

# MY SLAYER SYSTEM: RISE TO SUPREMACY

## Chapter 41: Battle For Life {1}

Sophia's team went out hunting in the orange zone and there, they encountered trouble and argument that escalated into a duel between Sophia's team and Ben's team. The duel was fiery with blows, hits and kick. Just when the duel was entering its final moments, that was when a mysterious portal opened up and a very strange man with a powerful aura stepped out of the portal.

"Huh? I thought there were not supposed to be humans out here." The man said.

Hearing the man speak like that, Sophia and the rest didn't move a muscle because they could all feel a chill in the air when the man spoke and moved.

"Anyway," the man continued. "I'm here on a secret mission and now seeing you here, I'm sure you guys will head off and report this therefore foiling my plans and mission."

"So this is my decision," the man said lifting his hand and his nails elongated. "There are not supposed to be witnesses so therefore, you all have to die." And then his nail shot out very fast towards Liam.

The nail struck Liam's chest. It went in deep that Liam dropped down dead.

"What the f\*\*\*k!" Peter exclaimed. "Everybody move now and run away!" Peter's voice snapped the rest out of their daze and they started running Helter skelter trying to get as far away as possible from the strange man.

Jack ran forward to assist Peter to get up so they could all escape.

"Do you think I'm gonna let you all escape without doing anything?" The man said as he jumped up high and landed in front of Clark who was the first person to snap out of his daze quicker and ran away.

Then the man lifted Clark up with his hand and then he smashed Clark's head into the ground. When he saw that Clark was still alive, then he stomped hard on Clark's head therefore popping his head. This gruesome act, sent chills down everyone's spine that were watching.

"I don't think we can run away so easily." Sophia screamed.

"You bet your pretty self that I'm not gonna do that." The man smiled.

"Guys! I think we need to fight." Sophia suggested.

"Are you crazy?" Jack screamed. "Did you see what he did to the rest?"

"It was because they didn't put up much of a fight. We have to fight if we wanna live."

"Well I don't need you telling me that," Ben said standing in front of them. "I was planning to fight anyway. I need to get revenge on him for what he did to my friends."

Ben then charged forward with his spear in his hand. "Come on, we have to back him up." Sophia said getting her sword and running behind Ben so as to back him up.

"She's right," Peter said getting up. "We have to help take him down."

"But you can't," Jack retorted. "You are still injured and bleeding. You might die of blood loss."

"I will still die anyway if we can't defeat him." Peter said already walking forward. "I rather die as a hero."

"Then I'm not gonna let you do this alone." Jack said running behind Peter trying to catch up with Sophia and Ben.

Meanwhile when Ben got to the man's position, he quickly made a thrust to the man's stomach but the man caught the spear with two of his hand but Ben quickly pulled back the spear and made a thrust again towards the man's head but the man leaned sideways therefore avoiding the spear again.

And that was when Sophia came in with a kick to the man's stomach that pushed him back a few feet. "Wow! I didn't know they were some strong humans here. I thought you were all weak."

Sophia didn't care about whatever the man had to say, she charged forward with a slash of her sword but the man just avoided it again but he couldn't avoid Ben's thrust of spear that lunged into his stomach. Twisting the spear, Ben then pulled it out again and made a thrust to the man's head but in annoyance, the man grabbed the spear and then with a snap, the spear broke.

"What the!" Ben was surprised after taking a step back to create space. 'How could he just break a basic tier weapon like it was just a twig?' 'now what do I do? Without my weapon, I don't know how to help.'

That was when Ben felt a breeze run past his face, looking forward, he saw Peter and Jack's back running towards the man. With Ben gone, the man focused all his attention towards Sophia who was still relentlessly striking, dodging and weaving.

When Sophia went to strike the man's neck with her sword, he did like he wanted to catch the sword making Sophia pull back and that was when a kick landed in her face sending her flying back. Sophia was flying hard and fast until her back

felt like it hit a solid wall. Looking behind her, she could see Jack holding her back stopping her from skidding.

And then when she looked forward, she could see Peter fighting with the man with everything he had. Peter kept slashing and hitting the man but his injury was slowing him down greatly. Noticing Peter's injury, the man grabbed Peter's axe that was heading towards his face and then gave Peter a solid kick in his already injured stomach that sent Peter reeling away in pain.

After making sure that Sophia was okay, Jack ran towards the man with fury written in his eyes. When Jack got to the Mysterious man's position, he kicked off from the ground with such force that the ground had a fissure crack in it then he fell back down with a strong axe kick that sent the man down on his knees with much force that his knees broke the ground.

Then Jack moved back a little bit and dashed forward again with a slash of his sword towards the man's neck but his blade was stopped by the man who kicked off from the ground quickly and came at Jack with a kick of his own but his kick was intercepted by Sophia with a hit of her weapons butt on the man's leg strongly that made his kick lose direction and landed right beside Jack.

Quickly getting up from the ground, Jack dashed towards the man with Sophia trailing behind him to back him up. When they got to where the man was sent, Jack saw the man was on the floor trying to get up so he threw another strong axe kick on the man's head but his leg was grabbed and then the man's hand was slashed by Sophia's sword.

The man let go of Jack's leg and moved back a bit then he was suddenly struck hard sending him flying forward towards Jack. Seeing the man heading towards him, Jack pushed off from the ground hard and fast towards the man then he gave him a strong solid uppercut towards the sky.

Seeing the man flying off, Jack jumped up high by directing some Qi to his leg and then he got above the man. With all his strength, he wacked the man back to the ground very hard therefore causing the man to crash towards the ground so hard that it created a crater and dusts everywhere.

Jack finally landed back down away from the man's position side by side with Sophia and Peter. It turns out that it was Peter that sent the man towards Jack with that powerful punch.

"Is it over?" Sophia asked worriedly because she was feeling quite exhausted. After hunting beasts and now fighting against a very powerful human.

"I think s..." Jack stammered at what he could see. "Damn it!"

When the dusts settled, they could see the man standing upright with his clothes ripped to shreds. Taking it off, the man was only left with his trousers therefore exposing his upper body. "I didn't think I would have to use this against some puny little kids. But it goes to show how urgent and serious the matter is."

Immediately the man finished talking, a chill was suddenly felt in the air with the hairs on all the kids body standing up and their heart beating incredibly hard and

fast. All hairs on their body was screaming at them to get out of there now for, the man was changing.

## Chapter 42: Battle For Life {2}

After splitting up with Vynn, Jake, Cindy and Kate were on their way to find Sophia and the rest of the guys.

"Good thing they told us where they were headed because I don't know how we will find them in all the whole of the orange zone." Cindy said.

"Yeah I guess, it's a good thing. Let's just hope they are okay." Jake replied.

They walked for some minutes, before they finally got to the orange zone and then they started heading towards where Sophia said they will go to. They walked for some minutes more and then they came across the torn down buildings.

"Hey look." Cindy said pointing to the ground. "Do you think it's them?"

Jake moved forward to where Cindy was pointing and then he could see some dead beasts on the floor, Jake counted at least 10 of them. Jake then noticed that the beasts were riddled with sword marks all over their bodies. Jake used his sword to look around inside the beasts body trying to find the beast crystals.

"The crystal is gone. It means it's them." Jake said standing up.

"It means they must have headed further down the center of the streets." Kate said.

To which they walked some more and finally they entered the center of the town and they could see close to twenty dead beasts on the floor.

"Woah! They sure did kill a lot." Cindy said.

"I don't get it." Kate said. "With all this kills, it is more than enough to make them come back because together with our own kills, it is enough to make us rank up on the leaderboard. So what happened to them?"

"I don't know but I suggest we keep on walking." Jake said already heading deeper into the torn down town.

Meanwhile back at the fight with the mysterious man, Sophia, Jack, Peter and Ben just witnessed something that made their body shake In fear. Just when they thought they were gaining the upper hand in the fight, the man went ahead to transform. After a few minutes, the man was done transforming and Sophia suddenly regretted not running away when her instincts told her to.

"Awooooh!" The man shouted.

"He's a freaking werewolf!" Peter shouted. "So we have been fighting a freaking werewolf all along."

"Guys we are no match for a werewolf, we need to run." Ben said.

"Hold on," Sophia said. "Look, it's the lowest tier a werewolf could be."

Looking closer, they noticed it was true because this werewolf, was a little scrawny, few fangs and its eyes were beaming with the color yellow. It was a 'Runt'

"So what?" Peter asked. "Do you want us to attack it again? You do know it was your silly ideas that got us into this mess in the first place."

"I know but we can't outrun a werewolf so the best chance we have is battling it." Sophia replied.

"We can't outrun it neither can we battle." Peter retorted.

"Enough! Enough of the argument already. It's too late for us to run so the best shot we have, is battling it." Jack said.

Immediately Jack finished talking, the werewolf calmly walked towards them with a sinister grin on his face. Ben looked left and right at what he could use since his spear was broken earlier by the werewolf and that was when he spotted a bow and some arrows that his late friend used.

Running towards it, Ben picked it up and moved a little farther back away from Sophia and the rest so he could use the bow better. "Good thing I learnt how to use the bow then."

When the werewolf was just 10 feet away from Sophia, it stopped moving and looked towards them again with a grin on its face. And then in a flash, the werewolf was already 3 feet away from Sophia, quickly dashing in front of Sophia was Jack who pulled her away from the claw strike that was heading her way.

"How is it possible that you are so fast?" The werewolf asked clearly. Runt were able to converse normally because they didn't have enormous Jaws or fangs hindering them from speaking.

Quickly taking advantage of the momentarily confusion, Ben tugged at his bow and let an arrow loose at the werewolf. The arrow was coming at the werewolf with incredible speed but it just caught it and snapped it like a twig.

Dashing forward was Peter with his axe slashing at the werewolf's body but it managed to avoid every single hit from Peter and then it gave Peter a slap across his face that sent him flying back. Meanwhile Jack just jumped and came falling down with an axe kick towards the werewolf's head.

The kick connected successfully but it didn't make the werewolf flinch a bit. Grabbing Jack's leg, the werewolf swung Jack around and around and then it slammed Jack on the floor with such strength and force that it created a deep crater in the floor.

Running towards the werewolf was Sophia, when she got close, she quickly performed the triple threat technique together with the Primary Guard technique. The sword was now aimed towards the werewolf's shoulder and neck. It pierced the neck but didn't go deep. Turning around the werewolf gave Sophia a strong hit towards her face that sent her flying away.

"Haha, so pathetic." The werewolf laughed. "I didn't know that the humans were so weak. I don't know what the Alpha is waiting for, he should just attack now because you guys are so..." the werewolf was interrupted by a hit that sent it skidding back a few feet.

"Just shut up already. We don't wanna hear you talk all the time." Jack shouted.

"You!" The werewolf said. "How are you so strong? Nevermind, I will just have to beat you to death."

'Crap!' Jack thought. 'my Qi is running low. Without it, I can't handle the werewolf at full strength. What do I do?'

"Don't worry, you are not alone." Peter said coming to his side while holding his now reopened stomach injury alongside Sophia.

Just at that time, the werewolf had already gotten to their positions and then it threw a punch towards Jack's head but Sophia together with Peter quickly threw a punch also that changed the trajectory of the werewolf's punch causing his punch to miss.

And then Jack quickly threw a kick to the werewolf's stomach causing it to skid a little then an arrow plunged deep into the werewolf's stomach. Peter and Sophia looked at each other then they ran with full speed. Sophia was the first to get there and then she jumped up and threw a kick into the arrows plunging a little deeper and then Peter got there and threw a kick also that pushed the arrow deeper again.

Then they quickly ran back again to join up with Jack. The werewolf just looked at them with a grin. "Pathetic." Luckily for the werewolf, the arrow didn't go in deep so he pulled out the arrow in one smooth motion and then threw it on the ground. Seeing this, the team were visibly worried.

"Guys, I have almost ran out of Qi," Jack said. "I only have enough of Qi for one more attack after that I'm out."

"I also don't have energy again." Peter added. "My injuries are really starting to take a toll on me."

Unsure of what to do, they watched as the werewolf dashed towards them. When it got to their positions, it threw a powerful punch towards Jack's stomach that sent him flying far away in pain. While it threw a back slap towards Sophia's face that sent her away also. Meanwhile Ben just kept shooting arrow after arrow but none of them touched the werewolf.

Then it got to Peter's position then it threw a very powerful punch towards Peter's face aiming to finish him once and for all.

"Stay away from my friends!" A voice was heard saying and then a hit very strong sent the werewolf flying back a few feet.

## Chapter 43: Fury and Frenzy

Some minutes earlier, Jake and the girls finally made their way deep into town. That was when they were attacked by 10 Dogsys. When Jake's eyes layed on them, a ding was heard in his head.

<New Quest Alert.>

<New beasts has been discovered, take out 6 of them.>

'What!?! 6 of them? How on earth am I supposed to do that?' Jake thought.

While Jake was exclaiming about the quest, Kate and Cindy were ready for battle but just before they charged in, Jake stopped them.

"Hold on," Jake said. "I want you to leave six of the beasts for me so that you can both take out two each."

"Are you sure about that?" Kate asked.

"Yes!" Jake said already charging towards the beasts that were closing in on them already. When Jake got to their position, he quickly activated one of his skill <melee combat> that dealt 10 percent damage to his opponents.

And then he started slashing and attacking the beasts with full strength and speed. While he was attacking one, another beast crept on him from behind, quickly sensing this, Jake rolled away avoiding the bite then he quickly stood up and slashed at the Dogsy's neck therefore severing its neck.

'oof. One down, five more to go.' Jake thought as he quickly went on to the next beasts. Meanwhile Cindy and Kate combined teamwork, was helping them immensely. Kate stayed far back with her bow shooting out arrows at one beats at a time therefore pinning them making them unable to move.

Then when Cindy was ready, she will then kill them by severing off their heads. But it wasn't easy with other beasts heading their way. Meanwhile Jake was still somewhat struggling against the beasts.

He kept dodging, weaving and striking. After a few minutes, they finally managed to deal with all the beasts with Jake using a combination of the skills taught to him at the academy. He didn't use his system skills because he wanted to save them in case Sophia and the rest were in trouble.

Immediately Jake pierced his sword into the last beasts head, he heard a ding in his head.

<Congratulations! User has completed the quest.>

<Rewards; +5 points in all attributes and a new skill.>

'Wow! This reward isn't so bad after all.' Jake thought now deciding on checking the skills while Cindy and Kate harvest the crystal cores.

'Okay, System, being up my skill tab.' Jake thought excitedly.

<Skill Tab>

<Melee combat: Level 1 (Deals 10 damage with basic weapons therefore removing 10% HP from enemy)>

<Stealth: Level 1; Increases evasion chances by 10%>

<Inspect Skill: Level 2; Brings up information of an enemy>

<Frenzy Strike: a skill that deals rapid consecutive attacks for 2 seconds, with a cool down timer of 5 minutes.>

<Second wind (Lv1): Restores 5 points of user's HP. (Skill can only be used once a day)>

<Stun Strike; stuns the opponent, making them vulnerable to attacks for a second. (Lv1) cool down timer; 2 minutes>

<Strength Surge: Increases user's strength by 10 percent for five minutes. Cool down timer; 1 hour.>

"Woah! This is tots amazing." Jake almost screamed out loud. "A whole 10 percent increase in strength for five minutes!?!."

"I think the system is feeling generous lately." Zee commented.

"You can say that again." Jake replied.

Jake decided to pull up his status screen next.

<Status>

<User: Jake Lucas>

<Level: 8>

<Combat level: Novice>

<Skill level: Untrained>

<XP level: 200/800>

<HP: 30/30>

<Strength: 35>

<Agility:31>

<Endurance: 38>

"Well that's an improvement." Jake said. And just then, Kate and Cindy were already done with carving out the beast crystals.

"Okay, shall we go look for Sophia and the rest?" Kate asked.

"Sure." Jake answered. And then they all head off to find Sophia. When they got to where Sophia and the rest were, they felt shockwaves going around with loud bangs as if someone was hitting someone or something.

"Are they fighting with someone?" Kate asked as another shockwave hit them.

They were still far away to see anything so they hastened their steps to quickly get to their Sophia. When they were just 10 feet away, they finally saw what they were fighting with.

"Is.. is that a freaking werewolf?" Jake screamed.

The rest of the girls shared the same fear as Jake because currently they were both trembling in fear. Teeth chattering against each other in fear.

"A... a werewolf!" Kate and Cindy said together. That was when they saw the werewolf hitting the rest of the guys as if they were nothing but mere dolls.

Jake now noticed the werewolf heading towards an injured Peter. Seeing this scene, the memory he tried so hard to push back about his parents death, they were now resurfacing.

'No no no, I won't lose my family again to a damn werewolf!' Jake screamed in his mind as he ran towards Peter in an attempt to protect him. As if answering to his scream, a surge of power erupted in Jake's body as he dashed towards Peter with such immense speed like never before.

And then he finally got to the Peter's side then he threw a strong hit that managed to push the werewolf back. "Stay away from my friends!"

The werewolf was very surprised by the fact that a human managed to push him back. Peter had his eyes closed initially awaiting his presume death but that was when he heard the voice and opened his eyes to see a curly jet black hair in front of him. Immediately he recognized who it was.

"Jake!" Peter shouted. "What are you doing here? You aren't supposed to be here. You could have ran away, why did you come here?"

To which Jake just turned around and smiled. "Why shouldn't I have come here? I couldn't leave my family behind while I run away."

Peter just smiled back. "How about we take that wolf down together."

Jake quickly shook his head. "No, that's not a good idea. You are terribly injured. So go get yourself treated I will handle this."

Jake then turned around to face the werewolf with anger evident all over his face. His fists were clenched tightly after seeing the state his friends were in.

Then the werewolf came striding towards Jake casually as if he didn't have any care in the world about the new arrival. "Oh wow! Another annoying toy to play with."

Jake just kept his head down and was shaking, no, more like he was trembling but not in fear it was in anger and then he lifted his head up and looked up at the werewolf.

"I'm gonna beat you to death for what you did to my friends." Jake screamed out loud.

"Let's see you try." The werewolf said dashing towards Jake with full speed.

## Chapter 44: Survive your fight

When Jake laid his eyes on the werewolf, he heard a ding in his head coming from his system.

<An incredibly strong opponent has appeared.>

<New Quest: Survive your fight with the werewolf.>

<Rewards:??>

'Huh??' Jake thought confused. 'Another question marks reward? If I remember correctly, the last time I saw a question mark in the reward category, I got a lot of rewards.' Jake just smiled and looked at the werewolf. 'So the system thinks I can't win this fight huh? I will prove you wrong and you better give me a good damn reward!'

Currently, Peter was far back with Kate and Cindy who were too scared to move. They were watching Jake's fight with the werewolf. When the werewolf dashed towards Jake, it tried to swipe at Jake's neck but Jake quickly slid under the werewolf's legs and made a cut on its leg.

Then Jake moved back again waiting for the werewolf. 'Haha, this is just like the VR Game. With me sliding and slashing at a werewolf's legs.' Jake thought.

Zee didn't say anything because he didn't want to distract Jake. Zee wanted to remind Jake that this was reality and not a game. That was when the werewolf charged right at Jake again and then threw a fist towards Jake's stomach but Jake quickly pivoted towards the side therefore avoiding the hit barely.

Not wanting to waste the opportunity, Jake quickly slashed the werewolf's hand that threw the initial punch but the werewolf quickly pulled back its hand

therefore avoiding the hit. And then it quickly threw a kick towards Jake's stomach that sent him a few meters back in pain.

'Crap,' Jake thought. 'If it wasn't because of my high level of Endurance, I'm sure my rib would have been broken.' Before Jake could come up with something, the werewolf was already in front of him then it threw an uppercut towards Jake which flung Jake up. Raising him towards the sky but before Jake could go flying away, the werewolf grabbed Jake's legs and slammed him down on the floor therefore creating a mini crater in the ground.

Then the werewolf moved back to observe if Jake would stand up again. After a few minutes, Jake struggled to his feet. Spitting out blood, Jake narrowed his eyes at the werewolf. "That f\*\*king hurt."

"Oh! A tough kid." The werewolf said running towards Jake but Jake didn't move one bit. He waited and waited until the werewolf was just a foot away from him then Jake quickly activated. <Triple Threat> technique to move behind the werewolf then Jake quickly did the 'Primary Guard' skill and then made a slash towards the werewolf's neck.

The sword lunged a little bit deep into the werewolf's neck but it didn't go in further because of the strong hide of the werewolf. Then the werewolf quickly turned around and hit Jake on his face with its elbows sending Jake back a few feet.

'Damn! This basic tier sword can't do anything but leave a few scratch. What do I do now?' Jake thought worriedly.

"Jake just keep the sword for now and fight with your fists." Zee advised.

"Huh? Are you nuts? You want me to fight with my fists? If a sword couldn't do anything, how do you expect my fists to do any damage?" Jake asked angrily.

"Just trust me." Zee said. "Most of your skills require you to use your fists, and they won't work well with a sword in your hand."

'That's true. Zee make a good points.' Jake thought but before he could do anything, he felt a stinging slap on his face that sent him flying to where Peter and the rest were. Seeing Jake flying, Peter quickly jumped up and caught him, safely bringing him over to their side.

"Crap! That slap hurt." Jake said annoyed.

That was when Kate and Cindy snapped out of their daze. "I'm so sorry Jake," Kate apologized coming over. "I should have helped but seeing the werewolf earlier, I froze."

Jake just shook his head and slowly stood up while coughing violently. "Don't worry, it's okay. I would have also froze just like you if it wasn't because I saw Peter in danger."

"I'm sorry too." Cindy apologized. "I will back you up to the best of my abilities."

"Same here." Jack said coming over while slightly limping.

"But you're injured." Jake said.

"Don't worry," Jack reassured him. "My Qi is slowly making me heal up faster, so I can still fight."

"I will also help," Ben said. "Well in my own way. That wolf took the lives of my friends so I also want to get payback."

"Well, count me out." Sophia said coming over with her body all riddled with wounds. "I'm too injured to do anything."

"Alright then, we still have a wolf to take down." Jake said then he turned to Ben. "Do you know how to use a sword?"

"Yes, but barely. I only know basic skills in using the sword."

"It will have to do." Jake said handing his sword over to Ben.

"Wait what! What are you going to use?" Ben asked.

"Don't worry, I have my fist." Jake replied running towards the werewolf with full speed.

The werewolf was already running towards Jake also and then they met in the center with a big bang. With the werewolf throwing an over head strike towards Jake's head and Jake ducked avoiding it while also giving the werewolf a strong hook to the stomach. Then the werewolf quickly kicked Jake in the stomach therefore putting space between him and Jake.

Immediately Jake moved back, an arrow quickly flew past and hit the werewolf on his shoulder therefore distracting him. Just right at that time, a fist hit the werewolf in its stomach sending it more than a few feet. And then a sword strike followed it on either side. With Cindy striking one side of the werewolf and Ben striking the other.

The sword strike only went a meter deep into the werewolf's skin before they pulled back and created space between them. Unknown to the werewolf, Jake used one of his system skill <Stealth> to get behind it and he activated <melee combat> also and he gave the werewolf a full on heavy punch that sent it flying towards Jack who in turn readied himself and moved the last Qi in his body to his hands and then to his fists and he gave the werewolf an uppercut that sent it flying up.

While the werewolf was flying up, Kate kept on firing arrow after arrow at the werewolf. In fact Ben switched from the sword in his hand to a bow and arrow and started firing out arrows after arrows at the werewolf. After a few seconds, the werewolf fell back down heavily that it created another crater on the ground with dusts everywhere.

Finally after a few seconds, the dusts settled and the students could all see the werewolf slowly standing up with its body riddled with injuries all over but there was still a grin on its face.

"Is that all?" The werewolf asked. "Is that all you guys got? Even with you guys teaming up, you couldn't still defeat me."

"Says the guy who is riddled with injuries all over." Jake replied. "We managed to injure you to this degree so it's just a matter of time before we defeat you totally."

"Oh! injuries?" The werewolf asked with a raised brow. "What injuries?"

And then, the werewolf's body started to heal up quickly. All the scratches and injuries they made on the werewolf, all of them were fading away leaving the werewolf looking good and new.

"Did you guys forget that we have supernatural healing?" The werewolf asked with a smirk on his face.

"Honestly, yes I forgot." Jake answered. "But it doesn't matter, I'm still gonna beat you."

"Oh really!? Fine, let's see you try." The werewolf dashed towards Jake again and so did Jake dash towards the werewolf with full speed. And in less than a second, they met in the middle.

## Chapter 45: It is not over unless I say so!

When Jake and the werewolf clashed in the center, they were engaged in a full on fight. This time, the werewolf was taking the fight seriously. It kept avoiding all of Jake's hit and skills. The werewolf still carefully avoided the arrows sent his way. That was when Jack managed to find his way to Jake's position and he waited for the right time.

Immediately the werewolf struck Jake back causing him to skid, that was when Jack came in with a kick to the werewolf's ribs but it didn't make it flinch one bit.

'Crap without my Qi, this fight will be harder than I thought.' Jack thought quickly moving back to reposition himself.

That was when a sword strike from Cindy came in towards the werewolf's back. It caused a deep scratch on the werewolf's back. Feeling a little bit of pain on his back, the werewolf quickly turned around and gave Cindy a punch to the face sending her flying. When the werewolf turned around, it totally forgot about Jake who just rapidly punched and tore into the injury that Cindy made on its back earlier while activating his <melee combat> skill therefore causing 10 percent damage to the werewolf.

The werewolf quickly turned around and swatted Jake away. It tried to move to pursue Jake but an arrow was shot out stopping it from moving forward. That was when Ben and Jack came in. With Jack jumping up and throwing out an axe kick towards its head while Ben used all his strength to slash at the Werewolf's legs.

The werewolf had only two options, either take Jack's hit and dodge Ben's hit or the other way around. So the werewolf quickly pivoted to the side avoiding Jack's axe kick but he was cut on his legs by Ben and an arrow was coming towards its head but the werewolf caught it and then snapped it.

Jack and Ben moved back to reposition themselves that was when Jake came in again with a heavy punch aimed at the Werewolf's head but his fists were caught by the werewolf then it looked at Jake with fury written all over its face.

"I have had enough." The werewolf slowly and quietly said. "Enough is Enough!" The werewolf shouted out loud and then it punched Jake repeatedly in his face, his chest and stomach. Causing Jake to cough out blood. Jack tried to come in to try and save Jake but the werewolf quickly stomped his foot on the ground very hard therefore causing dusts and stones to go flying out, making it impossible for Jack to see properly.

Then the werewolf lifted Jake and slammed him to the ground again before flinging him far back away from him towards one of the somewhat okay torn down buildings. Causing Jake to crash into it and go skidding away. The rest of the gang didn't know what happened to Jake and they didn't have anytime to worry for the werewolf was now going after Jack next.

When it got to Jack's position, it gave Jack an uppercut and before Jack could fly up, the werewolf grabbed Jack's legs and slammed him down again causing another deep crater. The werewolf lifted Jack again and kept on slamming him down again and again therefore adding more depth to the crater. Then finally, the werewolf moved back and then jumped up high and then fell back again trying to stomp on an unconscious Jack's head to death.

But Jack quickly regaining a sliver of consciousness, he quickly rolled over but he didn't have the strength to get up.

"It's over." Peter said shaking his head in fear. "We can't win this fight."

The others agreed with Peter. Shaking her head, Kate ran forward to join the rest of the guys. "I'm not gonna go down without a fight. I can't keep on shooting arrows, I need to get at least a good hit on that wolf if I'm gonna die."

Kate got to Jack's position and managed to move him back a bit. And then she got in position with Cindy and Ben by her side. Quickly running forward, Kate got to the werewolf's side. Seeing this, the werewolf wanted to punch Kate but she ducked avoiding the hit and threw a roundhouse kick towards the werewolf's head that landed squarely causing the werewolf's head to slam on the floor.

Then she stomped on the werewolf's head over and over again. When she tried to stomp again, the werewolf grabbed her leg and slowly stood up then it did its signature move by slamming Kate on the ground again and again. The hit affected Kate more than she thought. She heard a crack in her side. Seemingly her ribs being broken. Finally the werewolf stopped slamming her and then he kicked her hard on her side sending her skidding back.

Ben and Cindy didn't even have a chance to attack and now the werewolf's attention was solely on them. Before they could move, the werewolf was suddenly in front of them. With a punch to the face, it sent Cindy flying back to Sophia's position. Then it quickly grabbed Ben's head and started squeezing hard as if trying to pop it.

Ben feeling his consciousness slip away from him, tried to do everything he could on the werewolf by stabbing it with his sword but it didn't work and then finally Ben's head popped loudly. The werewolf didn't stop there, he made sure to eat Ben's body therefore leaving now trace of Ben.

This act totally freaked the rest of the gang that were still far back. They couldn't help but shiver thinking about what the werewolf will do to them if it got its claws on them. After devouring Ben's body, it slowly walked towards Kate who was slightly conscious and coughing violently because of her injuries. Then it grabbed Sophia's head and looked deep into her eyes.

Then it opened its mouth and smiled then he said. "It's all over." He was about to bite Sophia's head off but then suddenly its head stopped moving and then slowly it let go of Kate's head making her drop to the ground. Looking at its hand, the

werewolf could see someone holding onto it. The werewolf recognized the curly black hair and hazel blue eyes.

It was Jake holding onto him. "It is not over unless I say so."

## Chapter 46: The Timely Hero

Earlier when Jake was punched so hard that he flew into one of the somewhat okay torn down buildings, his back hit the wall therefore causing it to break and allowing him to enter the building. Jake lay there unmoving because he actually felt terrible pain coursing through his whole body. His ribs were broken therefore making it some what hard for him to breathe, his face was all bloody and even his head was bleeding.

After a few minutes, Jake managed to sit up while resting his back on the wall of the building while also taking deep breaths.

"Crap! I'm so terribly injured. What do I do now? How am I gonna win this fight? At this rate, we are all gonna lose if something doesn't change soon."

"Oh heavens! Why was I given such a silly host?" Zee asked no one in particular.

"What do you mean?" Jake asked in between coarsed breath.

"Why are you fighting like your friends?"

"What do you mean?" Jake asked with a raised brow.

"You have something no one else has. You have a system, so use it. Jake use the system. You have more skills at your disposal than any of your friends then why don't you use it?" Zee chided.

'I guess Zee is right. I have been acting like a fool and not making use of what is at my disposal.' Jake thought. 'Well, that ends now.'

Jake then opened up his system and navigated to his skill tab.

<Skill Tab>

<Melee combat: Level 1 (Deals 10 damage with basic weapons therefore removing 10% HP from enemy)>

<Stealth: Level 1; Increases evasion chances by 10%>

<Inspect Skill: Level 2; Brings up information of an enemy>

<Frenzy Strike: a skill that deals rapid consecutive attacks for 2 seconds, with a cool down timer of 5 minutes.>

<Second wind (Lv1): Restores 5 points of user's HP. (Skill can only be used once a day)>

<Stun Strike; stuns the opponent, making them vulnerable to attacks for a second. (Lv1) cool down timer; 2 minutes>

<Strength Surge: Increases user's strength by 10 percent for five minutes. Cool down timer; 1 hour.>

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This were all the skills Jake currently had in his system. He glanced at the one that could currently benefit him right now. Before he did anything else, Jake also opened his status screen.

<Status>

<User: Jake Lucas>

<Level: 8>

<Combat level: Novice>

<Skill level: Untrained>

<XP level: 200/800>

<HP: 10/30>

<Strength: 35>

<Agility:31>

<Endurance: 38>

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"Damn! My HP is currently low, I think this skill will be quite useful now." Jake thought while activating his skill, <Second Wind> and then immediately, his HP increased a little bit.

<HP: 15/30>

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"Haha, Good thing this works otherwise, I don't know what I'm gonna do." Jake said. 'Okay, now that is done with, it's time to payback that wolf.' Jake exited the building with his body all sore and his face and head still bleeding.

Just when he exited the building, he was met with a scene that horrified Jake so much. He saw the werewolf popping Ben's head and devouring his body whole. Then he noticed the werewolf looking towards Kate who was laying on the floor. Seemingly sensing what the werewolf was about to do, Jake quickly ran forward and activated his skill.

<Strength Surge> increasing his strength by 10 percent. Quickly glancing towards his system, he saw it worked for his system was displaying, <Strength:45>

Instead of the former 35. He saw the werewolf going for Kate and lifting her off the ground meanwhile, Jake was just 5 feet away.

Then the werewolf lifted its mouth to bite Kate's head off and then finally, Jake got there and held on tightly onto the werewolf's hand causing it to let go of Kate.

"It is not over unless I say so." Jake said with his eyes blazing with evident fury. Then Jake quickly kned the werewolf In its stomach with full strength almost knocking out the wind from the werewolf's mouth. Then Jake lifted the werewolf up by his hand then he slammed the werewolf down with full strength therefore a huge crater to form on the ground.

Then Jake moved back a bit while looking at the werewolf who was carefully get out of the crater. "You... how are you so strong suddenly?"

"That is for me to know and for you to shut the f\*\*\*k up!" Jake screamed as he dashed towards the werewolf. And then started rapidly punching the werewolf but the werewolf was carefully avoiding the punches that was aimed at his vitals while waiting for a chance to attack back.

With each hit Jake landed, loud bangs and shockwaves was been spread around everywhere. It was evident that Jake was putting his all in his hit. Meanwhile his friends that were watching were suddenly confused.

"How is Jake suddenly so strong?" Peter asked with a raised brow. "I mean we all saw how the werewolf easily dealt with him and then Jake went flying to a building and now he came back stronger than before."

"Let's just hope it is enough to defeat the werewolf." Cindy said while bringing a slightly conscious Kate over so she won't be caught in the cross fire.

Meanwhile back at the fight, Jake was still rapidly punching until the werewolf angrily let out a bit of energy that pushed Jake back a bit and then the werewolf tried to dash towards Jake but it was unable to move one inch because Jake had activated, <stun strike> therefore keeping the werewolf stunned and unable to move. To which Jake just smiled and quickly picked up a sword and activated<Frenzy strike> and <melee combat > and then he started rapidly attacking the werewolf all over and over again with all his strength.

Finally, the time limit for Frenzy strike and stun strike elapsed and then Jake quickly used the 'Triple Threat skill' to get behind the werewolf who was now riddled with injuries from head to toe.

"Is that all you got?" The werewolf asked with a sinister grin that made him look like a demon from hell coupled with his injuries.

"I'm just getting started." Jake smiled and quickly dashed towards the werewolf. Luckily, <Strength surge> was still active. He still had 2 more minutes on the timer to go.

Using The Triple Threat technique, Jake got to the werewolf's position in less than a second, and then started swinging his sword all over the werewolf from head to toe while the werewolf was now taking the fight seriously by dodging, avoiding and hitting back with full strength.

Jake used The Triple Threat technique again to get behind the werewolf and then he quickly used The Primary Guard sword strike he learnt to slash at the Werewolf's back causing the blade to go more than deep into the werewolf's neck therefore causing the werewolf's neck to spurt out blood.

Jake then moved back again to create a bit of space to look at the werewolf for an opening to strike again.

'Damn! I only have enough stamina for one more Triple Threat technique.' Jake thought worriedly. 'oh well, I need to make it count then.'

Instead of waiting for Jake to come at him, the werewolf ran towards Jake and in response, Jake quickly used the Triple Threat technique to go around the werewolf and he swung his sword towards the werewolf's hand with his full strength and then finally, he managed to cut off the werewolf's hand but it came at a cost.

Jake's stamina was depleted and the skill <strength Surge> was over leaving Jake on his knees panting hard due to exhaustion. The werewolf stopped running and it looked at its stump that once had his hand on it with anger evident on his face and then it lifted its head to look at Jake but it could see Jake on his knees gasping for air.

Trying to take advantage of the situation, the werewolf now calmly walked and smiled towards Jake who was screaming at his legs to move out of the way but he was truly exhausted. His friends seeing the werewolf walk towards Jake, decided to run towards Jake to at least assist him.

Especially Peter who had somewhat regained his strength. So currently Peter, Cindy and Sophia were the ones running towards Jake because Kate and Jake were too weak to move. It turned out that they will be too late to help because the werewolf was now holding onto Jake's curly hair with his one remaining hand.

"I got to admit, you are really strong for being able to chop off my hand." The werewolf said looking at its stump again. "But don't worry, it will heal up nicely after am done eating you and your friends."

Jake hearing the werewolf's threat, tried his possible best to move but he was unable to. Then the werewolf opened its mouth wide to eat Jake and Jake also closed his eyes seemingly accepting his fate.

Meanwhile, his friends seeing the werewolf's mouth inch closer and closer to Jake's mouth, they screamed out loud unable to do anything for they were too far away but that was when a gust of wind blew on their face and when they looked up, they could see someone running towards Jake with an inhuman speed and finally he got Jake's position and chopped off the werewolf's one remaining hand that was holding onto Jake with ease as if he were cutting through butter.

## Chapter 47: A strong teacher

Just when all hope seemed lost, just when Jake thought he was going to die at the hands of the werewolf, then from the corner of his eyes, he saw someone run towards the werewolf and chopped off the hands of the werewolf with ease as if a hot knife was cutting butter. Then he heard the man shout out, "Do not touch my students with your filthy hands!"

Immediately the werewolf's hand was cut off, Jake fell down and looked up to see who saved him. It turns out, it was sergeant Lee that saved him. The rest of Jake's friends finally got to Jake's position and they were as shocked as Jake after they saw sergeant Lee but they quickly got over their shock and managed to pull Jake out just in time so he won't be caught in the cross fire of the battle between sergeant Lee and the werewolf.

Sergeant Lee after seeing the students move out of the way, finally turned to face the werewolf with his eyes blazing with fury. Meanwhile the werewolf was still in shock after seeing his hand being cut off so easily. The werewolf just stood looking at its stump that earlier held his hand.

Now, the werewolf had its two hands cut off. That was when it lifted its head to look at the human who managed to cut its hand off. "You.. you managed to cut my hand so easily. How? How did you do it?"

Sergeant Lee didn't respond, he just calmly walked forward a bit then he took a fighting stance. And then sergeant Lee exploded forward with such force that the ground beneath his feet was broken. And then he swung his sword at the werewolf's neck. Quickly snapping out of its daze, the werewolf quickly ducked avoiding the hit.

Without its hands, the werewolf was limited to only dodging now. Sergeant Lee quickly repositioned himself and dashed forward towards the werewolf again. When he got to the werewolf's position, instead of his sword, sergeant Lee used his leg to throw a roundhouse kick that connected successfully with the werewolf's head causing the werewolf's head to go crashing down on the floor with such force that it made the werewolf's whole body bounce a few times before coming to a halt.

The students who were all watching sergeant Lee's show of strength, were in so much awe at what they could see.

"Are we all seeing the same thing?" Peter asked with his mouth wide open.

"Yeah, and I thought that Jack was the only one who could make the werewolf go flying like that." Cindy said.

"You guys shouldn't forget that I'm just a student and sergeant Lee is a, well a sergeant." Jack said while standing to get a better view of the fight.

Jake who was also watching the fight was quite disheartened. 'I guess I still have a long way to go before I can handle a werewolf on my own.'

Meanwhile, after bouncing a few times, the werewolf finally came to a halt and then slowly stood up with its head bleeding slightly. Then it smiled at sergeant Lee. "And here we thought that the humans have gotten weaker. We should really have attacked sooner."

Sergeant Lee still didn't reply, he just ran towards the werewolf again and when he was close enough, he used The Triple Threat technique to get behind the werewolf, he pushed off from the ground again and then swung his sword very fast and cleanly. Then sergeant Lee dropped now smoothly and walked towards the students without even looking back.

The werewolf didn't even feel anything, it just stood there stunned and then finally, it felt a shooting pain across its neck and it finally realized its done for. 'We have truly underestimated the humans. We should have attacked soon...' then the werewolf's head fell off its body and its body followed next. Lee then finally got to the students position.

"Was that the only one?"

The students for a second there, they forgot how to speak because they were so amazed by what sergeant Lee just did. The thing that they were all struggling with. That even their combined teamwork and strength couldn't do, Sergeant Lee did it with ease. Without even breaking a sweat.

Then finally Sophia snapped out of her daze. "Yes sir, it's the last one."

"Good. Let's all head back to the academy." Lee said already assisting Jake to stand up.

"Academy?" Sophia asked. "Aren't we supposed to be going to the shelter?"

"No. We are all going back to the academy."

"But what about the beast hunt?" Sophia asked again.

"It's cancelled, all the students in the shelter have already gone back to school, and anyone hunting, has been brought back." Lee replied.

"But how did you know that there was an attack here?" Jake asked.

"The shelter has equipment that monitors the atmosphere. So when the portal opened up, the shelter were notified but we didn't expect for students to be all out here."

"But why did it take you so long to get here?" Kate asked.

"One, we didn't expect any students to be out here so we decided to round up the remaining students that were still out hunting. Before we will deal with the threat. It was your friend I suppose, that informed the shelter that you guys were still out here."

Getting their response, they decided to leave it at that and head back to the academy together with Lee. After a an hour of walking, they got to the shelter, got into the portal and was transported back to the academy. Sophia decided to suck up her complains. It turns out that the score and position they got on the first day, that was gonna be their score.

Meanwhile, when they all got to the academy, the whole students were given three days break because of what they experienced. While some of the students left to go to their town to visit their family or rest, Jake and the rest of the gang decided to rest up in the academy since most of them had no where to go to.

While relaxing at night, Jake decided to check his system for the notification he heard in his head immediately Sergeant Lee defeated the werewolf. Opening up his system to bring up past notifications, Jake was pleasantly pleased with the rewards he got.

<Congratulations! User has managed to survive the werewolf attack.>

<Rewards for completion: 2000XP, two new skills and +10 in all stats point.>

'Woah! This is very much. How come the system is feeling so generous lately?' Jake thought.

"Well, you deserved it. If it wasn't because of you and Jack, you guys would have been dead by now." Zee commented.

"Yeah. That's true. Speaking of Jack, I saw first hand how that Qi is useful and now am wondering how Jack managed to learn the skill."

"Maybe you can ask him tomorrow." Zee said. "For now, let's quickly check your new skills and then so you could get some rest."

"That's true." Jack said opening up his status screen.

<Status>

<User: Jake Lucas>

<Level: 10>

<Combat level: Skilled>

<Skill level: Trained>

<XP level: 400/1200>

<HP: 40/40>

<Strength: 45>

<Agility:41>

<Endurance: 48>

<Congratulations! User has levelled up twice. User is finally in level 10.>

<Main quest completed.>

<Rewards for completion of main quest: A passive skill granted.>

"Now that's an improvement from what I was before." Jake said. "Haha, it all feels funny, from someone who was the bottom of the barrel, I am now almost equal to Jack and Sophia in terms of strength."

'Too bad the XP bar keeps on increasing the more I level up.' Jake thought dejectedly. 'Anyway, let me see the new skills I got. They better be worth it.'

<Skill Tab>

<Melee combat (Lv2): Deals 20 damage with intermediate weapons therefore removing 20% HP from enemy.

<Stealth (Lv1): Increases evasion chances by 10%>

<Inspect Skill (Lv2): Brings up information of an enemy>

<Frenzy Strike (Lv2): a skill that deals rapid consecutive attacks for 6 seconds, with a cool down timer of 10 minutes.>

<Second wind (Lv1): Restores 5 points of user's HP. (Skill can only be used once a day)>

<Stun Strike (Lv1): stuns the opponent, making them vulnerable to attacks for a second. cool down timer; 2 minutes>

<Strength Surge: Increases user's strength by 10 percent for five minutes. Cool down timer; 1 hour.>

<(New) Lockdown(Lv1): Immobilizes the opponent for 5 seconds. Cool down timer; 3 minutes.

<(New) Step shift(Lv1): A short, quick movement skill to create or close distance and gaps within one metre.

<(New) Immunity{Passive}: This is skill is always active, it protects the host from any werewolf bite that could turn the host to a werewolf.>

"Woah! Now this is so dope. To be sincere, I love this system. This is truly amazing." Jake almost laughed out loud.

'But come to think of it, the fight was really difficult. If it wasn't because of sergeant Lee, we will all be dead by now. I really need to learn that Qi and master

all of my system skills soon before another attack. And I know that perfect place to master my new skills.' Jake thought with a smile on his face.

After more exploration, Jake decided to call it a day and go to sleep for their 3 days break will begin tomorrow.

## Chapter 48: Getting the hang of skills {1}

Jake woke up early as usual to complete his daily quest. Although he was injured the previous day from his fight with the werewolf, nurse Hayley did a good job in healing him up. The academy had good equipment that could aid in the healing process. The ones with the more serious injuries were still in the academy's clinic. Peter, Kate and Sophia were the ones with the more serious injuries and they were still in the clinic.

Although Jack had injuries, when he visited the clinic, nurse Hayley helped his healing process go faster with his own Qi so now Jack was just as good as new. After Jake completed his daily quest, he went back to his dorm to take his bath and then went to the school's canteen with Vynn to take their breakfast. After breakfast, They both went to the school's clinic to check up on the rest of their friends who were still there.

When they got to the clinic, they could see the three of them chatting away although not that happily because the previous incident was still fresh in their minds. Immediately Jake opened the door, the rest of the gang turned their heads to see who was coming in. Upon seeing Jake and Vynn, they all smiled all except Sophia that was.

"Hey bro, how are you doing?" Jake asked with a smile on his face.

"I'm doing well, thanks." Peter answered with a smile. "That beautiful nurse really did a good job. It made me fall in love with her again."

To which they all laughed. "You know, if you stop trying so hard, you will quickly see a girlfriend." Sophia said. "Just act uninterested for once and you will see."

"Like that is gonna happen." Vynn added. "We all know Peter, it is unlikely he will stop trying so hard."

To which they all laughed at Peter's expense. They all chat some more before Jake decides to take his leave to head off to the place where he will surely practise to get the hang of his skills and get more experience.

After leaving the clinic, Jake walked away from the building and headed to another building entirely. When entering the building, he could see the shelves full of different games and the capsule pod at the back. Heading to the counter, Jake paid 90 credits for three hours leaving him with a total of just 50 credits.

'Ah damn! I need to think of how to make money soon other than the allowance given to us by the academy.' Jake thought while heading off to the Gaming capsule.

When Jake got to the capsule, he got into the capsule and logged in. When Jake logged into the capsule, he was flooded with multiple notifications. "Huh? What is all of this?" Jake thought about checking the notifications one after the other.

It turned out the notifications were all friend requests from different players asking to be Jake's friend. "Huh? Why are they suddenly sending me friend requests? What is going on?"

Unknown to Jake, after his match with the shark fighter, the players that were spectating his match, uploaded the video to the online forum therefore gaining Jake quite a number of fans because the Shark fighter was none as the strongest silver player and Jake managed to defeat him hence the friend requests.

Immediately Jake logged in, those on his friend lists, and those that set their game to ping them when the wolf hunter logged in, were now alerted so now, they were all waiting for Jake to start a game so they could witness something awesome again. Quickly swatting away the friend requests, Jake decided to check his system skills to see the one that he will prioritise in learning first before moving onto the next.

<Skill Tab>

<Melee combat (Lv2): Deals 20 damage with intermediate weapons therefore removing 20% HP from enemy.

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After going over the skills over and over again, Jake finally decided to prioritise learning the skill <Step shift> first before moving onto the next skill. After checking everything if it was ready, Jake decided to start his first match for the day by dividing his time as usual into three.

With the first hour battling against werewolves, second hour battling against humans on his rank level and the last hour using the quick search button to match him randomly with human opponents. When Jake was done finalising everything, he decided to start the match by battling with the werewolves.

After clicking on the 'Fight with werewolf' button, and waiting for a few seconds, a werewolf finally appeared meanwhile the stands were now half filled with spectators that wanted to see Jake perform something awesome again today.

Immediately the werewolf appeared, the big countdown clock appeared again. And when it counted down to 0, the match started with Jake dashing forward.

## Chapter 49: Getting the hang of skills {2}

Immediately the werewolf appeared, the big countdown clock also appeared. And when it counted down to 0, Jake dashed towards the werewolf with full speed. When he got to the werewolf's position, he swung his sword quickly towards the werewolf's stomach but the werewolf quickly pivoted sideways therefore avoiding

the hit and allowing Jake to keep on running forward. A second later, Jake stopped running and quickly turned around to face the werewolf.

'Woah! Have I gotten faster?' Jake thought.

"You foolish host!" Zee chided. "Have you forgotten, your stats have all increased so definitely, you have gotten faster."

"Oh I totally forgot about that." Jake said taking a stance while not taking his eyes off the werewolf. "Oh well, I just have to get the hang of my new speed as well as my new skills."

It wasn't only Jake that noticed he had gotten faster, his regular three fans had also noticed it because they had always watched Jake's match from ever since when Jake defeated them in the match and so it was easy to spot that Jake had gotten faster. This only added to their excitement.

The werewolf was now smiling at Jake which also causes Jake to grit his teeth in anger. 'Why did they have to make this game so realistic. Looking at this werewolf, keeps on reminding me of the one we encountered yesterday.'

Not letting his anger get to him, Jake closed his eyes and breathed in and out before taking a stance again and calculating the best way to approach the werewolf. Finally coming up with a plan, Jake ran towards the werewolf but without his full speed.

While the werewolf ran towards Jake but with its full speed. When the two were about to collide, Jake quickly activated <The Triple Threat> skill to get behind the werewolf then he also quickly activated <strength Surge> therefore boosting his strength by 10 percent.

From <45> to <55> therefore making him stronger than all Peter and Sophia but not as strong as Jack when he uses Qi. And then Jake rather than use his sword, decided to quickly use his fist therefore punching the werewolf with full strength. The hit caused the werewolf to go flying instead of skidding. Instead of moving, Jake stopped and looked at his fist for a second in astonishment.

The spectating stands were also very quiet with what they just witnessed. Because in the history of Reality X gaming, no silver player had ever sent a werewolf flying like that. It was only possible from the Gold rank and above. Quickly snapping out of his astonishment, Jake smiled and dashed towards the werewolf again with half his normal speed.

He didn't want to use his full speed for what he was about to do now. When Jake was now one metre away from the werewolf, he quickly activated <Stun strike> and <step shift>. The stun strike made the werewolf unable to move for a second while Jake was going through the motion of the step shift.

The step shift made use of short, quick movement to create or close distance and gaps within one metre. When Jake activated the step shift, he got the timing wrong therefore sending him stumbling in the path of the werewolf who was now finally free from the effect of stun strike.

Seeing Jake stumbling towards it, the werewolf readied its fist and then it swung it hard and fast therefore sending Jake flying to the other end of the platform. After some minutes, Jake came to a halt from the impact of the Werewolf's punch. And then he slowly stood up but he was on his knees coughing hard.

"Shit shit shit!" Jake cursed angrily. "How on earth did I get the timing wrong?"

"You didn't get the timing wrong, more like, you got the speed wrong." Zee said.

"What do you mean?" Jake asked with a raised brow.

"Didn't you read the skill description? It said short and quick movements to close or create distance or gaps." Zee said.

"Yeah I know that already. What's your point here?" Jake asked impatiently.

"My point is, I'm tryna advice you. The system was tryna tell you how to use the skill by saying short movements to create gaps and quick movements to close gaps or distance. So my point here is, use short movements to create gaps or distance while the quick movements to.."

"To close the distance." Jake replied. "I see my mistake now. I used short speed or movement to try and close distance instead of using quick and fast speed. Thanks Zee."

"You're always welcome Jake."

Jake's talk with Zee only took a minute while in reality, it took only a second. So now Jake finally stood up from the ground with a smirk on his face. 'Time to pay a werewolf back.'

The werewolf calmly walked towards Jake with a grin on its face meanwhile, Jake checked the time limit on the strength Surge. Seeing he had 3 minutes left before the skill was over, Jake quickly dashed towards the werewolf with full speed this time and when he was almost a metre away, he activated another skill. <Lockdown> as the name implies, he locked the werewolf down therefore rendering the werewolf unable to move.

Then when he was finally a metre away, Jake now activated the <Step shift> to close the distance between him and the werewolf and this time, it successfully worked. Jake was now in front of the werewolf who was now starting to be free of the effects of Lockdown but it was too late for the werewolf's face was now met with a full on fist from Jake sending it crashing down again.

Then Jake quickly moved forward and used his sword to stab the werewolf on its head therefore ending the game with Jake being declared the winner. The spectating stands were now totally silent and amazed by the splendid performance Jake did. And then finally, they all snapped out from their daze and applauded Jake loudly while also cheering him on.

It was because of the cheer, Jake now acknowledged that there were people in the spectating stands. Not caring about them, Jake wanted to just move on to the next game of the day. One new comer in the stands, was confused with the people's excitement and cheering.

"I don't get it, just because he defeated a virtual werewolf, you all are now suddenly excited."

One of the first initial three fans of Jake whose name was Nate decided to reply him. "Huh? Oh now I get it, you haven't been following the wolf hunter from the beginning. That explains why I haven't seen you before."

"And so?" The man asked with a raised brow. "You still haven't explained what the fuss is all about."

To which Nate just chuckled. "The reason everyone is excited, is that, the wolf hunter doesn't disappoint. Anytime he log out, he always comes back stronger than ever. Like the skill where he closed the distance between him and the werewolf, he didn't have it before nor did he used it in his previous matches."

"Oh really?" The man asked.

"Yes. And he was definitely not strong enough before to punch a werewolf and send it flying like he did earlier. It's like he just got a strength boost all of a sudden and it wasn't even a week when we last saw him play the game." The other initial three named Sam replied.

The man didn't ask any questions, he just stroke his beard and continued watching Jake who was now starting another match with a werewolf. It wasn't strange for men to be playing the game, it was because some of them usually used it to practice and sharpen their skills. And in the spectating stands, most of the spectators weren't using their gaming avatar.

Most of them appeared the way they were in reality. Meanwhile no one could identify Jake's identity because he was using his gaming avatar. The man after hearing what Nate and Sam said, was now in deep thought.

'Could the wolf hunter be the one?' The man thought as he stroke his beard. 'Could he be the one I have been looking for? The kids said he always comes back stronger than ever and anytime he comes back, he uses skills that he didn't use before. Could he actually be the one? If so, then I have to get him as soon as possible.'

## Chapter 50: Round two

After defeating his first werewolf in the previous match, and getting the hang of the <step shift>, Jake decided to play another match against a werewolf and in all the match, Jake kept on using all his system skills trying to master them. After an hour of playing against werewolves, Jake finally decided to play against humans.

This match was going to be his first match against a human after he got to a silver rank. And he was eagerly awaiting his opponent to appear. It wasn't only Jake that was excited, even the spectators were all excited about Jake's match against a human. Among the three first fans of Jake, they were also excited and that was when they were suddenly confused.

"Huh? Where's Dan?" Sam asked, looking among all the other spectators.

"What do you mean? He was right here not too long ago." Nate replied.

"Oh no!" A thought struck Sam. "Is he... is he planning to do what I think he is tryna do?"

"What do you mean?" Nate asked.

"He must be so impressed by the wolf hunter's growth that he might wish to play against him." Sam said.

"And so?" Nate asked with a raised brow. "Dan is a silver ranked player and I'm sure he can handle himself. And he isn't only just a silver player, we all know he is closer to getting to the Gold rank than any of us."

And just as Sam had predicted, Dan was currently on stage about to face off against Jake. Dan's gaming name was 'Vortex,' his avatar looked like a futuristic, cyberpunk-inspired behemoth. Standing tall with a muscular build, Vortex has piercing blue eyes and jet-black hair styled in a messy, spiky fashion.

The avatar was clad in a sleek black and neon-green jumpsuit, complete with metallic armour plating and glowing blue circuits. A silver mohawk-like fin runs along the top of his head, giving him a menacing, high-tech appearance. His choice of weapon was a Gauntlet. A type of weapon that covers a person's hand like a glove.

"It's good to see you wolf hunter." Vortex smiled.

Jake just raised an eyebrow. "Huh? Do I know you?"

"Oh, my bad. I'm so sorry, you don't know me personally, but I know you. I know you Enough to know that I can defeat you."

Jake just laughed at this comment. "Defeat me? Are you serious? Anyway only time will tell who will defeat who." Jake said while taking a fighting stance.

Vortex just smiled. "Oh how arrogant. Just a little bit of a winning streak, you think you can beat me? Fine, lemme humour you a bit." Vortex also took a fighting stance.

And then the big countdown clock appeared again. When it counted down to 0, it signalled the start of the match. Jake didn't dash forward like he did in all his matches against the werewolves. He calmly looked at the vortex while also glancing at his skills tab to choose the skills that will work against the vortex.

"Will you just keep on standing there for the rest of the match, or will you do something?" Vortex asked, still smiling.

Tired of standing around, Jake quickly dashed towards the vortex carefully then when he was a metre away from vortex, he activated <step shift> to close the distance between him and vortex then he quickly used 'The Triple Threat' technique to get behind vortex and he swung his blade towards the vortex's neck but the vortex quickly ducked avoiding the hit.

Then he quickly stood up straight, turned around and punched Jake in the face with full strength therefore sending Jake skidding for a bit. Jake's avatar now had a little speck of blood coming from its nose. Instead of getting angry, Jake just smiled.

'Finally, I have seen a decent opponent to go against.' Jake thought excitedly. 'Now let's test all the skills to the fullest. I'm not a fool to think that I won't have to go against humans in the future so let's see first hand how good my skills are against them.'

Vortex noticed the smile on Jake's face, couldn't help but be curious as to why he was smiling. "What's so funny?"

"Oh it's nothing, I'm just imagining what your face will look like after I beat you." Jake smiled again then he ran towards the vortex and quickly used <step shift> again to close the distance and he swung his sword towards the vortex's stomach. But his attack was stopped by vortex's hand which was holding onto Jake's blade.

And then he threw a kick towards Jake's stomach that landed successfully but Jake didn't flinch one bit instead, he let go of his blade for a second and then he quickly threw a hook towards Vortex's neck that landed squarely therefore making vortex's head to crash on the ground and bounce a few times before coming to a stop.

Jake then calmly picked his sword from the floor while the vortex was also getting up from the floor with a trickle of blood dripping from his head. But there was a smile on his face. Meanwhile, everyone in the stands were all at the edge of their seats. Especially Vortex's friends, they didn't even know who to root for because they admired the wolf hunter and Vortex was their friend. Regardless, they could both agree on one thing and that was, the fight was surely entertaining.

Back at the fight, the vortex calmly stood up and smiled at Jake. Meanwhile Jake was just thinking of what skills to use now and then an idea popped into his head which made him smile inwardly.

'Let's see how he handles this combination of skills.' Jake thought in amusement.

'I think it's time I stepped it up a notch a bit.' Vortex thought.

"Are you ready for round two?" Vortex asked with a smile.

To which Jake just smiled back. "Always ready and I gotta warn you, I'm not gonna take it easy on you now."

This made the vortex almost laugh out loud. "I was just about to say the same thing to you. You took the words right out of my mouth."

With that short conversation, it was now finally time for round two between the wolf hunter and the vortex.