From behind the windows of their homes, some residents kept peering out.

This time, however, nobody shouted for Lu Ran to come back home.

At this moment, Lu Ran indeed had the air of a martial artist!

Though he was wearing a school uniform, he stood tall and imposing.

And in his hands, he held no less than three knives.

His seemingly inexperienced face carried a stern aura, matching well with the chilly autumn day.

And it was just that Lu Ran was low-key, without a red band across his eyes.

Otherwise, he would've looked even cooler!

"Sush sush..."

Lu Ran stepped on the dry leaves, listening to the crisp sounds as he walked out of this golden world.

The streets outside the community gate appeared even more desolate.

The autumn wind rose, and the grass turned yellow.

Dry leaves danced in the wind, passing before Lu Ran's eyes, then falling to the ground.

"Damn."

Lu Ran crushed a leaf under his foot, muttering: "Making it seem like a damn funeral procession."

He lifted his head, observing for a while, then walked alone into this sad autumn landscape.

The only thing to be thankful for was that there was no rain today.

Finally, the night moon could be seen.

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Twenty minutes later, Lu Ran arrived at Rain Alley City No. 1 Middle School.

The field was already full of people. Just like on June 15, many Moon Gazers stood on the side of the main stage.

Interestingly, wherever Lu Ran went, the chattering and noisy students quieted down.

People mostly have a herd mentality.

When one area quiets down, other areas of students also become curious and gradually fall silent.

As a result, when Lu Ran found his teammates, the entire field was silent.

The scene was quite eerie!

Lu Ran kept his head low. Not only the students but the teachers and Moon Gazers were watching him.

"Brother Lu, did you advance?" Deng Yutang looked at the hurried Lu Ran and immediately asked.

"Almost," Lu Ran responded somewhat helplessly.

It's a pity,

This time, he couldn't pull it off with a plastic bag...

"No worries," Deng Yutang encouraged, "After the 15th this time, let's go dog hunting again! I guarantee it'll help you advance!"

Deng Yutang was unaware of Lu Ran's deep enmity with the fine dogs.

But the Evil Dog Clan was undoubtedly Lu Ran's lucky star!

Every time he entered Evil Dog Village for training, Lu Ran's combat abilities and cultivation level rocketed upwards like a missile.

"It's also time to check out the New Demon Cave and torment some new Evil Demons," Lu Ran looked at everyone.

Jiang Ruyi quirked an eyebrow and teased, "So you're sure you don't want to hunt dogs?"

Tian Tian, serious-faced, said softly, "We can join you."

"Thank you," Lu Ran smiled, grateful to have teammates who indulged him like this.

Having become Believers, the aim was to encounter as many Evil Demons in the shortest time possible and gather as much combat experience as they could.

Constantly killing dogs, what kind of achievement was that?

Jiang Ruyi nodded slightly: "Alright, let's see where the school sends us next month."

Suddenly, Lu Ran raised his hand.

Jiang Ruyi looked at Lu Ran with amusement, "Speak."

Lu Ran suggested, "How about we go and fight a Soul-splitting Demon?"

"Soul-splitting Demon?" Deng Yutang was surprised, curious about why Lu Ran had chosen this type of Evil Demon.

Jiang Ruyi pondered, "Is there a Demon Cave with Soul-splitting Demons in Wu Lie River Province?"

Lu Ran: "I've checked, there's one north of Jinmen!"

It's just over 300 kilometers from here, an hour by high-speed train."

Jiang Ruyi nodded gently and asked, "Why the Soul-splitting Demon?"

Lu Ran internally cursed his slip-up, his words a mix of truth and lies: "On the night of July 15, the first thing I encountered was a Soul-splitting Demon.

That brute was so wild and forceful, like a damn berserk bull!

The Soul-splitting Demon, like the Evil Dog, is a common Evil Demon on the night of the 15th, which we will always encounter.

I figure, why not rack up some experience with a few more fights against them?"

After speaking, Lu Ran looked to his teammates.

Deng Yutang, as always, was straightforward: "If Brother Lu thinks so, then let's do it!"

What does it matter when we kill? It's just a matter of time sooner or later."

Tian Tian had no objections either, more accurately, she listened to Jiang Ruyi.

Jiang Ruyi, thoughtful under Lu Ran's expectant gaze, softly said, "Watch your language."

Lu Ran: "..."

Seeing Lu Ran's expression, Jiang Ruyi couldn't help but laugh.

Suddenly showing this playful side, and sharing jokes with Lu Ran, Jiang the beauty surely made the rest of the students green with envy!

"Everyone, line up according to your class order!"

On the stage, a teacher's voice rang out.

The four-person team quickly found their place at the end of the senior class (4) line.

"This Night of the 15th, your 12 classes, totaling 96 teams, will be assigned to 12 shelters."

Rain Alley No. 1 Middle School, had once had 100 teams, and there was one team with only three people.

After a summer, students who had transferred or been adjusted had settled down.

"This time, team performance rankings will be by class unit, and the individual ranking method remains unchanged!"

"You must cooperate and fight together, and unconditionally follow the commands of the Moon Gazers!"

"Otherwise, do not complain if the school deducts your Believer points or expels you! Did everyone understand?"

"We understand!"

"We understand!" The student's response was deafening.

Compared to two months ago, the students had significantly improved and naturally felt more confident.

"Very good!" The male teacher nodded with satisfaction, "Before the teams set off, there is one more matter!"

Saying this, he unfolded a piece of paper: "On behalf of Yunshan City's Divine People Bureau, the school would like to commend a student."

This time, there was no need to mention the name. Everyone knew who had earned such an honor.

The male teacher announced, "Senior class (4), Lu Ran, the Immortal Sheep Believer!"

The last four words, the teacher emphasized, making sure everyone heard clearly.

"This student on the night of July 15, accompanied by the Wangyue Patrol Team, properly completed the city defense task."

"Courage commendable, performance excellent, after comprehensive assessment by our bureau, special reward of 30 Believer points..."

Before he could finish, the field erupted into an uproar.

"30 Believer points?!"

"Holy shit, isn't that the full score?"

"I've heard of adding 21 or 22 points, even 10 or 8 points, but can it go up to 30?"

"Not fair! Why him?"

"I've been in the Demon Cave for so long, fighting to the death just to earn 6 summer homework points, and he earns 30 in one night?"

"Shut up. If my Lu Ran can survive, it's worth more than 6 points! That was July 15 after all..."

"Silence!!" The male teacher shouted, quelling the noisy field.

He continued from where he left off: "30 Believer points, one Black Luminous Stone Blade, to encourage further efforts."

"Hope you maintain the momentum and continue to excel!"

"Also, always be ready, as each Night of the 15th, if needed, the bureau may recruit you into the team at any moment!"

As the teacher finished speaking, he looked towards the back of the line where the small team stood.

The field fell silent, and the students had various expressions, quite the spectacle.

Everyone knew of the rarity and value of the Black Luminous Stone.

However, that was just a material possession.

What truly baffled everyone was...

The Divine People Bureau explicitly stated: if needed, they could recruit Lu Ran at any time?

The Moon Gazers were each fiercer than the next!

Why would they need someone like Lu Ran, a mere nobody, in their team?

Wasn't that just a joke?

"Let me remind you," the male teacher said gravely, "Lu Ran's personal Believer points have now reached a whopping 82."

"Evil Dog Village assessment, top of both lists, 20 points."

"June 15 city defense, top of both lists, 20 points."

"Summer homework 6 points, senior year training assignments 6 points."

"Plus the 30 points from this bonus session, totaling 82 points!"

The teacher rattled off each point, pausing for emphasis, making sure every student heard it clear.

The students were overwhelmed, and so was Lu Ran himself!

What's the need?

Why are you reading this out?

If you want to roast me, should I just get on stage and bleat twice?

The male teacher sternly continued, "And our school's second highest ranking student...44 points, Gao Zhonglin!"

For a moment, Gao Zhonglin's expressions were quite a sight!

He didn't know whether to be happy or feel awful...

Jiang Ruyi just shook her head and smiled; her Believer points were 43, not surpassing the Greedy Wolf believers.

Even though she followed the team and consistently scored high, during the first assessment, her personal rank was too low, merely getting the base 3 points.

Looking at it differently, even with one failed assessment, she was only 1 point behind the second-place holder!

Lu Ran indeed was a highly attractive big prize leg of lamb.

And certainly a score-boosting tool!

Jiang Ruyi smiled shakingly her head, while some others felt their cheeks burning with embarrassment.

In the crowd, Ma Tianchuan bowed his head silently.

The former Heaven's Chosen, now didn't even have the qualifications to be mentioned.

Since they had all become believers, various unknown guys had suddenly emerged and stepped all over his head...

"Don't lose heart."

"What?" Ma Tianchuan turned towards his teammate.

Wu Shanshan, usually cheerful, now wore a solemn expression and said softly, "We've got a long way to go."