

Paragon 651

Chapter 651 - 651: The Same Outcome

Klaus stood there, staring at the beautiful redhead who was gritting her teeth through the pain.

The formation wasn't just linking with her skin; it was reaching deep within her soul to open access to her heart.

This would allow her to form a phoenix heart, which is the most important aspect of this process.

So she kept gritting her teeth for close to 10 hours before she finally calmed down and entered a trance-like state.

Klaus, who saw that she had finally entered the transformation phase, sighed and decided to leave.

Since he is the master of the cube, he will be able to see her inside the cube whenever he wants, so he can check up on her over the next few days while he spends time outside the cube.

When he came out, Queenie was standing in front of the cube.

"Where did you send her?" she asked.

"Somewhere she will be safe to complete her transformation," Klaus replied, moving closer to hold her waist. The Overlord didn't object.

"Will she be alright? I mean, she seemed okay when I saw her three days ago, but will she be okay?" She looked worried.

"She will be fine," Klaus assured her.

"I will take her to the moon when the time comes to break through.

This way, she will be far from this place even if something does happen. But rest assured, with me around, she will be fine," Klaus said, making Queenie smile slightly.

"If you don't hold back, everyone will know we're a thing... Not that I would care," Queenie said, feeling Klaus's hand massage her butt.

"You're right. Let's hold back for now. I must get the triplets first before making it public," Klaus smiled.

"Good luck with that. Mother would never agree to even shower with you," Queenie laughed, making Klaus look at her fondly.

The previous out-of-touch Queenie he met in Stone Valley was now different in a way.

She looked much more lively, and it was all thanks to Klaus, who had ensured she was transformed through their nightly activities.

"Where will you go next? All your friends and ladies are in the inner section. You're the only one left here," Queenie said teasingly.

"I will go see the dean, but first, I will check how my faction is faring while I am away," Klaus said, but Queenie smiled.

"All of them are gone on a mission. Only your friends and lovers are left since they chose to wait and train inside the illusions until after you returned."

"Then I will go see them," Klaus said, planting a kiss on her lips before moving toward the door. Queenie watched him leave before she also vanished from the room.

Klaus made his way to the Stairway to Heaven, and after exchanging greetings with the instructor, he climbed up as if it were a normal stair.

"K-Klaus..." The moment Klaus appeared in the inner section, a disciple he knew all too well came face to face with him.

The look on his face said it all—he was terrified of him.

"Hello there, Hunter Duncan. Good to see you're doing well," Klaus said, taking a step forward.

Hunter Duncan, the same brat who had tried to make his life miserable a couple of months ago, was now staring at him as if he were some kind of demon lord.

He had witnessed how Klaus destroyed his family, and that, coupled with the fact that Klaus didn't even consider the ultimate weapon used by the alliance was worth his attention, scared the life out of him.

While Hunter was struggling to find words, his sister, Kate Duncan, appeared along with the heirs of the three great clans that Klaus had destroyed.

"Cat got your tongue, huh? Not that I expected much from you losers," Klaus smirked. He hated them, but not to the point of snapping their necks.

"Klaus, we didn't come here to look for trouble. We just came to tell you that all animosity between us ended when the battle was over.

From now on, we will go our separate ways, and you go yours," Kate said with a calm expression.

Klaus smirked inwardly.

He could tell the heavens were protecting her from his overbearing presence. But he didn't care about that. Now, if he wanted, he could kill her, and the heavens wouldn't be able to do a thing.

"I know you yourself don't believe what you just said," Klaus said with another smirk.

"Let me guess, after the battle, a mysterious figure came to give you an offer you couldn't reject. Perhaps he offered to make you guys overlords overnight if you kneeled to him.

Or maybe he promised to give you a weapon that could kill me." He smirked again, causing a frown to appear on the faces of the five before him.

"Not that I have anything against that. Just know that I have already seen this moment and the moment after, and let me tell you, the outcome is the same every time.

20,543 scenarios where you guys came after me, but it all ended in the same way," Klaus said, looking at the five.

"Kate here died with her neck twisted at an unnatural angle. I just lost motivation to kill her, so I twisted her neck. Hunter died hanging upside down with his spear through his heart.

Again, I lost the motivation to kill him, so I used his own weapon against him. As for you three, Zaid Nabil died after having all his arms and legs severed and used to stab him through the heart.

Kim died after staring into the face of despair for a few seconds. As for you, Ricky, I don't know how it happened, but your death occurred before the battle.

Perhaps it was a misunderstanding between teammates. But all the same, you died, and it happened before the 20-second battle.

"Now, think about this and go back to your benefactor.

Tell them I know they exist, so they should do well to develop something worth fearing. Until then, you all should know that in 20,543 battles against you five, it didn't end well for either one of you."

Klaus laughed and walked away.

Chapter 652 - 652: Met with Pals

The scariest thing in life is your enemy, knowing every move you will make even before you make them.

That is dangerous and horrifying at best. Nobody should know your every move, not even your loved ones.

So, for Klaus to know everything about Hunter and his team is just terrifying. They couldn't understand how a person could know something so secret about them—it was utterly shocking.

During the battle in Union City against the Alliance, Hunter and his team, who witnessed how Klaus was slaughtering the Alliance, began making their way back home to save their families.

However, on the way, they were stopped by someone who told them there was no use going because, by the time they reached there, Klaus would have long since ended the massacre.

Instead, he offered to elevate them to the ranks of Ascendents and provide them with weapons and skills they could use to kill Klaus later.

It was a sweet offer that anyone would fall for.

All they had to do was swear their loyalty to him. Of course, he proved his capability by showing them something akin to a vision.

The vision showed them standing over Klaus, his mother, women, friends and their loved ones' dead bodies.

This won them over, and the five accepted his offer, thus beginning their wait for the moment they would be contacted.

Naturally, their announcement that they wouldn't be looking for trouble with Klaus anymore was just a ploy they came up with to buy time in case Klaus came after them.

They never truly, in their hearts, wanted this to end so simply. They just want the public to know they are now backing out from the fight.

In a way, it was them buying time for themselves until they could stand against him and his pals. Their goal was to stay alive, and they succeeded.

Klaus didn't come after them.

But never in their wildest dreams did they think he would ever know something this secret—and, in a way, even sow animosity between them.

In truth, Klaus just lied, saying he knew they had a benefactor who was planning on making them powerful enough to go against him.

He said those words merely from the fact that he knew they were still looking for ways to come after him. He expected them to appear during the battles in Union City, but they didn't.

So he wanted to rattle them a bit. But who would have thought there was some truth in what he had said?

This was the most shocking thing that had ever happened to them.

Klaus, who had succeeded in making them chase their tails, made his way toward a certain pavilion where his friends were seated and discussing something.

"So instead of training, you guys just choose to laze around," Klaus said, approaching them.

"Klaus!" they shouted.

They all turned toward his direction. "How are you here? You left Ross City less than 4 hours ago. How are you here already?" Lucy asked.

"I flew over," Klaus replied, taking a seat between Anna and Lily.

"You flew? Sister Ohema's plane would take 5 hours even if it flew at top speed. Don't tell me you bought a combat jet," Lucy asked again, hearing him say he flew over.

They all knew how far Ross City was, so how was it that he was already here?

The only explanation was that he used a combat jet. That was the only way he could move that fast and arrive at the academy in less than 4 hours.

Klaus has always wanted to buy his own jet.

"You don't get me. I flew using my wings, and it took me 2 hours and 15 minutes to get here," Klaus said, making the ladies and gentlemen around him look at him weirdly.

"You're joking, right? Not even a Sovereign can fly that fast. In fact, even a Transcendent would need close to 4 hours to get here. Ross City is far, you know," Anna said, but Klaus just laughed.

"Kathy can do it in under 2 hours," he said.

"Yeah, she is an Ascendant, so it's natural. But you are just a Great Sage," Nia said

"I am special, I guess." Klaus smiled, but Klaus chose not to bother explaining anymore.

They will know how fast he can fly when they see it. For now, they can only assume he was messing with them.

Klaus didn't know how it happened, but after awakening his lightning elements, his speed skyrocketed.

But that wasn't all; he could now use the Lightning Source diagram to turn the wings solid and even change them.

He learned this from Knox, his second incarnation.

Of course, he only used the solidification abilities of the diagram, but if he were to change the wings into that of a different breed of winged beasts, he would have arrived much faster at the academy.

"So, I was told you ladies are the only ones left in the Yin-Yang Palace," Klaus asked, changing the topic.

"Yes, the faction leader took them on a mission a few days before we arrived. We wanted to go meet them, but we had to wait for you first," Lucy replied.

"I see. The Moon Borns will be coming in three days, so relax for now. After they arrive, I will go on a mission. The dean want to give me a special mission before we can go meet the faction."

"Is it your inner disciple trial?" Anna asked.

"Something like that," Klaus replied before turning to Lucy. "Were you able to get Mason to join the palace?"

"When I went to see their faction leaders, they didn't object. Perhaps they are too afraid of you, so they didn't bat an eye.

Also, Mason just asked whether this was a joke, but after I told him you were the one who asked for him to join us, he said nothing and just accepted the offer."

"I have a question though. Why add him when you and he were enemies just a while ago?" Hanna asked.

"Call it destiny, but I want him to be on my team." Klaus didn't want to dive into things just yet. Right now, his memories are coming back, and he can tell Earth is not as it appears.

So he knew a lot would happen, and some things had already started appearing. So, he can only bring those he once fought with together for what is to come.

What are the odds that the people he had in his past life were all now in the same world as him?

'I wonder if he can still be that sneaky bastard who never backed down from a fight. Then again, I will have my revenge on him for nearly killing me on his second try.'

Klaus smiled in his head, remembering Mason's past.

'I wonder how many sworn brothers I had in my past lives.'

He turned and looked at his male pals. He didn't need a genius to tell him that he and Kilian had met one another in one of the many lives he had lived.

The reason was that the sword he awakened looked so familiar in a way that he could tell he had wielded that sword before. So if he is now wielding it, then it means they had met before.

"Where is Mason now?" Klaus asked, standing up. He wants to get things done faster before getting into stuff with his ladies.

Chapter 653 - 653: Do You Believe In Destiny

The Wind Reaper.

That was the name the Uno-Eye Assassin Guild gave to Axel, who tried to kill Fruity three times but ultimately became his sworn brother.

Back then, Fruity had just finished destroying the Ice Nation, but it seemed some people never accepted their loss, so they hired one of the most dangerous assassin guilds to handle him.

The Wind Reaper was the one sent after him.

Klaus had to give it to them; they, indeed, were worthy of being called an assassin guild, for they had carried out some famous assassinations that left galaxies shaken to the core.

But now, sitting under a pavilion with his expression calm but deep in thought, is Mason, Axel's incarnation in this life.

"My dad once said a young man who does a lot of thinking will remain single forever," Klaus said, snapping out Mason, who hadn't even realized someone had appeared beside him of his daze.

"Klaus," he said, not knowing whether to be scared or confused. His expression was shifting in so many ways that Klaus nearly broke into resounding laughter.

"You look funny. Relax, I won't eat you," Klaus said, sitting across from him and crossing his legs while his right hand supported his chin.

Mason stared at him, confused.

"Why did you ask me to join your faction?" he asked.

Before Klaus appeared, his mind had been on many things, and one of them was why Klaus's faction had recruited him.

As far as he knew, he was his enemy, so why then would he ask Lucy to come recruit him? That just doesn't make any sense.

"Before I answer that, why don't you tell me what you were thinking about when I got here," Klaus said, looking closely at him.

He could tell something wasn't right with him, so he wanted to know why.

"It's nothing to worry about," Mason said, but Klaus didn't let him get away with it. Mason was clearly bothered by something, so he pressed, and in the end, Mason decided to come clean.

"It's my family. After I broke up with Madison, they disowned me, but now that you have destroyed the Southern Union Legacy Family, they are asking me to come home so they can make amends."

"It seems they just want to make amends, so why overthink it?" Klaus asked. Though they were dicks for disowning him, they are still family.

"I just don't feel like going back there again. They were the ones who made me start the whole relationship with the Legacy Family in the first place, and now, I think they want that again, but I don't want to," Mason said.

"So they're that kind of family, huh? I guess you don't have to overthink it. You've done enough for them already, so why don't you live for yourself from here onwards?" Klaus understood the kind of family Mason was in.

The gold-digger family.

When you are important to them, they will worship you, but the moment you are no longer of any use to them, they will toss you aside.

He had seen thousands of those missions in his life as Fruity, so he knew just what Mason was going through.

'Some things never change. His family back then was the same. They abandoned him when that demon prince crippled him. Good thing he accidentally inherited the legacy of the Wind Demon King. I wouldn't have met a terrifying warrior like him otherwise.'

Klaus smiled.

"Mason, do you believe in destiny?" he asked, causing Mason to look at him weirdly.

"Everyone has their destiny, that much I know, but asking whether I believe in that... I don't think I can answer such a question," Mason answered, making Klaus smile.

"Then I will ask again. Do you believe me if I were to tell you we were once the best of brothers who fought and watched each other's backs? Would you believe me if I were to tell you that the current you are not the real you?

Would you believe me if I were to tell you that you haven't even tapped into 5% of your true potential? Would you believe me if I were to tell you the current you should be going toe to toe with Overlords?"

Klaus asked, and for a moment, Mason blanked out. But when his reason returned, and he replayed the questions, he turned and looked at Klaus, but he couldn't say anything.

"I wouldn't say anything now. All I can tell you is to spend more time with Lucy and Anna. In fact, go look for them, for from now onwards, you and I are brothers.

Of course, I know a part of you still hates me, but I don't really care. You are a man, so man up and accept reality.

In the coming days, you will start to understand what I am talking about."

Klaus stood up and walked away, leaving Mason to ponder on what he had just said. It all sounded gibberish to him, but one had to admit: Klaus also knows how to offload on people.

But that had to be said.

Right now, he wasn't concerned about Karma.

He wanted to make use of his memories, and since he could remember Anna, Lucy, Mason, and Queenie so far, he would make use of that for now.

Mason, or Axel, was one of the finest warriors Klaus had fought with in the past.

They fought in hundreds of battles, and at every turn, Mason was like the wind, killing with silent yet chilling efficiency.

He was known as the Wind Reaper for a reason.

Right now, something akin to a seed had been planted, and with the keys of reincarnation in his possession, he would be able to start his recovery the moment he awakened his bloodline.

Mason stayed under the pavilion for an hour before going to look for Anna and Lucy.

They were friends and teammates back in Klaus's fourth incarnation, so the chances of them becoming familiar again were very high.

Klaus, on the other hand, made his way toward the Dean's residence. It was time for him to meet his Uncle Monk he missed so much.

Chapter 654 - 654: Reunion With His Uncle Monk

"You are finally here, brat," Old Lu said, sitting under a tree, sipping his tea.

"I am here, Uncle Monk. Looks like some things never change," Klaus said, watching him sip his tea. Fruity's habit of always drinking tea was something he got from him.

He was always sipping on something, regardless of the situation he was in. So, watching him sip his tea, he was more than convinced now that the bald-headed Monk before him was his Reincarnated Uncle Monk.

Old Lu smiled and gestured for him to sit across from him.

Like the monk he was, he sat down and filled his cup.

Old Lu stared at him for a few seconds and smiled.

"So, reincarnation, huh?" he asked.

"Big time," Klaus answered before sipping his tea.

"So, how long have you known?" Old Lu asked.

"Since the moment I saw you when I first arrived at the academy. Though you are now different in a way, I felt a strong attachment to you, so I knew deep down you were my Uncle Monk," Klaus answered, not hiding anything.

"I guess I wasn't crazy enough to think we knew each other back then. Now, it all makes sense." Old Lu sighed.

"But what are the chances that we both reincarnated into the same world? Isn't that weird to you?" Old Lu asked.

"It's indeed weird, but I wouldn't worry about that. The important thing now is that I have finally reunited with my favorite Uncle Monk," Klaus said.

"Ha, I knew it. Back then, you said I was just your Uncle Monk, but I knew I was your favorite," Old Lu said, smiling. Klaus just shook his head, watching his childish nature take over.

But he was happy to see him happy. Though he plans to cause trouble for him later, he can be happy for him for now.

"So, what happened?" Old Lu asked.

"You died to a weakling, Old Man," Klaus laughed, teasing him. Old Lu threw his teacup at his head, making Klaus duck and evade while smiling.

"I know I died, but back then, I was just a Sovereign. Did you really expect me to have the power to defend against an attack from an Ascendant?" Old Lu sighed.

He was one of the few who died so Klaus could live. His death was rather swift, considering when the large hand came from the clouds, they tried to block it.

"Yeah, after you died, I managed to turn things around at the last minute and helped the rest escape to a place called the Ice World," Klaus revealed, causing the bald monk to raise his eyebrows.

"The Ice World? So that place does exist?" He had heard of that rumor back then. He heard the Ice Empire, or as most called it, the Ice Nation, was searching for that world.

It was just a rumor back then, but now, hearing his fellow monks were sent there, he was both relieved and shocked.

"Yeah, it does exist, and that was where I somehow managed to send them before I left Valeria and went to a place called the Tormented World. I lived there for over 60 years and trained really hard before I returned for my revenge."

"How did it go?" Old Lu asked.

"They died like ice statues," Klaus replied, causing his Uncle Monk to smile slightly. He knew Klaus had an affinity for the Three Forbidden Ice, so he wasn't about to assume he was lying.

Anyone who had ever wielded that ice caused great calamities before they were put down.

So he knew Klaus wasn't someone who would grow up into a weakling. That is just not possible.

But hearing that he didn't die for nothing was like the greatest news he had ever heard. His sacrifice wasn't wasted.

If only he knew Klaus came back from the tormented world with seven instead of three forbidden ice elements...He would probably drop on his butt out of sheer shock.

"So, were you able to meet your other Uncle Monks before you reincarnated?" he asked.

Aside from him, many of his Uncle Monks also died. The attack claimed more than 50 of them, but the rest survived.

"I did meet them in the Ice World. But the last time I saw them, some had already left to explore the universe and what it contains. I couldn't meet all of them before I reincarnated, but I wouldn't be worried.

The Ice World is a godless world, meaning they are not under the heavens, so no matter what, if they are still alive, then one of these days, we will be able to reach them."

"That will be great then," Uncle Monk said, sipping his tea.

"So, what are your plans now?" he asked again.

It was good to hear about the things that happened after he died. So far, Klaus had said nothing suggesting he was unhappy or life sucked for him back then.

From what he said, his life was pretty good back then. But now is a different time; he must have a different agenda.

Uncle Monk knew Klaus was a Paragon even before he awakened the Forbidden Ices. This was because long before Klaus appeared in their lives, there was a prophecy.

So he knew Klaus's current life was no different from back then. Of course, he wasn't about to say it out loud for fear of the heavens retaliating.

"Right now, I plan on creating a team that can help me clear all the dangers of this world before the awakening. If we want to have a shot at coming out alive during the awakening, then Earth must become free of internal dangers."

"That is actually why I called you here. After I recovered my memories, I found out this world hadn't awakened yet. This means we are in danger, but I know you will understand, so I have started making plans.

The various factions will be assigned special missions to start major campaigns against some of the Forbidden Zones and the Badlands.

But I don't want them to enter the extremely dangerous ones. So I was waiting for you to come.

Based on what I know about you, do you think you can lead a team into Tier 8 and 9 Forbidden Zones that even Transcendent warriors wouldn't dare to enter?" Old Lu asked, not even realizing how ridiculous it sounded.

Sending a Great Sage into areas where Transcendents would hesitate to go. That just doesn't make any sense, yet he knew Klaus was capable and could do it.

"I don't mind at all. This will allow me to awaken their bloodlines and help them grow much stronger for the Badlands." Klaus smiled.

His plan was the same thing the Old Monk was thinking about. He will enter the dangerous, forbidden zones, where he plans to gather materials for his perfect warrior's projects and train his friends.

This will allow him to awaken their bloodlines, too.

"This reminds me, I have the [Wrath of Vajra] and [Buddha's Palm] techniques in their full forms now. Do you want me to teach them to you? I know you've always dreamt of learning those two techniques."

"Are you kidding me? Teach me fast," Old Lu beamed, causing Klaus to smile happily.

He was indeed very happy.

Chapter 655 - 655: Klaus is Happy

The awakening of a world is simply the world facing a great catastrophe that cannot be easily overcome. This was like a trial of passage where, if you survive, your world will be added to the universe.

The current earth has yet to become part of the universe. So, for now, if it were to be discovered by an alien race, they would call it an Outer world.

But the moment it awakens, it will be known as a True World.

Old Lu had read about this awakening and even heard of it many times in the past, so when he received his memories, the first thing that came to mind was the awakening.

It usually happens within the first 100 years of the apocalypse. Earth is still young in this regard, but he knew deep within that the rules wouldn't apply much this time.

But instead of panicking, he instead started placing all his dreams and aspirations on the one person the Ancient Monks back in the day spoke highly of.

The one they called the Paragon.

He trusted him the most simply because, back when he was taking care of him inside the monastery, he saw something in him that Klaus didn't even know just yet back then.

He saw all of qualities outside this forbidden title he was meant to hold one day. He knew Klaus very well simply because he practically raised him.

Though back then Klaus was mischievous and didn't like doing hard work, he saw something different when his life came crashing down.

He saw how he went from someone merely wanting to see the Ice Princess to someone who rose through the ranks and became a Sage within two years.

He saw how he went from a mischievous, lazy brat to a hardworking monk in just two years.

The determination, the focus—he saw it all.

And so, when he found out the brat he had always cared for was still alive and in the same world as him, despite knowing the Earth could come to an end any day, he knew Klaus wouldn't sit idle and watch.

Even after millions of years, he still trusted him, just like how he trusted him back then.

People like Klaus value their lives more than anything.

They value the lives of the people in their lives, so under no circumstances would Klaus choose to become a weakling while the Earth starts to crumble.

"I found the two skills in an underground chamber when I returned to Valeria. It seems the ancient monks sealed them away simply because of their forbidden nature.

But you always wanted them, and I knew one day I would see you again, so I learned them." Klaus pressed his thumb against Old Lu's forehead and transferred the two techniques to him.

"I don't know how long it will take you to master them, but I will help awaken your bloodline, which will help you grow much faster this time around.

Just keep practicing this for now," Klaus said, making Old Lu smile and nod.

"By the way, were you able to meet your idol again?" Old Lu asked in a teasing tone. Klaus could tell he wanted to tease him.

Fruity had always wanted to meet the ice princess and he did, but it ended rather sadly when it was found out he had a forbidden ice element.

But since he died before their second meeting, he wanted to tease him based on what he knew.

"Jokes on you, old man. I not only met her again, I even married her and spent thousands of years together," Klaus said with a smile.

This caused Old Lu to smirk and ask a question that was on his mind.

"Though the Ice Princess we met back then was older and more beautiful, I can't help but wonder—is the lady named Anna Ross her reincarnation?"

"Yes. Just like you, she has also reincarnated, but she doesn't have her memories yet. Though I planned on helping her recover those memories, forcing it would be dangerous, so I can only let this flow naturally."

"I see. Then I can assume she isn't the only one, right?" Old Lu asked. He is very smart, which is one of the things Klaus likes about him.

Klaus learned many things from him, and one of those things was how to reason.

It wouldn't be an exaggeration to say Klaus grew into becoming a renegade monk simply because of how he was taught to reason by his uncle monk.

So he knew his uncle would connect the dots from just a single reveal.

But while that could be a secret he shouldn't reveal, Klaus trusted his uncle Monk completely.

Just as he doesn't take someone like his mom, Hanna, his women, and his friends for granted, he wouldn't take him for granted either.

The man gave his life away to protect him. There is nothing like seeing someone who sacrificed himself for you again. Klaus is happy, so he wants to keep that happiness.

"As far as I know, some have reincarnated in this world. But if you are wondering, then know that I will look for them—the other uncle monks who died back then.

I know deep in my bones that there are still others out there somewhere, and I will look for them."

"Don't worry too much about that. If they are out there, then we will one day reunite with them. For now, focus on what you want.

I don't know what you have planned, but I trust you, so whatever you want to do, the academy will back you up.

In fact, you can make any decision, and the academy wouldn't object. Just do what you do best and make sure you remain happy in the process."

Klaus smiles, "Are you perhaps stepping down and making me the Dean? Not that I will reject that position."

"Don't cut your coat too large, brat. I am merely giving you the authority to do as you please. Don't abuse it," Old Lu just smirks.

"I will do well to remember that. But before anything, I would like my butler and two other ladies to be brought to the academy after the Moonborn arrive."

"Like I said, do what you want. The awakening will, without a doubt, be more of a burden on your shoulders. Some of us can just be the supporting characters."

"Then I won't abuse my power," Klaus said.

"By the way, when did the Leader of the Overlords become your woman?" Old Lu asked, causing Klaus to nearly choke on his tea.

"Who said she is my woman?" Klaus feigned innocence.

"Don't play with me, brat. I am a monk who holds great control over nature. This means I can sense more about people than they can about themselves.

Though the other Overlords didn't notice it, I saw it when I came to Ross City. In fact, now that I think about it, are all the ladies back there your women?"

"I will not answer that, but yes, most of them are my women," Klaus smiled, causing Old Lu to shake his head and sip his tea.

"The Moonborn will be arriving in two days. After they settle in, I will hand you the mission I have for your inner disciple trial."

Klaus spent close to five hours with his uncle, the monk, before leaving and returning to the inner area.

Chapter 656 - 656: Spar with Friends (1)

Klaus spent close to four hours with Old Lu before returning to the inner area of the academy to meet up with his friends again and plan their moves for after the Moonborn arrive.

Along the way, he met the gaze of countless disciples. Some looked at him with reverence, while others were outright scared of him. It was as if they were seeing a forbidden human walking among them.

The part about the forbidden human was true, but some saw him as a divine being blessed by the heavens.

Klaus would probably smack them silly if he knew what they were thinking. He and the heavens have been at war for generations already.

Their blessing him was the last thing that would ever happen.

He made his way toward the training grounds, as Lucy had told him they were training there while he was away.

When he arrived at the training ground, he saw the two brutes hammering and axing it out like juggernauts.

Daniel's hammer was lit up in flames, while Danny's glowed golden. His light energy was golden, so his hammer was golden, and his body was also covered in the same light.

"You're still lacking, Danny," Daniel said, bringing his hammer down on his friend, who sidestepped and landed a swing on his side, sending him flying.

"Are you crazy? Don't you know that would have cut me in half?" Daniel growled at his friend, who smirked and placed the hammer on his shoulder.

"Your skin is thicker than that. Cutting you would require much more effort than this," Danny said in a cheeky tone, causing Daniel to leap into the air as his entire body was bathed in flames.

"Eat my hammer!" he shouted, his voice thundering as he descended on his friend, who was grinning as he readied himself for battle.

On the other side of the battlefield, Anna and Lily were also battling it out. The Ice Princess gripped her new staff firmly as she cast spell after spell, trying to catch the windlike figure speeding around her.

The wind was Lily, who was using her speed, which was harnessed by the wind, to evade and look for a way to counter.

"You're annoying to spar with, Lily," Anna said, casting more ice and water spells, but none were working.

"As if you're any fun to spar with. I can't even get close to you without freezing my butt off," Lily replied with a laugh.

Anna also laughed.

She was standing inside a two-meter-wide spell circle that was cast from her aspect called [Infinity Zero Degrees].

The moment Lily stepped in, as she had said, she would freeze her ass off. This made it impossible for her to get close to Anna, so they could only attack the air and hope one of them made a mistake.

The moment one makes a mistake, the other will capitalize on it.

In fact, since Klaus had made it so their illusion crystal could create opponents from their imagination, the two had tried battling each other in the illusions countless times, but they never seemed to find a way.

This proves they were, in a way, safe when their defenses were put to the test. But they had to learn how to break through their opponents' defenses if they wanted to have a shot at winning.

Klaus smiled and shifted his attention to Lucy and Nia. The Queen of Vines and the Dagger Queen were also in a stalemate.

Lucy was surrounded by thick vines that looked more metallic than wooden. They shot and stabbed at a shadow, moving several times faster than even Lily.

From time to time, Nia would appear and try to attack with her daggers, but Lucy would either stop her by using her ice element or counterattack with her wood element directly.

"This Nia is scary," Klaus thought, watching as Nia slipped in and out of existence using the shadows.

[She is really good with her control over her shadow realm. It's as if she is one with the shadow, and the shadow is one with her. Or rather, it's as if she is the shadow itself.]

The senior's words made Klaus nod as he continued to watch the innocent-looking blondie, who appeared nothing like an assassin, slip through the shadows as though she owned them.

[The one with the wood element will lose in the next five seconds,] the senior suddenly said, causing Klaus to narrow his gaze at Lucy.

But before he could ask why, he saw Lucy's shadow move. Then, Nia appeared behind her and placed a dagger against her neck.

"You lost... again," Nia said teasingly, causing Lucy to smirk.

'Wait, did her shadow move independently?' Klaus asked.

[Yes. She is a rare breed of assassin. The last time I checked, there was only one clan of the shadow demon race that possessed such an ability.]

'Are you saying she is a shadow demon?' Klaus asked.

[I can't say for sure, but having an independent shadow points to the Shadowless Clan of the shadow demon race.

And let me tell you, they are the most lethal assassins you will ever meet in your life. Even immortals and gods fear them, for when your picture is placed on their desk, you are as good as dead.

In fact, nobody has ever survived an assassination attempt from the Shadowless Clan, as far as my knowledge goes.

They are the race that holds supremacy and reverence over the art of assassination. You could even say they are assassination itself, in all aspects and forms.]

'Damn, she wouldn't only look hot with horns, she'd also be that monstrous,' Klaus thought inwardly with a giggle.

If only he knew that the very first time he nearly died as a paragon was when a certain beautiful Shadowless assassin was sent after him.

It was one of the most dreadful moments of his life and also the first time he, as a full-fledged paragon, had to run for his life, for the shadow of death was sent after her.

For 365 days, she hunted him down like a rat. If he were to recall that fateful encounter...perhaps Klaus would realize some of his ladies didn't arrive like the ice princess.

Some went from enemies to lovers...a rather chaotic relationship if you ask me.

Chapter 657 - 657: Spar with Friends (2)

Nia and Lucy started their battle again, only this time, Lucy was paying attention to Nia's shadow. This caused Klaus to smile slightly, wondering just how Lucy would manage this time around.

He then focused his attention on the battle between Hanna and her beast companion, Kathy.

Kathy was simply walking while Hanna tried to defeat her using her arrows. One had to say that Kathy was just playing with her, as despite the numerous arrows she fired, none were able to harm her.

"This is really a bad idea," Hanna said. "You are too monstrous, Kathy," she added, making the Divine Beast smile at her words.

"You wanted to see what it's like to fight an Ascendant, so I am making it happen," Kathy said as she moved aside, evading a lightning bolt.

"Maybe I should break through first before I can handle you," Hanna said, giving herself an excuse. But she knew deep down that until she and Kathy were on the same level, the idea of defeating her was zero.

Kathy is now a Divine Beast and an Ascendent, so thinking about defeating her is just too far-fetched.

"Then listen to your brother and train much harder. I have a feeling that when you awaken your sealed heavenly body constitution and bloodline, you will become much more monstrous, too," Kathy, being a good friend and sister, chose to encourage her.

Klaus would have probably said something shameless along the lines of, "I don't know about defeating me, but after a few thousand years of training, you can finally scratch my back."

But Kathy said the words she wanted to hear, and so they continued their spar.

On another side, Kilian and Mark were going at it heavily. Mark was moving very fast, thanks to his affinity for the wind element.

He was attacking with his spear while Kilian, who was exuding dark flame energy, countered his moves with practical ease.

"Kilian, when did you become this monstrous again? Yesterday when we sparred, you weren't this monstrous," Mark said, getting sent flying back by Kilian.

"I have gotten hold of yet another aspect of my flame, so I can finally use it more actively. Right now, I am using it to enhance my speed and stamina.

As for strength, I guess I am just stronger than you," Kilian replied, causing Mark to smirk and lunge at him again.

On the other side, Mark's girlfriends, the Zhou twins, are facing Daniels, Kilian, Kay, and Danny's girlfriends in a two-against-four kind of setting.

The twins, Ling and Zing, have become something akin to twin dangers. Initially, they were all about defense, thanks to their Earth element affinity.

However, after their class upgraded and allowed them to now use the metal element, Ling became an offensive type of warrior while her sister focused on defense.

This elevated their combat abilities to the next level. And thanks to the techniques Klaus gave them, they are now very monstrous.

Facing them was Scarlet, who is an ice mage. Kilian had ensured she never slacked off, especially after he awakened his fire element.

So Scarlet is now capable of fighting a Great Sage and perhaps holding her own against even a Sovereign.

Linda, Kay's girlfriend, has also become powerful. Just like Kay, who has a fire affinity, she is also a fire mage and very good at controlling the flames.

In fact, she is exceptionally good at controlling the flame. She is even helping Kay gain more control over his flame, which has helped him develop much faster.

On the other hand, Vida, Daniels's girlfriend, was rather sneaky, as Klaus observed. She is an assassin, and from the way she moved, one could say she had done her fair share of killing.

She is showing her experience side.

In fact, among Klaus's friends and women, only she has taken a life. She had killed her fair share of humans.

She lost her family before she awakened.

A bunch of scum murdered them. So when she awakened and realized she had the assassin class, she made sure those scums never saw the light of day again.

The last person was Yasmin, the healer of the team. She was at the back, casting buffs on her teammates as they battled the danger twins.

"It's good to see they are also growing alongside their men," Klaus thought with a smile, then focused his attention on Kay and Mason, who were clashing like long-time enemies.

Perhaps their attacks weren't friendly at all.

Mason was introduced to the team just a few hours ago, and when they all had the chance to spar, Kay opted to fight him.

He was firing arrow after arrow at the spearman, who was also unleashing wind arcs and spear attacks at Kay.

They were really aiming to hurt each other. Some of it, Klaus found funny.

He knew that if it came down to it, Kay would solo Mason, but he also knew that if Mason remembered his past and awakened his bloodline, he would be able to kill Kay before he even knew how it had happened.

Of course, he did not yet know how his friends connected to his past, but from what he knew now, Mason was the most dangerous among all his male friends, even more dangerous than Kilian.

Again, this was from the memories he had at the moment. He had fought many battles with Mason, so he knew what he was capable of.

"His movements are rusty and weak. I have to change that, or else he will become a weakling even after he awakens his bloodline."

Klaus continued to watch their duel, which was supposed to be just a spar for a few more minutes, before shifting his attention to the two ladies, who had a rather large section of the training ground to themselves.

Aoi and Lulu.

Aoi was on the ground, moving, parrying, and evading projectiles that aimed to claim her life. Every parry created shockwaves that spread across the battlefield as if it were the most normal thing to witness.

She was doing her best to beat Lulu, who was just in the air, using her hands to control dozens of spirit weapons to attack her sister, who was holding herself back from using any of her techniques.

If Aoi were to unleash her strength, Lulu would be suffocated and drowned in an extremely potent sword intent.

Among Klaus's ladies enrolled in the academy, she was the most dangerous and yet the most harmless.

Chapter 658 - 658: Klaus Vs Everyone (1)

Klaus continued to watch the various battles for thirty straight minutes.

Asha wasn't around simply because she was inside her secret domain, attending to her own matters. So Klaus stayed hidden until his friends had had enough, and some began to stop their battles.

They've been fighting for close to 2 hours, so Klaus could tell though they are not tired, they've had enough.

'They are good, but they can be better if they put their minds to it, and do the work', Klaus thought before making his presence known.

"You all have become much stronger than the last time we sparred," Klaus said, walking toward his friends.

"Klaus!" Anna was the first to jump into his embrace, causing Klaus to wrap his arms around her and kiss her.

Of course, his other women came for their own share of affection, making his friends and their girlfriends watch with various expressions.

Watching as all his ladies were supportive of each other was something they all wished to have. Of course, the twins, who were Mark's girlfriends, wouldn't let another vixen get close to him.

But that was just them being petty. They had already started noticing some vixens trying to get close to their men, and well, they were vetting them first.

"Klaus, do you want to spar with me?" Danny said, stepping forward with a determined look.

"You will lose," Klaus replied, but Danny didn't want to listen. He wanted to try, and if he won, he would be earning millions of celestial points.

"We will never know until we try," Danny said, not backing down.

"Your funeral, I guess," Klaus said, letting go of the clingy Anna and walking toward the training ground. "You can attack when you're ready."

"Are you not going to take out your weapon?" Danny asked.

"Nope. Just my hands will be enough," Klaus said, causing Danny's eyes to narrow. He turned around and smirked.

'Looks like he wants to win,' Danny thought to himself. He has a bet with the ladies and his pals, so he sees this as Klaus wanting him to win.

"If you can make me move an inch, I will take it as your win," Klaus declared, standing his ground as Danny grinned and glanced at the ladies who had placed their bigger stakes in the bet.

"Then here I come," Danny said as his body glowed. He rose into the air, raising his axe. Then, a large axe appeared in the air, causing Klaus to raise an eyebrow.

"So you managed to learn Daniel's hammer art," Klaus said, causing Danny to smile.

"You told us to challenge ourselves, so we all tried to learn each other's techniques. I managed to master the first form of his technique, and he did mine."

"Now, why don't you taste my axe?" Danny grinned, but Klaus just smirked.

"Do your best, because if you don't, some bones in your body will break today," Klaus warned him, but Danny remained confident.

The large axe merged with his own, causing it to triple in size. Then, with a thunderous move that shook the ground, Danny moved through the air and unleashed a powerful overhead swing.

A surge of energy propelled the axe, now tripled in size and ten times heavier, toward Klaus, who stood motionless until the axe was right in front of him.

That was when he raised his finger and gently blocked the axe. His finger was coated in ice, which halted the giant axe, forcing Danny to freeze mid-air.

It was like somebody raised a remote and paused him in mid-air.

"Told ya," Klaus smirked, then flicked his finger.

BOOM.

A powerful force erupted from his flick, sending Danny flying back 300 meters. He landed heavily, eliciting a few painful cries from him.

"What the fuck just happened?" Daniel shouted, watching as his brother was thrown across the training ground. In fact, saying he was thrown was an understatement.

It was more like a mere flick from Klaus's body-slammed him. This caused everyone present to look at Klaus as if he were some kind of monster.

In fact, the body slam was so thunderous that it caused a disturbance in the inner section, prompting a few figures to start appearing.

Old Lu was the first to appear a couple of kilometres away. Queenie, alongside Nadia and Miriam, also appeared beside Old Lu.

Queenie had already briefed him that the two ladies would be joining Klaus's faction. Of course, Old didn't mind at all.

The six other overlords also appeared, and some instructors began to show up as well. When their eyes fell on Klaus, they all smiled, knowing a good fight was about to happen.

As expected, a wind-like figure moved and arrived in front of Klaus in an instant.

Lily stabbed her sword forward, but before her attack could connect, a hand caught the blade between his fingers.

"Nice try, Lily, but you're just too slow." Klaus flicked her back, sending her flying.

Luckily, Hanna appeared with her wings spread and caught her before she could hit the ground.

"Do you want to kill her?" Hanna glared at Klaus as she took out the Skybound Bow and nocked an arrow, but she didn't shoot.

It was as if she was waiting for something.

"Twisting Vine!" As expected, Lucy took action and activated her vines, which snaked around Klaus's body, locking him in place.

"Piercing Bolt!" Hanna smirked as she fired her arrow. It was a 2-meter-long lightning arrow that could cause anyone to raise some amount of defence around them.

However, just as the arrow arrived in front of Klaus, it swerved and missed the target.

"That was dangerous, Hanna; you could have injured Lily," Klaus said with a smile, now standing beside Hanna.

In his place was Lily, who was bound by the vines. Klaus had somehow swapped places with her, causing the ladies to narrow their eyes at him.

Hanna wanted to attack again, but Klaus was quick and tapped her forehead, turning her into an ice statue. He then turned to Lulu, who had saved Lily from a world of pain.

Though she wouldn't have died, the pain would be unavoidable. This made the ladies learn a new lesson: never assume your target is defenceless when they haven't shown their skills yet.

Klaus didn't tell them he could do that. Changing position with Lily was talked to when she kissed him when he first appeared.

This skill allow him to swap places with those he came into contact with physically.

So, on the battlefield now, aside from his friends and their friends he hadn't touched, he can swap places with his women.

"Good job taking control over her lightning bolt." Klaus said to Lulu.

"You should pay attention when facing your opponents," Lulu said with a cheeky smile as Nia appeared behind Klaus and stabbed her dagger into him.

It was a quick stab that went through Klaus's chest, causing blood to pour from his mouth.

"Ouch—" Klaus shouted as he turned and looked at the shaky Nia, who may have just accidentally killed her husband.

The ladies widened their eyes, including some of the instructors.

Chapter 659 - 659: Klaus Vs Everyone (2)

The plan was simple.

When Klaus appears, Danny challenges him, and they know Klaus will accept. Then, after the outcome is determined, Lily will start the group battle by landing a surprise attack.

This, too, was within calculation, considering they knew she wouldn't be able to land that attack. But Lucy, who came up with the plan, put that into consideration as well.

He knew Klaus wouldn't hurt Lily, but he also knew he would not go easy on her. That was where Hanna came into play.

She would attack with Lucy's help, which had a 70% chance of making him fall for that coordinated attack. All this was well calculated by Lucy, who is the brains of the team.

But they never took into account Klaus swapping places with Hanna. This destroyed the plan.

However, there was another plan where Lulu would use her soul-attacking abilities to cause soul disturbance, allowing Nia to slip behind Klaus and attack.

This also had a 60% chance of working.

But they never expected Klaus to get hurt, considering Lucy calculated an 80% chance he would defend but would get scratched, which would, in the end, be what they were after.

The moment he gets scratched, the poison on the dagger will take effect. Nia had control over that poison, so they were counting on it.

But that didn't happen. Not that it would have worked, considering Klaus's immunity to poison has become much stronger after his breakthrough.

So the plan didn't work. Instead, it turns out horrible in the end.

Klaus was bleeding from his mouth as Nia's dagger entered through his back and appeared on his chest.

"Klaus," Nia pulled her dagger, but according to the estimation, she had stabbed him through the heart.

Klaus weakly fell into her arms and tried to touch her face, but he was too weak to even raise his hand.

"Klaus..." Nia called out again, but Klaus fell in her arms and died.

Tears fell from her eyes as she held him in her shaky arms. The other ladies moved and appeared beside Nia and Klaus's lifeless body.

Even his male friends did the same. The only person who hadn't moved was Kathy, who stood there with her hands behind her back.

"Aren't you going to join them?" Suddenly, Klaus spoke, appearing beside her.

"Why should I? That wasn't your body to begin with. You swapped it just before Danny attacked," Kathy said, causing Klaus to raise an eyebrow.

"How did you figure it out? I could swear not even the Overlords could know that," Klaus asked.

"That body doesn't have your blood. I used your blood to track you," Kathy said, puffing her chest as if she had done something extraordinary.

She tasted his blood before, and as a Beast, she could smell his blood, especially since Klaus wasn't making any effort to hide it.

"KLAUS, you bastard!" Hanna shouted as an arrow formed in her bow and unleashed itself at Klaus, who was now standing beside Kathy.

This sudden outburst caused the ladies and men to turn toward where her arrow travelled. There, they saw Klaus smiling at them.

"You-you're alive," Nia said, but her answer came when the body in her arms vanished into thin air, along with the blood that coated her dagger and palm.

"That was fake," she muttered as she realized what had happened.

"You guys are still too green. Haven't you ever heard the saying, 'Appearances can be deceiving'? If I wanted to kill you guys, you would have been dead long ago," Klaus said, but he was met with cold gazes that wanted to kill him for real this time.

"Ice Princess Transformation!" Anna shouted, stabbing her staff into the ground and forcing ice to erupt from her body as the avatar of the Ice Queen appeared towering behind her.

"Queen of Vines," her sister also activated her attack, manifesting an elegant green beauty to appear behind her as well.

"You're dead meat, Klaus," Kilian said, raising his sword into the air. "Blade of Impurity: Impure Manifestation!" A massive sword appeared in the air, bathed in dark flames like a doomsday weapon.

"Starry Formation," Lulu clapped her hands together, and hundreds of swords flew into the air from a sword box now sitting beside her.

The swords formed into a star formation in the air, causing Klaus to feel as though those swords had transformed into something truly dangerous.

"Ladies, why the sudden hostility?" Klaus asked, smiling at the group who were ready to rain down attacks on him.

"Don't play with our emotions like that," Anna said before pointing her staff forward.

A beam of ice shot at Klaus, who moved away from its path, but to his shock, his body was brought back to the same trajectory.

He looked down and saw a small spell circle beneath his feet. He looked up at Anna, who held a smirk on her lips.

The beam landed on his body, but that was all. He wasn't frozen like how Klaus had turned Hanna into an ice statue for a second there.

"That was cute, Anna, but you are forgetting I also have the ice element. You cannot hurt me," Klaus said.

"I know, but I got you distracted for a minute there for this to happen." Anna smiled as hundreds of swords moved and circled around Klaus in the air.

"Star Formation: Endless Barrage," Lulu gestured forward, and like a dam of swords had been unleashed, hundreds of swords started shooting at Klaus, forcing him to move and start evading.

'Interesting. So, the power of the formation is to prevent me from leaving the 3-meter radius. Very interesting.'

He kept moving, evading and parrying some of the swords using his bare hands coated in ice.

Klaus jumped up and then held his arm up. "Your formation is good, my love, but you are still too green."

Nobody knew where it came from or why Klaus had something like that, but a large brown cauldron appeared in his palm, causing anyone who saw the ridiculous-looking cauldron to raise an eyebrow.

"Devour," Klaus said, and the cauldron hummed. The swords in the formation moved and entered the cauldron.

"What?" Lulu was dumbfounded, staring at Klaus as he flicked his hand. The swords he had devoured shot out, destroying the manifestation standing behind Anna.

This caused her to turn pale. She just doesn't understand how Klaus managed to destroy the manifestation of her skill.

It was like destroying her skill, which is something that shouldn't be possible. The swords shot from the cauldron and destroyed the elegant manifestation of the Ice Princess.

However, before he could destroy the one behind Lucy, a dark sword appeared in Klaus's blind spot.

"Circles, devour my impurity!" Kilian shouted as dark flames burst from the dark sword and encased Klaus in a domain of fire.

It was like he was picked and tossed into a flame burning with dark impurity. Klaus smiles inside the ring of fire like a fish getting roasted alive.

However, Kilian said nothing and instead executed a series of sword moves before turning to Lucy.

"Everyone, attack!" Lucy declared, and everyone attacked.

"Hmm," Klaus hummed as he watched everyone surround him.

Chapter 660 - 660: Klaus Vs Everyone (3)

It wasn't part of Klaus's plan to test the emotional response of his ladies and friends. No, he just did that to see if they would be able to figure out whether he was real or fake.

But the moment Nia's dagger went through his back, he could tell he had broken them. As such, when they found out the one who died was a fake, they became angry.

They all wanted to discipline him and show him that playing with the feelings of others is not fun.

But in a way, Klaus also got what he wanted.

His plan was to test their combat prowess by fighting them one by one. But he knew they wouldn't want to hurt him, so they would hold back no matter what he said.

So this was, in a way, a good thing for him.

They were attacking without any reservations, and though they weren't aiming to kill him, they also weren't aiming to play with him.

Klaus was encased in a domain of dark flames that burned with an eerie light. Kilian used his flame, and right now, Klaus felt as though something was trying to lock onto his soul.

'So he's trying to disturb my soul so I lose focus,' Klaus smirked. But then he moved sideways, evading a lightning arrow that nearly drew blood from his cheek.

"That's not cool, Hanna. Are you looking to tamper with my handsomeness?" Klaus said, but he wasn't even done when a voice boomed, followed by two cute voices.

"Giant Hammer falling!" Daniel appeared in the air with a colossal hammer raised.

"Metal Shield Blockage!" The Zhou Twins shouted, forcing two giant metal shields to materialize from the ground and trap Klaus.

"Eat my hammer, you bastard!" Daniel descended like a titan, bringing down his hammer on Klaus.

"BOOM!"

The training ground cracked and shook heavily as shockwaves gushed out in all directions. Dust was thrown into the air, enveloping Klaus and Daniel in a mist.

"Like a ragdoll through the air, hehe," Klaus spoke, and the one who got hurt from that dangerous attack—which could easily kill a Sovereign—was Daniel.

He was shot through the air like a ragdoll, forcing Kathy, who was at the back and was doing nothing to attack, to catch him before he fell.

"Twisting Vines!" This time, the ladies didn't run to Daniel to check if he was okay. They knew Klaus wouldn't severely hurt him.

He would be back in a minute, so they had to continue.

Klaus moved through the countless vines, trying to latch onto him. Suddenly, Klaus felt something appear from his left.

He jumped back, trying to evade the wind that appeared beside him. However, just as he was landing on the ground from the jump, a shadow appeared, and he fell through.

Of course, Klaus saw the shadow and could have easily evaded it, but that would defeat the purpose of his sudden duel with his friends and ladies.

So he fell through, and the next second, hundreds of wind arcs, fire arcs, and sword projections arrived in front of him when he appeared in the middle of a preplanned attack from Lily, Kilian, Lulu, and Aoi.

Klaus widened his eyes, which caused Lucy, who had planned this to the dot, to smirk. But then, when the attack was an inch from him, Klaus smirked.

BOOM BOOM BOOM

The attacks landed on his body, raising shockwaves into the air. The planning and execution were impeccable, however...

"That was a good plan, Lucy. You really are a good strategist, but I'm afraid your schemes won't be enough if you guys don't put your foot on the ground.

I won't attack for now, simply because the moment I do, you all wouldn't be able to withstand it," Klaus said, speaking through the dust that had appeared.

When it cleared, an ice statue was revealed. It cracked, and Klaus appeared, looking as handsome as ever.

"How were you able to defend against all the attacks? It shouldn't be possible, right?" Anna asked, watching Klaus break free from the ice.

"No need to be shocked; I am simply that awesome. Now, why don't we go for a second round? Mark, Kay, and the others still haven't attacked, and Lulu, please stop holding back.

You have the means to make me feel something, so don't hold back," Klaus said to the ladies before vanishing from where he stood. The next second, he was behind Lucy, who tried to move back but froze.

"Still soft as ever," Klaus muttered in a voice only she could hear before she was sent flying toward her sister.

Lucy, who her sister caught, blushed profusely. Lucy was disarmed by just a gentle massage of her butt.

"This shameless bastard," Lily, feisty as ever, moved, and this time, there were ten clones of her moving at a speed three times faster than when she first attacked.

"Let's teach him a lesson, guys," Aoi said before raising her sword. This time, a powerful sword energy erupted from her blade, causing the clouds to churn and dark lightning to start forming.

The entire academy shook as another figure rose into the air, and from the clouds, blue lightning began to form.

"Sword of Rain!" Aoi shouted as countless swords started appearing through the lightning storm.

Klaus, who was evading and destroying Lily's clones, felt a real danger emerge this time, forcing him to deal with Lily early.

However, after destroying the last clone, he found that he had only destroyed one. This made him take a step back and analyze the battlefield again.

There, he saw Yasmin, Danny's woman, standing still with her eyes closed as she held her staff, which was glowing green, and muttering some words.

'Wait a minute, did she manage to master the first level of the technique to such a degree? That shouldn't be possible, right?' Klaus said to himself, but then a mocking laughter came from Lily.

"You look shocked, Klaus. Are you surprised to find out Yasmin has come this far? Don't bother asking— with her mastering her technique, you would have to kill me a hundred times to kill me ten times!"

Lily's laughter echoed, causing Klaus to look up. There, he saw thousands of swords staring at him from above.

But that wasn't all. Up in the air, Hanna was also staring at him with big, blue, glowing eyes. Both the swords and she were bathed in lightning.