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For a change, Ryan didn't pick the second of the options, and Femradiel questioned him the reason why he did it. In the end, he explained that despite the bonuses in status, he didn't intend to fight in a boat... Mariner certainly was a class that would help one fight in boats, and Ryan hated them with passion.

"You dislike boats?" Femradiel asked. "How weird... to think that you would have seasickness."

"I don't dislike boats, and I don't suffer from seasickness," Ryan said. "I just have a special condition that makes me unable to stay in boats."

"Let me guess, you get dizzy, light-hearted, and feels like throwing up," Femradiel said. "That is the primary sign of someone who suffers from seasickness."

"As I told you, it isn't seasickness. It is a rare disease that is much worse than seasickness," Ryan insisted. "Those symptoms can't be compared to what someone like me can feel in a boat."

"I am one hundred percent sure that you are just overdramatic," Femradiel shrugged.

While the survivors that Mohammed sent were seeing Ryan and Femradiel arguing in a language they couldn't understand, they preparing their camp inside the dungeon. They knew that fighting the magma golems outside the dungeon would be too much of a pain, even though the dungeon's interior had some small lava pits.

Ryan and Femradiel suddenly left the dungeon by using Teleport. Then they decided to check the situation in the third dungeon. Much to their surprise, Mohammed himself had gone to guard the place, but his group was being attacked by some weird creatures. Ryan immediately recognized them as the humans that had become Chimeras. They were even more disgusting than Ryan had imagined.

Calling them humans was a mistake, so Ryan decided to refer to them as Chimeras and only that. Although their faces remained humans, Ryan could see horns in their heads, horns that made him recall

the demons he faced before finding Baal. The Chimeras also had implanted long and pointy green ears... those belonged to a species of creature that Ryan had never seen before.

Despite the horns, the monsters had angel-like rings on their backs... and they seemed pretty used to the high speed the wings granted them. The limbs of the chimeras were pretty buffy. They obviously had been implanted to grant the monsters super-human strength and endurance. However, the most disgusting thing those creatures had was a big mouth in their stomach. It resembled a mouth of... Ryan didn't have a single idea of what could be compared with that. It was just a blood-like mouth that had few dark teeth that could be seen even while the mouth was closed.

"Woah... humans surprised me once again," Femradiel frowned when she saw the same thing Ryan did. "This time in a bad way."

Even Ryan couldn't help but feel disappointed. He had never imagined that humans would fall that low for power. While Ryan couldn't complain all that much since he used Draconic Transformation a few times, at least that didn't turn him into an abominable and disgusting creature.

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Health: ???/???

Mana: ???/???

Stamina: ???/???

Strength: ???

Dexterity: ???

Speed: ???

Intelligence: ???

Endurance: ???

Control: ???

Mentality: ???

Luck: ???

Recovery: ???

Willpower: ???

Coins: —

Status: —

Skill List

Offensive Physical Skills: ???, ???, ???

Passive Physical Skills: ???, ???, ???

Spells: ???, ???, ???

Support Skills: ???, ???, ???

“Great...” Ryan said and then sighed.

Upon finding that Appraisal doesn't work on those creatures, Ryan used Teleport. After a few moments, he appeared where Mohammed and his were being attacked. Unfortunately, it looked like Ryan's time had been too good for a change. Not a single one of them had been killed. Instead, they probably focused on the defense. Despite that, Ryan could see a man without both arms bleeding on the ground.

Ryan activated Perfect Aim and Deadly Aim, and in an instant, he summoned five magic copies of his Immobilizing Crossbow. When he began to fire, the five Chimeras finally noticed Ryan's presence, but before they could do anything, the bolts made the monsters fall on the ground.

"Freeze them, Femradiel," Ryan said. "Everything below their necks."

"Understood," Femradiel said.

Femradiel tried to immobilize the targets before they could try to fight back, but much to her surprise, her ice wasn't strong enough. The very moment a thin layer of ice appeared above the bodies, it melted for some odd reason.

Although Ryan never stopped attacking the monsters from above, they still managed to get up and look at him. Even when Ryan duplicated the number of magic bows, the monsters didn't fall down. Ryan noticed that not only they had a fearsome cold and ice resistance, but their bodies were also healing at a crazy speed. While it wasn't unexpected that a monster like that could several high-level traits, Ryan was one hundred percent that they were like that due to the several non-human parts on their bodies. Still, there was no point in wondering about that because the Chimeras began to fly toward him.

Judging by how furious the Chimeras were, Ryan assumed they would charge at him without thinking about anything. Still, much to his surprise, they spread around as if that would make Ryan unable to hit all of them at the same time.

"... I really hate this type of strategy," Ryan clicked his tongue and then said.

"Even though you can't be stopped with such a simple strategy?" Femradiel asked.

"Even though I can't be stopped with such a simple strategy," Ryan replied.

The monsters frowned when they saw the bird sitting at the top of Ryan's head talking, but it looked like they could do at least that much since they were using both of their hands to protect their faces from Ryan's bolts. In any case, despite the fact that that area of their bodies didn't have much skin, Ryan's attacks were barely making any blood flow.

Class: Artemis' Disciple Lv 26 (+ 04 UP) / Frozen Spellcaster Lv 19 (+ 06 UP) / William Tell's Apprentice Lv 11 (+ 06 UP) (-)

Race: Night Demon /Reptilian/ Ice Fox (-)

Rank: 44th

Health: 6220/6220 (12,62/s)

Mana: 8245/8245 (12,62/s)

Stamina: 8555/8555 (12,62/s)

Strength: 831 (+708) (+130)

Dexterity: 6295 (+5105) (+350)

Speed: 1120 (+2670) (+48)

Intelligence: 1181 (+2144) (+33)

Endurance: 1288 (+509) (+160)

Control: 1326 (+2630) (+10)

Mentality: 1208 (+773) (+70)

Luck: 1030 (+75)

Recovery: 3800 (+3350) (+845)

Willpower: 1230 (+799) (+40)

Coins: 22.523.851

Status: 00

#### Skill List

Offensive Physical Skills: Sting Lv 60 (+ 05 UP), Hawkeye Lv 87 (+ 04 UP), Holy Shield Lv 01, Holy Blessing Lv 01, Feint Lv 01,

Passive Physical Skills: Eagle Eyes Lv 109 (+ 04 UP), Concentration Lv 109 (+ 04 UP), Archery Lv 109 (+ 04 UP), Accuracy Lv 109 (+ 04 UP), Stealth Lv 109 (+ 04 UP), Heart of Steel Lv 01, Evasion Mastery Lv 01, Samurai Spirit Lv 01

Spells: Draconic Transformation Lv 67 (+ 08 UP), Magic Vampirism Lv 08 (+ 07 UP)

Support Skills: Fire Resistance Lv 32 (+ 18 UP), Heat Resistance Lv 25 (+ 07),

#### Classes:

Combat: Beastmaster Lv 91 (+ 05 UP), Summoner Lv Max (+ 03 UP), Weapons Master Lv Max (+ 01 UP), Poisonous Archer Lv 31 (+ 10 UP), Hexblade Lv 63 (+ 06 UP), Magic Archer Lv 33 (+ 08 UP), Royal Archer Lv 26 (+ 09 UP), Demolisher Lv 07 (+ 06 UP), Flame Swordsman Lv 01, Knight Lv 01, Samurai Lv 01

Non-Combatant: Blacksmith Lv 66 (+ 04 UP), Whitesmith Lv 34 (+ 06 UP), Alchemist Lv 72 (+ 02 UP),

Race: Centaur, Lesser Dragon, Kobold,

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Slowly but surely, the Chimeras were approaching Ryan at the same time. By the look of things, they knew that Ryan could use Teleport, so long-ranged attacks wouldn't work, even if they come from his blind spots. That being said, Ryan couldn't understand how they came to the conclusion that they would have a better chance with melee attacks.

To prevent the monsters' approach, Femradiel decided to help by firing Ice Spears since Ice Meteors were out of commission because Mohammed and the others might get killed by it. However, even such attacks didn't faze the Chimeras all that much. As if that wasn't enough, Ryan's mana was paying a hard price.

When all the Chimeras were thirty meters away from Ryan, they decided to charge as fast as possible and all at once. Ryan used Flash to quickly move to a safe position. Still, the impact caused when the fists of the Chimeras collided making the air of the area vibrate, and Ryan felt dizzy for a few precious moments. However, the same thing happened to the Chimeras, so he was safe.

The monsters looked at each other annoyed, but they didn't do much aside from that. That was odd. Ryan assumed that those who sold their humanity for power would be much more egocentric than that.

Imagining that something similar would happen again, the Chimeras changed their strategy. Pointing their hands toward Ryan, they began to fire a barrage of Shadow Spears. Ryan opened his eyes widely in surprise when his bolts passed by the attacks. Ryan managed to avoid the barrage by teleporting to several hundred meters above the monsters. Still, some of them hit him, and he didn't like the result.

All of your statuses have decreased by one hundred points for thirty seconds.

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Congratulations! The skill Darkness Resistance has leveled up.

Darkness Resistance Lv 1 → Lv 8

Effect: Decreases the effectiveness of dark-related attacks by one percent per level.

You obtained 07 status points.

“The heck... just because three of them hit me, all my status has to decrease this much?” Ryan frowned in shock.

While Ryan was thankful for the extra status points, it wasn't the right time to level up his Darkness Resistance. He prepared himself for the next barrage of Shadow Spears, but they never came. Instead of that, the monsters dashed at him again, and Ryan didn't notice if their speed had decreased or not.

“It looks like they have some skills to counter that negative effect,” Femradiel said. “Don't lose your focus. I will help you with mana potions. They probably aren't that prepared for a long fight, so we can win this.”

Ryan nodded after hearing that and then teleported too high in the sky. While the monsters quickly followed him, that didn't bother Ryan since he had some precious moments to recover his mana and attack the monsters even more.

That scene where Ryan attacked the monsters and escaped upward when they got close enough repeated itself many times. Still, then when he noticed that he was too high and breathing was getting hard, he saw that the chimeras stopped moving and pointed their hands at him. No attack came, but Ryan saw his control over his own body decreasing... The monsters were using Telekinesis.

Ryan resisted and managed to move a little bit. Still, then when the five beasts' focus was totally on him, Ryan lost the ability to move a single inch. He tried to Teleport, but that didn't work... that was weird



since he still could continue attacking with his magic bows. In any case, Ryan was already too high, and the chimeras were trying to move him up even more...

“Femradiel...” Ryan said.

“Sorry, but I can’t move either,” Femradiel said. “Draconic Transformation can solve this whole situation easily, though.”

“I can’t use it... the requirements haven’t been met,” Ryan said.

“You are such a pain in the ass...” Femradiel said and then sighed.

Instead of relying on Draconic Transformation, Ryan decided to bring the big guns, literally. Ryan summoned a magic copy of Hydra’s Bow, and the monsters frowned when they saw that massive weapon, but even that didn’t stop them. However, when Ryan fired, and the first projectile hit one of the chimeras, Ryan felt his body becoming lighter again. Still, when the chimera recovered from the impact, he lost the ability to move again.

“Speed up in the use of mana, Femradiel,” Ryan said.

“I am going as fast as I can,” Femradiel said.

Ryan fired again and again with his massive bow, to the point where the monsters that got hit by him were being pushed several meters downward. Thanks to that, the monsters’ plan to make Ryan enter into orbit came to a halt. Only three of them weren’t strong enough to do that.

Upon noticing that their plan failed, the chimeras instantly moved to the next one. They pointed their stomachs toward Ryan, and then the mouth opened. Maybe it was because he felt creeped out by it, or it was because his instincts warned him of something, but Ryan instantly teleported back to the ground.

After a couple of seconds, Ryan saw five beams of energy coming from the sky toward him. He used Teleport again, but the beam followed him.

“Shit, they can use Perfect Aim too,” Ryan muttered in surprise.

Ryan tried to escape too far away, but the speed of the attacks was as impressive as his Teleport. Escaping wasn't an option...

“Now your life is truly on the line,” Femradiel said. “If you don't want to die, then you should use Draconic Transformation.”

“I can't do it until I am hundred percent sure that my life is on the line,” Ryan said.

In the end, Ryan summoned his shield and activated several defensive spells. However, his shield was instantly destroyed, and the projectiles didn't lose power. But before Ryan could get hit, Femradiel jumped and blocked the beams of light.

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Ryan opened his eyes in surprise when he saw Femradiel being wounded by the energy beams. Despite that, he didn't move a single inch due to the shock. In the end, Femradiel's body turned into a lifeless statue of ice, but she achieved her goal. She completely nullified the attack.

Ryan's mind went to that day where he received the message of the death of his parents. That day he imagined the accident in several ways. Although he didn't see it, Ryan couldn't help but wonder if his parents suffered a lot or not. The doctors said that it had been an instant death. Still, Ryan knew that lying was probably common from their party to decrease the family's sadness.

“Good grief, five attacks, so I lost five lives, huh,” Femradiel suddenly said and then returned to Ryan's head. “Hopefully, you won't make me lose the other ones.”

Femradiel's voice made Ryan wake up from his stupor. That is right... she was an ice Phoenix that could revive a few times. Besides, Femradiel's spirit was inside him. She couldn't die, she would only lose that body, and yet... the idea of losing a comrade made Ryan's blood run cold.

“...Don’t do that kind of stupid action again, Femradial,” Ryan said.

“Okay... just remember, if you fall, I will fall two,” Femradial said after she hesitated due to Ryan’s cold tone.

When the chimeras approached, they were welcomed by Ryan’s massive spear. The weapon hit all the monsters, but all that blunt trauma had only been a distraction. Ryan suddenly appeared behind them in his Draconic form and then grabbed the monsters with both hands.

The monsters struggled to free themselves from Ryan’s draconic hands, but they failed in doing that. Even though they were fighting together, they didn’t manage to defeat Ryan in terms of brute strength for some reason. The chimeras also tried to use numerous spells to damage Ryan, but he stopped them by using Silence while staring at them with ice-cold eyes. Also, restraining them wasn’t the only thing Ryan was doing, slowly. Still, certainly, he was crushing their bodies against each other.

The chimeras only noticed the severity of the situation when one of them began to bleed from their ears and nose, and its face was purple. It didn’t take long before the weakest of them didn’t resist Ryan’s brute strength and simply was crushed to bits. The others tried to resist amidst their despair, but things only got easier for Ryan after the first death...

You obtained 356.521 coins.

You obtained 253.845 coins.

You obtained 546.632 coins.

After the first, two others quickly fell dead since they didn’t endure the pressure. That made Ryan even more eager to crush the two remaining monsters to bits, but in the end, Femradial stopped him.

“Aren’t you going to interrogate at least one of them?” Femradial asked.

Ryan’s head cooled down a little bit, and he took a deep breath. After separating the two remaining chimeras in each of his hands, Ryan made magic bolts rain down over one of them. Unfortunately, this

time the monster didn't have the chance to block the attacks with its hands, so the beast suffered critical damage after critical damage in its head until it finally died.

You obtained 485.362 coins.

"That surprised me. How did you manage to overpower five of them at the same time?" Femradriel asked. "Even while using Draconic Transformation, that shouldn't be possible."

"I used Bloodthirst, Stamina Drain, and Magic Vampirism, as it turns out, those skills work whenever I cause damage on my foes, so I managed to recover a lot while I was trying to crush them, thus making my grip stronger," Ryan replied.

Ryan forgot, but that had been a good opportunity to see what would happen if he seals a human spirit in a weapon. While those creatures were monsters that had different body parts, their spirits were still of a human. In any case, Ryan still had one of them to use. After he gets some answers.

While still in his draconic form, Ryan returned to where Mohammed and the others were. The wounded had been treated, but those who had heavy wounds would need the attention of someone who has Full-Heal. Fortunately, Ryan had that, so he solved the issue.

"What are you going to do with that?" Mohammed asked while facing the last chimera.

"Interrogate and then kill. Do you have anything against that?" Ryan asked since Mohammed seemed too angry while looking at the monster. "It appears you know who this thing was before becoming a monster."

"You are right... but I don't have anything against it," Mohammed said.

"Alright then... if you don't mind, you should ask the questions," Ryan said. "Since this thing knows you, it will be easy for it to think exactly what we need. Femradriel will read its mind."

"That seems like a plan, but I think we have a problem," Femradriel said. "As you already know, the Chimeras can block skills like Appraisal. But, unfortunately, that also blocks skills like Mind Reading, so

we need to drain all of the chimera's mana first. However, I can sense now that we are this close, that the monsters had a mana stone inside it that works as its core, if all its mana is drained..."

"... This fucking thing will die," Ryan said after taking a deep breath.

Maybe that was a coincidence, but Ryan doubted that was the case. The dungeon master that created the chimeras certainly transformed them like that in order to prevent any type of information from leaking about them. In any case, Ryan won't be able to obtain a single piece of information about the chimeras' master. In the end, Ryan had a hard time not crushing the last monster to bits again. Still, he managed to overcome his anger in order to obtain another weapon, and that had been worth the hassle.

#### Heroic Chimeric Crossbow

Effect: At the cost of 350 points of mana, you can fire five bolts every single time with this weapon. Each bolt has a different property, they can paralyze, poison, decrease the status, numb, and corrode the target.

Dexterity + 200, Intelligence 200, Strength + 200, Endurance + 200, Speed + 200, Recovery + 200

Durability: 150/150

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After the fight, Ryan cooled down his head even more after he returned to his human form. That fight affected him too much, and Ryan couldn't let his enemies get the better of him. Otherwise, they might exploit those traits of him later on.

"Hehe, to think that you would get angry just because I lost a few lives," Femradiel said, and she was showing a happy and smug expression on her face. "Should I feel flattered?"

"Just shut up..." Ryan said and then facepalmed.

To prevent any more waste of time, Ryan teleported everyone to the dungeon. Things would finally proceed forward, and Ryan won't have to worry about possible unpleasant surprises like those five chimeras. Still, Ryan wanted to make sure...

"How many chimeras like those you guys find over the last months?" Ryan asked.

"Those five were the only ones we had to fight," Mohammed replied. "Do you think there are more of them?"

"I was hoping that you would confirm that isn't the case," Ryan said. "In any case, I don't plan on underestimating the dungeon masters, so I will wait for at least that much."

While Ryan and the others didn't find anything aside from ordinary chimeras inside the dungeon, he didn't drop his guard. Still, even when he found the last part of the dungeon, Ryan couldn't help but worry about what would happen once he moved to face the first dungeon master. Mohammed and the others will guard the dungeon, and if any of them die in their duty... Ryan probably won't receive the extra reward that Isis promised, and truth to be told, he was looking forward to it.

Congratulations! You have cleared the dungeon and obtained its treasure! As a reward for your achievement, you can obtain one of the three following classes: Rider, Archer, and Sorcerer.

Please be aware that clearing this dungeon again won't give you the chance to unlock the other remaining classes. If you want to obtain them, you will have to search for those in other dungeons.

Congratulations! You have become a Level one Rider!

You obtained the following skills: Cavalry Mastery, Rider's Spirit, and Expertise.

Your health and strength will increase by four points. Your mana, stamina, endurance, and mentality will increase by two points whenever you level up your class.

Congratulations! You have learned the skill: Cavalry Mastery.

Effect: It passively increases your physical attacks by one percent per level while using monsters and animals as mounts.

You obtained 01 status points.

Congratulations! You have learned the skill: Rider's Spirit.

Effect: It passively increases the movement speed of your mount by one percent per level.

You obtained 01 status points.

Congratulations! You have learned the skill: Expertise.

Effect: It increases by ten points the total damage caused by your attacks while mounted and spear-like weapons.

You obtained 01 status points.

In the end, Ryan had to choose a class that he never saw before... despite the looks, it certainly was a combat class, but since it was a very situational class, Ryan didn't feel that excited by it. Even though he gained three passive skills from it.

"What an unusual class..." Ryan frowned.

"You can always train it once Furball finishes his training," Femradiel said.

Ryan nodded at that. He wished that he could do that sooner, but the stakes were getting too high, and the enemies were becoming more troublesome as well. So, leaving Furball fighting in that dungeon alone was a necessity. Regardless, Ryan waited for the others to obtain their classes since he needed to at least coordinate some actions with Mohammed in case something unexpected happens.

“What are we going to do now?” Mohammed asked.

“You guys should guard this dungeon, while this is a roundabout way to solve things, I would rather leave the most troublesome enemy for later,” Ryan said. “So, I am going to defeat the other two first.”

Mohammed couldn't help but be impressed since Ryan declared that as a matter of fact, but in the end, he had the skills to back his actions. Ryan thought Mohammed would ask some more things, but he didn't. Before anything, Ryan used some INT potions. While Femradiel and Mohammed couldn't understand why, they more or less knew that Ryan wouldn't do something like that without a reason. Mohammed didn't see why Ryan did that, but Femradiel did when they suddenly appeared already inside the Magma Golems' dungeon.

“Ah, so you don't want to let the dungeon masters know where you are,” Femradiel said. “Well, you will have to be quicker since they can see inside the dungeons.”

Ryan already knew that, and that was exactly why he instantly teleported to where the purple crystal was and then touched it. While the dungeon master noticed when someone entered their domain, Ryan couldn't imagine how they would communicate with the others.

Regardless, Ryan saw himself standing at the top of a volcano. He had no idea if the place he was teleported was random. Still, if someone or something puts the portal in such a crazy place, Ryan would love to talk with them while pointing his crossbow toward their ass. In front of Ryan, there was a cliff and the pathway down to a lifeless and red-brown world. There were countless volcanoes in the distance, to the point where it was only obvious that only someone crazy or someone who loves volcanoes would choose to be their base. Behind Ryan, there was a huge river of magma that also was the interior of the volcano. Just staring at it made Ryan feel dizzy. The heat was also barely bearable. It looked like Femradiel would hate that place...

“Not again...” Femradiel said, visibly dispirited.

“You should return, this place will decrease the effectiveness of your attacks, so there is no sense in trying too hard,” Ryan said.



“While I agree with that, this is a problem that I need to face,” Femradiel said. “Sooner or later, I will have to increase my Heat Resistance and Fire Resistance and I think now is the time for that, before I find an even worse environment for me.”

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In the end, even Ryan didn't feel like insisting on that matter. As far as he was concerned, he would Femradiel's help to find the dungeon master. Besides, even though his eyesight was better than ever, a new pair of eyes was always welcome.

“It is a bit too late for that, but shouldn't you have waited for a while longer before looking for a dungeon master?” Femradiel asked. “I know that we are in a race against time, but I think you need a break. You used Draconic Transformation for quite a while and your body isn't used to that yet.”

“We can't give too much time for the dungeon masters to prepare for our arrival,” Ryan shook his head. “While it is a pain, we need to hurry. Besides, I will have as much time as I want to rest once I get my hands on those ores that I need. Anyway, where is the dungeon master?”

“I am sorry, but... all these volcanoes are emitting a lot of mana,” Femradiel said. “My detection range decreased quite a bit, so we will have to move for a while to find them.”

In the end, Femradiel at least managed to find the direction in which the concentration of mana was more intense. It was up North, so Ryan decided to teleport to the volcanoes in that direction and waited for Femradiel to detect something. Ryan didn't find anything on the second volcano... anything aside from a magma demon.

Magma Demon Lv 750

Health: 125.000 /125.000

Mana: 75.000/7.500

Stamina: 90.000/90.000

Strength: 7500 (+1800)

Dexterity: 2000 (+500)

Speed: 4500 (+1200)

Intelligence: 2500 (1200)

Endurance: 6000 (+1500)

Control: 2500 (+800)

Mentality: 4500 (+800)

Luck: 2500 (+300)

Recovery: 15.000 (+2000)

Willpower: 4500 (+800)

Coins: —

Status: —

Skill List

Offensive Physical Skills: Concentrated Strike Lv 350, Burning Hands Lv 450

Passive Physical Skills: Fiery Aura Lv 550, Augmented Recovery Lv 200, Augmented Strength Lv 200

Spells: Magma Sphere Lv 650, Magma Charge Lv 500, Explosive Impact Lv 480, Volcanic Explosion Lv 350

Support Skills: Fire Resistance Lv 550, Shock Resistance Lv 200, Cold Resistance Lv 150, Earth Resistance Lv 300, Fire Immunity Lv 150

When the creature emerged from the river of magma, Ryan couldn't help but frown. Why would a single one of those appear right now? Why not an army? Either way, it certainly wasn't the time to ponder about that. The Magma Demon charged toward Ryan, but it came to a stop when he hit it with a massive arrow fired by his Hydra's Bow. Much to Ryan's surprise, the arrow only flew for fifty meters. Naturally, it was due to the demon's power that stopped its momentum.

"What a dumbass..." Ryan said and made several magic copies of his Petrification Crossbow appear.

In an instant, the monster was bombarded by dozens of bolts. Still, the petrification effect wasn't as powerful as Ryan had imagined. The points hit by the bolts only had a small petrified portion that barely could be seen from far away. However, Ryan didn't stop there. Before the monster could do anything, he kept bombarding the creature until all of its limbs had been petrified, and the beast couldn't fly anymore.

"In the end, this fucker is that resilient..." Ryan said and then sighed.

Ryan prevented the monster from falling into the sea of magma by using Telekinesis. Still, he didn't do it because he was merciful. Ryan did it because he wanted a new weapon. In the end, he was thankful for the result. His collection of weapons certainly was reaching new heights.

### Magma Crossbow

Effect: At the cost of 100 points of mana, you can fire bolts that will add the 'burn' status on your targets. This effect will cause damage over time and decrease the target's endurance by ten points per five seconds.

Dexterity + 150, Intelligence + 100

Durability: 150/150

“My bad, I didn’t notice this thing’s presence,” Femradiel said.

“It can’t be helped, you said these volcanoes are emitting a lot of mana, so that obviously would hide them,” Ryan said. “Anyway, if only there were a way to absorb this much mana...”

Ryan assumed that the world looked like a destroyed world due to some Ambiental incident, but maybe that wasn’t the only reason. After moving to the next volcano, Ryan and Femradiel found another Magma Demon. Just like it before, Ryan put the creature down with a massive stream of bolts, and while the beast was being defeated, he wondered as to why he was facing such a lone creature once again.

The same thing happened several times, and Ryan made sure to watch his back every single moment. It wouldn’t be weird if suddenly an army of Magma Golems were teleported behind him. There was also the chance that some other type of monster could be teleported, since Ryan doubted that dungeon masters would only ally themselves with some experienced individuals.

“Nothing yet?” Ryan asked.

“Nothing yet,” Femradiel replied.

Time was of the essence, so Ryan decided to keep teleporting and evading the fights. However, much to his annoyance, the Magma Demons began to follow him. After putting them down, Ryan decided not to get too close to the volcanoes. Still, even so... the monsters somehow noticed his presence and attacked him.

“This has to be some sort of joke...” Ryan said and then sighed.

“I detected something ahead... I believe it is a vast concentration of monsters,” Femradiel said.

Ryan's annoyance decreased a little, but in the end, his anger expression gave way to a frown when he used Clairvoyance. Fifty kilometers ahead of them, Ryan saw a massive army of magma golems moving toward the opposite direction, and from above, they found several magma demons guiding the creatures.

"... I detected a single presence a few kilometers ahead from that army..." Femradial hesitated.

Ryan noticed Femradial's hesitation, but he didn't see anything aside from a big and pointy volcano when he looked in that direction. However, when Ryan used Clairvoyance once again, he confirmed that the volcano was actually one heck of a massive magma golem, and dozens of magma golems were being absorbed by that creature.

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"Oh, crap..." Ryan said and then facepalmed. "I guess the opponent this time is one of those that can absorb their minions for power."

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Health: ???/???

Mana: ???/???

Stamina: ???/???

Strength: ???

Dexterity: ???

Speed: ???

Intelligence: ???

Endurance: ???

Control: ???

Mentality: ???

Luck: ???

Recovery: ???

Willpower: ???

Coins: —

Status: —

Skill List

Offensive Physical Skills: ???, ???, ???

Passive Physical Skills: ???, ???, ???

Spells: ???, ???, ???

Support Skills: ???, ???, ???

When Ryan used Appraisal, he confirmed his theory. He didn't find a single magma golem that could block his Appraisal. At the same time, hundreds of magma demons were flying around the golem... that certainly was the dungeon master.

"Wow... that certainly is the tallest monster I have ever seen," Femradiel said. "It can't even be compared to dragons... in fact, dragons would look like insects in front of that."

Maybe Ryan's estimations were off, but that thing was at least five miles high... if that was the correct way to say the monster's height. In any case, Ryan couldn't help but wonder how that thing could withstand its massive height and weight, but then he noticed that the monster was levitating.

"Magic is so conveniently annoying at times like these..." Ryan said and then sighed. "Well, once that thing falls, it will probably sink on the ground for quite a while."

"Are you going to face that without using Draconic Transformation?" Femradiel said.

"The golden rule of that skill is not to rely on it too much," Ryan said. "Besides, I am pretty sure this dungeon master will be a breeze to defeat."

"I can't even begin to understand how you reached that conclusion..." Femradiel said. "I really hope that you will manage to show me something amazing, so I won't ask for your battle plan."

The truth of the matter was that Ryan didn't have a real battle plan. He just wanted to use that giant magma golem didn't have. After looking at the sky, Ryan only found dark clouds filled with electricity. Despite that, he teleported to them and then flew through the clouds, only to find a red sky in the place of the usual blue... it looked like even the atmosphere of that planet had been altered by the heat that who knows how many volcanoes could emit.

After looking in all directions, Ryan didn't even find a sun or two... now. That was weird. In any case, Ryan didn't find a moon either. So, he discovered that he couldn't use Lunar Arrow without one...

"Oh, boy..." Ryan said and then shrugged. "I guess I can't cheat here... let's fight fair and square. Look on the bright side, Ryan. You are going to fight a monster that is bigger than any giant robot ever

imagined, it will be even more awesome to defeat such a monster without using your strongest technique.”

“Well, aren’t you a positive man?” Femradiel frowned. “Knowing you, I thought you would complain nonstop until the very start of the fight.”

“I guess this shows that you don’t know me well enough,” Ryan said.

Regardless, Ryan couldn’t see a single point where the dark clouds couldn’t be seen. He thought of using them to his advantage. Still, even from such a height, Ryan didn’t feel his body crossing any barriers, so the range of the dungeon master’s domain probably even reached the limits of that planet’s atmosphere... as unreasonable as that sounded.

“I am about to give up on using cheap tricks to win this fight... I don’t have time to waste here, after all.” Ryan and then furrowed his eyebrows. “Wait, I still can...”

Before he could waste any more time, Ryan teleported to where the big golem was. From up close, he could see that a huge part of the monster’s body was hidden in the clouds, occasionally being hit by lightning bolts. However, the thick skin of the beast prevented it from suffering any real damage.

Ryan summoned his massive titanium spear and made it spin as fast as possible. Still, thanks to that, the monster finally reacted and looked in his direction. At that moment, the beast only raised a single finger. Then a massive pillar of magma emerged from the ground and moved toward Ryan, who was five kilometers above ground level. Despite the distance, the attack had been instantaneous, but Ryan used Flash and moved to the side, escaping the attack.

The dungeon master didn’t stop there and tried to hit Ryan several times with those magma pillars. However, that hadn’t been the only troublesome thing in that situation. The magma demons also began to fly toward him.

“I guess I will deal with the flying enemies,” Femradiel said and then bombarded the beasts with Ice meteors.



Fortunately, the momentum of her attacks protected Ryan and even made the magma demons being knocked down on the ground. Thanks to it, he had the chance to make the spear reach the speed he wanted. In the last moment, before firing, Ryan activated Deadly Aim and Perfect Aim. The giant monster tried to block the attack, but as expected, the beast was too slow... still, much to Ryan's surprise, his spear barely pierced the monster's body. The wound was only a few meters deep, and any movement would make it fall.

"I guess I judged the speed of that thing right, but not the endurance," Ryan said.

By using Telekinesis, Ryan made the spear pierce the monster's body little by little. Still, even that would take too long to show any result. In the end, Ryan decided to help with Vital Hunter, but the dungeon master's actions also changed. Suddenly, the monster grew bigger... no, the creature used Fire Charge and tried to crush Ryan with its massive body. Still, Ryan dodged the attack since Femradiel noticed and used Teleport in his place.

"So, you can even do that, huh," Ryan said. "When did I give you so much freedom?"

"You have a weird way to say thanks," Femradiel said.

The monster was behind Ryan, so he used that chance to attack the monster's exposed back, but even so, Ryan didn't notice his arrows causing any real damage. He couldn't confirm if Vital hunter was actually working...

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Congratulations! The skill Magic Vampirism has reached level 15.

While Ryan didn't know if the monster's endurance was decreasing, at least he was confirming that he was recovering some of his mana. Since that seemed like a fight that would last long, Ryan also made sure to summon his Spiritualists Crossbow.

As if it was a very clumsy robot, the dungeon master turned around and faced Ryan once again. However, this time instead of a charge or Magma Pillars, the monster tried a more personal, but weird approach. The creature moved its right arm as if it was preparing a punch... and punched the air. This

time Ryan reacted in time to dodge the massive and powerful gust of wind, but even from dozens of meters away, Ryan felt the heat caused the body and the monster's movement. As if that wasn't troublesome enough, the creature repeated the motion with both arms.

"What an annoying bastard..." Ryan said.

"That is some interesting way to conserve mana," Femradiel said visibly impressed by the enemy's skill.

It looked like the monster was also waiting for a long fight since it was already trying to conserve its mana, but that seemed weird... Ryan was at a disadvantage, so it was natural that he would play his hands carefully, but that didn't make any sense from the dungeon master perspective that had the advantage.

"Maybe to control that body, it needs a large amount of energy..." Ryan thought.

"That would make sense," Femradiel said.

Much to Ryan's, he felt the approach of something coming from the sky. He immediately used Teleport, and he managed to escape... from being hit by a meteor.

"... My bad," Femradiel said. "These Magma Demons are starting to get annoying, so my focus wavered."

Before Ryan could reply, a lightning bolt fell from the sky and hit the monster's body. That took longer than expected, but the creature at least was paralyzed for a single moment. Ryan's strategy could work... if only the monster hadn't grabbed the spear and took it away from its body...

"That was your plan A, right?" Femradiel asked. "What about your plan B?"

"Try to kill all the Magma Demons as soon as you can," Ryan said. "After that, drop some Ice Meteors on that thing's head."

Femradriel couldn't see how much of that strategy that was, but she decided to follow those instructions. Before the monster could try to throw the spear at Ryan, he used Teleport and then moved to the monster's back. That would grant Ryan a few seconds, but that would be enough for the time being.

In the end, the monster really planned to do that, but once Ryan escaped its sight for the third time, it got sick of it and bent the spear until it got the shape of a boomerang.

"Ah, my ten hours of hard work..." Ryan muttered in shock.

In the end, the monster went as far as approaching a volcano and throwing the broken spear inside of it... now the weapon was truly beyond salvation. Fortunately, Ryan used all that time to decrease the monster's endurance with Vital Hunter. However, he still couldn't see much difference in the piercing power of his attacks.

"Is it just me or the heat emitted by the monster is decreasing the speed of your projectiles?" Femradriel asked.

Ryan was so focused on attacking and dodging the attacks that he overlooked that, but in the end, he confirmed it. Even at a certain distance, the high endurance of the monster could be applied due to the heat emitted. Ryan clicked his tongue in annoyance, but he soon discovered that non-physical projectiles were immune to the heat. Like Mana Arrow.

"This isn't going as well as you had planned, right?" Femradriel asked.

As much as it was annoying to admit, Ryan could only nod at Femradriel's words. Still, he had many skills, and Ryan was confident that he could solve that mess of a situation with something in his skill list. His eyes stopped at Draconic Transformation for a second, but he soon discarded the idea.

At the same speed, Ryan was losing his patience. The monster was getting annoyed. When Femradriel finally finished off all the Magma Demons in the area, the dungeon master began to kick the Magma Golems that were on the ground toward their direction. Naturally, the monsters exploded in pieces due to the massive power of the kick. However, their pieces still flew in Ryan's direction at a fearsome speed.

Ryan blocked the projectiles with his own bolts. Still, when his concentration was focused below him, the dungeon master made several meteors rain over him. The first one to reach had been Femradiel, she used her Ice Spears to block the attacks, but she was forced to use Teleport in Ryan's place despite her reaction speed.

"Shit..." Ryan muttered.

"Well, look on the bright side," Femradiel said. "This monster is also getting impatient and despite its size, the dungeon master can't use all that mana thousands of Magma Golems gave him."

Femradiel began to make Ice Meteors fall on the monster's head, just as Ryan had asked her, but even before the attacks landed, a good part of the projectiles melted. In the end, that long fight was only working to increase the level of Magic Vampirism. Still, even so, the skills weren't leveling up that fast... then Ryan understood why. It was because the dungeon master wasn't a single powerful entity. The skill was only working on the pieces of Magma Golems protecting his main body inside of that.

"... Femradiel, don't use Ice Meteor," Ryan said. "Just use Earth Creation and make regular blocks of earth fall on the monster's head."

"I don't think that will cause much damage," Femradiel said.

"It is all right, we don't need to cause damage to defeat that thing," Ryan said. "I will focus on defending and dodging the monster's attacks, you focus on attacking with magic since your intelligence is higher."

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Femradiel had no idea what Ryan was planning, but eventually, she understood everything. While that was quite the roundabout strategy and certainly didn't fit Ryan's style that overpowers his enemies with rains of arrows and bolts, the plan was working pretty well. The blocks of earth that Femradiel created, didn't evaporate when it got closer or touched the giant's body. It only melted until it turned into lava and became a part of the monster's body. However, after a while, the monster's head became so big and heavy that the creature could barely turn it to the sides. Not only that, Ryan and Femradiel could see some cracks in it.

“Oh, I see... even though the dungeon master obtained the power of thousands of Magma Golems, they also had to accept the mass of thousands of Magma Golems,” Femradiel said. “In the end, that kind of creature can only exist due to its core and the mana inside their bodies, but since they are too heavy, their bodies can easily fall apart from indirect means like that.”

“Is that so?” Ryan frowned. “I just wanted to make that thing’s body heavier and make it spend more energy. By doing that, I would forcefully speed up the end of this fight. Even without using brute strength or Draconic Transformation.”

Femradiel seemed pretty amused after hearing that. She had thought that Ryan grew up a little and was taking baby steps to become a decent strategy, but perhaps that was just her imagination.

Since the monster couldn’t move its head up, it couldn’t see the meteors coming and hitting its head. That creature apparently sucked at tracking skills. Despite that, they knew what would happen if they let that situation keep repeating itself. So, the dungeon master decided to take their chances as well.

Suddenly, the massive beast charged toward Ryan, but he dodged the Fire Charge by using Teleport just like before. However, the massive monster also used Teleport. It appeared in front of him and used Fire Charge as well.

“And here I thought I wasn’t going to face another enemy that can use Teleport any time soon,” Ryan said.

After dodging the second attack, Ryan began to think of a way to get rid of that problem. In the end, he teleported to above the clouds since he was pretty sure the monster would need to spend larger amounts of mana to stay flying that high. However, instead of juggernaut, Ryan had to deal with magma meteors. When he dodged those, Ryan saw the dark clouds being dissipated by the shockwaves created by the punches of the monster. After using Teleport again, Ryan escaped one of the shockwaves. Still, the beast predicted his trajectory and managed to land an attack.

The shockwave full of hot air made Ryan fly for several kilometers upward. He was forced to breathe some of it, and that burned not only his external parts of his body but also his throat and lungs. Femradiel activated Ice Armor for him. Thanks to that, Ryan managed to recover his ability to think and used Teleport.

Congratulations! The skill Fire Resistance has leveled up.

Congratulations! The skill Heat Resistance has leveled up.

“You are saving my skin pretty often lately, huh,” Ryan said.

“It can’t be helped, by doing so, I also save my skin,” Femradiel shrugged.

While Femradiel was trying not to feel too embarrassed, Ryan recovered his focus. It wasn’t time to waste talking when a massive monster wanted to crush and fry him alive. When Ryan left the clouds, he saw the dungeon master floating... while lying in the air. That was how the monster managed to find Ryan... even though the clouds were blocking the monster’s eyesight. Attacking the monster directly wasn’t possible anymore, so Femradiel made sure to create some blocks of earth and then tossed them away to the distance, but those same still hit the monster’s head thanks to Perfect Aim.

The dungeon master grew even more impatient since the creature couldn’t block that type of skill. In the end, it decided to do something even crazier than before. The beast raised both of its arms, and then several eruptions happened at the same time in the nearby volcanoes.

As if that wasn’t enough, all the ground below and around the monster also exploded, and that gave space to several eruptions. A lot of magma was suddenly showing up, but none of those got even close to Ryan. It only surrounded the beast. Still, Ryan didn’t like what he was seeing.

Congratulations! The skill Fire Resistance has leveled up.

Congratulations! The skill Heat Resistance has leveled up.

The temperature was starting to rise again, but Ryan suddenly felt some cold comfort coming from above. Femradiel’s body was starting to melt since it was essentially ice. A feeling of guilt filled Ryan’s chest. Femradiel was probably suffering a lot just because Ryan refused to use his trump card every single time.

Ryan summoned his Hydra's bow. Even though he didn't transform into a dragon, he created an arrow and pulled the string with Telekinesis. The monster noticed that the air around Ryan changed, so the beast made all the magma in the area form a massive shield around it.

When Ryan saw the magma shield covering the whole body of the monster, he realized that the dungeon master was up to no good, but that didn't stop him from doing anything. In fact, Ryan was thankful that the monster would give him time to prepare an attack... he was itching to see which special attack would win in that competition. It has been a while, but Ryan activated Power Shot. At the same time, he filled the arrow with massive amounts of mana and the ice element. Cryomancy played a pivotal role in that since Ryan managed to spend much more mana than stamina.

In the end, when the heat of the environment had completely disappeared, and Ryan could sense his balls freezing due to his mana, he decided to attack.

## Chapter 589

"I kind of liked the atmosphere that you created here," Femradiel said just before he decided to fire.

When Ryan fired, he saw the massive magma shield protecting the dungeon master concentrated in front of the monster. One very thick magma wall tried to stop Ryan's arrow, but much to everyone's surprise, the arrow pierced all that magma and hit the monster's chest. This time the projectile pierced the monster's body pretty deep, but the attack wasn't over yet.

All the mana Ryan had concentrated in the attack exploded, and the whole torso of the monster froze. That was the power of Cryomancy and Water Creation, but to essentially freeze the equivalent of a small mountain... Ryan was quite shocked with the result since he didn't use a single potion to power up his attributes.

Ryan didn't lose that chance. While the monster lost the ability to move due to the ice, he teleported to approach and then began to attack the frozen area with his Spiritualist's Crossbows. Just as Ryan had expected, his projectiles easily pierced the monster's bodies. All that extra endurance the boss had due to the heat was completely destroyed due to the ice.

"Something is coming," Femradiel said while she was frowning and noticed something amiss.

Ryan frowned when he heard. He just had started digging the monster's body, and yet he didn't notice anything. Still, then the area inside the frozen body of the beast exploded, and a red lizard suddenly appeared. It kind of made Ryan recall the Reptilians, but that one seemed more like a salamander who could walk on two legs. The creature had red scales covering all of its body, and their eyes were green, quite the contrast and more importantly than that...

??? – Lv ???

Health: ???/???

Mana: ???/???

Stamina: ???/???

Strength: ???

Dexterity: ???

Speed: ???

Intelligence: ???

Endurance: ???

Control: ???

Mentality: ???

Luck: ???



Recovery: ???

Willpower: ???

Coins: —

Status: —

Skill List

Offensive Physical Skills: ???, ???, ???

Passive Physical Skills: ???, ???, ???

Spells: ???, ???, ???

Support Skills: ???, ???, ???

While Ryan prepared himself for the final confrontation, the creature suddenly disappeared from his sight. The massive, monstrous body began to fall apart when the being that put everything together decided to flee.

“What the heck...” Ryan frowned.

Suddenly, Ryan’s vision changed since Femradiel forcefully made him use Teleport. Then he saw the red lizard flying in the distance. The dungeon master didn’t even try to fight one last time... that certainly was a disappointment. Still, that showed Ryan one thing, the dungeon master wasn’t confident in the last fight... or he was luring Ryan into a trap.

The flying speed of the monster was too fearsome. Even when Ryan used Teleport to block the lizard’s path, the beast could notice and react in a millisecond that Ryan would appear at a certain point. Then

the monster would change its direction. Femradiel tried to knock down the monster with Ice Meteors and Perfect Aim. Still, the beast was even faster than a falling meteor.

While Ryan was pursuing the dungeon master, he decided to change his strategy. After using several INT potions, he used Telekinesis to slow down the monster's speed. At the same time, he succeeded, which had been barely noticeable.

"Don't stop, keep using it, I can feel that creature's mana being drained at a fearsome speed," Femradiel said. "You can do it."

Ryan listened to Femradiel's words, and after a couple of minutes, he noticed the dungeon master's speed decreasing. As expected, the creature didn't make any preparations aside from using their giant magma golem to crush Ryan. Upon noticing that fighting was inevitable, the beast stopped and suddenly made several Magma Spears appear around itself. That was quite cool. Ryan wished that he could be that good at magic.

"Can you read his mind, Femradiel?" Ryan asked while he was equipping a Frozen Crossbow in one hand and the Spiritualist Crossbow in the other.

"Not yet..." Femradiel said. "It looks like the dungeon master, it is just like the Chimeras... it is impossible for us to obtain any information from him."

Ryan sighed after hearing that. In the end, those guys were like soldiers who were forced to choose death instead of revealing information about their allies. Ryan could respect that much companionship, but since he was losing the chance to obtain some valuable information, he couldn't help but feel pissed.

In any case, Ryan used his crossbows, and the monster fired its Magma Spear as well. When those collided against each other, a pretty wide steam curtain appeared. Thanks to Radar, Ryan noticed that the monster used it as a chance to escape again.

Ryan sighed, but then he changed his strategy. Before his INT potions could run out of effect, he used hundreds of CON potions at the same time and then used Telekinesis again. This time the dungeon master was stopped entirely.

“Go on, Femradiel,” Ryan said.

“Roger that,” Femradiel said and then made dozens of Ice Meteors fall one after the other over the dungeon master’s head.

Much sooner than Ryan expected, the dungeon master fell unconscious on the ground. Blood was coming out from the monster’s ears and nose, so Ryan imagined that Femradiel had broken the monster’s skull and damaged the brain.

“I thought this guy was a mage, but I guess he has the physical traits of the Reptilians,” Ryan said.

“Should I finish him off?” Femradiel asked.

“Let me see what will happen if I use the spirit of a dungeon master to create a magic weapon,” Ryan said. “While I think that if I create magic staff, I will obtain a weapon that will enhance my summoning skills. It is kind of weird to move around while using a magic wand or magic staff.”

“You sure can worry about the weirdest things,” Femradiel said.

Celestial Summoner’s Crossbow

Effect: At the cost of 5000 points of mana, you can fire a special bolt that will cause normal damage, but upon impact, it will summon a level 50 Magma Golem

Dexterity + 400, Intelligence 400, Strength.

Durability: 250/250

You obtained 15.362.365 coins

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“... This is some weird crossbow,” Ryan said. “As expected, I should choose with more care the type of weapon I will make. I can’t create magic crossbows if my opponents were plain warriors or ordinary summoners.”

“You took quite a while to understand that,” Femradiel said.

While the weapon was weird, Ryan was more than satisfied with the coins he received. Now he just had to look for the crystal and then become the dungeon master of that world. Selecting a creature to guard the crystal will be troublesome, but that was something Ryan had to deal with in the first place.

“Femradiel, can you guide me to where the crystal is?” Ryan asked.

“Sure, now that the dungeon master died, the level of mana returned to normal on this planet, the barrier has been lifted, after all,” Femradiel said.

“I would like to ask you to stop,” Isis suddenly said. “If you become the dungeon master of this world, the dungeon level of the Magma Golems will reset. That will cause some issues for my people in Cairo.”

“That wasn’t part of the deal,” Ryan said. “I solved the problem, at least a part of it. Do you really expect me to leave three dungeon master’s crystals behind after defeating the dungeon masters?”

“We can negotiate about that,” Isis said.

“Yeah, sure we can, but I wonder if your offer will satisfy me,” Ryan said. “Come to think of it, you didn’t consider this until now? I can’t help but wonder... could it be that you didn’t think I would succeed?”

While Ryan’s suspicions were well-founded, it didn’t seem like a good time to question Isis. In any case, he couldn’t just let that kind of thing slide so easily. Although he looked for Isis and asked for help, he did his part of the accord completely. Anything aside from that could be done at his own description.

“First of all, I owe you something for protecting all my followers in the previous fight,” Isis said and then made a tome appear in front of Ryan, and that made him wonder how come she could teleport things from a world to another.

### Magic Sword Tome

Effect: it grants you the power to summon magic swords that can help you in melee combat and can be used as projectiles as well. For each skill level, you can summon one extra magic sword to stay at your side until necessary. For every ten levels, you can summon a new type of elemental magic sword.

Cost: 500 mana.

“I heard what you said earlier, now you can do the same thing as the dungeon master did,” Isis said. “You just have to level up the skill for a while and you will become even more powerful with that skill.”

Another woman who had the bad habit of spying on others... While Ryan was thankful for the reward since it would come in handy, he wasn't sure if it was worth it to prevent so many deaths... no, he was sure that it was too cheap for such a difficult task.

“You seem unsatisfied...” Isis said. “I guess giving you something that you wanted wasn't the right call. Well, truth to be told, aside from the things I was going to trade with you for this world, I don't have anything that will be useful for someone like you. But before you defeat the next dungeon master, I will have some decent rewards.”

### Anti-Telekinesis Tome

Effect: It decreases the power of the enemies' telekinesis by ten points per level.

### Gravity Immunity Tome

Effect: it decreases the power of gravity-related attacks by ten points per level.

“Do you want those in exchange for this dungeon?” Isis asked.

Ryan rubbed his chin thoughtfully. If he didn't learn the first skill when the chimeras used Telekinesis on his body, that it was certain that it wasn't a skill that could be learned by using normal means. If that was the case, that certainly was an expensive tome. As for Gravity Immunity, Ryan didn't even find an enemy until now that had such a skill, so perhaps that was a fair trade.

“All right, I will accept it,” Ryan said.

In the end, it would be a pain to become the dungeon master of dungeons that were so far away from his domain. However, Ryan accepted the offer in order to start the negotiation in a good term. If the next offers don't satisfy him, Ryan will refuse it since the number of coins he could earn by becoming the dungeon masters of two other domains would be astronomical.

“I am grateful for this,” Isis said. “No matter what happens, I need to prevent my troops from falling behind in this race.”

Ryan didn't say anything after hearing that. It wasn't his problem, but in the end, until he gets what he wants, he will have to play it nicely. The next dungeon to be cleared was the armored crocodiles, and Ryan was expecting to face a dungeon master as annoying as the first. Still, he decided to hurry and try to finish that one as well that day.

“If you are done, can we leave this place already?” Femradiel asked. “The weather improved a little bit, but this heat is getting on my nerves.”

In the end, Ryan left the world as soon as possible, even without checking if there was something that the dungeon master left behind. In any case, now that he had cooled his head, Ryan couldn't help but wonder as to why he found a single red lizard. It was hard to believe that he was the only of his species in that world, and yet, Ryan and Femradiel only found Magma Demons and Magma Golems with him.

“Why do you think the dungeon master was alone, Femradiel?” Ryan asked.

“Who knows, maybe he became too strong when compared to others of his race,” Femradiel said. “Or perhaps those red lizards once lived in this world and he is the last survivor.”

Both possibilities were plausible, and yet, Ryan couldn't help but frown by considering them. Either way, it looked like the dungeon master had quite the... fearsome life.

## Chapter 591

After returning to Earth, Ryan and Femradiel saw Mohammed and the others finishing off a magma golem. Despite the presence of the monster, Ryan couldn't feel that much heat. After using Clairvoyance, Ryan confirmed that the sun had already set, and that explained the cold ambient.

"Did you succeed?" Mohammed asked.

"I wouldn't be here if that weren't the case," Ryan replied. "Anyway, why are you here? Shouldn't you be guarding the Chimeras' dungeon?"

"I wanted to confirm personally if you would return or not," Mohammed said. "Regardless, I also forgot to thank you for your help until now."

"Thanks are unnecessary, I am being paid for this work," Ryan said. "Anyway, onto the next dungeon."

Mohammed tried to offer an alternative since Ryan and Femradiel looked pretty beat up. Still, before he could say anything, they disappeared. Ryan and Femradiel suddenly appeared in the cold desert of the night, but then Ryan stopped.

"You can rest here, for a while," Ryan said. "I should be able to defeat the next dungeon master alone."

"There is nothing to do here, besides, I don't think we will find another hellish environment," Femradiel said.

"You wouldn't know," Ryan shrugged. "Well, don't complain later."

“Why are you confident this time?” Femradiel asked. “If I remember correctly, you also sounded pretty confident before the previous fight. I wouldn’t lose for nothing in the world the chance to see you getting annoyed after saying something like that.”

Ryan sighed. Femradiel only talked with Alissa a few times, but it looked like she copied some of her traits. The worst ones at that. In any case, despite the fact that Ryan’s tiredness was building up, he teleported to the next dungeon. He then touched the purple crystal before anyone could see him.

In the end, Ryan and Femradiel appeared in a place just like he had imagined: a very dense forest. However, he didn’t have time to check the environment properly because Ryan felt several presences. He also felt the danger to his life.

Ryan immediately used Teleport and appeared hundreds of meters above. At the place he had been a moment ago, several spears pierced the ground. It looked like that was the way of the locals to say welcome. Before Ryan could attack the creatures, they were teleported to another location.

“Great... another fucker that keeps attacking with their troops like that,” Ryan sighed and then said. “This might take a while.”

“I don’t think so,” Femradiel said. “The level of mana in this world is quite stable, so I can sense where the crystal is.”

“That seems too good to be true...” Ryan said. “At this point in time, all dungeon masters should know a few tricks to hide their treasure. That being said, the crystal can’t be used until the dungeon master is defeated.”

“What are we going to do?” Femradiel asked. “Let’s move toward the crystal in a calm manner, there is no need to rush and fall into an obvious trap.”

Although he still was in a hurry, by being cautious now, Ryan probably will save a lot of time later. The last time he hurried without thinking, he ended up locked in a magic barrier that prevented him from using active skills and spells, after all.



While that forest didn't have massive trees like the ones he found in the goblins' world, those were pretty tall as well, but the grass wasn't tall enough to cover an adult human male. Still, Ryan felt pretty uncomfortable since the forest was too quiet. Aside from the sound of the wind, Ryan couldn't hear animals, or even insects. That was odd. Such a green forest was supposed to be full of life. Then again, that was an alien planet, so Ryan couldn't use his lacking knowledge of biology to ponder about such a thing.

Based on what he knew, Ryan assumed he would be safe flying high since the armored crocodiles certainly were the favorite species of that dungeon master. From above the forest, Ryan confirmed that the place had no signs of battles. It was hard to know if that was good or bad for Ryan.

In the end, Ryan truly didn't suffer any ambush, and after flying for half an hour, he managed to see the first and perhaps the only building in that world. It was a fortress, a pretty large fortress that was even higher than the fifty-meter tall trees. While the building was covered in vines, Ryan could see that the place was in perfect condition, even from a distance. Aside from that, he also could see some heads trying to check the surroundings through the windows of the building.

Feralligator Ranger – Lv 650

Health: 15.000/15.000

Mana: 20.000/20.000

Stamina: 25.000/25.000

Strength: 3500 (+ 200)

Dexterity: 6000 (+ 1200)

Speed: 2500 (+ 400)

Intelligence: 4000 (+ 400)

Endurance: 2000 (+ 200)

Control: 2700 (+ 300)

Mentality: 3000 (+ 500)

Luck: 1500 (+ 300)

Recovery: 5000 (+ 1500)

Willpower: 3000 (+ 500)

Coins: —

Status: —

Skill List

Offensive Physical Skills: Power Shot Lv 200, Arrow Shower Lv 170

Passive Physical Skills: Concentration Lv 160, Eagle Eyes Lv 160, Accuracy Lv 160

Spells: Mana Arrow Lv 140, Flame Arrow Lv 120, Frost Arrow Lv 100

Support Skills: Fire Resistance Lv 100, Cold Resistance Lv 100, Shock Resistance Lv 90, Electric Resistance Lv 80

“I guess those are the ones who usually stay behind to guard the fortress,” Ryan said. “There is no doubt, the dungeon master here is using copies of his people to fight. The bosses probably are the strongest soldiers here.”

“While they are also archers, it seems their eyes aren’t as good as yours,” Femradiel said. “They obviously didn’t notice you yet.”

“It doesn’t matter, the dungeon master will warn them once I am close enough,” Ryan said. “Not that I need to get closer than this.”

Ryan’s range was equal to the distance he could see with his eyes, so he could attack the fortress. However, his goal was to defeat the dungeon master and their minions. The enemy could easily save their troops by teleporting them around or, even worse, scattering them around to make Ryan’s life harder.

Class: Artemis’ Disciple Lv 29 (+ 03 UP) / Frozen Spellcaster Lv 25 (+ 06 UP) / William Tell’s Apprentice Lv 15 (+ 05 UP) (–)

Race: Night Demon /Reptilian/ Ice Fox (–)

Rank: 42th

Health: 6410/6410 (12,62/s)

Mana: 8415/8415 (12,62/s)

Stamina: 8725/8725 (12,62/s)

Strength: 831 (+738) (+130)

Dexterity: 6625 (+5305) (+350)

Speed: 1120 (+2770) (+48)

Intelligence: 1181 (+2224) (+33)

Endurance: 1348 (+509) (+160)

Control: 1326 (+2730) (+10)

Mentality: 1258 (+813) (+70)

Luck: 1030 (+75)

Recovery: 3800 (+3500) (+845)

Willpower: 1280 (+849) (+40)

Coins: 37.523.109

Status: 00

Skill List

Offensive Physical Skills: Power Shot Lv 105 (+ 05 UP), Holy Shield Lv 01, Holy Blessing Lv 01, Feint Lv 01, Magic Sword Lv 01

Passive Physical Skills: Passive Recovery Lv 102 (+ 02 UP), Heart of Steel Lv 01, Evasion Mastery Lv 01, Samurai Spirit Lv 01, Cavalry Mastery Lv 01, Rider's Spirit Lv 01, Expertise Lv 01

Spells: Active Spiritual Recovery Lv 105 (+ 05 UP), Frost Armor Lv 31 (+ 08 UP), Ice Breath Lv 63 (+ 12 UP), Magic Vampirism Lv 19 (+ 10 UP), Anti-Telekinesis Field Lv 01

Support Skills: Fire Resistance Lv 39 (+ 07 UP), Heat Resistance Lv 32 (+ 07 UP), Gravity Immunity Lv 01

Classes:

Combat: Demon Hunter Lv 31 (+ 10 UP), Poisonous Archer Lv 36 (+ 05 UP), Templar Lv 07 (+ 06 UP), Hexblade Lv 69 (+ 06 UP), Magic Archer Lv 41 (+ 08 UP), Royal Archer Lv 33 (+ 07 UP), Knight Lv 01, Samurai Lv 01, Rider Lv 01,

Non-Combatant: Blacksmith Lv 69 (+ 03 UP), Whitesmith Lv 39 (+ 05 UP), Alchemist Lv 75 (+ 03 UP),

Race: Centaur, Lesser Dragon, Kobold,

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In the end, in order to prevent some future headaches, Ryan was forced to approach the fortress. It would be a pain to attack the monsters if they scatter around, but things will be relatively easier if they have the chance to attack Ryan.

“This dungeon master probably doesn’t know many of my skills, so I should take it slow for the time being,” Ryan said.

“What should I do?” Femradiel asked.

“Keep your focus on the dungeon master’s presence,” Ryan replied. “If they move or if you feel anything strange, just report it to me as fast as possible.”

“Support role again, huh,” Femradiel said and then sighed. “I suppose it can’t be helped.”

Since that dungeon master probably was aware that Ryan already defeated one of its allies, he would have to play it safe for the time being. Ryan’s strategy was simple, try to look like someone who was struggling and then make the dungeon master show itself.

As expected, when Ryan had shown himself, from the windows of the fortress, the rangers began to fire arrows at him. There were hundreds of them, so Ryan had to fly backward and down a little bit since the speed and their power were more impressive than he had imagined. The second volley soon came before Ryan could equip his weapons, so he was forced to create an ice wall to protect himself that quickly shattered.

When that happened, Ryan's crossbows were already in hand, so he managed to knock down the arrows with his bolts. While Ryan was trying to hold back, he could do at least that much. Otherwise, he wouldn't have defeated the monster's army that morning. In the blink of an eye, Ryan fired at the enemies inside the building and killed ten of them with headshots. Upon noticing that staying indoors wouldn't help them, an army of armored crocodiles left the fortress. From other entrances of the massive building, Ryan also felt the presence of some archers leaving to join the fight.

"I guess I should fight at ground level... it will be easier to repel long-ranged attacks that way and I will conserve some mana," Ryan said. "Also, the armored crocodiles will feel more compelled to charge at me."

Ryan decreased his altitude until he reached the ground. At the same time, the armored crocodiles got close enough to fire some magic projectiles at him, but those were so weak that Ryan completely obliterated them with his bolts. His attacks also had enough power to hit some of the monsters and knock them down, but not nearly enough to stop an entire army.

When the monsters got close enough, and the archers that left the fortress also found him and fired their arrows, Ryan activated and used Evading Shot. His arrows pierced the heads of some monsters, killing them, but also changed his position. In the end, he completely dodged the arrows and the charge at the same time.

The monsters frowned since Ryan moved while dodging the attacks extremely fast and at a pretty absurd distance, but since he returned to using basic attacks, they resumed their actions quickly.

"Ah, this is a pain," Ryan thought. "Holding back is just too annoying and goes against everything I believe."

"If that is the case, why don't you fight in close quarters?" Femradiel asked. "You certainly aren't a specialist in that style, so you certainly will struggle for real. Not only that, those creatures have a lot of endurance, so despite your status, not even your best melee weapon will kill them in a single attack. Not that you have many decent melee weapons now."

While that was the case, Ryan didn't need any decent melee weapon. All the monsters in front of him had one, after all. So, he just had to borrow them for a while and then pick another once they became worthless. After storing away his crossbows, Ryan used Telekinesis to pick two cutlasses from two corpses in the ground. While he didn't use a weapon like that before, Ryan quickly got used to its balance.

Steel Cutlass

Effect: It makes the target bleed and loses twenty points of health per five seconds. This effect can be stacked.

Strength + 100, Speed + 50

Durability: 100/100

"Not bad for a monster's weapon," Ryan thought. "Now that I think about it, I can make a killing in this world since their weapons won't disappear."

That was a good chance to level up his melee classes, so when the monsters got close enough again, Ryan activated his buffs that increased strength and speed. At the same time, he dashed toward the monsters and pierced his newest weapons in two of the armored crocodiles' throats.

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Ryan frowned when he received those messages, maybe he underestimated the power of his buffs, or perhaps the throat was really the weak point of those beasts. Either way, Ryan didn't stop there. Before the monsters could understand what was happening, he cut the throat of four other monsters. However, his two swords broke after that.

"What the hell..." Ryan frowned.

“Don’t lose your focus,” Femradiel said and then used Telekinesis to grab the weapons of the fallen monsters. “You are causing critical hits one after the other, so it is only natural that the monsters would die after you pierced their throats. Besides, those weapons aren’t suited for your base level of strength.”

Congratulations! The skill Sting has leveled up.

Congratulations! The skill Concentrated Strike has leveled up.

Congratulations! The skill Strong Arms has leveled up.

Ryan also noticed that his stamina and mana were being depleted at an insanely fast pace, so unless he keeps that rhythm, he will run out of steam. Unfortunately, the monsters surrounded him pretty quickly. It was a pity for the armored crocodiles, but Ryan’s mobility was just too much for them. After using Flash a single time, Ryan left that dire situation behind. However, much to his surprise, a massive rain of arrows began to fall on the battlefield, and this time Ryan was caught off-guard since he didn’t imagine the armored crocodiles would be sacrificed that quickly...

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Ryan somehow managed to avoid having his head pierced by an arrow, but his shoulders weren’t so lucky. In the end, Ryan created an ice wall above him to stop the hundreds of magic arrows created by dozens of Arrow Showers, and then he took out the projectiles from his shoulders and then used Heal. He did that while he watched the armored crocodiles being killed by the droves by that attack.

“It looks like the dungeon master here doesn’t deserve any mercy either,” Ryan said.

“It surprises me that you considered offering some mercy given that they were trying to invade your planet,” Femradiel said.

“We are at war, so it can’t be helped,” Ryan said. “Still, some things can’t be forgiven, no matter what.”



For someone like Ryan, who only had a few trustworthy allies, the idea of sacrificing minions to take down a tougher foe was beyond disgusting and annoying. While he used his golems like that before since they could self-destruct, some might think that he didn't have any reason to feel angry, but there was a subtle difference. Golems are inorganic creatures, and even when they are about to fall, they don't look even a little bit in pain. So, they were more like weapons than proper living beings. The same thing couldn't be said about the armored crocodiles. While they were his enemies, even on the battlefield, some things can't be done to the enemy.

This time Ryan didn't hold back, so his Ice Wall lasted for quite a while. Upon noticing that they were sacrificing their allies in vain, the archers stooped. Ryan could sense two groups of archers in the east and west. Their numbers were close to one thousand each. So, he assumed that would be easy. He grabbed his Celestial Summoner's Crossbow and fired once at the enemies on the east side. While his bolt didn't kill the archer, when the Magma Golem appeared, it crushed the creature thanks to its massive weight.

When the armored crocodiles resumed their attacks, as if nothing had happened, Ryan already had his cutlass in his hands, and just like before, he cut their throats before they could even scratch him. However, even with his speed, Ryan couldn't overcome a horde of monsters with two weapons alone. Five enemies approached from behind and swung their weapons at him. Once again, Ryan protected himself with an ice wall.

"Well, let's see that in action," Ryan muttered.

Before more enemies from other directions could try to attack Ryan as well, he summoned a Magic Sword. Much to his surprise, a flame sword that was as big as him and emitted a powerful heat appeared. It couldn't be wielded even by Ryan's hands... Regardless, when some armored crocodiles entered its range, the weapon automatically attacked them with a single insanely fast swing. That didn't seem like the power of a level one skill... The monsters that got by the flames suffered some serious burns and were forced to back down, but that came with a price. Ryan noticed that the weapon decreased in size.

"That is a pretty neat skill," Femradiel said.

Ryan nodded at that and immediately used all his mana to summon three other magic swords. Ryan's defense increases exponentially, and even though he wasn't moving a single finger, the monsters were unable to get close enough to attack. However, the other group of archers began to fire once again. The first one still was busy with the Magma Golem.

It was time to see how good that spell was as a throwable projectile. While Ryan was using some mana potions, he made one of the flame swords fly toward the second group of archers, and when the projectile hit one of them, the weapon exploded, burning everything in a ten-meter radius down to a crisp. The range was rather limited, but the power was pretty good.

“Well, then... let’s make this skill as efficient as possible,” Ryan grinned from ear to ear.

Ryan approached the army of him while using INT potions, and just as expected, his magic swords began to cause a lot more damage. It was kind of weird to defeat so many foes without attacking them directly, even though using Magic Bows was no different than that.

Around the time the second army of archers managed to recover from Ryan’s attack, the first army also defeated the Magma Golem. Before they could try anything, Ryan used Flash several times and appeared in the center of the first army. As expected, his Magic Swords defeated several of them effortlessly. The archers tried to split up since the second group prepared another stream of Arrow Showers. However, Ryan wiped out dozens of them and wounded several others heavily due to the explosion.

When the rain of arrows fell, most of the archers were unable to escape, but Ryan was already preparing himself to wipe out the second group. Then, suddenly, Femradiel warned Ryan.

“A powerful presence just left the fortress,” Femradiel said. “It is heading in the opposite direction... it looks like your plan to lure the dungeon master failed.”

“Shit... so much for holding back,” Ryan said after clicking his tongue and then using Teleport to chase the dungeon master. “Why the hell did they give up so soon? I barely defeated a few thousand monsters.”

“I have no idea...” Femradiel said. “It is kind of surprising that such beings would dare to fight Isis’s army when they are this coward. I guess they don’t know the enemy all that much and just selected the closest target.”

That seemed too good to be true... if that were really the case, then Ryan’s job would be a lot less annoying than he had expected. In any case, Ryan found the dungeon master much faster than he had

expected. The creature was flying, but for some reason, it was extremely slow. It was another crocodile-like being, but that one had yellowish skin. Almost golden, in fact... while that wasn't much important, Ryan couldn't help but notice since the other armored crocodiles weren't different from each other, not even the rangers.

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Health: ???/???

Mana: ???/???

Stamina: ???/???

Strength: ???

Dexterity: ???

Speed: ???

Intelligence: ???

Endurance: ???

Control: ???

Mentality: ???

Luck: ???

Recovery: ???

Willpower: ???

Coins: —

Status: —

Skill List

Offensive Physical Skills: ???, ???, ???

Passive Physical Skills: ???, ???, ???

Spells: ???, ???, ???

Support Skills: ???, ???, ???

“Mind Armor sure is a popular skill...” Ryan said and then sighed. “It is amazing that almost every single dungeon master can use it.”

When Ryan was about to attack the dungeon master, suddenly, the creature slowed down for a second. Then an army of armored crocodiles appeared in front of him. Ryan ignored them and used Teleport to decrease the distance, but the same thing happened again. Still, the creature used his archers to attack Ryan. While hitting him was close to impossible due to Teleport, they were buying enough time for their master since Ryan couldn't attack and use Teleport at the same time.

“I will focus on defense,” Femradiel said. “Just do what you can to catch him.”

After saying that, Femradiel created some Ice Walls around Ryan and then blocked the rain of arrows. As expected, her ice was much more powerful than Ryan's, and none of them could hear the sound of the ice cracking. Ryan sped up to catch up with the dungeon master since the beast was trying to use the environment in his favor. Turning to the sides when a big tree appeared or going down and flying close to the ground when the grass was taller than usual.

In any case, the creature certainly wouldn't escape from him since Ryan was also following the creature with Clairvoyance and making sure that the dungeon master wouldn't leave any surprises behind.

Thanks to the massive number of trees, Ryan couldn't use his bows or crossbows since those obstacles would get in the way and slow down the projectiles. So, he decided to use a more roundabout way to stop his foe. Ryan equipped the Chimeric Crossbow in his left hand and began to fire. As expected, the dungeon master hit behind the trees whenever he heard the trigger being pulled, but that didn't protect him when a massive sphere of ice fell from the sky and smashed the dungeon master in the ground.

While the dungeon master was paying attention to Ryan's crossbow, Ryan created a sphere of ice and then activated Perfect Aim and Deadly Shot. At the same time, they threw up the sphere high in the sky. Before Ryan could catch up with the creature, he noticed the dungeon master getting up. Still, Ryan used his Chimeric Crossbow and hit the creature's legs. The beast grunted in pain and then lost the chance to escape. Upon noticing that escaping wasn't possible, the dungeon master summoned two swords and equipped them. Without wasting time, it dashed toward Ryan, but the creature was stopped when Ryan used the Chimeric Crossbow two times.

"What is this..." Ryan frowned. "Is this guy trying to fool me? Why is he so weak?"

The dungeon master didn't look weaker than the other armored crocodiles, but it certainly wasn't much stronger... which was weird. How come a dungeon master could control a massive army of monsters when the dungeon master himself wasn't leagues above their minions?

"I think I understand what is going on here..." Femradiel said. "As you can see, the armored crocodiles aren't that smart. After all, they decided to become a species that relies on endurance to fight. While that can be annoying to most enemies, you can't win a fight with endurance alone. With a brain of that level, it looks like they choose the creature who stood out most from their species to become the leader... his skin has a golden-like tone and that is why he is their king."

“That sounds so stupid...” Ryan frowned. “Well, it is not like you can’t understand their way of thinking. I am pretty sure some of you humans choose your leaders based on their appearance and charisma instead of competence.”

Ryan wanted to deny that, but he couldn’t. In some places, people are so tired of politicians that they selected their leaders as a form of protest. Most of the time, those leaders can’t even be taken seriously. In any case, that sure was a letdown, but a universe is a vast place, so something like that was bound to happen. Although Ryan didn’t drop his guard, he killed the dungeon master without hesitation. That creature wouldn’t even make a decent magic weapon.

You obtained 5.632.841 coins.

“I guess this guy here spent a lot of coins to build that fortress,” Ryan said and then sighed.

“He indeed did it,” Isis said. “I am sorry for interrupting your conversation, but it seems you already defeated the second dungeon master.”

“Impeccable timing, just like before,” Ryan said.

“This time I decided to check on things now and then since I confirmed earlier that this dungeon master wouldn’t be much of a problem,” Isis said.

“Earlier? Come to think of it, you can use Telepathy and talk with us, but you couldn’t check the dungeon masters before?” Ryan asked.

“Telepathy and Clairvoyance have some limits, as you already know,” Isis replied. “Unless someone I know is in a certain place, I can’t see how things are in the said place that I had never been before. I only noticed that this dungeon master wouldn’t pose much of a threat when you came to this world.”

While that seemed a bit weird, it was also logical from Ryan’s perspective. That means that Isis will only find anything about the last dungeon master the very moment Ryan uses the last purple crystal. Until the very end, Isis had no intention of helping Ryan with his work. While that was reasonable, Ryan was also expecting some reasonable rewards. Otherwise, he would claim the title of dungeon master of that world. As far as he knew, those armored crocodiles would work pretty well. He was in a dire need of

minions that had a high endurance and they could fit in their role more than most tyor of monster he had seen.

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“Although you finished this part of the mission rather fast, I believe I obtained suitable rewards,” Isis said. “Considering that you are going to face Poseidon eventually, these skills will help you more than a little bit.”

### Cold Immunity Tome

Effect: It decreases the damage caused to you by ice-related attacks by ten points per level.

### Freezing Aura Tome

Effect: It decreases the damage caused on you by an ice-related attack by ten points per level. It increases all of your ice-related attack damage by three percent per level.

“What do you think?” Isis asked.

“What I think, you ask...” Ryan frowned.

To be honest, Ryan had no idea if those rewards were suitable enough. Again, he never found an enemy that had Cold Immunity... probably. While both skills seemed like some good cards to have against the god of the seas, Ryan still couldn't say if they were enough... even though the job had been relatively easy.

“You should take it,” Femradiel said. “Both skills cost one hundred million coins in the monster's system. It shouldn't be any cheaper in the dungeon shops.”

Although Femradiel said that, until both skills reach a level where they could be useful against Poseidon, Ryan will have to train pretty hard. Even though Femradiel could help him with that. Regardless, Ryan

decided to follow her advice. Still, he made a mental note to only accept something truly amazing once he defeats the last dungeon master. Something that will leave his mouth hanging open.

“Thank you for accepting those,” Isis said. “As for the remaining monsters in this world, you can leave it to my followers. They will prevent the other creatures from taking the place of the previous dungeon master.”

Two-thirds of the job had been completed, so Ryan decided to take a break after returning to Earth. There was no mistake that the last dungeon master would be hard to deal with, so the rest was not deserved but necessary. Once again, Ryan and Femradiel found Mohammed waiting for them outside the dungeon... he certainly was a hard worker.

“Congratulations, it looks like you succeeded again,” Mohammed said.

“If you don’t mind, I would like to borrow a room in your city,” Ryan said. “I need a break to fresh my mind. I don’t know what to expect from the last target, so I need to be at my peak once I use the last purple crystal.”

Mohammed nodded, and before he could say anything, Ryan touched his shoulder, and then they appeared in the middle of the desert. After using some potions, Ryan used Teleport again and then appeared at the entrance of Cairo.

While Mohammed was saying something about Teleport, he guided Ryan toward a place they had built for guests to use. That was rather unexpected given that so many people died all over the world, but that was probably a custom of the people of the region. Mohammed also asked if Ryan wanted to drink or eat anything, but in the end, he only wanted a bed to sleep. Once he laid down on the bed, Ryan slept like a rock.

Although he thought of taking a nap until sunrise, Ryan ended up only waking up at noon. Much to his surprise, the coolness of the place was much better than expected, so the heat of the desert was unable to penetrate the walls of most buildings in the city.

“You snored quite a lot,” Femradiel said while she was standing above a table in front of the room as if she were a statue.



“Did you notice any changes outside?” Ryan asked.

“No, why do you ask?” Femradiel asked.

“I wondered if the last dungeon master would try anything while I was sleeping,” Ryan replied. “I guess I was just overthinking things.”

Time was of the essence, so Ryan headed toward the last dungeon even before looking for Mohammed. In the end, they touched the crystal without making many preparations as well since, once again, they knew nothing of the target. What Ryan and Femradiel found in the other world was beyond anything that they had imagined. Instead of a forest, desert, or a world in flames, they found a massive, grey city.

All the sky was being hidden due to an endless sea of clouds above. As for things down below, the world was grey due to a lot of ashes. It didn't take for Ryan to feel his nostrils burning... It looked like the atmosphere of that place was quite dirty.

“This place is...” Ryan muttered.

Ryan couldn't see the proper and natural ground, but he was standing above something similar to concrete. Adding that to the numerous buildings around, he concluded that he was teleported to a fairly modern world. One that probably ended due to pollution or was about to end. The buildings were pretty uniform, all in a rectangular shape, but there wasn't anything like skyscrapers for some odd reason.

“Do you feel any presence nearby, Femradiel?” Ryan asked.

“Not a single one,” Femradiel said. “It looks like my tracking skills won't be reliable again... for some odd reason these ashes are filled with mana and it doesn't look like this ashes rain is going to stop anytime soon.”

It has been quite a while since the humans who became Chimeras had been in this world, so the chances of them finding any traces were quite small. In any case, both of them were bound to find something if they continued searching around.

Ryan teleported to the top of one of the highest buildings in the area. Still, thanks to the ashes, the visibility was as bad as it could be. After looking at all distances, Ryan only shrugged. It doesn't matter which direction he might look. Everything was basically the same. Almost as if he was in a world that was basically a labyrinth.

"Well, a journey of one thousand steps start with one," Ryan shrugged. "Femradiel warned me of you notice anything strange."

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It didn't take long for Ryan and Femradiel to find something, but not only did they not find what they were looking for, but they also found something rather depressing. It was essentially a massive hole... that had many types of bones inside. Bones of human-looking creatures and those that obviously belonged to monsters.

"This place is making me depressed quite fast..." Ryan said.

"I guess with this we can assume that whoever created the Chimeras, didn't do it by using magic and in a clean manner," Femradiel said.

That thought alone was something that Ryan wanted to forget as soon as possible... it was obvious at this point in time. Still, after seeing the pool of bones that were in that hole, it was evident that the dungeon master was something like a mad scientist who experimented with several monsters and creatures. Trying to create a super being or something like that. Those five guys Ryan killed before probably were rather despaired to accept such an offer from a dungeon master insane like that.

"I guess we can expect a freak that probably collected the bodies and parts of many creatures to strengthen themselves," Ryan said. "Still, I can't help but wonder how such a creature managed to achieve success at something this insane."

"Normal people wouldn't wonder about that kind of thing," Femradiel said.

"I guess I am not normal then," Ryan shrugged. "I am a man of science."

“Really? I find that hard to believe,” Femradiel said.

Before that topic could continue for quite a while, Ryan decided to shut up. Since he found one of the trash cans of the dungeon master, he had assumed that they were close to the monster’s base. However, despite that assumption, they didn’t find anything out of place in the area.

“Do you feel that you are being watched?” Ryan asked.

“No, and you?” Femradiel asked.

“Me neither,” Ryan replied. “It looks like the dungeon master is paying no mind to us, even though we defeated all of their minions.”

Being looked down on by his enemies after doing even that much was a normal occurrence in Ryan’s life, but that was the first time he entered someone else’s domain. The dungeon master was completely uninterested in him. Either the creature had better things to do, or maybe they didn’t care about their domain. However, if that were the case, Isis would say something at that moment. Given that she was a dungeon master for quite a while, she probably knew a few things more than Ryan and Femradiel.

Regardless, since taking their time was being a pain in the ass, Ryan decided to use Teleport pretty much whenever possible. After appearing at a location, he only gave a few seconds for Femradiel to scan the area, and then he moved. They only stopped when Ryan noticed that the city where he appeared was pretty large... like one hundred kilometers large.

“I guess we appeared at the center of one hell of a metropolis of this world,” Ryan said.

“I can sense the smell of something in the air,” Femradiel said. “I think we are close to the ocean of this world.”

That was some progress, but Ryan didn’t feel like exploring the ocean anytime soon. The most obvious thing to do was to check the land. However, after a while, Ryan felt compelled to check the ocean of that world... maybe that would help him in his search somehow. After all, until now, they only found destruction and the most depressing city that he had ever seen.

Femradiel guided Ryan to the ocean, and as expected, even the water of that planet seemed dead. Maybe it was due to some special type of mineral in that world, but Ryan was pretty sure the water of that world couldn't be drunk since it was also gray. As far as he knew, it was probably impossible that even if all the volcanoes of a world went active together and began to spill ashes, it wouldn't be enough to dirt all the water of the world.

"It is kind of hard to see where the ocean ends and the sky begins horizon," Ryan said. "Anyway, nothing yet, Femradiel?"

"No, but I think we should explore the ocean," Femradiel said. "This dungeon master is someone smart enough to create chimeras using several types of bodies, but until now we didn't find a single trail of them or their minions in land. I believe that is because they aren't on land."

While Ryan assumed that made a lot of sense since it was much better to have a base that could change places, finding any landmarks on the ocean will be close to impossible.

"The level of mana in the open sea is lower than on land, so I think tracking the dungeon master will be easier," Femradiel added.

"You say tracking, but we are going to get lost in there," Ryan said. "I can't see us succeeding."

"You can rest assured, I have a great sense of direction," Femradiel said. "We won't get lost, but if at some point you feel that has happened, we can teleport back to the starting point after using some potions. It is your call."

Since Ryan didn't have a better idea, he decided to follow Femradiel's lead. As it turned out, they found something pretty soon. After crossing over a few dozen kilometers, they found an island... a moving island. At first, Ryan felt that something was off since the island was quite round, too round in fact, but then they noticed that it was an artificial island. One couldn't find trees or even sand in that place. It was almost like a big piece of the city Ryan found before had broken apart and began to float. The only difference was that Ryan couldn't see a single building at the top of it and that from a distance, it would be hard to notice it.

"There are some presences in there," Femradiel said.

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“What? How?” Ryan asked. “That isn’t possible, unless...”

“The creatures I am feeling are hidden underground,” Femradiel said. “They aren’t powerful, in fact, their presences are quite weak.”

Underground... until now, all the things that Ryan experienced were quite fantasy-like, but now he imagined an underground facility created by the mad scientist that made the chimeras. That was more like a sci-fi setting. In any case, based on what Femradiel said, some test subjects were probably being held in those fake islands.

“What are we going to do?” Femradiel asked. “Our goal here is to find the dungeon master, but maybe we can find some clues in there.”

“Let’s check it,” Ryan said. “Unless the dungeon master has some technology under his control that grants him the chance to monitor such an island at a distance, he shouldn’t be able to monitor it with magic. While a floating island still is a place, I would bet that some skills wouldn’t help in confirming its location.”

In the end, when they landed on the island, they soon confirmed what Femradiel said earlier. It was barely noticeable, but someone with eyes as good as Ryan would have it noticed. There were some lines on the surface of the fake island, lines that showed them what seemed to be a hidden door.

“Do you feel any presence right below us?” Ryan asked.

“No,” Femradiel replied.

After hearing that, Ryan kicked the ground, and then it cracked. He kicked again, and this time a hole opened in the ground. While Ryan held back a little bit, he still was quite surprised at the resilience of the ground. He imagined it would be weaker; it was light enough to float. In any case, the hole revealed what seemed to be an underground prison. However, instead of cages, Ryan saw several beds with several types of monsters sleeping in there. They were probably sleeping because a tube of a certain machine was connected to the veins in their right arms... they had been sedated.

“Well, at least they didn’t disappoint me,” Ryan said. “Still, I was hoping to see things a little bit more... dreadful.”

Ryan has dozens of monsters in that underground... warehouse. That was probably what that place truly was, a place where the dungeon master of that world kept their test subjects. That being said, Ryan didn’t find many common creatures in the beds. Most of them were creatures that belonged to tier three dungeons.

“Weak body parts will only provide weak skills and statuses,” Femradiel said. “So, since our foes are insane and greedy, they won’t waste their time playing with weak monsters.”

Ryan and Femradiel found Minotaurs, ice foxes, and even some grey treants, but they didn’t find the creatures that gave angel wings to the humans or the demonic horns. Those creatures in that warehouse were completely fine. At least for the time being.

In the end, Ryan finished them off with a single arrow in their hearts. Monsters they may be, but even they deserved some sort of relief from that situation. Death was probably the ultimate thing that they wanted after their freedom had been stolen, just like the ability to stay awake.

You obtained 120 coins.

You obtained 110 coins.

You obtained 150 coins.

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While Ryan received some coins for that, he didn’t feel anything due to it. Instead of celebrating for ending the purpose of that warehouse, he began to look around in search of some clues. However, they only found some machines whose sole purpose was to keep the monsters barely alive. Moreover, they were using electricity to work, so there was no chance of Femradiel finding any traces of mana of the dungeon master.

“I am starting to get tired of this,” Ryan said.

“Well, if we keep looking for the dungeon master and bumping into places like this, we are bound to find them,” Femradiel said. “As long as a week destroying it.”

Ryan teleported back to outside, and then alongside Femradiel, they used Ice Breath to freeze the whole island. After turning the whole place into an iceberg, Ryan noticed that the electronic devices stopped working. That should make the dungeon master feel a little bit of Ryan’s annoyance.

After Femradiel discovered that there were some monsters locked inside those islands, finding others became relatively easy. They found several islands in just a few hours, and they froze them after investigating the interior. However, they didn’t notice any changes in that world... the dungeon master still was ignoring them. However, things changed when they found a pretty big island. Not only was the place massive in terms of wideness, but it was also pretty tall for some reason. The dungeon master created some hills on that island... and neither Ryan nor Femradiel could understand why, so they just approached the place to check the interior.

“Stop,” Ryan and Femradiel suddenly heard an angry male voice. “If you stop now, I will forgive you for your offenses.”

Ryan and Femradiel looked in all directions, but they didn’t find or feel anything. The dungeon master was looking at them, but he certainly wasn’t using Clairvoyance. His timing was just too good for him to be using the dungeon master’s system to locate them. In any case, that place was important for the dungeon master, so the way to lure him out of his basement had been discovered.

Ryan teleported to the island and, without wasting any time, proceeded to kick the ground. Still, much to his surprise, that island was sturdier than the others... It looked like the chimeras’ master decided to pay more attention to whatever was caged in there. Still, a sturdy floor wasn’t something that would stop Ryan. After he summoned several Magic Bows, he proceeded to attack the place.

“I said... stop!” The dungeon master’s roar echoed through the area, but that didn’t stop Ryan.

Ryan only felt more motivated to attack, and then when the first cracks began to appear, the whole island began to tremble. It looked like he finally made the dungeon master play his hand...

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“I think you should move away from this place,” Femradiel said. “Something very powerful is coming... the largest presence I have felt until now since I arrived on your planet.”

Ryan didn't have to hear that warning twice. After all, even he began to feel a presence below them. That was odd, they didn't feel a single presence before, and then something massive appeared.

After teleporting away from the island, Ryan saw from above the whole place shattering into pieces. Then a mysterious but massive figure appeared in front of them. It wasn't like the previous mountain-sized golem, but that one had at least double of the size of an ordinary dragon.

The creature managed to stay still even above water thanks to Water-Walking. Thanks to it, Ryan and Femradiel managed to see the whole creature, but it was kind of hard to believe in what they were seeing.

“It is a fucking Godzilla,” Ryan said.

“No... that is a Crystal Tyrant Dragon,” Femradiel said.

While the creature resembled quite a bit the monster from the cinemas, Ryan noticed that the monster had many features that felt out of place. The beast's scales were transparent like glass. That was why Femradiel said that thing was a Crystal something. Even its eyes were entirely white. Aside from that, the overall form of the body made Ryan resemble a Godzilla. That was probably why Femradiel said that thing was a Tyrant Dragon. It would be pretty awesome if Femradiel could build a body like that, she would be unstoppable.

However, the monster also had certain features that looked really out of place. One of them was the massive dark horn at the top of its forehead and the three pairs of angel-like wings on the creature's back. The dungeon master certainly liked to add demon and angel features in the things he modified.

“I can't say that I had even seen a Crystal dragon before,” Ryan said.



“They are extremely rare since they are a mutation,” Femradiel said. “I am pretty sure that the Tyrant species of dragons weren’t supposed to give birth to a creature like that. Crystal dragons are supposed to be pretty fast at flying, but one that has such a body is...”

“How do you know that?” Ryan asked. “Weren’t you supposed to have amnesia?”

“I am using my instincts to confirm those things,” Femradiel replied.

While that was weird, it wasn’t time for Ryan to think about that. In any case, that Crystal Tyrant Dragon whatever certainly was a chimera. No wonder the dungeon master finally did something, that was a rare species of monster... and that made Ryan wonder, where did he find such massive horns and wings?

“Why did you come to my world, human?” The crystal dragon opened his mouth, and Ryan frowned when he heard the creature speaking proper English.

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Health: ???/???

Mana: ???/???

Stamina: ???/???

Strength: ???

Dexterity: ???

Speed: ???

Intelligence: ???

Endurance: ???

Control: ???

Mentality: ???

Luck: ???

Recovery: ???

Willpower: ???

Coins: —

Status: —

Skill List

Offensive Physical Skills: ???, ???, ???

Passive Physical Skills: ???, ???, ???

Spells: ???, ???, ???

Support Skills: ???, ???, ???

“I swear it... I fucking hate Mind Armor,” Ryan said after he clicked his tongue. “I am a tax collector and I came because you need to pay for your services on Earth.”

After saying that, Ryan summoned a magic copy of Hydra’s Bow and then fired. However, despite the fearsome speed of the projectile, the dungeon master grabbed the magic projectile with a single hand. That thing certainly had the speed of the crystal dragons Femradiel mentioned...

It looked like that foe would be a pain to deal with... not only the dungeon master could create Chimeras, but he also could assume the bodies of the same Chimeras... while both skills probably had a limit, Ryan didn’t know if he would last long in a battle of endurance, he sucked at that, after all.

“We are at war, we are single pieces in a bigger board game,” The dungeon master said. “And you have come to fight me because I made use of my turn? Truly, you humans truly are a primitive species. You can’t even understand what you are doing and why, and yet, you come to waste your time and my time.”

After saying that, the dungeon master opened its mouth and then fired a light beam toward Ryan. He used Teleport to escape the attack, but Ryan saw the air vibrating through space where the laser passed. As if that wasn’t crazy enough, Ryan could see a massive hole in the sky... the clouds that got hit by the laser vanished without a trace. As for the true color of the sky, it was gray as well... but at that point in time, Ryan had already imagined that was the case.

Ryan had teleported to behind the monster and prepared to use the Immobilizing Crossbow alongside with Vital Hunter. Still, then suddenly, his body began to get heavier. It didn’t take long for Ryan to see what had happened.

Congratulations! The skill Gravity Resistance has leveled up.

Congratulations! The skill Gravity Immunity has leveled up.

“The good old gravity magic,” Ryan muttered while he was having a hard time keeping himself flying. “Annoying bastard...”

The range of that spell was massive. Even though Ryan was five hundred meters away from the dungeon master, he could tell that everything between himself and the monster had been caught in a massive and powerful gravity field.

Ryan teleported away in order to decrease the effectiveness of the spell. Still, much to his surprise, the distance between himself and the monster didn't decrease... that was odd. Ryan confirmed that his mana decreased, so he certainly used Teleport.

"It looks like he has some trick up his sleeve that prevents you from getting away from him," Femradial said. "It doesn't matter what you try to do, you will have to deal with him in this range."

Ryan hoped to hear a solution coming from Femradial's mouth, not a problem. In any case, he quickly accepted that fact and just began his preparations to fight like that.

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Ryan began to fire with several magic copies of his Immobilizing Crossbow while Vital Hunter was active. However, after just a couple of bolts landed, the massive monster flew toward his direction and, in a single instant, was right in front of Ryan and ready to smash him with its right arm as if Ryan was a fly.

Even before the impact, Ryan felt his bones cracking since the effectiveness of the gravity field increased tenfold when the monster was that close. However, Ryan teleported to behind the monster and began to attack the monster's neck. While the crystal-like scales seemed pretty fragile, Ryan's bolts didn't leave a single scratch.

"How can a monster that was supposed to be a specialist at flying be this sturdy, Femradial?" Ryan asked.

"It is tyrant, didn't you want one of these because of their sturdiness?" Femradial asked. "It seems that you also forgot that this dungeon master likes to mix traits of several creatures to create all-rounder creatures."

Instead of masters of none, all the Chimeras faced so far were truly a pain in the ass in all aspects. So, he should have expected something like that from the dungeon master's ultimate weapon. The massive

monster suddenly turned around, and then Ryan was pushed back several meters away just by the movement of the wind.

The creature tried to fry Ryan alive with the energy beam that flew from its mouth again. Still, the very moment the beast opened its mouth, Ryan used Flash and appeared at the top of the monster's head. While he was trying to attack a single point and notice any difference in Vital Hunter's efficiency, Ryan also equipped his Pestilence Crossbow + 10 and fired several times in a row. However, the monster's flesh wasn't poisoned since even in the parts where one couldn't find scales, Ryan found a thin crystal-like layer of defense.

"This just keeps getting better and better," Ryan muttered and then used Teleport to escape when he saw a massive claw moving towards him.

The air vibrated when the dungeon master hit its head when it tried to crush Ryan. Even a single slap probably has enough power to kill Ryan... despite that, he wasn't that nervous. How many times had he fought enemies that could just kill him with their weight alone? Too many to count.

"Try to use the Thunderlord Crossbow," Femradiel said.

If the poison wasn't working and his first strategy probably would take too long to work, Ryan might as well follow Femradiel's advice. Although Ryan wasn't expecting much, when his first bolt landed, he noticed that the dungeon master flinched, for a millisecond, to be precise. Perhaps that had been Ryan's imagination, but then when he created several magic copies of his crossbow and used them, Ryan clearly noticed that the dungeon master stopped for a fraction of a second whenever his electric bolts hit.

"Annoying worm," the dungeon master.

"Says the guy who doesn't have the courage to show himself," Ryan said. "I am pretty sure even flies have more courage than someone like you who decided to defile the bodies of other creatures and then use them like someone wearing armor. You make me sick. Crushing you with my feet will be extremely satisfying."

It was quite rare for Ryan to go to the point where he would say things like that. In fact, Femradiel couldn't remember a single time where he debated with his foe. In the past, it was evident that Ryan didn't see his enemies like real adversaries. Still, just like an obstacle, he had to surpass.

When Ryan tried to attack with his electric bolts again, the dungeon master sent a gust of wind through the palm of its hands to repel the projectiles. Much to Ryan's annoyance, it worked pretty well.

"Don't feel too bad about it," Femradiel said. "At least he obviously used much more mana than you."

Femradiel certainly isn't good at comforting others since it was evident that the mana pool of that dungeon master was bigger than anything Ryan could have ever imagined. However, at least her words gave Ryan some insight, her previous words.

When the monster opened its mouth again, Ryan repeated his previous strategy and then used Flash toward the monster's head. From that up close, no gust of wind would stop his bolts, but the dungeon master's natural armor would also be a pain. However, before the beast could try to crush Ryan with its claws again, he heard a crack at the top of his head.

"Wow... it worked," Femradiel muttered in surprise.

Ryan attacked several times in the same spot, with his Frozen Crossbow and Fire Master Crossbow. After freezing and heating the same sport over and over again, Ryan's attacks finally caused a crack at the top of the monster's head.

"What did you do, worm?" the dungeon master asked.

"You should see for yourself," Ryan replied.

Before the dungeon master could try anything, Ryan equipped his Pestilence Crossbow and finally managed to poison the beast when the real skin of the creature was scratched by the bolt. As expected, even the creature's skin was challenging but wasn't at the same level as the crystal layer.

Suddenly, the monster felt a little sharp pain at the top of its head and then decided to act before Ryan could cause even more damage. Still, the dungeon master regretted his choice since it failed at crushing Ryan and hit the Spiritualist's Spear Ryan had put in there. The weapon pierced the monster's head and caused massive damage... even though the weapon was also destroyed thanks to it.

"Oh, well... I have thirty of those, so it is fine," Ryan shrugged.

"It is very weird to see you being positive about something," Femradiel said.

Although Ryan wanted to give a proper reply to Femradiel, he gave up on it since he felt earth-shattering anger coming from the eyes of the dungeon master. As expected, he was quite pissed since he fell for an obvious trick. Regardless, Ryan couldn't care less about it.

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Despite their anger, the dungeon master changed his fighting style in an unexpected way. Instead of firing beams of light, the creature fired Mana Arrows toward Ryan. While he managed to evade those, the stream of arrows was so constant that Ryan was forced to use Flash pretty much at every single moment.

"He isn't foolish enough to let his anger control his actions," Femradiel said. "As expected, this enemy will be hard to kill."

As much as Ryan wanted to deny that, he couldn't. However, Ryan had the resilience of a cockroach so that things wouldn't end that easily. Besides, Ryan already found a way to deal some damage over time on the beast, so he just had to repeat that. However, when his eyes started to glint with that plan, the dungeon master put his left hand above its head. He somehow managed to read what Ryan would do... even without using any Mind Reading technique...

"Are you going to fight like that?" Ryan asked. "That certainly is a weird fighting posture."

Ryan's taunt didn't work as he had expected, the dungeon master furrowed his eyebrows in annoyance, but the creature didn't do anything aside from that. At least for a while... Ryan suddenly saw the left hand of the beast glowing, and he noticed that the beast was doing something. In the end, he didn't

even have to see what had happened. The creature moved his left hand away as if the wound wasn't there, to begin with. He repaired the crystal layer that Ryan had destroyed.

"What an idiot..." Ryan said.

Ryan made two magic copies of the Hydra's Bow and then enchanted them with his fire and ice enchantment. Before the monster could notice what he had done, he fired. In the end, the crystal of the monster's hands cracked, and a lot of shards began to fall. The beast tried to block both attacks, but that had been the result. After a couple of moments, the monster looked at his wounded hand for quite a while.

"What's wrong?" Ryan asked. "Did you really believe that your monster is a perfect creature or something?"

Ryan bombarded the dungeon master with his enchanted arrows, the monster tried once again to grab both projectiles at the same time, but upon doing so, both arrows exploded, freezing and burning the area around their hands. Although that didn't end with the same result, Ryan and the monster still found some cracks in the monster's crystal-like armor.

While Ryan was getting carried away with his taunts, the dungeon master visibly got more pissed. The creature repaired itself several times, but for some reason, the dungeon master couldn't do that and attack at the same time, probably because he was using a body that wasn't his. He had draconic powers, but at the same time, he didn't have. Ryan considered the idea of pouring even more gasoline into the creature's anger by showing him the true power of a draconic transformation. Still, in the end, he decided not to do it. No one could imagine what might happen if a mad scientist in the body of a rare species of dragon might do if he gets really angry.

That situation continued like that for quite a while. Ryan attacked and shattered the crystal around the monster's body, and then the beast assumed a defensive position while it was repairing the damaged areas. Ryan used those moments to cause even more damage, so things were at a stalemate.

Instead of repairing the crystal layer, after a while and every suddenly, the beast charged toward Ryan, and the gravity field increased in power. A massive wave was formed due to that movement, but Ryan managed to dodge the attack by using Teleport. He appeared behind the creature, but before he could attack, several scales of the monster's body flew toward him at lightning speed. This time Ryan failed at reacting in time, but Femradiel didn't. Several times in a few precious moments, she created several Ice Walls. Dozens of them were shattered to pieces due to the speed and sharpness of the scales, but the



last one managed to withstand the attack. In the end, even though he failed at preventing that, Ryan had the nerve to grab the scales and store them in his spatial storage. They might be handy later.

For some reason, the monster didn't try the same attack again, even though its speed was fearsome. Ryan also noticed that the beast didn't try to repair the lost scales... at least the now unprotected parts. That was suspicious. Either the monster couldn't repair something that big, or it required some time and concentration to do it.

Ryan pointed his bows at the places that weren't protected by scales anymore, but the dungeon master put his left hand to protect those places. At the same time, the monster attacked Ryan once again with a rain of Mana Arrows.

"Suddenly his actions look all out of place," Ryan muttered.

"He might be trying to fool you into thinking that he is planning something dangerous," Femradiel said. "That way, he will make you hesitate."

Once again, Ryan decided to listen to Femradiel, and while he didn't stop his guard, he didn't stop attacking. That game of one side attacking and the other defending began to repair itself again, but not for long.

Suddenly, Ryan and Femradiel noticed that the dungeon master's presence began to change. While that body didn't grow, the creature suddenly seemed more powerful. Ryan knew that feeling. It was the same when he activated several buffs on himself. The creature decided to go all out. They confirmed that when a massive crystal sword appeared in the monster's right hand.

"Oh, shit... a weapon like that looks so cool," Ryan said. "I want one."

"I don't think that it is time for you to be amazed," Femradiel said.

Ryan only noticed that when he fired another pair of arrows and the monster blocked them without much trouble. The weapon didn't tremble either.