

World Plot 1261

Chapter 1261: First Grey Star - Dangers in the Ocean at night.

An unexpected event happened on the land where the Ruins of Time Dungeon entrance is located. Out of nowhere, space rips appeared, and unreal monsters emerged, looking like slime and possessing clock-like faces. Every attack that was dealt to them caused others to change into children or old people, depending on who was attacking, and no one in the capital knew what their weakness was.

The current king, Wang Xingmo, and the remaining Heavenly Guardians in the capital had assembled in one tent. Among them was Heavenly Guardian Mu Zang, who appeared oddly small as he transformed into a child, at most ten years old.

What is surprising is that he resembles Ye Jingxia of this world, albeit with a different aura: Ye Jingxia had an innocent and mischievous aura, whereas the current Mu Zang appeared to be a silent child with a lazy but mature gaze.

Pfft!

"Zang, you look so cute this way! Hahaha~" Heavenly Guardian Lu Wangle said while holding back laughter. As for Mo Xinyue beside him, he covered his face while trembling badly. Obviously, laughing silently.

Wang Xingmo, on the other hand, seemed intrigued by Heavenly Guardian Mu Zang's condition. He had already been told what had happened in the field, and he was dumbfounded to see his royal knights change into either old or young forms. It was an unbelievable scene that one could not believe was happening.

With a cutesy voice, Mu Zang threatened, "How do you want to die today, you retard!?"

Hahahahaha~

This time, instead of feeling intimidated, Mo Xinyue and Lu Wangle burst into laughter at the sight and sound of their friend's voice and reaction—a little boy exhibiting tantrums and issuing a rebellious warning to his parents—and Wang Xingmo even laughed a little too hard, covering it up with a cough.

Mu Zang was pissed, but he could not lower their fighting power by killing these two retards. He sat back as he held back his anger and said, "Enough joke! The situation is quite dire. Even though there are only at most hundreds of enemies, we barely killed two. We don't even know how it was killed, but I've learned how to control the effects on it and the attackers."

"Is it about why some turn young and others turn old?" Wang Xingmo asked.

Mu Zang nodded his head and explained. "It had something to do with the strength used to hit the target. If you hit it with all you got, then you will turn into an old man. If it's your weakest attack, then you will regress and become younger. Of course, the output needs to be adjusted accordingly. For example, in your first hit, you hit it with all you got and become an old man.

Hitting it lightly would turn you into a young man, but you need to accumulate the weak hit."

"I see. So the reason you became a boy was because you hit it light after hitting it with all you got. Is this the age you wanted?" Heavenly Guardian Lu Wangle said.

Mu Zang no longer holds back his anger, straddles the neck of this retard, and pulls his hair.

"I'll pull out all your hair, you dumb bastard!" Mu Zang said.

Heavenly Guardian Lu Wangle shouts, "Ah! My hair! Stop. Stop, you lunatic! I'll turn bald. I'll become bald."

Ignoring the two old and young fighting at the side, Wang Xingmo thought of another possibility, which seems to be a worse case for this situation.

Wang Xingmo asked, "What would happen if you consecutively attacked with strong hits?"

Mu Zang, who was having fun beating Lu Wangle, suddenly stopped his rain of fists and turned around with a serious expression.

"Too many strong hits will lead to death and too many weak hits will lead to rebirth. Either to die as old or regress before you were born. The end is both tragic. I saw those who become babies get trampled and those who become piles of bones. Moreover, the effects on the body don't disappear even after the monster dies. Only the one who did the last hit would return to normal.

Your Majesty, there are only 98 monsters left on the field. You know what this means, right?" Mu Zang said.

This causes everyone in the room to become very serious; the situation is far more perilous than they had previously realized. They then recall that two monsters have been slain and sense that there is light at the end of the tunnel.

Heavenly Guardian Mo Xinyue asked, "How did you kill the monster?"

"1000 hits, 500 strong and 500 weak attacks in an alternate pattern. There is also another way, which is to destroy the face, but... the attacker would fall into deep sleep as if he were in a coma. No one knows when he will wake up. That person happened to be the captain of the knight group who was stationed in this area for patrolling. He is loyal and brave.

I hope his majesty will keep him safe until we find a way to wake him up," Heavenly Guardian Mu Zang said.

Wang Xingmo agreed without hesitation. He might be a tyrant who will do everything to get to his goal, but he isn't cruel enough to ignore those who are worthy of living.

"I will make it so he will be alive until the cure is found. But what should we do now? The first option is good, but it takes time. By the time we finish one, a lot of people will die. The second option is fast, but it's not worth the choice. Who would say this situation will never happen again?" Wang Xingmo said.

The mood in the tent became awkward. Although the situation was dire, the three Heavenly Guardians remained composed for some reason. Heavenly Guardian Gu ought to have been present at this meeting, but he was not because of his body breaking in all places following the barbarian invasion and needing time to heal.

Heavenly Guardian Mu Zang suddenly said, "Your Majesty, if you believe us, then I have a plan in mind. The option we will use will be the first one, but to prevent deaths, I will have to ask all those who can cast a barrier to work together for this plan. They will be our pillars for it to succeed. With my plan, we can bring Old Gu back to his perfect state or even better."

"You want to fully use the effects caused by monsters? It's not a bad idea. I will tally the knights that agree to this plan and gather all those who can create a barrier to keep the danger away," Wang Xingmo said.

Heavenly Guardian Mo Xinyue said, "Actually, if it's only the barrier, I think our mounts can help with it. What do you guys think?" He was asking Mu Zang and Lu Wangle what they thought.

"Indeed, considering they have pure qi in their bodies, the barrier can last longer. It should be enough, but just in case, let's ask the others to gather to help maintain the seal instead of the barrier," Heavenly Guardian Mu Zang said.

Heavenly Guardian Lu Wangle said, "I'll go pick up Old Gu."

"Let's begin the preparation for this plan," Wang Xingmo said.

Anairam Trench, Outer Region.

The Anairam Trench is deeper at sundown than it is during the day. The outermost portion is still relatively light due to moonlight. A few coral houses were reserved for hunters who stayed overnight. There are more patrolling fishmen during the night because there are nocturnal ingredients, the majority of which are vicious.

The coral houses were illuminated by night pearls, which glowed in the darkness. There are a number of coral houses in the outer area, but the number of places to live decreases as one descends into the trench. The deeper one descends, the more dangerous marine life exists.

Ye Jieye and his group rented three coral houses—one for the Ye family. One is for the six hunters from the Mo and Lu clans, and the last one is for Lu Shang and Leica together with the brats and the two doctors. Fortunately, each group had their own chef, so they won't starve tonight.

This is the ocean; the sea creatures rule here, even though the area they were in was deemed shallow in comparison to the other regions; the guards who patrolled the area were fishermen, and their purpose was to keep an eye on the area, not to protect everyone within it, only those who paid for their protection.

Ye Jieye is with the kids; his wife and kids are waiting in the dining room. The coral houses were equipped with arrays that protected the entire structure from external attacks. The first mode allowed the inside of the house to be completely dry, which allowed human hunters to live comfortably underwater. The second mode allowed the inside of the house to be filled with seawater.

Ye Jieye cooked some grilled vegetables, stuffed squid, pan-seared swordfish steaks, clear soup abalone, and some white rice for dinner. The majority of the ingredients are of legendary quality, which leaves a tantalizing scent that spreads underwater, especially for sea creatures like Fishmen and such, whose sense of smell is powerful, especially underwater.

When the scent of these foods mixed with the water, it made the patrolling guards drool and even made their stomachs growl.

When human cooks prepared takoyaki and other octopus-based delicacies for them, they were overjoyed and hungry, despite the fact that these sea creatures used to prefer raw food.

Reactions of the Fishmen Guard on Patrol tonight.

"What is this smell?"

"The fragrance is stronger than the takoyaki this morning."

"Gulps~... It's coming from the Coral House where Lord Satan and his family stay, so it's true that he is not only a hunter but also a chef."

"Drools~ the scent of squid, swordfish, and salty soup. I'm getting hungrier the more I smell."

Growls~

"Captain! I can't hold back anymore. Please let me return to the barracks!"

"Captain, me too!"

"I also can't bear it anymore!"

Out of nowhere, a huge underwater tornado suddenly materialized in the outer region, taking everyone by surprise. The waves and water pressure in this area are more dangerous, and some coral houses were blown away, resulting in human hunters drowning. The fishermen's guards tried their best to save these people as chaos descended upon this outer region.

Not far from the outer region, a small whale-sized manta ray was flapping its wings, causing more and more tornadoes in the area. Taking a closer look, it seems to be fighting with a sea snake of the same size. The two big guys were fighting each other, which caused chaos in the outer region.

They only have their enemies in their eyes, and the destruction they've caused was something they didn't do on purpose but was deadly.

Tornado Manta Ray King

Star: 1

Grade: Demigod

Description: A mid-grade boss that served the Kraken. He went to the Outer Region to avenge its young master, whom the people of the Ocean Palace ate. This creature is edible, and it can be said to taste like cod.

But instead of eating, it is more popular for its skin and liver oil. Its skin is considered an artifact for deep sea diving and gives a wearer extra skin protection from the poison sting of jellyfish and other sea creatures

Poison-ring Snake King

Star: 1

Grade: Demigod

Description: It had a salty taste and was extremely delicious to be cooked as a soup-based dish. It is said that its taste is very similar to miso soup in Japan. Though it's a poisonous and deadly snake, it pertains to the toxin it secretes. Its poison that can kill anyone in just 30 seconds. It can be boiled, stewed, or grilled, as long as one removes its poison.

It is considered a delicacy and said to be more delicious than chicken.

Chapter 1262: First Grey Star - Roi and his Stomachache

Underwater tornadoes that struck the outer region of the Anairam Trench broke up the peaceful evening underwater.

These apocalyptic, similarly-looking disasters are far more dangerous on land than they are underwater because, like land tornadoes, anything this tornado passed through would be sucked into its twirling body, which would eventually lead to one being destroyed within the tornado or thrown above.

Since the sea tornado was not only killing people inside its body but also drowning them, it was almost impossible for any group, not even the Fishmen or Mermaid Tribe, to escape.

Therefore, they made every effort to save as many people as they could, since this territory was under their master's control and these human hunters had paid them for protection and direction, and they could not stand by and watch these men perish.

The Coral Houses occupied by the group led by Satan and his wife are unharmed; upon approaching their coral house, one can observe an invisible barrier shielding it from external attacks.

Lu Shang emerged from their coral abruptly, removing the scale his young lord had given them; Ye Jingxia explained to them the significance of the scales, saying that even though his Lord's face appeared to darken at the sight of them, they would be able to breathe underwater as long as they carried them on their bodies.

Some patrol fishermen guards in the area saw Lu Shang come out of his coral houses and immediately scolded him.

"Hey! We told you not to come out! It's dangerous!"

"Run back in! Go back! Dammit!"

"What the hell is he doing?! Why is he walking towards the tornadoes!?"

"Had he lost his mind? Who is his group leader!? Inform his leader and have him taken back."

"C-Captain... We've checked. That human... I mean man is... Someone from Lord Satan's group."

"What did you say!?" His comrades said while the captain of their group thought of another possibility.

"Are we still stopping him?"

"Of course! We..."

"No! Let's watch for a bit. I feel like he wants to do something about the tornadoes."

Lu Shang was carrying a small boy in his arms, and the Fishmen guards did not even notice that he had a back to them. Lu Shang's motivation for being with Ye Jingxia is straightforward: because underwater tornadoes are made of both wind and water, Lu Shang can only control the wind; he can not control the water that gets affected by it.

Lu Shang could only separate the two elements that were mixed together with Ye Jingxia's assistance.

Lu Shang said to Ye Jingxia, "Young Lord, are you ready?"

"Um! Anytime, Uncle Warden!" Ye Jingxia responded.

The two stood bravely at the few underwater tornadoes that grew larger and stronger as they approached the outer region. Those with the ability to see should be able to see elements of wind and water gathering around these two individuals. It swirls around them as if it were alive and moves in accordance with their will. They were completely in control, like little fairies circling their masters.

The moment the two elements touched the tornadoes' surface, they vanished instantly, leaving nothing but peace in their wake; the humans who were sucked into the tornadoes and were fortunate enough to survive floated down the area, and the stunned guards of the Fishmen awoke to save them all; as for the two who had cleared the tornadoes, their reaction seemed indifferent to what they had just done.

Ye Jingxia said, "Uncle, hurry! Hurry! Xiao Jing isn't done eating dinner yet! My food will turn cold!"

"It's okay, Young Lord. You can ask Milord to reheat it for you!" Lu Shang said. He sent back his young lord to the coral house, where his milord and his family stayed.

Ye Jingxia said, "Oh! That's also possible!" Then he saw his father waiting at the door and happily said, "Papa, help Xiao Jing reheat his food!"

Ye Jieye took the cheerful cub from his subordinates and pinched his chubby cheeks. "It's reheated." After taking back his boy, he said to Lu Shang. "Good work. Rest for tonight and leave the rest to me."

"Yes, Milord." Lu Shang saluted before taking his leave to cross to the other Coral House, where he lives with his lover and the rest.

The others, who had witnessed the entire scene, were dumbfounded; they had never seen a human being able to make tornadoes disappear underwater in such a way. Nevertheless, despite their shock, Heavenly Guardian Fei's people tend to the injured, making sure that no more tragedies occur because this incident happened in their territory.

While Ye Jieye and his group were watching their coral houses, many others were watching them until they shut off the lights, clearly getting ready for bed. Meanwhile, Ye Jieye threw Roi, the black dragon that is currently in his shrunken form, and assigned it a task to clean up those two noisy ones that were not far from the outer region, before he joined his wife in their bedroom.

Thus, in the middle of the night, a small black snake swam past the outer region's horizon and reached the central region of the Anairam Trench, where it destroyed a great deal of coral and even ripped out some towering seaweeds at the entrance.

There are pockets of corrosive poison and even remnants of wind blades strewn throughout the area. Not far from Roi, the sounds of two large ones battling reverberate through the quiet, loud noises of something being smashed or something melting, the smaller creatures that once inhabited this place having run out. After all, two overlords are battling like there is no tomorrow in their place.

Following the tracks of the fight, Roi discovered the two massive creatures engaged in combat. The poison-ring Snake King had entangled itself around the Manta Ray, attempting to choke it. Additionally, the Manta Ray had been bitten several times, turning its skin purple and clearly poisoned.

Due to his diminutive size, the two Demigod-grade ingredients were unaware of his approach and watched as they killed each other.

Poison was never effective on the Black Dragon, who turned back to its original size after devouring the dead Manta Ray and biting off the Snake King's head.

The Black Dragon was observing the Manta Ray King's death at the hands of the poison-ring Snake King, watching as the former took its last breath after the poison overtook its body and died on the spot, and the badly wounded Snake King was completely spent and could not move when Roi approached it.

The two creatures were like snacks to this wild black dragon. When he went to the void, he could eat until he was full, because his master had many creatures, and they grew more and more over time. To him, that was an endless buffet. Sadly, his other half had not yet awakened in this world, and it did not appear to enjoy eating those creatures from the void.

However, the creatures in the small world were sufficient to sustain them all for a very long time.

Since Roi, the black dragon, is able to breathe underwater, he simply took the headless sea snakes, whose heads had been bitten off, and went back to the camp. When he returned, it was already dawn, and he left the sea snake's body in front of the coral house where his master stayed.

He shrank to his previous size and went to sleep with his little masters, not daring to go to Fond's master at night for fear of being tied into a knot if he happened to see anything forbidden. After all, Roi was a sensible dragon.

The black dragon was unaware of how many people and animals in the outer region were alarmed by his return at dawn; after all, who would not be alarmed to see a very large creature carrying something approaching the region?

Most patrol guards hid as soon as they saw him approach, and it was not until his shadow vanished near Satan's Coral House that the Fishmen guard realized that this enormous monster had to be connected to him. As a result, nobody dared to approach that area, and the fisherman guards also forbade the other hunters from going there.

The hunters awoke and saw the devastation left behind by last night's tornadoes; those injured were ordered back to the surface for healing, and those who had watched Roi swim around earlier that night saw the headless sea snake in front of the Coral House of Satan. By morning, the bright sun had once again illuminated the entire outer region of the Anairam Trench.

After a while, a large number of hunters had gathered to take a closer look, and the Fishmen sentries had to maintain order among the throng to keep people from crossing this area and bothering Satan and his gang. This morning's disturbance was related to that sea snake, which appears to be a demigod-grade component that is scarce even here.

"A demigod-grade sea snake. That's a poison-ring snake king. It possessed a deadly poison that could instantly kill one."

"Where's the head? Why does it look like it was bitten off?"

"The tornadoes last night were dangerous. Is this snake the one who caused them?"

"But can a poison snake cause a wind element disaster like that? It is a poison that can be understood!"

"Hey, guys! Have you seen the humongous monster last night!? I don't know if I was dreaming, but I saw it carrying something. It wasn't supposed to be this headless sea snake, right?"

"I saw it too. It's larger than this poison-ring Snake King. Maybe that's the one who killed it."

"Scary. I thought the outer region wasn't dangerous. How come that aside from tornadoes, there are also big monsters that can only be found in the core region?"

Lu Ming, who emerged from the water to practice fighting, was taken aback by the headless snake in front of the coral house and the irrational crowd in the distance. Mo Yuhan, who was trailing behind him, was equally taken aback, realizing that this headless snake was a Demigod-grade ingredient. Doctor Hei, who had been ordered to train them, was astounded.

The three of them approached the dead snake fearlessly since it was already dead.

Ji Yoonjun and Su Jin are in the kitchen cooking breakfast, while Doctor Guang is still asleep. Lu Shang and Leica were having coffee in the living room. They were aware that Roi had left the house the night before, so they were not surprised to see the headless snake.

Mo Yuhan looked around the snake and noticed that it was huge and also full of qi. Snakes were Yin creatures who were compatible with his ice elements. As for Doctor Hei, he was inspecting the snake's cause of death.

Lu Ming asked, "Is there something wrong, Doctor Hei?"

"Hm~ its wounds were caused by a wind element. It must be fighting something of the same level for it to end like this. As for its head, it was bitten off with one move. It must have fought another creature only to be killed and get its head bitten. Compared to its size, the one killed is a lot larger than it is," Doctor Hei explained. He felt that the ocean was a lot more dangerous than they expected.

Mo Yuhan asked, "There's an even bigger monster than this one in this place."

"If you compare it to Roi's, it's a smaller thought," Lu Ming said.

Doctor Hei already saw the Black Dragon of Satan and rode it on their way there. So he knew its original size. It's ten times larger than this sea snake king.

He jokingly said, "Maybe it was Roi who ate its head."

They saw the opposite Coral House open its door and reveal the two cubs of Satan and his wife, Ye Jingxia and Ye Anxia. They also saw a large dog trailing behind them, growing from a small puppy to its current size; they knew it was named Oreo. However, what caught their attention was not these three cute guys, but rather the black snake Ye Jingxia was holding.

It is a little larger than they remembered; Roi used to be the size of a finger to wrap itself around its master's wrist, but now it is more like an adult python, and the bulge on its stomach caught their attention.

Ye Jingxia scolded it. "Uncle Roi, Papa said you ate something bad and asked you to digest it as soon as possible. So exercise with us!"

Roar~

After witnessing this scenario, Lu Ming, Mo Yuhan, and Doctor Hei are certain of one thing: Doctor Hei's hypothesis—that the black dragon had consumed the sea snake's head—is true. The dragon appeared listless, clearly irritated by the object in his stomach.

Chapter 1263: First Grey Star - Entrance to the Ocean Floor.

Ye Jieye and Mo Xuejing came out too, having watched the two cubs next door go to play with their family's dog and dragon. They checked the sea snake that Rou had caught the previous evening. Ye Jieye took out a knife and began chopping the portion, which is the most appetizing and safe to consume.

After dismantling the whole sea snake, Ye Jieye said to them, "The rest you can distribute among you guys. If there are still extras, you can sell them if you wish too."

"Yes, Cousin!" Lu Ming said. The two beside him were also as respectful as they could get before this couple.

They watched as Ye Jieye asked his wife, Mo Xuejing, what he wanted to eat with this sea snake meat. "Baby, what do you want me to cook with this snake?"

"Let's run them into Karaage since it's supposed to taste like chicken," Mo Xuejing said.

Ye Jieye said, "That's good. Those brats will love it. Let's also make some omurice and miso soup for breakfast. Baby can make the dessert."

"Then I'll make some ice cream mochi for dessert," Mo Xuejing said.

The couple pondered what to make for breakfast as they made their way back to their own Coral House. The three who remained behind were listening to their two lords' discourse and were already salivating. Lu Ming observed the sea snake in their immediate vicinity and captured as much of it as he could in his arms.

He then hurried back to the Coral House, where his group was lodged, and proceeded to the kitchen in search of his partner, a chef.

Lu Ming was shouting as he ran back to the Coral House. "Xiao Jin. Xiao Jin! Please make me some Karaage with this!"

"Ah! Unfair! Sister-in-law, make some for me too!" Mo Yuhan said.

It was left to Doctor Hei to tend to the sea serpent. He called the other hunters who had accompanied him and proceeded to the coral house next to theirs. He saw the look of shock and bewilderment cross their faces as Ye Jieye finished speaking. It is a Demigod-grade ingredient, after all. He would not be willing to share it with anybody else if it were not them.

But as far as Satan is concerned, he can have a demigod-grade component whenever he wants it. It was not an uncommon item.

Ultimately, all that remained of the sea serpent was its tail, which Doctor Guang sold for a hefty sum to those outside of their group. The fisherman purchased it and traded it for the most basic ingredients and condiments from the ocean. A few of these items seemed uncommon at first glance. Ye Jingxia and Ye Anxia share a few pots of miso soup and mochi ice cream for breakfast.

The three teams each prepared their own Karaage, thus, it was not shared.

The group decided to look for some ingredients in the surrounding area before lunch once more. After lunch, it was already determined that they would move into the middle section. Before lunch, Lu Shang and Leica gave the others another training session, this time emphasizing the importance of guarding and warning about ambushes, particularly at night.

After all, the trench gets darker the deeper they go. This is because the ocean floor is shielded from sunlight.

The gang eventually makes its way to the middle section after lunch. Ye Jieye and his family are in command. On the back of the dog, named Oreo, are his children. Everyone was shocked to find themselves in the middle region and to see the devastation that greeted them. This incident alarmed the others, but Jieye, Mo Xuejing, Lu Shang, and Leica were expressionless and composed.

The kids play about and do not give a damn about what the adults think.

Lu Shang's lukewarm reaction. "Oh, this. Did Roi do it?"

When they looked around, they noticed the tiny dragon around Ye Jieye's left wrist. It shook its head and began mumbling in an archaic tongue. While Lu Ming and the others were perplexed, as if they had heard an alien speak to them, at least four of them comprehended it and remained silent.

Ji Yoonjun translated Roi's words for them. "He said that it wasn't him who destroyed this place. It was already like this when he arrived, and the one that destroyed it was that Sea Snake King from before and a Manta Ray King who was poisoned to death. He ate the Manta Ray as its poison and cannot be eaten by us, including the Sea Snakehead."

"So he ate the whole Manta Ray King and the head of the Sea Snake King. That's why he got indigestion this morning," Doctor Hei said.

When Roi heard this, he almost jumped on Doctor Hei, wanting to bite him, but was stopped by Mo Xuejing, who smiled at it.

Mo Xuejing said, "You can't bite people. They will die."

Ro-aar~

Mo Xuejing said, "That's right. You can't eat him. He is not delicious, and he is a future slave... worker."

"Baby, you called him a slave," Ye Jieye said.

Mo Xuejing said, "You're hearing things, my love."

Everyone turned to watch Doctor Hei's response to the remarks made by this pair. Lu Shang and the others thought Ji Yoonjun was very helpful when he revealed his abilities, but at Ye Jieye and Mo Xuejing's level, his usefulness ends there. He was not even regarded as Leica and Lu Shang's direct subordinate. At most, he could be comparable to Ji Yoonjun.

The ones who had gone to reconnoiter the region had come back. The hunters from the Lu and Mo Clans had been ordered by Lu Shang to survey their surroundings, and naturally, the majority of the people who had once lived in this area had vanished.

Ultimately, they were unable to return here until the poison had been eliminated and all of the habitats for those ingredients in this area had been devastated.

"Lord Shang, there aren't many living beings in this region. There are lots of craters with poisons instead. Also, it is so deadly that one will die in 30 seconds after falling into it."

"There are also some small tornadoes in the area that have gathered in one place. They don't disappear or move away like a real one."

"I see. Gather everyone for now. Don't touch anything that doesn't need to be touched," Lu Shang said.

"Yes, Lord Shang!" This huncher immediately left, as he was afraid to be around Satan. After all, even if he ignores them, his dangerous aura cannot be ignored. Most people wanted to stay away from him.

Ye Jieye said, "Shang, tell everyone to get ready. We are heading to the core region ahead of time." He glances at the dark horizon, which seems to be the entrance to the ocean floor. It resembled the void he had previously consumed but was also distinct as he continued to stare at the core of it, as though something there was trying to draw his attention.

His wife was staring at him from the side, but he did not even notice.

"Yes, Milord," Lu Shang said. He left with Leica to gather everyone.

He began telling them to upgrade their armor and bring out their primary weapons at his lord's command. They are about to venture into the perilous Anairam Trench, home to the fiercest marine life. When they reach the ocean floor, they must be well-prepared. Ambushes in the dark happen all the time in this place.

Mo Xuejing held his husband's hand and said, "Don't get separated from me. If you dare leave without telling me, you will sleep in the living room alone." His words were as if telling his husband that he already knows he is planning something not good.

Ye Jieye's expressionless face twitched at these words. It's been a while since he has eaten meat¹. If his wife threw him out of the bedroom, he would become the most unlucky man who couldn't even sleep beside his wife at night.

"I promise I won't leave alone. I will bring you with me," Ye Jieye said as he was desperate not to be thrown out of the bedroom.

The rest have completed their arrangements while the lead couple flirts. This time, they have armor protecting their vitals, and they can always access their weapons. Lu Ming and his group were also prepared. Lu Shang and Leica, with Ye Jieye and his family, were also lightly armed.

Mo Xuejing asked for his kids before heading inside the core area. He requested that they change into new attire. They were dressed in apparel that Hei Anjing had previously crafted and perfected in their own world. In actuality, the majority of the items he left in their mansion's wardrobe in that tiny planet were full of electronics and other items he updated on his own time when he was bored.

In stock are also a lot of tablets.

Ye Jingxia and Ye Anxia are currently dressed in traditional, modern robes. It is constructed from phoenix feathers and dragon scales. At least it can survive being attacked by a celestial god. It included improved auto-cleaning and comprehensive safety features. The collar Mo Xuejing put around Oreos' neck and their shoes are both examples of this.

If the dog passed away and his son did end up crying, that would be terrible. Ye Jieye was instructed to dress like an adult after, of course, not escaping this metamorphosis.

The Ye family now dresses in traditional family clothes with contemporary and archaic themes. Not only did this family have an exceptional appearance, but their attire gave the impression that they were immortals. Leica and Lu Shang were given a basic design to wear. The Ye family wears robes that range in hue from black to white.

The strange thing about these clothing is that they are completely impervious to water.

Only when everyone in his family had changed clothes did he look satisfied. "Okay. This will do!" Mo Xuejing said.

Su Jin commented, "Wow~ these clothes are beautiful. What is it called?"

"Daoist Robes. It is a clothing design of an ancient time. Like this armor on you, those clothes are refined with special material too. It is softer but tough. Those robes can hardly be cut by ordinary means. Since it's lightweight, it's easier to move and fight around wearing them," Ji Yoonjun explained.

Mo Yuhan said, "Those thin-looking clothes are that amazing?"

"Of course!"

Leica, dressed in a gray robe reminiscent of Lu Shang's. He used the blade that Lu Ming had handed him on the garments that his master had given him. But practically everyone in their company was stunned when they saw that even Lu Ming's twin daggers did not even leave a trace on such flimsy clothes.

Lu Ming exclaimed, "Amazing, how can it not even scratch the robe!? Where was it bought? I want one too."

"These are customized clothes. If you want one, you must gather your own materials and ask someone from Hunter Hall to make it for you," Lu Shang said. For this reason, the unexplainable source of these robes was not indulged by these brats.

Ye Jieye, who was observing the entrance of the Core Region, suddenly grew up and said, "This weird barrier had a spatial effect. Once we entered, the possibility of being split up was high. If there is someone afraid of death, choose not to enter."

The other hunter became serious, save for the two cubs who seemed unaffected by the circumstances. Ye Jieye was not kidding when he said these things, based just on his own words. Ultimately, all of them decide to head inside.

Doctor Guang asked, "Is there no other means we can try to keep the group together?"

"It's not that there isn't, but... I'm unsure of whether everyone will be teleported together. I will use my artifact to tie up everyone." Leica spread his red string, Yizhi, and wrapped the wrists of everyone in the group. "I don't know if this is effective."

"This is okay. It's better than nothing," As he tugged the crimson string and encircled both his own and his twin brother's waists, Doctor Guang spoke. It is obvious that he is terrified of being alone without someone who can keep him safe. This man, who has a fear of dying, has shamelessly attached himself to his stronger twin brother.

Doctor Hei said with a pissed face. "What the hell are you doing, stupid brother?"

"Come on, I don't want to die, so protect me. I actually want to tie myself to the boss, but I'm afraid the big boss would kill me on the spot," Doctor Guang said. He even sneaked a peek and saw Ye Jieye glaring at him, especially when the man said he wanted to tie himself to his wife.

Hih~

"That's why I tied myself to my brother, Big Boss!" Doctor Guang said.

Hmph!

Angry, Ye Jieye kicked the foolish doctor into the central area. The others were drawn in when Guang was slain because they were bound to Doctor Guang.

"Ah~ you demon!" These words echo followed by Doctor Guang's scream.

Under the sea, there are noises of collective screaming that are unsettling to those who are unaware of their origin. Ye Jieye kicked those unpleasant individuals inside, and his family came in too. They had now descended into the Anairam Trench's lowest point.

Chapter 1264: First Grey Star - Separated from one another.

The entrance to the Ocean Floor...

Even in bright light, the central area of the Anairam Trench remains gloomy. This place is too deep for sunlight to penetrate. It is almost as if one has entered the sea of death; there is hardly any presence, light, or sound. The local wildlife has the ability to conceal their auras. They will be the first to be eaten, after all, if they do not conceal themselves.

When everyone entered the space rip, some of the people Yizhi had tied up were transferred to the same location while others were tied up separately. The Ye Family was not among the ones tied up, thus they did not show up with the rest of the group as was anticipated. Furthermore, compared to the other hunters in their clan, even the kids have far greater strength.

It does not bother me to be apart from them.

Although the core area is quite black, Lu Shang and Leica, who are native to the Netherworld, can adjust their eyes to cope with the darkness. The pair quickly located one another and assembled in one location. Lu Shang built a wall to keep them shut off from the outer world. Additionally, it conceals the area they fall into.

Lu Shang said, "Honey, the barrier is up. You can pull them all now." As he pulled out a dozen of night pearls in his bag and spread it in the area afloat using the wind elements.

Leica nodded his head and looked at his hand that held the other end of Yizhi, his red string artifact.
"Return, Yizhi!"

The red strings that had taken hold of the entire area had retreated in all directions in response to this directive. Everyone who was bound was hauled to the location of their owner. Leica suddenly scowled, and his sweetheart saw it.

Lu Shang worriedly said, "Lu Ming and Su Jin were pulled away by something. I tried to pull them back, but... the heavens interfered. Should I still pursue it?"

"No need. Those two are the Heavenly sons of this world. There might be an opportunity for them to fill this place. They won't easily die." Lu Shang said. "Once we look around this region we should be able to find them on the way. I'm more worried about the Young Lord and the Princess.

If those two are alone then... this region will be gone."

Leica was at a loss for words because those statements represent the actual situation. Ji Yoonjun, the two medics, and the six hunters from the Mo and Lu Clans came in a matter of minutes. While some hunters, like Ji Yoonjun, managed to land safely, others, like Doctor Guang, were dumb idiots who landed face-first.

Doctor Guang said, "Fuck! Who hit my face!?"

"Brother, none have hit you. Stand up already. How embarrassing! Sigh!" Doctor Hei said.

Upon surveying the surroundings, Doctor Guang and the others sensed that this area was unlike the gloomy world they had just emerged from. When they saw Lu Shang and Leica standing before them, they were both relieved and happy.

Leica feels a bit sorry to see Doctor Guang fall face first and say, "Sorry. It was an emergency and I had to pull you guys here as soon as possible."

"Brother Leica, my savior! We were almost eaten. We saw a bright light and approached it. Who would have thought that it was a damn glowing antenna of an Angry Angler Fish! We were almost eaten. Wuwuwu~" Doctor Guang said.

Doctor Hei felt a bit tired as he controlled every small fish on the way to block the anglerfish that chased after them when they were pulled just now.

"Shut up, Brother. My head is ringing. Can't you heal me for a bit?" Doctor Hei said as he fell seated on the ground.

Without delay, Doctor Guang visits his brother and administers medical care. He was aware of his weariness from protecting the two of them. It was not until then that he understood the extent of his brother's power. It even has control over many marine animals. They would have perished if it were not for the fish obstructing the anglerfish. Ji Yoonjun turned to face the absence of Su Jin and Lu Ming.

"Xiao Jin and Lu Ming aren't here." Ji Yoonjun said.

Leica said, "They were tied to me just now but the string was cut off by something. Don't worry, I can feel that they are safe."

Ji Yoonjun was a little taken aback. That crimson string was something he knew. This weapon is a Divine Soul Artifact. It is what connected the fates of God and mankind, according to the Former God of Fate. Something cannot simply cut it. Only Lu Shang, the two Venerable Lords, and their offspring may be able to accomplish this in this world.

then remembered the function of Su Jin and Lu Ming and the Heavenly Laws of this realm. He knew right away that Leica might be depending on the Heavens to save those two.

Silently giving him a shoulder pat, Lu Shang seems to reassure him not to worry as they move to the center to see if anyone is hurt. When he realized that none of them had been hurt, he began giving commands.

"Rest for an hour. This barrier around us will not last for long. Prepare your night goggles. This region is full of darkness to see through the terrain. That's the only way. Starting now no one is allowed to stay behind and precisely follow all my commands if you want to live!" Lu Shang said.

"Yes, Sir!" Everyone collectively responded.

In the meantime, Oreo, the dog, and the two cubs landed on something supple. It resembled a jelly bean. Before gaining equilibrium, they bounce about quite a bit. As they turned to look around, they noticed that they had lost contact with their aunts and dad.

Ye Anxia looked around and asked, "Gege, where are Daddy and Papa? Did we lose them?"

"No. They aren't lost. They must be on a date. The kind we cannot accompany them. We should look for Uncle Lou and Uncle Yun." Ye Jingxia said.

Ye Anxia said, "But it's so dark here~" but in reality, she and Ye Jingxia can see in the dark. It's just that the scene with light and darkness is different. Even if one can see in the dark, the darkness is still there.

Ye Jingxia pats Oreo and says, "Oreo, let us down."

The dog unexpectedly refused to let them land on its back. Oreo has only one excuse for defying his master's orders. At that point, the place they are in becomes hazardous.

Ye Jingxia realized this and said, "Is this place dangerous?"

Woof!

The cushioned surface beneath their feet quivers as though it has suddenly come to life. The dog, Ye Jingxia, and Ye Anxia were in disbelief. It was a lot worse than the sensation of an earthquake.

Ye Jingxia covers his mouth and mumbles, "Urgh! I feel sick with all this shaking."

"Gege, Xiaxia feels dizzy~," Ye Anxia said.

The trembling eventually ceased, and tiny, colorful lights began to rise from below them. Silver, blue, violet, yellow, red, and pink. They are surrounded by these colors, which gleam in the darkness like orbs. It is simultaneously lovely and weird. The two cubs do not realize what it is until one approaches. It is a group of candied jellyfish.

The two kids appeared to have been transferred to the jellyfish habitat.

Amazed by the scene, Ye Anxia cheerfully said. "Jellyfish! So many colors. So pretty. But Gege, why do I smell something sweet?"

"Gege smells it too. Is it coming from this jellyfish?" Ye Jingxia reached out a hand and touched one of them. Unlike how it looks it doesn't feel as soft as it's supposed to, but as hard as rock. The terminal on his wrist scanned the one he touched, and information about the jellyfish appeared before their eyes.

Rainbow Candy Jellyfish

Star: 1

Grade: Legendary

Description: These jellyfish were born from a Demigod-grade jellyfish queen. Each flavor of candy differs in its color. Pink is strawberry. Yellow is for mango. Red is raspberry. Blue for blueberry.

Violet is for grapes, and silver is for mint.

Effects: Increase stamina in an hour per candy. Effects can stack up to three. Prevents one from being hungry. Three is enough to last for one day.

These candies are needed for these two kids, who lost their ability to cook for themselves and were split off from their parents and uncles. Furthermore, Ye Jingxia and Ye Anxia, the candies, are cubs who got their fondness for sweets from their daddy.

Ye Jingxia and Ye Anxia exclaimed, "Candies! All of it is candies. Catch. Catch as many as we can!!"

Thus, two cubs and a dog run around, capturing the jellyfish under these vibrant lights. They joyfully went off to capture these materials while pretending to be butterflies. While they play, they forget about their uncles and dads.

Ye Jieye and Mo Xuejing were separated from one another abruptly when the two cubs were having fun. They had been holding hands before they went in, but in the end, they parted ways. Raising his icy silver irises, Mo Xuejing peered about the room as he opened his eyes.

He appears to have transferred to the only location where sunshine can reach, in contrast to the darkness that others had opened their eyes to.

Unfortunately, there are no facial expressions that suggest he is feeling anything at all. His gaze drifted to the enormous pearl float with its gradient shade of shine in front of him. Large, vibrant corals and seaweeds surround him, undulating in time with the underwater waves.

Right now, Mo Xuejing's icy attitude is totally exposed. At one of the coral's openings, his phoenix-shaped eyes narrowed slightly, as though he could see something hidden there. The corals exhibit a range of colors, including pink, red, and brown. Upon closer inspection, the light in this area appears to be weak light from the large pearl hovering above them rather than actual sunshine.

"Come out. Unless you want me to pull you out and skin you at the same time, why did you pull only me here? Where is my husband?" Mo Xuejing asked.

A section of the vast coral reef shifted in response to Mo Xuejing's chilly comments. When one of them opened its eyes, it was clear that its skin was concealing itself with the coral's color. However, as its eyes open, the massive living creature blending in with the corals is visible. It moves slowly, exposing a long, eel-like body and a head that resembles a dragon.

It was a Moray Eel of enormous size.

The Moray Eel opened its mouth slightly and began speaking in human tongues. This enormous eel in front of him appears to be a celestial being that inhabits the deep waters. Compared to the one concealed in the Milky Way River, it is far more potent. It is a godlike sea form that is similar to mythological flood dragons.

{I beggeth the Ven'erable One's pardon. This humble one only hath brought ov'r this l'rd und'r the hests of the heavenly laws. Prithee beest not fell.} The Moray Eel said.

Mo Xuejing's face turned even colder at the mention of the Heavenly Laws, and as if thinking of something, he frowned with worry hidden within the coldness of his gaze.

"The Heaven's told you to separate him from me? Give me the reason why?"

{This humble one doesn't guessest the thoughts of the heavens. But t seemeth to has't something about the black endless swamp in this ocean flo'r.}

Mo Xuejing asked, "Where is this Black Endless Swamp you are talking about?"

{T's co'rordinates art by fate. T moves on t's owneth and hath appeared anywh're in this ocean. But wh'rev'r t appears, t wouldst consume all beings in yond area. Nay, t engluts t not coequal a bone wast hath left behind. Coequal I almost hath fallen f'r t multiple times. T is alive without any sentient as if 't be true t wast moving only by it's instinct high-lone.}

Mo Xuejing mumbles, "Devouring Endlessly. Don't tell me it's a World Eater's Fragment!"

Chapter 1265: First Grey Star - Protagonists of this world.

It is entirely different from how a soul fragment should respond that Mo Xuejing handled it. Compared to the rest, he is more brazen and conceited. Even if at first Mo Xuejing did not give a damn about the others, he was unaware of the World Eater's existence and, even if he did, his identity was different from the original soul. However, at this moment, he is an entirely different person.

Mo Xuejing mumbles, "I should find him as soon as possible." He tried to spread his divine consciousness under the sea, but for some reason, it was blocked. It seems that the consciousness of the Heavenly Laws was strongest under the sea instead of on the ground.

Seeing that his consciousness couldn't be spared, Mo Xuejing immediately turned around and glared at the Moray Eel not far from him.

"What is the meaning of this?" Mo Xuejing asked with an icy voice.

{Prithee, behold, not at me. This humble one has no ability to control the divinity of this world. I am only a messenger of the heavens.} The Moray Eel said urgently, afraid that he would be killed by this terrifying God before itself.

{The heavens say yond the ven'erable l'rd's soul is full of cracks and incomplete. The corruption beyond what the world consumes and possesses isn't too harmful to the current state of the world. That gent pleads for you to stay with us for a while. That gent hadst already f'reseen yond thy other half shall be successful.}

With such comments, Mo Xuejing became more composed. With a swift snap of his finger, all the water in this region vanished, leaving the corals unharmed. With a wave of his palm, a table and couch materialized next to him. On the table are some nibbles and a tea set. He appeared irritated as he sat motionless on the couch.

He glared at the huge eel and said, "If my husband comes back here injured, you shall be grilled."

{....} The Moray Eel God was speechless.

Mo Xuejing slightly drinks his tea before saying, "Since I can't leave, you look for my children instead. If you don't send them here, the whole ocean floor will be in chaos. There is nothing in this world that they are afraid of except me and my husband. There are also two wardens from our side. There is no need to pick them up. Just sending a message will do."

{As thee wisheth!}

The Moray Eel was relieved that this menacing God had decided to grant their request. As long as his other half was open to listening, they were aware that this Venerable Lord was unique from others. A god who, in his right mind, would be offended, capable of destroying any universe at his whim. Luckily, his family is behaving as though they are shackling him.

He would not simply be killing universes; they would continue to exist in this one.

He communicated in a silent form that only aquatic creatures could comprehend. In addition to sending a message to the two wardens, he gave some of his subordinates the task of scattering across the ocean floor in search of the two children of the Venerable Lord. He learned about the other lords associated with the two Venerable Lords when he received the communication from the sky.

They were still stronger than him, even if they were not as heavenly-defying as the couple. Only the level of a deity like the one in Ji Yoonjun's vessel can be faced by him.

His minions who had been lurking in the shadows moved after the message was delivered. A seahorse, an anglerfish, a Mithril isopod, light sea angels, and a crystal sea pig are among the creatures present. As soon as they were given their responsibilities, they moved and fanned out over the ocean floor.

Mo Xuejing looked at this strange-looking sea creature indifferently and carried on eating his munchies.

A massive siphonophore materialized out of nowhere, taking two people along with it. With its long, rope-like appearance drifting through the deep ocean, it resembles a funny string more than an actual animal. Currently grasping onto two recognizable persons. It is Lu Ming and Su Jin, the two main characters on this planet.

Lu Ming shouted, "Let go of us, you monster!"

"A'Ming, stop struggling. We cannot break through even if we fight with our lives. This seems to be as strong as the Nightmare Beast. Let's think of a way first." Su Jin said.

The moment he saw Mo Xuejing, the enormous siphonophore let grip of the two humans and leaped with surprise. As if it were putting off a meeting with Mo Xuejing, it ceased to float and collapsed to the ground.

Mo Xuejing yawns and says, "Ignore me. Continue your work."

It was at that moment that the enormous siphonophore approached its master and informed him that these two people were the ones the heavens desired for him to meet. Then he finished his work and went immediately. The individual at the table was identified by Su Jin and Lu Ming.

"Sister-in-law!" The two called and immediately ran towards him, but some kind of power pulled them back.

A voice resounds in the area; to the two brats, it's a mysterious voice, but to Mo Xuejing, it's the Moray Eel.

{Ven'rab!e L'rd, I would like to rest're the wat'r in this area.}

Mo Xuejing responded, "Permitted."

Once Mo Xuejing gave his approval, the water in the region surged once more. Mo Xuejing, his table, and his couch are encircled by a large bubble that is steadily floating in the sea. However, the scale that Lu Ming and Su Jin received from Ye Jingxia protected their entire body from becoming wet; in contrast, the water pressure that they experienced was caused by the scale.

Lu Ming was under the most pressure because he had to defend Su Jin as well.

Mo Xuejing's words resound under that pressure. "Use your elemental powers to resist the water. Just because fire is weaker than water, it doesn't mean that it can be extinguished right away. The heat of the fire can also be measured by the will of its wielder. Fire also means intense emotions. Wind symbolizes freedom."

Lu Ming was initially shocked and then perplexed, but after processing what Mo Xuejing had stated, he realized what he had said almost without thinking. Abruptly, a thin, red aura erupted over the water membrane that shielded the two of them. I could feel the water's pressure dwindling as it managed to evaporate the water within an inch of Lu Ming.

However, Lu Ming lethargically lost control of his happiness before it could fully blossom. The couple is currently feeling as though they were washed in a washing machine. The Moray Eel did not restore the tranquility of the water until he sensed that the two could no longer hang on.

{The heavens belov'd sons art this week. How wouldst thou beest able to saveth thy w'rld this way?}

The words of the Moray Eel were directly transmitted and translated into the human language.

So what Lu Ming and Su Jin can hear is, "The Heaven's beloved sons are this weak. How would you be able to save your world this way?"

Lu Ming and Su Jin were both startled by these words. Though Su Jin already knew about this, he didn't expect to fully become one of the protagonists.

Su Jin pointed at himself, "You mean me? I become the protagonist? Impossible! Aren't I supposed to be the villain?"

{I doth not knoweth wherefore thee knoweth such things. Thou art forsooth the villain in the world before this. But yond w'rld hadst been destroyed; the one who wasn't destroyed was the f'r'm'r belov'd son of the heavens. That gent not only killed his part, but he also destroyed the fate of this world.

That gent was supposed to be punished, but since that gent did gain sentient about the knowledge beyond this world, that gent ascend'd. As for what has happened next, the deity doesn't know.}

Su Jin wasn't told about the details of what happened after he died. The god, using Ji Yoonjun's voice, only said that the former world was destroyed by his brother. But he didn't expect him to kill the Lu Ming of that world.

"He killed A'Ming? But why?!" Su Jin asked.

Mo Xuejing, who could guess most details just by the words the Moray Eel God had said, stated, "If one was forced to follow someone's binding, force to love one he doesn't love, force to kill his own family and force one to go against his will, once that kind of man was given power, the first thing they do is destroy everything and gain their freedom, and then...

revenge." He gave Su Jin a meaningful look.

"This... I cannot tell you. The secrets of the heavens cannot be said by me," The Moray Eel said.

Unlike the Moray Eel, the restrictions of the heavens on him were lacking. He is too powerful to be restrained. That's why the heavens use words to convince him. After all, even if he couldn't use his divine consciousness to find his husband flipping up the whole ocean floor, it was simple for him. His husband, children, and subordinates can protect themselves even if he does so.

The only reason he didn't do so was because his other half hadn't finished what he needed to do.

Mo Xuejing glanced at the Eel God and said, "Tell him you have my permission to do so."

The Moray Eel only hesitated for a moment but did as he was told. Compared to the Heavenly Laws of his world, the Venerable one before him is a lot stronger.

{Thou art actually was supposed to not exist. Yond issue combated 'gainst the heavens just to taketh backeth thy backup data, 'r soul, and did allow thee beest reb'rn in this world, which was reset after'r that gent wast 'ras'd. An 'ras'd entity like yourself isn't supposed to have a soul, but to protect you, that gent chooses to give you a chance of rebirth and ends his cultivation path.

That gentleman gave you his role and lodging. Without a cultivation path, that gent can only beest a m'rtal. That gent can't return to his place as that gent is gone 'gainst the heavens of this world. That gent can only become a man in another's world. Without a past, 'r his memories. Yond's wherefore thee cometh the other's protagonist of this world.}

Translation: [You are actually supposed to not exist. That child fought against the heavens just to take back your backup data, or soul, and allowed you to be reborn in this world, which was reset after he was erased. An erased entity like yourself isn't supposed to have a soul, but to protect you, he chooses to give you a chance of rebirth and end his cultivation path.]

He gave you his role and place. Without a cultivation path, he can only be a mortal. He can never return here, as he has gone against the heavens of this world. He can only become a mortal in another world. Without a past or his memories. [That's why you become the other protagonist of this world.]

Mo Xuejing added, "By the way, he can't return here unless he becomes a god in that new world he was reborn to. He would be lucky if he was reborn as a part of the world's plot. If he is a cannon fodder, his suffering will continue until he once again breaks through the restraints of the world he was in."

Su Jin was shocked that he didn't know what he was supposed to do next. He stopped functioning and looked at the world before him with an empty gaze.

Lu Ming didn't expect him to react like this. He grabbed him and said, "Wake up, Xiao Jin. I'm still here. Even if you lost a brother, I can become your family!"

"Family? Become family!" Su Jin mumbles as if he had found hope.

Lu Ming said, "Yes! I'm your lover. In the future, when you marry me, I will become your only family. We will also have children. Moreover, it's not like there won't be someone away to save your brother. There should be someone away like how he saved you."

"Save, brother. There is a way."

Su Jin cast a distant, hopeful glance toward Mo Xuejing. He felt, for whatever reason, that he had become one of the beings he could no longer predict based on his recollections of past lives since the Mo Xuejing in this world had changed. In addition to appearing to know more about the language beyond, he treated him like a god capable of providing answers.

Mo Xuejing gave him a playful smile and said, "Of course, there is a way. But why should I tell you?"

Chapter 1266: First Grey Star - Swamp, Blue Whales and the Human Bait.

In the depths of the ocean, Ye Jieye opened his eyes. Above his head, a plethora of odd fish and creatures were swimming. When its skin is exposed, the majority of it glows, making its internal organs apparent. Some of them have an underwater firefly appearance, more resembling bugs. Around Y Jieye are only creatures whose spirits have not yet awakened.

Those who had the ability to sense danger without conscious thought had already fled from him before he even opened his eyes.

Urgh!

The area he is on is composed of white, shining sand, and he can make out a moving black marsh not far from him in the total blackness that surrounds him. Ye Jieye scowled as he experienced intense feelings of gluttony and darkness. The closer he went to the black swamp, the more familiar the place felt to him.

Ye Jieye noticed some large bones poking out of the black marsh after viewing it for long time. At last, he understands why he did not discover a massive entity in the vicinity where he awoke. This dark bog ate it all up.

Ye Jieye sensed a link between himself and the black swamp, but the swamp retreated from his attempts to contact it. It appears that this dark swamp thought for itself and retreated to keep the God of Void from coming into contact with it. Ye Jieye realizes that the object is avoiding him after making ten attempts to touch him and realizing he was unable to capture it.

"You dare to escape from this lord!"

The God of Void intended to burn it until nothing remained because it was so irritated. Even the hottest fire in the universe was consumed by it when he fired hellfire at it as though it were a bottomless pit. Ye Jieye became aware that this black marsh was not like any other after witnessing this occurrence.

"The ability to eat anything. This is a world-eater fragment. One without intelligence." Ye Jieye mumbles. "I can't leave it alone. It would be dangerous if my children were accidentally harmed by it."

At last, he gave the dark swamp a serious glance. He even got out his natal sword, Shenyuan, this time. This is a weapon capable of even taking down gods. Just before he was ready to demolish this black marsh, Ye Jieye saw it shake, at least in his eyes, as if it sensed his terrible intent.

Deciding to give it some time to study, he lowered his Shenyuan when, all of a sudden, it leapt at him as if it were alive. Like a massive wave, a towering mass of black muck swallowed him from the inside out. Ye Jieye was devoured by the swamp before he could respond.

The God of Void exclaimed, "What the hell!?" as he vanished into the dark marsh, which began to shift positions after devouring Ye Jieye. It keeps on exploring the ocean below and devouring everything that gets in its way. Since he was alone himself when it occurred, no one is aware of this circumstance.

The two cubs only departed that region after playing with the jellyfish and devouring enough to fill their candy jars that were concealed in Ye Jingxia's inventory. They sprint across the ocean floor, me riding on Oreo's back. Because of how quickly they moved through the water, the fish and other small animals avoided them.

Ye Anxia said, "Gege, are we going to look for Daddy and Papa now?"

"Yes! Let's look for them," Ye Jingxia said when suddenly they bumped into a pod of blue whales. Discover what's next on [m-vl-em,py-r](#)

The two cubs were astonished to see blue whales. It was unusual for them to encounter a bunch of enormous marine animals, even if they were accustomed to seeing large dragons and phoenixes. All three of these whales put together are smaller than the three of them combined, despite the fact that they are all enormous. A young blue whale approached them as though sensing the divine within them.

It appears to smile as it blinks its eyes. The two cubs had a pure aura of life, and it was clear that the young whale wanted to play with them.

Ye Jingxia, as if understanding the thoughts of the young blue whale, happily said, "Okay, let's play! You carry us around and swim as fast as you can!"

Phwargh!

For a brief moment, the baby whale's eyes took on a crescent shape, perhaps in agreement with Ye Jingxia's statements. The dog and the two boisterous cubs were free to play, forgetting about their parents and uncle once more as it swam lower. Ye Jingxia and Ye Anxia even descended from Oreo's back to the blue whales after climbing aboard.

Ye Jingxia patted the head of the blue whale with its hands softly, he said happily. "Let's go, Woohoo~"

The juvenile blue whale circled the ocean with his new playmates in tow. While they played, Ye Jingxia would catch a lot of fish to give to their new acquaintance. The juvenile blue whales are observed by the adult whales from a distance. Ye Jingxia and Ye Anxia have an aura as pure as nature, despite the fact that they are both humans. Even though they are still young, they are gods nonetheless.

They had the aura of heaven and earth, which is comparable to world qi. Thus, all living things on Earth revere them, particularly whales, which are thought of as spiritual beings who are perceptive of danger and malice.

A hungry huge squid suddenly ambushed the cubs while they were having fun from below. It jumped from below because it wanted to eat the newborn blue whale. It appears to be camouflaging with the sand by hiding beneath it. The gigantic squid's tentacles snagged the baby blue whale, taking it by surprise.

Phwargh! Whistles~

The enormous squid that blended in with the sand was missed by the two cubs since they were having so much fun. Ye Jingxia is furious as Oreo growls viciously at the enormous squid. Conversely, Ye Anxia used her blue flames to strike the squid by assuming the shape of a phoenix.

The little princess grumpily shouted while controlling blue flames in the form of a phoenix. "Bad Uncle Squid! Let go of Little Brother Whale. hmp! hmp!"

Phwargh! Phwargh!

The whales were swimming at a faster pace than the group, surpassing them in the process. Therefore, it was already too late when the young blue whales begged for assistance. Thank goodness Ye Jingxia and Ye Anxia were with it; otherwise, this cunning big squid would have eaten it.

"Bad Squid! Don't disturb us playing! Oreo, eat him!" Ye Jingxia commanded.

WOOOF!

The Tibetan mastiff, adorned in black and white patterns, leaps from the blue whale's back in the direction of the enormous squid. The dog foolishly gave itself to the big squid's mouth, and it scoffed at it, not expecting the dog to grow larger than ever. Oreo expanded to the point where the enormous squid was overwhelmed.

It walked heavily on the gigantic squid, controlling its size to be at least twice its size.

BLOOOPPP!

The enormous Tibetan mastiff threw its entire weight onto the squid, causing it to unintentionally leak ink. However, as a result of this strike, the juvenile blue whale was free to leave the enormous squid because it no longer had any tentacles gripping its tail.

Ye Jingxia told its playmate. "Let's go. Find the cotton candy you said exists in the sea. Don't worry, Big Brother and Oreo are here. We will protect you!"

"Protect Little Brother Whale!!" Ye Anxia said.

Phwargh!

The young blue whale swam around, pleased as ever. It steered clear of the scene where the enormous dog gnawed on the enormous squid until it was completely gone. It even gave off the impression that it was full before contracting back to its smaller form, swimming to its master's location, and putting up a happy front.

Although these brats relished their underwater adventure, the other group did not share the same pleasure.

On the other side of the ocean floor...

Lu Shang and Leica led the group deeper into the ocean floor after they had rested for an hour. Lu Shang, the Spartan trainer, was a cruel man. He gave Doctor Hei the task of drawing attention to anything concealed in this area of the dark water. Doctor Hei was a little afraid and did not want to do it since he could not see.

Who would have thought that Leica, his ever-smiling older brother, would tie his waist with his red thread and cast him out into the pitch black? He turned into a living bait for those nocturnal marine predators. He was particularly attached to a few of the big-night pearls. similar to a single lightbulb in the dark.

"Demons~ How can you use me as bait just because I don't want to use my pheromones to attract some ingredients!? AH! Someone save me!!"

When his emotions are at their highest, Doctor Hei's pheromones activate on their own, despite his shouting as he fought with all of his strength. His level of anxiety and rage was at an all-time high. Not only does this live bait sparkle, but it also gives off a delightful scent that draws in everything in its vicinity. Doctor Hei's nerves are more sensitive than usual under the water.

In the darkness, he can hear innumerable eyes and breathe. His yells served as a kind of tranquilizer for his racing heart.

Silence~

Sniff~

Doctor Hei looked around, but all he saw was darkness, so he became quiet. The longer it goes on, the more anxious he gets. He felt he had lost a night pearl attached to himself and was filled with panic since he had failed to notice the light approaching him.

He spoke, "What is this? A night pearl fell off? Oh no~ I don't have money to pay for it."

However, when the light approached, Doctor Hei sensed a problem. His eyes went round when he saw a large, sharp-toothed maw coming toward him. Though at first he seemed surprised, his hands continued to pull the crimson rope around his waist, suggesting that they had managed to get a bite.

Doctor Hei shouted with all his might. "FUCK! IT'S THAT DAMN ANGLERFISH FROM BEFORE! AHHH!!! PULL ME BACK!!!"

Leica, who was watching Doctor Hei with divine consciousness, noticed the approaching anglerfish. "Darling, it's a bite!"

"Good! Everyone, get ready! Your opponent this time is a giant anglerfish, peak legendary-grade!" Lu Shang said.

After saying this, everyone brandished their weapons and took up their designated formations. When they eventually arrived at their location, Leica pulled Doctor Hei. Doctor Hei is still hanging in front of the enraged fish who are pursuing him, but his pace is just fast enough to keep him from being devoured alive.

Doctor Hei shouted, "You damn bastards! Don't you know how scary that stupid fish breath is! It's too fishy!! AH! Save me, Junjun!!!"

Ji Yoonjun skillfully shot the anglerfish with an arrow, causing paralysis. The moment the hunters remove their bait from the scene, scores of hunters leap from every direction to take aim at the sleepy anglerfish. Although it took some time for the medication to take effect, Ji Yoonjun's lone arrow significantly slowed down their prey's speed.

Meanwhile, still bound, Doctor Hei sat on the ground after being dragged out of the hunting area.

He was aware that he had a few more attacks to make as bait before supper. He and his brother, who is limited to healing, and Ji Yoonjun, who is not allowed to assist the other hunters, watched the hunt from the sidelines. In the heat of the battle, Lu Shang and Leica did little more than observe and correct those who made mistakes.

Pinching his nose, Ji Yoonjun lightly kicked Doctor Hei's butt. "Turn it off! You smell disgustingly sweet."

"Okay. Okay. Let me calm down for a while," Doctor Hei said as he urgently deactivated his pheromones to avoid more creatures approaching their group.

Dr. Guang was fiddling with his computer. However, Doctor Hei was on the verge of killing his brother when he happened to glance at what he was doing. His foolish sibling captured the entire event on camera as soon as he was seen being pursued by a massive fish.

Giggles~

"Delete that!"

"No way!! It's a good souvenir!"

"Fuck your goddamn souvenir!"

Hahahaha~

Chapter 1267: First Grey Star - First Glitch was solved.

The conditions on the ground were not great either, even though everyone on the ocean floor was going through their own unique dilemma. Not all of the issues with the Ruins of Time entrance have been fixed yet. Lu Wangle, Mo Xinyue, and Mu Zang, the three Heavenly Guardians, were still experimenting with these animals' effects on themselves.

Naturally, they first transported Heavenly Guardian Gu, who was severely injured, to the battlefield with his consent. After all, Heavenly Guardian Gu had grown utterly crippled ever since the Barbarian Race invaded. All of his hands were already totally paralyzed, except for his right hand.

While Mu Zang and Mo Xinyue were blocking the monsters from approaching the camp with the other knights, Lu Wangle was beside Heavenly Guardian Gu.

Heavenly Guardian Lu Wangle asked, "Are you sure about this? We don't even know if the effects from those monsters can heal your injuries."

"Even so, as long as there is hope, I believe that it's possible. Brother Lu, I still want to try it," Heavenly Guardian Gu declared.

Looking at his majesty standing next to him, Heavenly Guardian Lu's stare begs to know if he concurs with Old Gu's choice. After all, the Gu Clan had vowed allegiance to the monarchy following the barbarian invasion. For Wang Xingmo, it meant belonging to the royal family, not taking it literally. He understood that Wang Xingmo had accepted Heavenly Guardian Gu's choice when he nodded.

Wang Xingmo said, "Let's do as he says. It's better to do what you want than regret it in the future."

"Okay, I'll inform Zanga and Xin. Lao Gu, I will have to carry you with me, and it won't be a smooth one," Heavenly Guardian Lu Wangle said.

Heavenly Guardian Gu laughs and says, "I'm a man with thick skin. A rough journey is better for me!"

"Haha~ very well. Let's go, Lao Gu!" The two of them turned into a streak of light and disappeared from the tent.

His Majesty, Wang Xingmo, looked at their departure with a calm gaze. Nameless is just silent as always.

Wang Xingmo asked, "Nameless, what do you think that one in the tower is planning? I still haven't come to meet him as planned, and this happened out of nowhere. Are the glitches on the seal something he caused? What do you think?"

"It can't be him. I am not even interested in that dungeon. Why would someone stronger than me take notice of it?" Nameless said.

Wang Xingmo said, "Indeed, I'm overthinking things again. It's just that they are a bit too quiet."

"To become a hero, one must need the right opportunity," Nameless said. Obviously, he was saying that the Second Prince was waiting for the right moment to stand out and fight for the throne against Wang Xingmo, his father.

Sigh~

"This fate is truly unlikable. Maybe the royal family shouldn't have existed right from the beginning," Wang Xingmo mumbled.

Meanwhile, a bizarre scene of individuals growing younger and older is visible at the battlefield close to the Ruins of Time. Mu Zang, who formerly had a grade school appearance, now has a young adult appearance. Conversely, Mo Xinyue appeared somewhat older than normal.

Mu Zang was in charge of the assaults. Together with some knights, they dispatched over half of these strange beasts. He was able to manipulate the monsters' effects on them so that none of them could overlap assaults and end up dead.

Heavenly Guardian Mu Zang said, "Oi, restrain the rest of the monsters and rest for half an hour. You can at least freeze them for a while, right?" But no one responded to him.

When Mu Zang turned around, he saw Mo Xinyue looking at his aged face in a mirror. He heard him muttering, "Even if I turned into an old man, I'm still beautiful. I should take my bloodline for this. Hehe~"

"You!" Heavenly Guardian Mu Zang kicked him on the butt and said, "Hey! I told you we were going to take a break. Freeze all the rest of the monsters!"

Ouch!

Heavenly Guardian Mo Xinyue said, "Damn Brat! How can you hit this old man!?"

When Mu Zang noticed that he was still acting out a role play, he booted him again as the closest monster, making him duck under the blow. Since he had already assumed his previous form, he was unable to attack it again. He could only reverse the direction of his descent by tapping it once.

This little tap had been seen as a feeble attack, and Mo Xinyue's elderly countenance instantly changed to that of a small boy. Now his robes hung loosely over his slender frame.

He now resembled the Mu Zang from before whom they had encountered in the tent moments ago. A boy, no bigger than an adult. His voice also became cutesy and high-pitched.

Heavenly Guardian Mo Xinyue complained, "Surnamed Mu! You lunatic! Why did you kick me!?"

"I've been calling for you since before. You've been acting like a deaf person twice. Kickin' you was the right thing to do! Snort! Also, you are a brat now. Call me brother!" Heavenly Guardian Mu Zang said.

Mo Xinyue, the Heavenly Guardian, appeared so furious that his plump cheeks went as red as a tomato. He looked like an adorable infant instead of someone who could be convincingly upset. Furthermore, he bit Mu Zang's hands because they were the only exposed part he could bite into because he was so angry.

CHOMPED!

"AH! STOP! Are you a fucking dog?" Heavenly Guardian Mu Zang said as he shook his hand, trying to remove the brat biting him.

This was the scene Heavenly Guardian Lu Wangle and Heavenly Guardian Gu witnessed upon arriving on the scene.

Lu Wangle asked, "What the hell are you guys playing at?" When he saw Mo Xinyue's size, he immediately started laughing. "Hahaha~ Lao Mo, even you had turned into a brat!"

Mu Zang and Mo Xinyue looked at each other and thought of something. But they didn't show any changes in expression on their faces and just snorted.

Heavenly Guardian Mu Zang said while looking at Heavenly Guardian Gu, "He agreed. Let's help him first. Xinyue, let the knights rest. For the next half an hour, Wangle and I will restrain the monsters. If Heavenly Guardian Gu was cured, he could also help us."

"Sigh~ okay. Be careful. Though there are only twenty-plus monsters yet, no one knows whether something will come out of it again," Heavenly Guardian Mo Xinyue said.

Heavenly Guardian Mu Zang shook his head and said, "Xiao Ye said that the glitches will bring out monsters in batches. But for every batch, there is a long duration for each. Since a hundred have already come out, it seems that this is all that the first batch can bring. The next set of monsters will probably come out during the next glitch in the seal."

"Can't we just make the signal stronger after this? Won't that prevent glitches?" Heavenly Guardian Lu Wangle asked.

Mu Zang said, "No. It cannot be prevented. The seal is destined to be destroyed. This is what Xiao Ye had told me. The only way to survive is to get stronger and adapt. No one knows what is inside that dungeon or why it was called the ruins of time."

"If it's really like that, then we must make the most of it. At least change the age of our bodies and retrain more. As long as we get stronger, there should be a future for us," Lu Wangle said.

Nobody understands the full degree or impact of the threat posed by the ruins of time on them. However, they cannot give up on life because of an uncertain future. By the end of the day, Heavenly

Guardian Gu had fully recovered, and many elderly hunters had also attained youth. All four of the Heavenly Guardians had become young again.

With the exception of the first day the monsters emerged, all of the monsters were slain, and there were fewer deaths overall. The capital was temporarily at peace again.

Evening, at Numen Town's Night Market...

Numerous changes had occurred while Wang Xingyun and Fu Zin had remained in this small hamlet. One of these is the night market. Residents of the town were permitted to operate little stalls in front of the town's only mansion for a set amount of time. You can buy practically anything here, including weapons, armor, and uncooked supplies from the numerous food and mine stalls.

More visitors from outside the area come over as a result of this night market.

Every night, Heavenly Guardian Xian Wu stops by for dinner and refreshments. They were accompanied by Doctor Sen. The barbeque stand that Wang Xingmo, the former king, was operating, best suited to Heavenly Guardian Xian Wu's alcoholic beverages.

"Boss, give me ten strings of squid here!"

"I want 50 strings of mutton and 50 beef!"

"Okay. Okay. Coming up!"

Fu Zin was in charge of the cooking, and Wang Xingyun was rushing about giving instructions and getting drinks. In addition, a large number of Fu Clan assistants assist their clan leader in handling and preparing the food. Two men sat at a table in a quiet area of the stall, serving themselves different sorts of meat and seafood. Doctor Sen and Heavenly Guardian Xian Wu were these two guys.

Cough. Cough.

Doctor Sen scolded, "Don't use beer to wash your throat if you choke. Drink the soup!"

"Stop nagging, Sen. I know. Burp!" Xian Wu said as he restarted his eating.

Doctor Sen observed the booth owners as they lived a normal life that they would not have been able to have if they had stayed in the palace. This scene made him smile without fail. Abruptly, the daily report from the capital's courier arrived and informed him of the events in the Ruins of Time. Heavenly Guardian Xian Wu saw a scowl on Doctor Sen's face right away.

Xian Wu asked, "What's wrong? Did something happen in the capital again?"

"Yes. This time it's the Ruins of Time. It seems that the seal on it is slowly getting weakened. It wouldn't be surprising if it became useless in the end. But there is also good news," Doctor Sen said.

When the Ruins of Time were brought up, Xian Wu scowled. That was the only area available for human exploration. Some people ventured inside to investigate, but they were imprisoned to stop monsters from emerging from their reality. This also explains the seal covering the dungeon's entrance. an uncharted territory. It is far more hazardous than those well-known danger zones.

Heavenly Guardian Xian Wu said, "The Ruins of Time again. What happened this time?"

"They said that some glitches in the seal and entrance caused some space rips near the area. It brought to them a hundred weird monsters that looked like smiles but had clocks as their faces. What's interesting about this is that the state of attack can determine the backlash you would receive from attacking it. You can become old or young based on how you attack, and this effect is permanent.

In short, aside from you and the one in the sea, the four in the capital have returned to their youth," Doctor Sen said.

"What did you say!?"

Heavenly Guardian Xian Wu was horrified beyond belief, as was to be anticipated. He even yelled, obliging the throng encircling them. Before the man could even yell, Doctor Sen had covered both of his ears, as if anticipating this response. As everyone turned to face them, Doctor Sen apologized and grinned at the assembly.

Doctor Sen said, "Sorry. He drank too much. I apologize for him." He pulled Xian Wu back to his seat and whispered. "Can't you calm down, damn old man?"

Chapter 1268: First Grey Star - Su Jin, you are too foolish and blind.

A few audience members rolled their eyes at Heavenly Guardian Xian Wu's disturbance. Ultimately, nobody was able to identify him as their danger zone's Heavenly Guardian. He does not spend much time with his people; he lets Doctor Sen manage everything. It is hard for him to use polite conversation to get along with people because of his short fuse.

Doctor Sen asked, "Have you calmed down?"

"No. How can that be? They all returned to their youth. If we meet with them again, should we still call them brothers or brats?" Heavenly Guardian Xian Wu asked.

The old doctor imagined the scene of the two of them meeting four teenagers rudely calling them old men or bastards. He might not be able to hold back and spank their asses.

Doctor Sen responded, "That is indeed a question to be answered. We should go help them the next time a glitch in the seal comes again. Returning to youth should be quite an experience."

"I don't want to, though. I'm smaller when I'm young. As an adult, my current height is already considered the tallest for my race," Heavenly Guardian Xian Wu said.

Doctor Sen chuckles as he hears his partner's reasoning. "You truly care too much about your height. I like you regardless of your height, though. You might become cuter when you are younger."

Hmp!

Perhaps due to the effects of drinking, Heavenly Guardian Xian Wu's face was flushed red with fluster and delight. Wang Xingyun and Fu Zin eventually joined their table. They heard bits and pieces of their conversations, particularly those involving the capital and the reigning monarch.

Fu Zin asked, "Lord Xian, Doctor Sen, you were talking about something happening in the capital. Did something happen again?"

"There is indeed something that happened, but don't worry, it was resolved. The problem this time is about the seal on the entrance of the Ruins of Time Dungeon. A certain glitch happened with its seal and caused some unknown monsters from the dungeon to escape," Doctor Sen said.

Seeing the worried expression on Wang Xingyun, Heavenly Guardian Xian Wu added. "There are four Heavenly Guardians in the capital. They should be alright. It was resolved already, so there is nothing to worry about."

Wang Xingyun asked, "Does the Master know what kind of monsters are there inside that Dungeon?"

"It's random. The last time before the current glitch appeared, the monsters that came out of it were ordinary beastial monsters. But the monsters in this last incident are different. It had the attribute of time, and the backlash of killing such a monster affected the attacker's time. According to what we heard, those who defend when the first waves of monsters come out turn old or young.

It was also because of this that there were some deaths during the first wave. Those who turned old were too old to run or dodge the incoming attacks. As for those who became babies, they were stomped to death."

Wang Xingyun, the former king, and Fu Zin, the former prime minister, scowled. It is too fantastical to have a repercussion that alters a person's life course. They could only envision the horrific outcomes for those who were unable to flee those creatures' attacks, even if they were not present.

Fu Zin asked, "If they resolved it, did it mean they had found the pattern to kill those monsters?"

"Yes. According to the messenger, Xiao Mu... I mean, Heavenly Guardian Mu Zang found the weakness of the monster and the cause of turning young and becoming old. It's the power of the attack. Being too powerful will lead to one becoming old. Being too weak will lead to a regression in age.

The monster can be killed after a hundred hits, and the last one will cancel the effects of the monster's peculiarities," Doctor Sen said.

Wang Xingyun said, "That means aside from the last hit person who can cancel the effects on him, the rest had no change after they were affected. The frequency and power of the attacks. I guess it can be resolved."

"That's right. Except for the first wave where they were caught off guard, they survived the rest of the monster waves without a problem. They didn't know when the next glitch would happen, though," Doctor Sen said.

Wang Xingyun said, "Since they can solve the first one, they should be able to resolve the next one too."

His words were suddenly cut when a customer shouted an order, and Wang Xingyun needed to take the order for the customer. Fu Zin remained on the table and sighed when he heard his partner's reaction.

"Senior, please forgive Yun'er's rudeness. Even though he tries to act like he no longer cares anything about the capital, it is still hard to turn a complete blind eye to his former home," Fu Zin said.

The two seniors shrugged their heads, clearly not troubled by Wang Xingyun's current outburst. Both his family and the knights deceived him. He left his house and nearly died after being forced to abdicate by his own brother. His history, which is an integral part of who he is, follows him even after he makes an effort to live his new life.

Doctor Sen said, "Don't worry. This old man can understand. But I still think you two shouldn't get involved with what is going on with the royal family in the capital. The current king and his illegitimate son were both possessed by something evil. This is something you two cannot fight against. Let them fight for the future.

It will all change when the seal on that dungeon fully disappears."

"Senior means that the seal will be broken completely in the future," Fu Zin asked.

Heavenly Guardian Xian Wu said, "Mu Zang said that the glitches are proof that the seal can no longer hold back that weird dungeon. To resolve it, humans can no longer do it on their own. Maybe the Evil God on that tower or that devil behind the current king might be able to save it. It would be better if Mu Zang's grandson made his move. That brat... he is not a simple individual."

"Satan. Is Satan also not human?" Fu Zin asked.

Heavenly Guardian Xian Wu said, "I don't know. But if you heard everything he did in the past few months, you will know how powerful he is compared to others. I have no doubt that he is stronger than all living Heavenly Guardians combined."

"But that child is naturally cold-hearted. Unless it's his beloved who asks for it, he will just ignore anyone's pleas, including his children and his relatives," Doctor Sen said as he recalled the last time Ye Jieye went to this town to save them from the beast riot. His aura had not only affected the beasts but also them, who were in the area at the time.

Only Mo Xuejing remained unharmed, but that darkness came from within Ye Jieye.

Anairam Trench's core region. The ocean floor.

Ye Jieye opened his eyes to a world of darkness after being unexpectedly engulfed by the black marsh. The never-ending darkness that envelops this planet would probably drive someone nuts if they had fallen into it. The sensation was akin to plunging into a chasm. Never-ending, with no way in or out, it just is, and nothing can take it away.

But as the God of Void, Ye Jieye can govern all of the darkness in this realm. This scene is so recognizable. In the very same black universe, he met another Tun Shizhe in his dream and swallowed

the vacuum before him. Ye Jieye recognizes this familiar location and knows that he must eat it once more. He will not meet this void's present master till then.

Ye Jieye wanted to devour the void before him but recalled that he almost lost control of himself when he last did it. He was thinking of the possible results that might happen after he devoured this place.

"If I devoured this place, would the Anairam Trench disappear with it? If that happened, my wife and children who were outside would get involved. It's better for me not to do it myself." The God of Void mumbled as he tapped the sleeping black dragon on his wrist.

Slowly, the small black dragon woke up and even yawned as it groggily opened its eyes and looked at the black world around him and his master. Unexpectedly, there was no fear imprinted on its eyes; instead, there was joy.

Roars~

Ye Jieye said, "Do you want to eat?"

Roars!

Ye Jieye smirked and said, "Well then, eat until you're full. The rest will be mine to take."

The small black dragon flew away from its master's wrist and slowly got bigger and bigger until its limb's width was as large as Ye Jieye's body and became longer. A majestic but evil-looking black dragon emerged from the darkness surrounding the God of Void.

"Devour the darkness, Roi!"

ROOOAAARRR~

Roi, the black dragon king, began consuming the surrounding darkness. Masticating, swallowing, and botching happily the emptiness in front of its eyes. He could consume as much of the darkness as his digestion would allow him to know that it was a portion of his master's might. Thus, it contentedly consumed until the layer outside the shadows became visible.

A sight of starry galaxies that he knows so well.

Ye Jieye asked, "So this domain was located in the space outside the world I was just in. No wonder the darkness had spread widely because of such an open area."

And just as he had anticipated, he encountered another guy wearing a black cloak, this time with a face that was neither his own nor the same as the one in the Tower of Gods. He had to believe that this was a reality or perhaps even his former self. This individual was not immediately eliminated since he was not sure. The man gives him a scowl as though he despises his presence.

On the domain under the Moray Eel God...

Su Jin was taken aback by the harsh comments that Mo Xuejing had just returned. However, with more reflection, it is clear that he is unfamiliar with Mo Xuejing. Their only relationship is that Lu Ming, his lover, is a relative of his husband. Still, it was not uncommon for Mo Xuejing to treat Lu Ming like a stranger. Ye Jieye, his spouse, had severed his ties to the Lu Clan.

Tension and awkwardness increased in the room. In the perspective of the young couple and the enormous eel, even Mo Xuejing's playful smile appears evil. However, Mo Xuejing eventually stopped making fun of them after realizing that his joke was a little too intense.

Mo Xuejing said, "You guys are boring~ I'm just kidding around, but you guys all turned mute. Well, I can still give you the answer to save that man who calls you brother. But are you sure he needs your help? Did he tell you he wanted to return here? Are you capable of making decisions for him? If you can answer these questions with all positive responses, I don't mind telling you how to save him."

Su Jin believed he was completely unworthy of saving his brother in the face of these series of questions. He had no idea whether his brother desired to come back. He was incapable of even choosing for himself. He had received this second life from his sibling as well. Su Jin was stunned absolutely dumbfounded by Mo Xuejing's barrage of queries about reality.

Su Jin stammered as he attempted to express his ideas; sadly, at this precise moment, his mind was entirely blank.

"I... I... I..."

"You are too foolish and blind. You can only see the one you lost but not the one who had chosen to stay by your side. He lost his previous memories and all his original strength, even so, he still chose regardless of all the fate had suggested and stood by your side. Is it truly hard to see the most important thing if it's too close to you?" Mo Xuejing asked.

Su Jin was momentarily surprised before realizing what Mo Xuejing had said. He looked straight at his sweetheart, who had been consoling him the entire time. What he had heard was beyond belief.

He asked his beloved, "You... lost your previous life's memories and abilities?!"

"I do not know what kind of memories I lost. As for my strength, I am also unsure. But I don't care; don't I still have you by my side? That's the most important," Lu Ming said while smiling as he pulled his beloved into a hug.

Su Jin started crying when she heard what he had said. It was only at this point that he realized that the two most significant individuals in his life had made the ultimate sacrifice, which led to his rebirth. Ji Yoonjun, his brother, and Lu Ming, the lone man in his heart, make up his own family.

Chapter 1269: First Grey Star - Heavenly Restrictions and Previous Lu Ming's Memories.

Su Jin was merely a miserable man who had endured immense suffering in a past life, which he was unable to comprehend. Someone who fell in love with the wrong man and hurt even his one and only family. Ultimately, before he could fully appreciate his second life, he was informed that it had been granted to him in return for Ji Yoonjun and Lu Ming's sacrifice.

Even the thought of it makes him regret all he has accomplished in his past life.

Mo Xuejing wanted to tease him more because he thought he was too weak-willed. The more he observes people with weak wills who were given opportunities but did not value them, the more he feels like stepping on them.

"Would any crying help you? Would crying allow you to meet your brother? Would crying allow you to repay their sacrifice? In my eyes, you're just wasteful. Protagonists are considered Heaven's beloved son for a reason. They can never leave this world.

So how do you think you can see that brother of yours? Why do you think your brother chose to destroy your former world? The answer to that is simple," Mo Xuejing said with a mischievous smile.

Meanwhile, the saint of this world, the Moray Eel God, couldn't help but want to stop Mo Xuejing's words. The heavens couldn't restrain him, especially the words he wanted to say, so when he wanted to reveal the truth of the world, no one could truly stop him.

{Ven'erable l'rd, prithee sayeth not anym're. the secrets of the heavens cannot be best indulged in with the m'rtals.}

Translation: [Venerable Lord, please don't say anymore.]. [The secrets of the heavens cannot be indulged in by mortals.]

Sadly, Mo Xinyue is unaffected by the Moray Eel God's pronouncements. Selfish, he acts in his own way. What could a lesser god's request possibly mean to him? In addition, they are only strangers.

Mo Xuejing said, "Only by destroying the world can your protagonist gain your freedom from the fate laid down for you. By then you should be able to leave this world and go to the other world. For example, the world where your brother's soul had transmigrated~. Become stronger, only then you can do as you want. Hm~ how about I give you a chance?"

He briefly got the blessing of the water by flicking something on Su Jin's forehead. Su Jin thought that he had authority over all the water in the world after realizing the profound meaning of water. There is a glimmer of divinity in the water droplet that Mo Xuejing had tossed onto Su Jin's fingers. He had the same strength as the Moray Eel God behind him, at least for this instant.

Su Jin turned around and observed the enormous eel's terrible visage, which was certainly not what Su Jin was feeling at the time. Ultimately, the protagonist shou's connection to the skies was momentarily severed by Mo Xuejing. It is not as easy as saying that he gave him a sliver of pure divinity that can challenge the Emperor of the Ocean.

Looking at Su Jin with eyes as if wanting to have fun watching, Mo Xuejing hid his table of tea and snacks and left only the single couch he was sitting on. He didn't forget to pull Lu Ming away from Su Jin.

Lu Ming asked, "Why?"

"You're in the way. Let them fight!" Mo Xuejing said.

Su Jin exchanged serious looks with the Moray Eel God. Su Jin is only able to see the golden chains on him and Lu Ming with the current borrowing power. In front of him are some Moray Eel gods that resemble thin strings rather than shackles, giving the impression that he is a puppet controlled by the world's skies.

"What the hell is this?! Why do I have this on me!?" Su Jin said as he tried to pull away the chains on him.

Unfortunately, he was still bound by those chains, even with his acquired divinity. He turned to face Lu Ming and remarked that even his soul was limited, as though he were considering something. It makes sense why he was unable to remember anything about their past lives. However, he noticed just one limitation when he turned to face Mo Xuejing.

Even the chain, which is the limitation of the mortal vessel, is excessively slack and seems to be taken off at any time.

Mo Xuejing noticed where he was looking and held the golden chain connected to his body. "Are you staring at this? Unlike yours, it is incomparably loose, right? After all, nothing in this world is capable of restraining me."

Only then did Su Jin know the difference between them, and Mo Xuejing is a lot different than he expected. It wasn't just the difference in age and experience, but existence itself.

Mo Xuejing said, "I'm bored. How about this? Bring my children here for me and I will give you a reward. As for your opponent, let it be that little Eel. Little one, I will fulfill one of your wishes if you win a game of mine. My children cannot be harmed aside from that, you can do as you wish."

He knows they would not refuse at all, but he does not really care whether they disagree with what he says. What is the benefit? It was something that the Heavenly Laws of this world could not give. It even tempted the Moray Eel God. Thus, at Mo Xuejing's signal, the two vanished in front of them right away, leaving just Mo Xuejing and Lu Ming.

Mo Xuejing burst out laughing as he saw the two acting so urgently. Their actions speak louder than words when it comes to what they want. He could not help but notice the look Lu Ming was casting at him. He produced a stone chair out of thin air with another wave of his hands and motioned for Lu Ming to sit down. He put the table he had previously removed in front of them.

The only things included in the water-filtering bubble were their tables and chairs.

Mo Xuejing said, "Dry yourself and serve on your own."

Lu Ming hesitated for a moment before serving himself a cup of coffee. There are tea, coffee, and juice on the table for them to choose from. Mo Xuejing is drinking his usual milk tea.

Lu Ming asked, "Sir, are your words real?"

"About your previous world's memories taken from you? Of course, they're real. There is no need for me to lie," Mo Xuejing responded.

Lu Ming asked, "Is there a way for me to recover those memories?"

"Recovering it isn't hard, but... For you, it can be said that those memories are the ones you would love to forget. After all, the you before was the man who caused the most harm to your beloved. You can see but can't approach by your own will. You can touch but cannot touch as you wish. You love him but you are not allowed to show it.

You wanted to protect him but you caused him the most harm. That is the 'you', that you had forgotten. So I ask you again? You still want to see it, that kind of you?" Mo Xuejing asked.

Lu Ming remained silent for a while. He was aware that he could not make a snap decision. What if, in their past incarnations, he was a cruel man who hurt Su Jin? Either he is garbage who does not require any forgiveness at all, or he is deserving of love in this life.

Mo Xuejing grinned. This main coupling intrigues him, he can not stop thinking. All that can be said about their former lives is tragedy. Given that they have defied the gods of their planet, an uncontrollable life is coming to an end, and that kind of conclusion is unavoidable. Already, they had the good fortune to avoid being obliterated.

Lu Ming, with a serious look and a determined gaze on his face, said to Mo Xuejing. "Please help me with my memories. I want to know the truth."

"Okay, I will help you with this once just because you are a relative of my husband," Mo Xuejing said as he ripped off the chains around his soul that sealed his previous memories.

Lu Ming was gritting his teeth and trembling violently on the ground due to the excruciating pain of the procedure. His piercing screams echo around the room, while Mo Xuejing observes him with a casual look. Lu Ming was able to glimpse the "him" of the past world Su Jin had always spoken of because of this anguish.

He saw himself treating Xiao Jin like a disposable person in this flashback. The "him" in this world—someone who is always changeable—never made amends with his older brother. Ji Yoonjun, not Su Jin,

was the chef for him in this timeline. It was the cuisine he could now eat properly after years of not being able to. His anorexia had been a long-term problem for him.

Ji Yoonjun made that bowl of fried rice, not the Su Jin in this world, who lied to him and said he cooked.

He keeps watching, seeing himself go hunting more often with Su Jin than Ji Yoonjun. Though the him of that universe simply saw Su Jin as a tool, Su Jin treated him with all of his heart, just like in our world. He did not really care, therefore, when Ji Yoonjun showed up and revealed that he had prepared that bowl of fried rice that evening.

After all, he had been able to consume Su Jin's food all this time.

Though, as Mo Xuejing informed him, he was powerless to resist destiny, he spoke out to accept Ji Yoonjun against his better judgment. In reality, he had intended to decline Ji Yoonjun. His eyes widened at the memory of him berating and apathetically disregarding Su Jin. He was stunned and filled with unexplained despair and rage.

When Su Jin was finally gone, he realized what kind of person he had lost when the skies ultimately removed him as the world's evil.

He was never the love of Ji Yoonjun. He was doing everything in his power to defy heaven and fate, just like him, but he was failing. Su Jin and Ji Yoonjun are his sole family, so why would he hurt them if it was not his intention? The global narrative was adhered to.

They finally gain control over their bodies and souls when they ultimately kill Mo Xuejing, the world's unseen villain, as the world plot ends.

He and the original Ji Yoonjun took advantage of this lack of restriction from the skies. To offer his brother a second chance at life, one decides to wipe out the entire planet and disappear. Even after facing the penalty from the gods, he made the decision to stay, blocking the heavens from preventing Su Jin's rebirth. His former strength was withdrawn, and his memories were sealed.

Thus, after the entire world was reset and every character was made from scratch for the new setting. He saw the world database and maintained his sanity. He deleted Ji Yoonjun's name under the role of the protagonist shou in his final moments. He put Su Jin's name in its place.

With a satisfied smile on his face, Lu Ming slowly closed his eyes. The last words he said before he entered reincarnation were, "I will find you. This time stand by my side until the end. You are now my destined one, Xiao Jin."

When all of his memories returned, Lu Ming opened himself to reality and said, The extremely beautiful man with silver eyes was looking at him with a cold gaze yet a playful smile on the corner of his lips. The Lu Ming of this current timeline and the Lu Ming of the previous world had merged the moment his sealed memories had return.

"Oh, you've woken up. Congratulations on taking back your memories," Mo Xuejing said.

Chapter 1270: First Grey Star - One of the Ocean God's Apostles

The immaturity in Lu Ming's eyes and his impression of inexperience vanished when the former Lu Ming and the present Lu Ming united. This was also noted by Mo Xuejing, who grinned as though he had discovered something intriguing. He motioned for Lu Ming to sit down.

Lu Ming sat back on the stone chair and said, "Thank you, Lord Mo."

In thanks, he even lowered his head. This is for Mo Xuejing, to aid him in retrieving the memories of his past life, as well as the portion when he aids his beloved, Su Jin, in discovering the truth. Furthermore, he was aware that the man in front of him was not the Mo Xuejing he was familiar with.

Mo Xuejing is, after all, an inherently cold-hearted man. The man was not born without feelings, thus he is not the type to smile lightly. His face remained expressionless even at that period, and he was unable to even cry when he discovered Ye Jieye's true identity, the presence of his children, and the news of their passing.

Mo Xuejing said, "It's nothing much. Just consider it a payment for teasing that brat too much. He is too pure and so silly. You should protect him well, or he will even sell himself if he is careful enough."

Su Jin's existence has alarmed the world's Heavenly Laws. No matter how many times he reincarnates in this world, he is someone who is predestined to become a villain. However, Lu Ming disobeyed the divine laws in the last world when it was reset, much like Ji Yoonjun did. In fact, Su Jin took Ji Yoonjun's place as the world's protagonist.

Like Lu Ming, he therefore becomes the adored son of heaven, and while the heavens still can not help but love him, they also do not like him now that his name is in the world's database. Su Jin seemed a little strange standing there because of this love and hate from the heavens above.

This is also the reason Su Jin, as the main character, didn't awaken any power suitable as the cherished son of heaven. The heavens also control the Moray Eel God's unexpected appearance. It appears that Su Jin is to be given the power of water by the heavens, as evidenced by the fact that Su Jin and Lu Ming split up as soon as they set foot on the ocean floor.

Another idea is to let the God of Void tidy up his mess. Because it can devour indefinitely beneath the water, the world-eating piece continues to grow. The skies, however, are terrified that it might even devour its saint and allow Ye Jieye to tidy it up.

It hardly calmed the sky to let one sovereign run wild, so it could only discourage Mo Xuejing and keep him from assisting his husband in that battle.

However, as a result of this imprisonment, Mo Xuejing was able to disclose the reality of both the heavens and this world. If it were someone else, the sky could chastise and punish them all they pleased, but not this life. It was aware that he was powerless to stop Mo Xuejing's soul. Thus, whatever was occurring in the seas was ignored by the skies.

To be pleased that Mo Xuejing is assisting Su Jin in becoming stronger was merely a hit. Naturally, what he lent Su Jin is far more potent than his means—as long as the youngster learns how to wield it, that is.

Somewhere on the ocean floor...

Leica and Lu Shang had hunted the angler fish successfully, along with the hunters and physicians who accompanied them. It was fierce, so it took some time. Doctors Guang and Hei treated many of the hunters' wounds, preventing the situation from getting worse while they were submerged.

But after searching for three substantial elements, they are quite exhausted. For now, they decide to take a short break. The fisherman's guard lends them a device that makes bubbles. Thus, even

underwater, they can continue to cook and eat. Su Jin is not with Leica and Ji Yoonjun at the moment, so they are cooking. The others are resting, leaving just the two of them capable of cooking for the group.

Since coming to this area, they had been too tired and stressed. Lu Shang watched everything closely, always ready to strike, in case something approached to assault them.

Leica saw that his lover was busy guarding and called for him, "A'Shang, eat first. The barrier should be able to keep us safe for a while."

"Hm. You guys eat and rest. After two hours we will move again. This place isn't safe. I feel a large number of demigod-grade ingredients. There are also a few God-grade ones," Lu Shang said as he sat beside his lover.

His remarks startled everyone in the assembly. Even though they were aware of the dangers in this area, they were surprised by the abundance of god- and demigod-level creatures they encountered. If they were encircled, it would be difficult for them to stay unhurt even with Leica and Lu Shang's protection.

Doctor Guang exclaimed, "God-grade!" The patient for whom he is currently bandaging the neck was strangled by him.

Cough. cough.

"D-Doctor!!!"

For an instant, the patient's face became purple. Thank goodness, Doctor Guang saw it and released it right away. He was a little ashamed and apologized. He looked away as though this was not his fault right now.

"Oh! Sorry."

Seeing the fear in their eyes, Leica comforted them. "Don't worry. The ingredients are not a problem, even if they come as a group. As long as it is the same as the Beast Riot, we can definitely solve it. Moreover, since we don't know where to go yet, don't split up."

Lu Shang suddenly got to his feet, dropping his bowl of soup in the process. Without any delay, he vanished from sight and materialized in front of the barrier brandishing his native weapon, the Chuankong (spear). Leica senses that his lover is acting seriously.

"What's wrong?" Leica asked.

Lu Shang frowned. "Something big is coming. It possessed divinity. It must be a lesser god or his apostle."

"Is it the god of this ocean or something from outside of this world?" Leica asked as he also brought out his artifact, Yizhi.

There was tension among those behind the couple. Lu Shang rarely brandished his weapon in their eyes. When hunting, they might come upon an incident where their target tried to flee and started to move in Lu Shang's direction. However, who is Lu Shang? His body is more powerful than theirs combined, even without a weapon. They witnessed him slapping a large fish.

It was quick and instantly gone.

Now that he has drawn his weapon, it is clear that there is more at stake than just king-sized ingredients—rather, there is something far more dangerous than what they are hunting. They were surrounded by night pearls, which provided light to the region, so even in this pitch-black space, they could make out some shadows in the nearby seas. Overhead is a massive shadow of a seahorse.

At least five times larger than the Anglerfish King they had just slain, this sea horse was enormous. It resembles watching a moving skyscraper approach them.

This seahorse was an aboriginal of this world, as shown by Lu Shang and Leica's lack of qi sense. At least one of God's apostles saw that it contained a sliver of divinity. It is a marine creature fit for a deity. Or perhaps the ocean's defender. However, there is a great deal of pressure on the regular people who are hiding behind Lu Shang and Leica.

{Humans, don't be afraid. I am here under the orders of the Moray Eel God and the Venerable Lord with silver eyes. I came to pass a message. Are the two of you, Lu Shang and Leica,? }

Lu Shang and Leica immediately understood who sent this thing here when it mentioned the Venerable Lord with Silver Eyes. It can only be Mo Xuejing, the soul fragment of Lord Hei. They looked at each other and knelt on one knee.

{The Venerable Lord's message: 'Come to the heart of the ocean. The one in front of you will give you the map. You can train the ones with you until then. You have a week at most. If you find my cubs, bring them over; if not, it's okay. I've sent people to look for them.

I will wait for you here.}

"Yes, Lord Mo!" Leica and Lu Shang responded. Only after they accepted the message did they stand up and receive a map from the huge seahorse. It was drawn on a large seaweed. The details were quite amazing.

{You are free to roam the ocean. But let me give you a warning: there's an evil Octopus God in the far west. Don't go there. My duties are done. Please excuse me.}

When the seahorse had accomplished its goal, it departed. He leaves almost as quickly as he arrives. Large creatures like him should not be able to move at such a speed, however, it appears he does not fit into that category. The pressure on those behind Lu Shang and Leica slowly subsided once the enormous beast left.

Phew~

Doctor Hei, who was covered in sweat, said, "That's a god. Is that a god of the ocean!?"

"Something similar, but a bit entirely at most, can be called a demigod or something like the apostle of God. It's the weakest among those with divinity," Ji Yoonjun said.

When Ji Yoonjun spoke, Lu Shang and Leica saw that he was the only one in their group who was still upright and unfazed. Although Doctor Hei was aware of the man's differences from them, she did not think he was now stronger than the seahorse.

Doctor Guang asked, "Wait! Xiao Ji, you're standing! Did you not feel the pressure just now? How come...? Ah, right! You are..."

His mouth was covered by his twin brother's hand, who said, "Shut up," Doctor Hei said.

It was at that point that Doctor Guang realized he had nearly revealed Ji Yoonjun's true identity. Not to this degree, even though everyone in their group was aware of Ji Yoonjun's superior strength. This meant only one thing, even though the horse's aura that causes people to kneel does not work on him. For the most part, Ji Yoonjun is not an average person like Lu Shang and Leica.

Silence~

Lu Shang and Leica were occupied looking at the map, not paying attention to what was going on behind them. They only realize that Ji Yoonjun might have unintentionally exposed himself just now when they see other people glancing at him. A god, after all, would never humble himself before another god.

Neither Lu Shang nor Leica would have knelt unless they were the two lords hearing a message from a higher power.

Lu Shang clapped his hand to take everyone's attention to himself. As expected, it was useful, and everyone looked at the couple.

"Eat quickly and rest for an hour. Since we have the map, the route has been finalized. We will continue hunting on the way. Rest while you still can," Lu Shang said.

Leica said with a friendly smile, "Okay, let's go back to eating."

"Yes, Instructors!"

Meanwhile, in the capital, in the Tower of God...

When Tun Shizhe woke up from his throne nap, he turned to face the Anairam Trench. He had sensed a portion of their awakening, both the primary soul and a corrupted soul.

"Another corrupted piece. But unlike the one that gains sentience, this piece doesn't have a mind of its own. It's moving just with its instinct. The main soul should be able to tame it without problems."

Tun Shizhe mumbled these words and closed its eyes once again. As though what he would witnessed concerned more than just him. Nearby, the young man named Second Prince Xingju had been developing the elements of darkness for personal use. When he had arrived at this tower the first time, his strength had grown significantly. He is starting to resemble this place's heir, it appears.