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### Chapter 131 A Hole in One

"Do you think this kid might have gotten into trouble?" Li Xiu looked at the address Chu Jun had sent, surprisingly it was outside of Zhongshan City.

Li Xiu pondered for a moment and still decided to go check it out.

He found Ximen Guan, luckily he hadn't started modifying the Ghost-faced Magic Armor yet, Li Xiu borrowed it for a while.

With the Ghost-faced Magic Armor in hand, he left Zhongshan City and headed towards the western slopes.

No wonder there's no mobile signal here, Zhongshan City is built in deep mountains and forests, apart from some signal towers in the city, mobile phones don't have a signal outside the city at all.

"Why would Chu Jun be appraising gemstones in a place like this?" Li Xiu arrived at the place Chu Jun mentioned and saw there were no buildings around, just a slope with grass.

It seemed like the turf here was laid artificially, as Southern Cross Federation doesn't produce such grass.

"Li Xiu, over here." Chu Jun was waving at him from a distance.

Besides Chu Jun, there were a few people, an old man, a middle-aged man, and a few others who looked like bodyguards or attendants.

"Li Xiu, let me introduce you, this is Mr. Zhou." Chu Jun introduced everyone.

But he only mentioned the old man as Mr. Zhou, and the middle-aged man by the surname Yu, addressing him as Mr. Yu.

"Mr. Zhou, everyone is here, how about we check the gemstones?" Chu Jun said to the old man.

"No rush, let's play some golf first." The old man was holding a golf club, aligning it with the ball on the ground, and then with a swift stroke pushed the ball into the hole.

"Mr. Zhou, your golf skills are exceptional, I'm no match for you." Chu Jun said with a smile.

"Young people shouldn't be too impatient. How about this, play a round with me, no need for scorecards, just tally the strokes. If you can beat me by one stroke, I'll give you a gemstone. However many strokes you win by, I'll give you that many gemstones today, how does that sound?" Mr. Zhou said with a smile.

"This..." Chu Jun hesitated and didn't say a word.

Li Xiu realized this Mr. Zhou was deliberately making things difficult for Chu Jun, probably not intending to do business with him today.

"Mr. Zhou, do my winning strokes count too?" Li Xiu asked with a smile.

"Of course, young man, you like playing golf too?" Mr. Zhou assessed Li Xiu and asked with a smile.

"I don't play much, but I'm interested. In this era, exercising is beneficial, don't you think?" Pretending not to notice Chu Jun signaling to him continuously, Li Xiu replied with a smile.

"Alright, let's play a round then, same rules. If you can win by a stroke, I'll take out a gemstone. This is a standard 18-hole course, the par is seventy-two strokes. When I was younger, I used to score under sixty strokes. Now I'm old and probably can't hit under sixty anymore." Mr. Zhou said as he got into an electric four-wheeler and drove towards the tee.

Chu Jun pulled Li Xiu onto another vehicle, driving while asking him, "Li Xiu, how's your golf game? Mr. Zhou used to be at a professional level and even set records."

"No worries, why don't you tell me what the rules of golf are first?" Li Xiu asked.

"You don't know the rules?" Chu Jun looked at Li Xiu with wide eyes, almost losing control of the vehicle.

"Just tell me the rules first," Li Xiu said with a smile.

"There's not much hope anyway, just think of it as some exercise." Chu Jun said, feeling a bit speechless, but he still explained the rules to Li Xiu.

Simply put, on this course, there are eighteen holes. You have to hit the ball into each hole in sequence, using as few strokes as possible. The total length of the eighteen holes is around six thousand meters.

For a standard eighteen holes, the usual par is seventy-two. Someone like Mr. Zhou can complete the eighteen holes with around sixty strokes, which is already at a professional level.

Generally, someone who isn't skilled might take hundreds of strokes, and amateurs, depending on their level, generally score eighty to ninety or a bit more, over a hundred is common too.

"How many strokes do you want to win by?" Li Xiu asked Chu Jun after understanding the rules.

"Hopefully, at least five strokes, but since you're not familiar with the rules, there's no pressure, just play casually." Chu Jun said.

Li Xiu smiled and didn't say anything, wanting to repay the favor that Chu Jun had done by obtaining the qualification to enter the Hero Trial Ground for him. Now was the perfect opportunity to repay that favor.

When they reached the tee, Mr. Zhou first chose a club and hit a few balls to warm up.

Mr. Yu, Li Xiu, and Chu Jun all tried hitting a few balls to warm up and get a feel of the game.

"This hole is a par-four, and the distance is over two hundred meters." Mr. Zhou said with a smile, "When I was young, at a par-four like this, I often only used two strokes and frequently scored double eagle."

Li Xiu didn't understand what double eagle meant and looked over at Chu Jun.

Chu Jun explained in a low voice, "One stroke under par is called a birdie, two strokes under is an eagle, and three strokes under is a double eagle. There are other names too."

"For a hole with a maximum par of five strokes, if you get a hole-in-one, you'd be four strokes under par. What do you call that?" Li Xiu asked.

"In theory, it's called a triple eagle, but it's very rare to happen. Five-stroke holes are over four hundred meters long, even professional players find it hard to hit that far. Of course, nowadays many Trial Takers can hit that far, but it's tough to get a hole-in-one and triple eagle is not commonly heard of." Chu Jun thought for a moment and replied.

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"It seems like you aren't very familiar with golf, young man," Boss Zhou said with a smile.

"You'll get used to it if you play," Li Xiu replied.

"Okay, let you take the first shot then." Boss Zhou felt the young man was somewhat conceited and seemed a bit unhappy.

Li Xiu didn't refuse either, standing on the tee, gripping the club, and posed for the shot.

He had watched others' swing posture just now and had practiced as well. To him, getting a hole-in-one from this distance wasn't a problem.

Watching Li Xiu, Boss Zhou smiled slightly, thinking to himself, "Young man, don't underestimate golf; there's lots of knowledge in it. You've even chosen the wrong club and still want to play against me? Do you really think old folks are easy to bully?"

While Boss Zhou was contemplating, Li Xiu twisted his waist and swung his arms, already sending the ball flying.

Seeing the ball soaring into the sky, Boss Zhou was a bit surprised. The shot was extremely long, the curve wasn't bad, and the direction seemed straight.

Boss Zhou hurriedly picked up the binoculars, staring at the direction of the golf ball.

To his astonishment, the ball was actually headed towards the green's golf hole. However, it looked a bit high, likely to miss the hole.

In the next second, Boss Zhou's eyes widened.

The ball landed on the flagpole at the lip of the hole, was deflected by the flag, and fell right into the hole.

"Is this beginner's luck?" Boss Zhou's expression was somewhat peculiar, but he still believed it was just Li Xiu's luck.

"Hole-in-one, beautiful," Chu Jun shouted excitedly.

"Ha-ha, beginners' luck is indeed good; the flag did you a big favor," Boss Zhou commented.

Next was Boss Zhou's turn. He took a deep breath, aimed carefully at the green, hoping for a hole-in-one as well.

Unfortunately, the heavens did not favor him; though the ball landed on the green, it didn't reach the hole.

Mr. Yu and Chu Jun were even further off, Chu Jun's shot missed the direction entirely.

They left the tee and continued playing golf.

Boss Zhou took only two shots on this standard par-four hole, initially a score worth celebrating. Yet, with Li Xiu's hole-in-one earlier, Boss Zhou couldn't be pleased.

For the second shot, Boss Zhou still let Li Xiu go first. He and Mr. Yu sat chatting on the bench behind.

"Young people are too impatient. The wind is strong now, and they don't even think to avoid it. Like a calf unafraid of tigers!" Boss Zhou said, squinting at the waving flag.

"Youngsters can't be as patient as old-timers like you, Boss Zhou. They still have much to learn," Mr. Yu said, following Boss Zhou's lead.

"It's not up to me to teach; the world will give them a lesson first." Boss Zhou watched Li Xiu hit the ball into the wind, squinting more and more.

Unlike sports like soccer or basketball, golf is more susceptible to environmental influence. Though the wind doesn't seem strong, once the ball is in the air for long flights, it gets significantly affected and deviates from the target.

Li Xiu's shot drifted widely in the air as expected.

Initially, Boss Zhou was laughing, but as the ball drifted farther and then began to descend, his smile gradually faded.

The ball was originally way off, but influenced by the wind, it gradually neared the hole's position, seemingly about to land in.

Boss Zhou suddenly stood up, took the binoculars to watch, catching the moment the ball entered the hole.

"Young man, your luck is really something," Boss Zhou said, forcing a smile.

"Luck is part of strength too," Li Xiu said calmly, not giving Boss Zhou any face.

Boss Zhou coughed lightly, "You rest for a while first; we'll head to the next hole together after we're done. The next hole is a five-par, not easy."

Turning his face away, Boss Zhou's smile vanished immediately, grumbling, "Today's youngsters really aren't lovable, not a bit humble."

This hole was a par-three, and Boss Zhou scored a good two strokes, still unable to feel happy.

At the third hole, Boss Zhou sat leisurely, still thinking, "I don't believe your luck can be so good, even if it's enough, this hole covers 500 yards. I don't believe you can rely on luck to make another hole-in-one. If you do, I'll eat my club."

"Boss Zhou, what makes you so happy?" Mr. Yu asked, puzzled after seeing Boss Zhou smiling.

"I'm thinking, this young man is quite talented, just has a bad temper. If he could change it, he might become an excellent golf player, perhaps useful for us," Boss Zhou said.

"I think he's doing well now. If possible, I'd like to talk to him later," Mr. Yu said.

"No way, you want him to participate in trials? Just based on those two shots, which were pure luck..." Boss Zhou said, surprised, "Aren't you afraid he'll waste the hard-earned opportunity?"

"I don't think it was luck; this young man is impressive," Mr. Yu replied seriously.

"Impressive how? You don't understand golf. Those two shots were luck. Who can specifically aim for those hole-in-ones? I tell you, if he gets another hole-in-one, I'll eat my club," Boss Zhou accidentally blurted out his inner thought.

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"The distance is indeed a bit too far; it's quite challenging to get a hole-in-one on a par five," Mr. Yu was saying as Li Xiu had already hit the ball into the air.

He was still using the same iron club as before, typically used for tee shots on a par three, not really suitable for hitting long distances.

Li Xiu started with this club and never changed it.

At the moment of striking the ball, a skill brand appeared on Li Xiu's finger, which was an E-level Blood Boiling Skill.

With the swinging of Li Xiu's hands and waist, the club head struck the white ball, sending it flying high towards the direction of the green.

Seeing the ball flying high and far, and even heading towards the green, Boss Zhou suddenly stood up and walked directly to the tee box with a pair of binoculars to take a closer look.

"No way... impossible... it can't go in..." Boss Zhou's expression kept changing, his mouth twitching as if he was about to shout out his thoughts.

Clang!

The ball went straight into the hole once again, clean and without any hesitation.

"This is doable..." Boss Zhou stared blankly, feeling a bit numb, now doubting whether Li Xiu was a simulation robot, as it seemed impossible for a normal person to play with such accuracy.

This was a hole more than five hundred yards away; a hole-in-one like this was something Boss Zhou had never seen in his entire golfing life.

Not to mention Boss Zhou, even Chu Jun was dumbfounded; this wasn't playing golf anymore, it was like firing a missile with a tracking device.

"Li Xiu, you're incredible, this shot is as accurate as a guided missile," Chu Jun said happily to Li Xiu.

Upon hearing Chu Jun's words, Boss Zhou was intrigued, stopped playing, and had his bodyguard retrieve the ball Li Xiu hit, splitting it in half, suspecting that there might be some tracking device inside, otherwise, how could it be so accurate.

Boss Zhou had already forgotten that this was his own ball.

Of course, the result was that there was nothing inside, only making Boss Zhou more depressed.

For the next hole, Boss Zhou didn't play anymore because there was nothing worth playing—as Li Xiu got a hole-in-one every time, Boss Zhou felt that golf had lost its meaning, and he didn't want to play it anymore.

"Not playing anymore, just tell me how many gemstones you need." Watching Li Xiu get another hole-in-one, Boss Zhou simply threw down the club in his hand.

"Boss Zhou, I don't want much, just the five gemstones we previously agreed upon, I'll purchase them at the agreed price," Chu Jun said, suppressing his inner excitement.

"No need to pay, the gemstones are on me, can I borrow this young man?" Boss Zhou directly had a bodyguard bring a box full of gemstones and opened it to reveal large and small gems, with many over three or five carats, and larger ones in over a dozen carats, all high-end rubies and sapphires, not the cheap tourmaline stones.

Boss Zhou picked out five sapphires and handed them to Chu Jun, his gaze fixed on Li Xiu without discussing the price at all.

"Boss Zhou, Li Xiu has no intention to offend, this is all my fault..." Chu Jun hurriedly said.

"You've misunderstood, I'm not trying to trouble him, just want to chat with this young man, exchange some tips and experiences, nothing more." Boss Zhou waved his hand hastily, only wanting to know how Li Xiu could play so accurately.

"This..." Chu Jun found it hard to decide, so he looked at Li Xiu.

"No problem." Li Xiu nodded in agreement.

Boss Zhou was overjoyed, pulling Li Xiu directly into his car, eagerly asking, "Young man, could you tell me, do you have any tricks when playing, how could you play so accurately?"

"It's not really a trick; I once gained talent to enhance control and accuracy in a trial ground..." Li Xiu attributed it all to the Trial Taker's talent.

"Ah, so you're a Trial Taker; trial takers who can gain talent are not simple, and I didn't expect you to achieve such feats at such a young age, your future achievements are limitless..." Boss Zhou kept praising Li Xiu, almost raising him to the skies.

In the car behind, Chu Jun's expression grew more peculiar; the Gem King of Red Sand City, Zhou Bailong, flattering a young man and doing so quite elegantly, if this got out, nobody would believe it.

Though the five main cities of the Southern Cross Federation are said to be equals, in name something standing equal.

But in reality, Red Sand City wields the most power among the five, as it produces the world's finest rubies, and also the best sapphires, making its standing as the strongest among the cities.

Of course, Tyrone City can hardly be considered one of the five main cities anymore, as even some towns with slightly better development are doing better than Tyrone City's current situation.

Zhou Bailong, proclaimed the Gem King of Red Sand City, holds shares in at least a third of Red Sand City's gemstone mines.

In fact, he has shares in many gemstone mines across the Southern Cross Federation.

Such a bigwig, with just this one hobby, happened to be caught by Li Xiu, and Zhou Bailong was smitten by it, eager to find out which trial ground could give him the same ability as Li Xiu's; he seemed all set to give it a try himself.

Of course, even if Zhou Bailong wanted to go, it's unlikely anyone would actually dare to let him in.

If anything were to happen to Zhou Bailong, it would spell major trouble for the Southern Cross Federation.

Zhou Bailong invited Li Xiu and Chu Jun, along with Mr. Yu, to have dinner together, specifically seating Li Xiu next to him, looking quite cordial.

Initially, Chu Jun wanted Li Xiu to appraise his gemstones, but now it was unnecessary because Zhou Bailong wouldn't take his money—five sapphires, each over three carats, were all given for free; who needs an appraisal for free gems?

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After a few rounds of drinks, Zhou Bailong said with a smile, "Brother, I've seen many Trial Takers, real ones too, and there are people like that around me. But someone like you, there isn't a single one. Your golfing skills can't just be relying on a Trial Taker's abilities, right?"

"Skills are just a part of it; the key is to rely on oneself." Zhou Bailong understood, so Li Xiu didn't need to say more.

"Alright, with those words, I, Zhou Bailong, don't feel wronged about losing." Zhou Bailong poured a drink for Li Xiu. "Are you interested in helping me out? I happen to have a Trial Gate here, and the trial project within it is golf. In my lifetime, I don't have many skills, just two advantages: One is that I'm good at golf, the other is that I have money."

"Of course, I definitely can't play as well as you, but I'm certainly much better than most people." Zhou Bailong continued, "At my age, I have almost everything, except my health isn't great. I thought about going to the Trial Ground to enhance my physique, otherwise, with so many wives at home, who knows which bastard might benefit."

"What do you mean?" Li Xiu seemed to understand a bit.

"What I mean is, I'm not daring enough to risk other Trial Gates, but I'm good at golf and confident. As long as it's not a high-level trial, I should be fine. But, as they say, better safe than sorry, so I want to ask you to guard me." Zhou Bailong said.

"It shouldn't be as simple as just guarding you, right?" Li Xiu said lightly.

Zhou Bailong's subordinates even included real Trial Takers; for just enhancing physical fitness in a low-level Trial Ground, there was no need to find him. Finding a few professional Trial Takers would be an easy task.

"Brother, you're indeed a wise man." Zhou Bailong laughed, "Actually, this Trial Gate doesn't fully belong to me yet; there's another person in the dispute. We've agreed to settle it through a trial, whoever wins the trial will own this Trial Gate."

"I am determined to win this Trial Gate. If you help me win it, you can name any conditions." Zhou Bailong said.

"First, tell me the rules of the trial." Li Xiu didn't name a price, just asked one question.

"It's just the rules of golf, a one-on-one duel. The winner passes the trial, the loser dies." Zhou Bailong didn't hide anything and explained the rules clearly.

"I can take this job, but I have a condition." Li Xiu looked at Zhou Bailong and said.

"Go ahead." Zhou Bailong also looked at Li Xiu, curious to know Li Xiu's conditions.

"I want to enter the Gate of Purgatory." Li Xiu said slowly.

"You want to enter the Gate of Purgatory?" Both Zhou Bailong, Mr. Yu, and Chu Jun were surprised upon hearing that.

The Gate of Purgatory is very famous in the Southern Cross Federation, everyone knows it's hard to open and even harder to come out alive.

"Yes, I want to enter the Gate of Purgatory, is there a way?" Li Xiu asked.

"That might be difficult. Since that incident, the Gate of Purgatory has been sealed by the City Lord, and no one is allowed to open it. Brother, why are you so determined to go to such a place? Out of a thousand who enter, only one comes out alive, and then they disappear without a trace." Zhou Bailong glanced at Mr. Yu and said.

"I just heard about the wonders of the Gate of Purgatory and wanted to witness it." Li Xiu said.

"That place is best not to be witnessed; it's a place where you can enter but never return. Here's the deal, you can enter any of the Trial Gates under my name anytime, and I'll cover all the gemstones needed to open them. If there's a chance in the future, I can also arrange for you to enter the Gate of Purgatory, and I'll cover the gemstones for that too. However, I can't guarantee that there will definitely be a chance; after all, it's not up to me to decide, it depends on when the Red Sand City Lord unseals the Trial Gate." Zhou Bailong mused as he spoke.

"Deal." Li Xiu was quite satisfied with these terms; what he lacked now was the opportunity to enter the Trial Gate.

After signing the contract with Zhou Bailong, Zhou Bailong sent a list to Li Xiu, surprisingly detailing thirteen Trial Gates under his name. Five of them were near Red Sand City, while the rest were spread across the Southern Cross Federation.

The nearest Trial Gate from here is over in Red Sand City, so he couldn't rush there immediately; Li Xiu could only wait until matters here were settled before heading to Zhou Bailong's side.

The golf duel on Zhou Bailong's side was also in Red Sand City, set for a month later. He could head over a few days earlier, which wouldn't interfere with matters in Zhongshan City.

Li Xiu also inquired with Zhou Bailong about the Zhongshan City Lord. Zhou Bailong seemed to have some reservations, not explaining clearly, only stating that the Zhongshan City Lord held a prominent position in the Southern Cross Federation and advising him not to provoke that person.

"I didn't expect your golfing skills to be so good. Had I known, I wouldn't have needed to work so hard and could have just asked you to accompany him in playing." Chu Jun said with a smile on the way back.

"It's just casual playing, nothing much." Li Xiu replied absentmindedly as he thought about the Zhongshan City Lord.

He already knew Zhou Bailong's identity, and even Zhou Bailong, the Gem King, was wary of the Zhongshan City Lord, which meant the Zhongshan City Lord's identity was certainly not simple.

Ximen Guan wanting to retrieve his Demon Armor would probably not be so easy.

"Why do you want to enter the Gate of Purgatory?" Chu Jun asked curiously.

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"The real Trial Taker would certainly want to go there, it's just a matter of courage," Li Xiu answered.

"Indeed." Chu Jun nodded, seemingly lost in thought.

After returning to the inn, Li Xiu handed the Ghost-faced Magic Armor to Ximen Guan. His room was filled with a lot more tools, but Li Xiu doubted whether these simple tools could really be used to modify the Demon Armor.

He had seen the equipment and tools in the Space City's Demon Armor laboratory, which were far more advanced than these.

"Just trust me with it. A true master only needs the most basic tools to craft the finest Demon Armor. I'll show you what real hand-crafted Demon Armor looks like..." Ximen Guan saw Li Xiu's doubts and immediately began to boast.

Li Xiu shook his head and returned to his room.

When the Hero's Trial Ground opened again, Li Xiu and the other two went together to the City Lord's Mansion.

Before they left, Ximen Guan reminded them that they could participate in the Hero's Trial at most two more times, after which there might be an A-rank trial.

Li Xiu didn't care if it was A-rank or not; if it turned out to be S-rank, even better, as he was worried about not having places to earn attributes.

By trying to earn Attribute Rewards in these trials, his body would be strengthened, and he would no longer be affected by the Fire Lotus Sword, thereby increasing his completion speed.

Besides the three of them, the City Lord of Zhongshan City also called in seven Trial Takers, two of whom were familiar faces from last time, while the others seemed unfamiliar and were likely newly recruited.

One of the familiar faces was Ye Yuzhen. When he saw Li Xiu, Ye Yuzhen glared at him fiercely.

It had only been three days, and his injuries had almost healed.

The adjutant led them to the Hero's Trial Ground, and they each walked in one by one, arriving once again at that white room.

"Welcome to the Hero's Trial Ground. The A-rank trial is about to begin. The trial rules are as follows..." an electronic synthesized voice began.

The A-rank trial arrived sooner than Ximen Guan had anticipated; it turned out to be an A-rank this time.

The first round, the Dark Maze trial, had a countdown as long as one hour, double that of the B-rank trial. It seemed as though the difficulty had decreased.

Everyone knew very well that the difficulty hadn't decreased, but rather, the challenge within the Dark Maze had increased, thus the time was extended.

Seeing that it was an A-rank trial, Ye Yuzhen's expression became serious as well.

He had never done an A-rank trial before and didn't know what changes would occur in the A-rank Dark Maze.

Although he had the advantage of vision, a maze isn't something you can simply navigate by sight.

Ye Yuzhen glared at Li Xiu and decided to scout the maze first, then look for trouble with Li Xiu if there was extra time.

Seeing Ye Yuzhen's glare, Li Xiu smiled at him.

"Hmph." Ye Yuzhen snorted coldly, turned his head away, ignoring Li Xiu's provocation.

Other Trial Takers, upon seeing the A-rank trial, each showed an unusually grim face. The difficulty far surpassed the previous trials.

Several of these Trial Takers had participated in the Hero's Trial before, but those trials were only E-rank and D-rank, with few even having seen a B-rank.

This sudden A-rank made them think their luck was just bad.

As the countdown ended, the light screen suddenly went out, and the entire room fell into darkness as the doors, sealed by invisible forces, were opened by the Trial Takers. They each chose different directions and charged out.

Ye Yuzhen didn't rush out nor did he pursue them.

In an A-rank trial, there were already few who could come out alive. He didn't need to waste his time, letting them die in the trial was just the same.

Initially, Ye Yuzhen intended to explore the exit himself, but then he saw Li Xiu and his two companions walking hand in hand in the direction he had planned to go.

"This works too, let those three explore the way for me," Ye Yuzhen thought to himself, and followed behind them.

This time, he didn't plan to make a move, but if something happened to Li Xiu and the others, he didn't mind taking advantage of the situation.

"They made such a mess for me last time, this time I'll play the mantis stalking the cicada, unaware of the oriole behind," Ye Yuzhen thought more and more proudly, deeply impressed by his own ingenuity.

Li Xiu was walking at the forefront, moving very slowly, and after pushing open each door, he'd listen carefully for a while before entering.

Fortunately, the first few rooms didn't have anything special, yet Li Xiu still proceeded with caution.

There had been venomous snakes and fierce beasts in the B-rank Dark Maze. Who knew what might appear in the A-rank Dark Maze?

Just as Li Xiu was thinking, he suddenly felt his right foot sink down, as if the floor had collapsed beneath him.

"No good, there's a trap." Li Xiu immediately sensed danger and shouted to warn A Fei and Sha Chu.

But the three of them had just walked to the center of the room, equally distant from every door—it was too late to advance or retreat.

Ye Yuzhen, who had just followed them in, was startled when he heard Li Xiu shout about a trap and turned around, trying to escape.

But the door, which had opened with just a push, wouldn't budge at all now.

Boom!

The floor within the room suddenly had many spots collapse, leaving only a few column-like cubes at their original height.

Ye Yuzhen only felt his footing give way, his body starting to fall. He frantically swung his arms, trying to grasp onto something.

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Fortunately, his luck wasn't bad; right next to him was a square pillar. He grabbed the edge of the pillar and climbed up.

Looking down at the sunken area next to him, a cold sweat instantly broke out.

The sunken area was over ten meters deep, with the bottom filled with steel spikes nearly a meter long. If he had fallen, he would have been skewered like a honeycomb.

Li Xiu and A Fei stood on the central pillar, while Sha Chu had already released A Fei's hand and was standing on a nearby pillar.

Li Xiu couldn't see a thing. He carefully tested the edge of the pillar with his foot, discovering that all four sides were empty, leaving no path to walk on.

"Are you guys okay?" Sha Chu's voice carried over.

"All good." Li Xiu heard Sha Chu's voice and immediately understood: "There must be parts of this room that haven't sunk. We have to jump to those unsunken areas to pass through this room."

"But how do we know which areas haven't sunk?" Sha Chu attempted to use a chi, trying to illuminate the room with its light, but it didn't work at all. The chi seemed as lifeless as a dead object, without any reaction.

Ye Yuzhen stood on a pillar, laughing heartily. He could see clearly and knew where the pillars were; it was easy for him to get out.

Li Xiu and his crew couldn't see. If they randomly jumped in any direction, they'd likely fall and be skewered like a honeycomb.

"Although it's a bit of a pity that I can't personally take you guys down, watching you die is still satisfying." Ye Yuzhen suddenly spoke.

"So you're here too," Li Xiu said.

"Heh heh, of course I'm here. How could I miss seeing you guys turned into a sieve? To tell you the truth, those sunken areas are filled with sharp spikes. Falling in is a dead end." Ye Yuzhen said mockingly, "Want me to tell you where you can safely land?"

"Sure, thanks a lot." Li Xiu replied with a smile.

"Heh heh, listen closely. Directly in front of you, two spaces away from the block you're standing on, there's another square pillar to land on. Go ahead and jump." Ye Yuzhen said with a sneer.

Ye Yuzhen really didn't lie to Li Xiu; there actually was a square landing point there. But he expected Li Xiu wouldn't dare believe him.

As long as Li Xiu didn't trust him, regardless of the other three directions, any jump would lead to death.

He deliberately pointed out the escape route, effectively making Li Xiu too afraid to choose the safe path.

Yet, just as he finished speaking, Li Xiu jumped into the darkness, landing on the spot he mentioned.

"Thanks, pal. What's next?" Li Xiu had A Fei jump over too, while Sha Chu jumped to their previous position.

Ye Yuzhen's eye twitched in anger: "This guy is sharp. He must've figured I'd deliberately point out the correct direction. I don't believe he still dares trust me. I'll point out another correct direction and see if he dares jump again."

"Two spaces to the right is a pillar." Ye Yuzhen barely finished speaking before Li Xiu jumped again.

Once again, Li Xiu jumped exactly where Ye Yuzhen said, landing steadily on the pillar.

A Fei and Sha Chu also moved in turn, getting closer to the exit door.

"No way, is that kid pretending he can't see and putting on an act for me?" Ye Yuzhen had long suspected Li Xiu could see, but upon thinking about it felt it was wrong. If he could see, he would've gone straight across; what's the game?

"Then what?" Li Xiu's voice came through again.

"I refuse to believe there's anyone in the world who completely trusts their enemy." Ye Yuzhen sounded like a gambler pushed to despair.

After betting several singles and connecting on doubles, he refused to believe it wouldn't be single again, decisively betting on doubles once more.

Ye Yuzhen pointed in the correct direction, and Li Xiu jumped without hesitation, landing on the pillar.

"Trying to play psychological games with me, huh? I'll show you what real psychological battles look like." Ye Yuzhen was frustrated. He heard Li Xiu ask where to jump next and sneered: "Next, there are six

pillars until you reach the other side. The sequence is front-left-left-front-left-front. If you trust me, just jump."

Seeing Li Xiu and his crew actually follow his guidance and jump across one pillar after another, Ye Yuzhen sneered inwardly.

Among the six steps, the first four were correct. He sought to use these four steps to trap Li Xiu in a gambler's mindset, while the fifth step was actually to the right, not left.

If Li Xiu didn't have a gambler's mindset, he wouldn't trust Ye Yuzhen's guidance after four steps, leading to a dead end.

If Li Xiu did have a gambler's mindset, then the fifth step would be fatal.

As for the sixth step, it didn't matter; the fifth step was already a kill shot.

Watching Li Xiu lead A Fei and Sha Chu step by step, following his guidance for all four jumps, Ye Yuzhen's lips curled into an evil smile.

"Sure enough, this guy has the gambler's mindset, which means this step is his death step." Ye Yuzhen looked at Li Xiu, a voice inside him shouting: "Jump down, jump down, this is your fate."

To Ye Yuzhen's surprise, Li Xiu finally jumped, but not to the left. He jumped right instead.

"What's going on... Why would he jump to the right?" Ye Yuzhen shouted in disbelief.

He didn't understand how Li Xiu managed to see through his plot. It seemed impossible; his plan was flawless.

"Pal, although I'm not that smart, you can't treat me like an idiot, right? According to your words, jumping left would lead to the corner wall, while jumping right faces the door directly..."

Li Xiu's words felt like a thunderbolt to Ye Yuzhen, his face flushed red. He had focused solely on the gambler's mindset, never considering this issue.

Ye Yuzhen now wished a hole would open up to hide in. Such a basic mistake felt humiliating.

"Thanks, buddy. Without your guiding light, passing through this room would've taken much longer." Li Xiu had already led A Fei and Sha Chu through the door, giving a final thanks to Ye Yuzhen as he turned back.

#### Chapter 137 Land of Trial

Ye Yuzhen was so angry he almost spat blood. If he'd known, he wouldn't have said anything. It would have been better to watch Li Xiu and the others fall.

"My cultivation isn't up to par yet. I need to stay calm... stay calm..." Ye Yuzhen took a deep breath, but he couldn't swallow down his frustration, his chest felt tight.

Ye Yuzhen stopped trying to take deep breaths, leaping over the pillar and continuing to follow them.

The A-level trial was much harder than the previous B-level one. Li Xiu didn't dare lead Ah Fei and Sha Chu directly into a room anymore.

Even if he couldn't hear any noise inside the room, Li Xiu would go in first himself to make sure there was no danger before letting Ah Fei and Sha Chu enter.

"Let me go in front," Ah Fei said to Li Xiu.

She had the Abstention Skill; in case of danger, she could directly retreat.

"No need." Li Xiu shook his head. They didn't know how big the A-level Dark Maze was yet. He had to explore quickly, letting Ah Fei go first would be too slow.

"Sha Chu, didn't your body glow before? Why aren't you using it here?" Li Xiu looked at Sha Chu.

"Do you think I don't want to use it? It doesn't work here in the Trial Ground. You can only rely on your own skills during a trial, nothing else works. You can only use it after you leave the Trial Ground," Sha Chu sighed.

"What use is it after the Trial Ground?" Li Xiu was a bit puzzled why Ki, Demon Spirits, and Sha Chu's abilities couldn't be used within the Trial Ground.

Once outside the Trial Ground, it's the domain of the Magic Armor Master; even the real Trial Takers can't compete with the Magic Armor Master.

"Of course it's useful. Once you've passed through the Trial Ground, it becomes useful," Sha Chu said.

"You're talking about what's behind the admission ticket?" Li Xiu asked as he walked.

"Haven't you gone in?" Sha Chu probed.

"No, tell me, what's behind the admission ticket?" Li Xiu didn't plan to hide anything.

"That's the real Land of Trial. To use an improper analogy, the Trial Ground is like a school, a place for learning and training. The Land of Trial is the real world. Without ability, entering the Land of Trial will get you beaten up."

Sha Chu paused, then continued: "I've only been to one Land of Trial, not that I couldn't go to others. Every Trial Ground has a corresponding Land of Trial, and you can enter if you have the admission ticket. But no one can guarantee you'll come out alive. The first time I entered that Land of Trial, I survived by luck, and was barely nine lives from death, so I haven't gone to any other Land of Trial since then, even after obtaining the S-level Good and Evil Punisher, I've only gone to the Land of Trial I'm familiar with."

"After getting the admission ticket, how do you enter the Land of Trial?" Li Xiu asked again.

"Complete the agreement with Ki, and the Copper Lamp will naturally guide you into the Land of Trial. Once you get the contract for this Trial Ground, the next time you enter, there won't be a contract, and the Trial Gate will be open, so you can enter directly. But I advise you not to attempt entering the Land

of Trial without thorough preparation—you'll lose your life." Sha Chu thought for a moment and added, "However, since you have so many Demon Spirits, your chances of survival should be a bit higher than the average Trial Taker."

Sha Chu continued saying, "Each Land of Trial is different, so my experience is of no use to you. The only useful information is to prepare for battling Demon Spirits."

Li Xiu understood Sha Chu's point. Demon Spirits vary in type and have vastly different abilities, knowing just one type of Demon Spirit's ability isn't useful.

"If there's a chance, I ought to go in and take a look." Li Xiu suddenly stopped; he heard a hissing sound coming from within a just-opened door.

Before Li Xiu could close the door, he smelled something fishy, as something swept in with a foul wind.

Li Xiu quickly backed away, shouting loudly, "Get out of the way, something's rushing out."

Ah Fei and Sha Chu immediately retreated to the sides. Sha Chu was about to charge into the room but felt something bind her leg, so she immediately punched downwards.

Bang!

The fist hit the thing, feeling oily and cold. Even with such a punch, an iron plate would have been dented, but the thing didn't release her leg; instead, it wrapped around her body, instantly making Sha Chu lose her balance and fall to the ground.

"It's a python. I've been caught by a giant python," Sha Chu shouted.

Li Xiu had already heard what it was. He pushed Ah Fei into the opened room, rushing to Sha Chu's side, using sound to locate, the Skill Brand flashed, and he struck the python's cloacal area.

The python immediately let go. Sha Chu quickly freed herself and rushed into the room with Li Xiu, shutting the door behind them.

Ye Yuzhen had just entered this room and was startled by the raging python.

There was no time to escape; the giant python pounced swiftly.

"What the heck!" Ye Yuzhen, shocked and angry, turned to flee.

Fortunately, this time he retreated quickly enough, back to the previous room, shutting the door behind him. There was a thud, presumably the sound of the python hitting the door.

Seeing the python was more than ten meters long and frighteningly thick, Ye Yuzhen didn't want to tangle with it and had to take a different path, no longer daring to chase Li Xiu and the others.

Li Xiu and his group moved through room after room, quickly noticing a pattern. The A-level Dark Maze was essentially built upon the B-level with additional outer layers of rooms, featuring more traps and rooms filled with venomous snakes and beasts.

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But the path out of the maze hadn't changed. As long as you could figure out the maze's direction, the path ahead was the same. You just needed to explore the routes to the rooms on the later floors.

With this discovery, continuing to find the way was much easier.

Accompanied by Ah Fei and Sha Chu, they passed through room after room. Although they encountered some traps and beasts, they managed to escape unharmed. It took less than half an hour to reach the exit.

By the time the countdown ended, Ye Yuzhen was the only person to come out. None of the other Trial Takers emerged.

Ye Yuzhen glared venomously upon seeing that Li Xiu and the others were still alive.

After claiming his rewards, Ye Yuzhen decided to give up. Even he was unwilling to easily risk an A-grade trial again.

"The second round only lasts for half an hour. Are we continuing?" Sha Chu looked to Li Xiu.

"Of course." Li Xiu had already figured out the map of the A-grade Dark Maze. Clearing it in half an hour would be no problem.

The three of them entered the second round of the trial. Under Li Xiu's guidance, they reached the exit without incident and claimed their rewards once more.

The third time became the final trial, with only fifteen minutes, but it was still not a problem for Li Xiu.

This time, under Li Xiu's leadership, they bypassed all the traps, poisonous insects, and fierce beasts, and rushed out of the exit within fifteen minutes.

"Final trial completed. Rewards are being randomly generated... each Trial Taker can choose two rewards..."

Soon, four rewards appeared in front of Li Xiu. He immediately spotted the admission ticket.

"Finally, another admission ticket." Li Xiu was delighted and chose the attribute reward first, then the admission ticket.

Skills and talents were important, but what Li Xiu needed more at the moment was attributes.

After the attributes were injected, Li Xiu felt a significant improvement in his physical fitness. If he were to try to wield the Fire Lotus Sword now, with the Blood Boiling Skill and Super Exciting boost, it should be much easier to lift.

The black admission ticket turned into a black hole, sucking Li Xiu inside.

Dim copper lamp, ancient stone table, everything was still just as familiar, but the things on the stone table were different this time.

"What's this?" Li Xiu moved closer to examine the black object on the table, and it turned out to be a pair of sunglasses.

"This contract really has everything; a pair of sunglasses, why not give me a pair of underwear?" Li Xiu internally mocked, but didn't stop his feet, walking to the front of the table. He activated the S-grade Blood Boiling Skill and reached out with both hands to lift the sunglasses.

After so many enhancements, Li Xiu's strength was now much greater than before. Combined with the double strength boost of the S-grade Blood Boiling, the pair of sunglasses that was extremely heavy to hold was lifted up bit by bit.

It still felt heavy, but unlike before, it could be lifted.

The moment the sunglasses left the tabletop, an eerie voice sounded: "Congratulations, insignificant carbon-based lifeform, you have obtained the qualification to become a life entity with the advanced lifeform 'Contract'. It is called the Dark Mirror. Use your blood to complete the life pact with it. From now on, you will be inseparable. It will be the foundation of your growth..."

With his previous experience of the Fire Lotus, Li Xiu knew that this voice could converse, so he asked, "What rank is this Dark Mirror contract?"

"Radiant." The eerie voice indeed answered Li Xiu's question.

"This thing is of a higher quality than the Fire Lotus Sword?" Li Xiu looked at the sunglasses in his hand, surprised.

"Would you like to complete the life pact with the Dark Mirror?" The eerie voice continued to ask.

"Yes." Li Xiu didn't hesitate and made his decision immediately.

If his previous speculation wasn't wrong, it would be impossible to make the Dark Mirror his Symbiotic Contract even if he wished to complete the life pact.

Even if his speculation was wrong, having a Radiant Contract as a Symbiotic Contract was a good choice, given how rare something of this quality was, whether it was a contract or a magic item.

Of course, the likelihood of that possibility was very low.

"Use your blood to forge the life agreement; from now on, the Dark Mirror will become a part of your life, growing with you..."

As the eerie voice spoke, Li Xiu felt a pain in his finger as if the Dark Mirror had pricked him. There was a new wound on his finger, and blood dripped onto the Dark Mirror.

After absorbing Li Xiu's blood, the Dark Mirror emitted an eerie black light and automatically flew up, attaching to Li Xiu's face.

In the next second, Li Xiu felt a heaviness all over his body. Even though the Dark Mirror was on his face, it felt like his whole body was pressed down by a heavy object, almost causing him to stumble to the ground.

"Symbiotic agreement failed, Dark Mirror converted to Parasitic Contract... Land of Trial opening... when the Longevity Lamp extinguishes... it will be the moment you leave the Land of Trial..." the eerie voice grew quieter.

The copper lamp on the stone table suddenly floated up eerily, and slowly drifted into the darkness behind the stone table.

Li Xiu quickly followed. He wanted to see what the Land of Trial that Sha Chu had mentioned was like.

If Sha Chu could survive, Li Xiu, who had several magic items, should find survival not too difficult.

Initially, he only had the Fire Lotus Sword as a burden, but now with the additional weight of the Dark Mirror, fortunately, his physique had become much stronger than before, allowing him to still move under the boost of Blood Boiling.

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The speed at which the Copper Lamp floated wasn't fast, and Li Xiu could barely keep up.

As he walked, outside the one-meter range illuminated by the lamp, everything was pitch black and nothing could be seen.

Suddenly, Li Xiu's eyes brightened, and he found himself standing in an ancient city without knowing when it happened.

The Copper Lamp hovered by Li Xiu's side, wherever he moved, it followed him without its flame flickering.

Li Xiu tried to summon the magic spirit, and the Jedi Knight immediately appeared before him.

"Indeed, you can use magic spirits in the Land of Trial," Li Xiu hesitated not at all, summoning all his magic spirits to gather around him before he started observing the ancient city.

The city's architectural style was peculiar, with all buildings constructed from black stones, even the road surface was the same.

The stone walls and ground were not very level, appearing as though the craftsmanship was very primitive, as if barely polished, just stacking raw stones together.

The wall and road surfaces were uneven, and instead of electric lamps lining the sides, there were stone stoves at intervals, burning charcoal inside.

These buildings didn't look like ordinary houses but more akin to a religious style, giving off a mysterious, eerie, terrifying feeling.

The buildings Li Xiu could see all had their doors tightly shut.

He was standing at the intersection of two large streets, looking around and seeing not a single silhouette as if in a lifeless city.

The sky was frighteningly dark, without any starlight, nor a moon, only the glow from the street charcoal fires and the occasional crackling sound of wood splitting.

At one corner of the crossroads was a small square where a black stone monument stood, carved with three twisted large characters "Black Death City".

Clang... clang...

From deep within the dark long street came a bizarre sound, as if chains were dragging on the ground.

Li Xiu narrowed his eyes, originally in such dark surroundings, he shouldn't be able to see far, yet perhaps due to the Dark Mirror, he could see very far.

At the end of the street, a creature with shackles on both its hands and feet was walking toward him step by step.

It was evidently not human, for a pair of black horns adorned its head, resembling the legendary Demon Horns.

Its entire body was encased in black armor like cast iron, with black smoke and gleaming black light occasionally escaping from the gaps.

Li Xiu knew it was a magic spirit, but he had never seen this kind of magic spirit before.

The magic spirit dragged its shackles, coming step by step, undoubtedly heading straight for Li Xiu.

Li Xiu flipped onto the Pink Nightmare, simultaneously commanding the Knight of Chrysanthemum to charge at the magic spirit.

The Knight of Chrysanthemum, with a gun in one hand and a shield in the other, mounted a heavy-armored cavalry that charged fearlessly at the magic spirit.

Fully armored, the Knight of Chrysanthemum's charge was terrifying, yet the magic spirit seemed oblivious, continuing to walk forward step by step.

Just as the Knight of Chrysanthemum was about to rush in front of the magic spirit, the warhorse suddenly neighed, buckled its front legs, and collapsed to the ground, causing the Knight to tumble down.

The man and horse struggled a few times but then lay still on the ground, unmoving despite Li Xiu's relentless attempts to summon them.

Li Xiu was shocked to discover that both the Knight of Chrysanthemum and the warhorse began exuding black smoke, resembling the black smoke produced by burning corpses.

The magic spirit walked past the Knight of Chrysanthemum without sparing it a glance, continuing toward Li Xiu.

Clang... clang...

The chain dragging on the uneven ground created a sound that resonated like a death knell in Li Xiu's ears.

Li Xiu was retreating because he saw the fallen Knight of Chrysanthemum and the warhorse had most of their bodies transformed into black, the blackness spreading on his body, already turning some parts into blackened ash, scattered away by gusts of wind.

The magic spirit picked up speed, narrowing the distance between itself and Li Xiu.

Li Xiu, riding the Pink Nightmare, retreated while observing the magic spirit, still clueless about how the Knight of Chrysanthemum met its end.

Thus he could only recall all magic spirits except the Pink Nightmare to prevent further pointless sacrifices.

Magic spirits are scarce, requiring countless gemstones to yield one, not to be used carelessly as cannon fodder.

Riding the Pink Nightmare, Li Xiu distanced himself as the magic spirit continued to follow, accelerating, yet far slower than the Pink Nightmare, unable to close the distance quickly.

"Luckily I have the Pink Nightmare, otherwise I would have been overtaken ages ago," Li Xiu thought with relief, yet he knew running aimlessly wasn't a solution.

He had reached the end of the long street, only to find no city gates, the street ending at a ten-meter-high stone wall.

More bizarre was that for such a long street, there was no fork in the road, seemingly just two intersecting cross-streets.

Though the magic spirit moved slowly, Li Xiu had reached a dead end with nowhere left to retreat.

Clang... clang...

The magic spirit just shaken off caught up swiftly, leaving Li Xiu with no place to escape.

Knowing he mustn't let the magic spirit approach, Li Xiu summoned the Demigod Shana again.

The Demigod Shana's body emanated a dazzling blue light, flickering like a blue ghostly figure.

"Take him down," Li Xiu ordered the Demigod Shana.

Demigod Shana immediately raised its arm, aiming the Blue Diamond Pistol at the magic spirit, firing a blue Light Bullet through the darkness, hitting the magic spirit's head.

With a bang, the magic spirit's helmet was pierced by the Light Bullet, and black smoke instantly billowed from the bullet hole.

The magic spirit's body staggered backward and fell heavily to the ground, blue light rampaging within its body while black smoke gushed out continuously.

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"As expected of the Radiant Demon Spirit, it truly is more reliable than ordinary demons," Li Xiu thought with delight.

Looking at the demon's corpse, Li Xiu did not rush to scavenge its Demon Core. He speculated that the Knight of Chrysanthemum's death might be related to the dark smoke surrounding the demon.

Once the dark smoke fully dissipated, Li Xiu summoned the Jedi Knight to approach the demon's corpse first.

After the smoke completely cleared, with a cracking sound, the demon's body automatically disassembled, scattering parts all over, and a black Demon Core fell out.

As expected, when the Jedi Knight walked beside the demon, no abnormality occurred.

Li Xiu commanded the Jedi Knight to pick up the Demon Core, which looked as if it was wrapped in cast iron, with a crystal inside resembling Black Apatite.

Clang! Clang!

The sound of chains dragging on the ground rang out again, but this time it came from the end of the street to the left, rather than the main street ahead.

Li Xiu rode the Pink Nightmare towards the crossroads and indeed saw another similar demon walking down the left street.

Without waiting for the demon to approach, Li Xiu ordered Demigod Shana to shoot it down with one shot.

Sounds also emanated from the right street as another demon appeared. Li Xiu didn't even need to act; Demigod Shana swiftly dealt with all those demons.

Li Xiu looked toward the direction where they had fled, and sure enough, the same demon appeared on that street.

After killing that demon, the four ends of the cross-shaped street began to incessantly produce demons.

One demon after another appeared; at first, Li Xiu had the Jedi Knight collect Demon Cores, but soon there was no time for that. Demigod Shana continuously dashed about, slaying demons, yet they appeared in ever-increasing numbers.

"How many demons are there?" Li Xiu wondered, frowning as hordes of demons charged from all four directions.

Bang! Bang! Bang! Bang!

Demigod Shana no longer had time to relocate and stood at the crossroads, endlessly firing, but there were simply too many demons to kill them all.

These demons were clearly E-Class, yet it was a pity the Demon Armor couldn't be brought in. Otherwise, using the S-Class Magic Light would have wiped out a large area at once.

The demon horde multiplied, nearly surrounding him. In desperation, Li Xiu blew fiercely at the Copper Oil Lamp floating beside him, hoping to extinguish it.

The voice said once the oil lamp went out, he could leave this place.

However, no matter how hard he blew, the flame remained unmoved.

Adrenaline surged as Li Xiu reached for the Fire Lotus Sword at his waist, slashing at the oil lamp.

With his immense strength, Li Xiu forcefully drew the Fire Lotus Sword. The blade, glowing red, slashed down, only to make a clanging sound.

The blade hadn't even touched the oil lamp before being deflected as if some invisible force was protecting it.

Sensing the oil lamp couldn't be extinguished, Li Xiu dismounted from the Pink Nightmare and sent it charging at the demons on one of the streets.

The Pink Nightmare's hooves flared with a pink glow like flames, its body shimmering with iridescent colors. Its horn radiated a dazzling red light, and with one charge, it sent the leading demon flying back, a gaping hole ripped in its chest by the horn as black smoke surged forth.

Unafraid of the smoke, the Pink Nightmare plunged into the demon horde, dashing back and forth like a pink lightning bolt. Demons fell one after another wherever it passed.

Seeing this, Li Xiu felt a surge of joy and stationed the Ice Soul Sea Demon on another street.

Blue light swirled around the Ice Soul Sea Demon as it lunged at a demon, its tentacles wrapping around the demon's head, twisting like a drill, tearing the head clean off.

Reassured by the sight, Li Xiu concluded that the black smoke from the demons did not harm all entities.

If Li Xiu's hypothesis was correct, their black smoke only affected demons without rank or protective glows.

With the Ice Soul Sea Demon and Pink Nightmare each securing a street, Demigod Shana's burden eased. Yet, despite guarding two streets alone, the demons couldn't get close.

The Pink Nightmare killed with rapid speed, its fiery hooves trampling the demons' armored bodies to pieces, charging back and forth as if entering an unchallenged domain.

Though the Ice Soul Sea Demon could also kill demons, its speed lagged far behind Demigod Shana and the Pink Nightmare.

It could only break one demon's head at a time, causing some demons to slip past it.

Li Xiu dared not take risks, gritting his teeth he had the Jedi Knight charge forward.

Initially fearing the Jedi Knight lacked a protective glow and might be harmed by the smoke, surprisingly, the Jedi Knight feared neither the smoke nor the demons, holding its ground.

Its Samurai Sword, resembling a Fluorescent Stick, could cleave through the demons' armor, appearing quite formidable.

With the Jedi Knight joining forces with the Ice Soul Sea Demon, they finally managed to hold back the street's demon assault.

Masses of demons fell, leaving scattered corpses across the streets, black smoke endlessly rising.

"How strange, why is it that the Knight of Chrysanthemum feared the smoke, while the Jedi Knight did not? Could it be related to the evil?" Li Xiu pondered, attributing it to the influence of the evil.

The Jedi Knight had consumed an evil, unlike the Knight of Chrysanthemum.

After what felt like endless battle, the last demon finally had its head cleaved off by the Jedi Knight, leaving the street littered with shattered armor-like corpses, many still billowing smoke.