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You obtained 4.986.325.471 coins.

Gungnir

Effect: A legendary spear that grants the user the power to hit the enemy no matter what with direct and indirect attacks. Only the god of magic can wield this weapon and show its true capabilities.

Strength + 2000, Intelligence + 2000, Recovery + 2000

Durability: 10.000

Mithril Crossbow of the Unrivalled Sorcerer (Mythological) (Cursed)

Effect: It grants you the power to fire bolts of the following elements without restrictions: fire, water, wind, earth, light, and darkness. Each bolt will consume five hundred points of mana and apply effects according to their nature. It causes ten percent more damage against elder gods.

Dexterity + 2400, Intelligence +2400

Durability: 1500/1500

Congratulations! For defeating Odin, you have become a Level one Magic Lord!

You obtained the following skills: Odin's Eye, Runic Knowledge, and Mana Control.

All of your statuses have increased and will increase by one hundred points once this class levels up.

Congratulations! You have learned the skill: Odin's Eye.

Effect: It grants you the power to see the movement of all things affected by mana in the physical and non-physical realm.

You obtained 01 status points.

Congratulations! You have learned the skill: Runic Knowledge.

Effect: It grants you the power to create magic runes that will affect the properties of all kinds of things. The power and the duration of the rune will rely on the level of this skill. The number of things you will be able to do with runes will also increase with this skill level.

You obtained 01 status points.

Congratulations! You have learned the skill: Mana Control.

Effect: It grants you the power to control your mana and the mana in the environment freely. You only can't control the mana in someone else's body. The amount of mana you can control will be equal to the level of this skill multiplied by one hundred points.

You obtained 01 status points.

"It is finally over..." Ryan said and then let himself fall on the ground after a long sigh.

"To think that I would be the first of my people to be defeated..." Odin said. "Considering that Poseidon was also the first of the Greek, it isn't all that surprising... What is this? I can feel Asgardian blood in your veins... Loki, huh. I should have known."

As usual, the speed Odin perceived things was insane. Ryan could only hope that he would be that fast now that he had Odin's eye. Fortunately, it seemed like, unlike Poseidon and Thanatos, Odin wasn't enraged for being used to create a crossbow.

"I am surprised that you are surprised by this, father," Loki's voice suddenly echoed in the area. "I am trying my best to surprise you, but it is kind of becoming repetitive always to surprise you."

"You should try to get a new hobby, then," Odin said. "What is your end goal this time, Loki? You should know that we will need all this planet's resources for the final battle."

"Let's not worry about the future and enjoy the present," Loki said. "Still, I find some fault in your logic. Why didn't you try to convince more humans to join your side if you are that worried? Why didn't you try to be a bit more reasonable to convince Isis to join your side?"

"Our natures are too far apart," Odin said. "Even if she has the power to defeat even Hades when it comes down to it, she isn't ready to do what it takes."

"As usual... you always talk in riddles," Loki said and didn't sound very amused this time. "What about the humans? You ended up being bested by one of them, after all, and I didn't have to share my strategy to defeat you."

Odin didn't say anything. He was a pretty famous figure, so if he had tried to help some humans in the beginning, he should have a pretty powerful and large made of humans by now, but for some reason, he didn't. Ryan could only imagine that it was due to his nature as a Norse god. Only the best warriors can enter Valhalla and his ranks or something. Ryan didn't intend to judge people by his own standards when those have been living throughout the ages, but that kind of thing seemed really old.

"In any case, you should hide those weapons and return to the base, Ryan," Loki said. "Your friend is about to defeat Baldr, and the Norse gods are retreating now that they feel that Odin was defeated. Femradial defeated Aphrodite, and Isis is almost there in her fight against Helios."

"What the..." Odin said, surprised.

“Ah, I forgot to mention,” Loki said, and the amusement in his voice returned. “I convinced Hel not to return to Earth for a while, and I also sealed Vidar so that he won’t be a problem for the time being. The Norse and Greek gods are retreating now, but they might come here and fight you.”

Hel was Loki’s daughter and ruler of the underworld in Norse mythology, so he probably knew very well how to deal with her. As for Vidar, he was the god of vengeance... Ryan couldn’t imagine how strong he was or how Loki sealed him.

Regardless, Ryan decided to follow Loki’s advice this time. He still was a suspicious character, but he could do at least that much without worries. Before leaving, Ryan confirmed that the army of drakes was withdrawing, and then he found Daniel and Baldr fighting in the southern side of the state. Ryan saw the exact moment Daniel’s sword pierced Baldr’s heart, but in the end, he stopped there and then used Seal on him to create another sword.

“The asshole is copying me... well, I suppose it is better than killing the enemy for good,” Ryan said. “We still don’t know what might happen if we kill the elder gods, after all.”

In any case, Ryan used Teleport and then returned to Egypt. A powerful hug given by Femradiel welcomed him.. She was tired and wounded as well, so both of them looked like they hadn’t won any battles.

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While Femradiel wanted to celebrate as soon as possible, she decided to be patient and wait for news on Isis and Athena’s side. Even if they managed to decrease the number of enemies by seven in a single day, it didn’t mean that they could celebrate if they lost one or two of the few allies that they had. After a while, though, they finally showed up and basically at the first time. Isis looked refreshed, but Athena looked troubled... lately, she always looked troubled over something.

“It seems we all won this time. Good work, everyone,” Isis said.

“I can’t say that I won, though,” Athena said with her arms crossed. “The leader of that army of demons never showed up, not even when I was fighting and ignoring my surroundings.”

“Hmm... it seems the demons were waiting for our sideshow some weakness,” Isis concluded. “Since Lilith was defeated, their Eastern army wouldn’t receive any help, even if they somehow defeated you. Regardless, it seems that all the Greek and Norse gods have withdrawn. This is a success. On the other hand... I am pretty sure everyone already knows that Loki and Athena are on our side. Athena was pretty close to where Femradiel defeated Aphrodite, after all.”

“A total withdrawn seems a bit too good to be true...” Ryan frowned. “Knowing how bloodthirsty some of them can be, I expected that some of them would try to attack and recover the new weapons to free the elder gods.”

“What do you know about this, Loki?” Isis asked.

“I got no clue,” Loki shrugged.

When people starts to think they can rely on him, then he acts like that. Regardless, everyone knew that the situation still was a bit weird. The enemies won’t fall for the same surprise attacks as before, so they had to be cautious.

“Well, we won the first day of this war, but there will be tougher battles in the future,” Isis said. “Let’s rest well, but without lowering our guard.”

Ryan had been only awake for a few hours, but he felt like sleeping once again. Fortunately, his fever was nowhere to be seen, so it seemed that some hardcore exercise completely made him recover from whatever sickness that put him down on the bed for several weeks.

After spending so much time there, Ryan felt really comfortable in the patient’s room, so he jumped into bed there and then prepared to sleep, but then Femradiel hugged him from behind. That wasn’t bad, but it was a bit troublesome, anymore contact than that, and Ryan won’t be able to keep his cool due to the softness he was feeling on his back thanks to Femradiel’s natural armor that provided zero defense. Still, it was quite a sight for sore eyes.

“So, you are showing your true colors,” Ryan said. “I am sorry, Femradiel, but we don’t have time for that.”

“Shut up. This is the reward that I demand,” Feramdiel said.

“Well... aren’t you quite pure-hearted?” Ryan frowned. “I thought dragons were supposed to be symbols of the seven deadly sins... in any case. I guess we can consider this a reward for me as well.”

Furball, who had been standing on guard outside the city, finally returned. It seemed that he had felt the presence of his master and decided that it was time to rest as well. While the people and the monsters of that city didn’t have to fight since morning, they still had a lot of work to do.

“Hey there, buddy,” Ryan said. “If you notice that she is trying to brainwash me, you can lick her face without hesitation. Don’t worry about the consequences. I got your back.”

Femradiel looked at Furball like she was trying to tell with her eyes alone how she would punish him if he did that. Even without words, the threat had been highly effective since Furball lowered his head and then whined.

Using Sleep Manipulation, Ryan put himself to sleep, but not before he activated some skills. Thanks to Mana Control and Mana Magnetism, Ryan could obtain a lot of mana from the surroundings, so he used that to level up Void World while he slept. He had some coins that he gained after defeating Odin, but Ryan decided to save those to do something else.

Maybe it was due to his own magic that made him fall asleep easily, or perhaps it was due to the softness of Femradiel’s boobs on his back. Ryan slept really well that night. Even while sleeping, he managed to make Void World reach level twenty, and he certainly will be able to use that on his daily routine. In any case, when he opened his eyes, he saw Merlin floating above him, and he realized that he would be a troublesome existence for reasons like that.

“I am sensing some hostility,” Merlin said.

“Your sensors might be broken... this isn’t just hostility. It is plain killing intent,” Ryan said. “Nevertheless... can you make the calculations about how many coins I will need to level up the Sea Lord class to the max level?”

“You will need... 6.555.329.921 coins,” Merlin replied.

That class was the closest to reaching the max level compared to all the classes Ryan gained when he defeated dungeon masters. He had a feeling that the class would evolve as well. After all, those classes had a lot in common with the draconic ones. In any case, he will have to defeat another difficult opponent to obtain that many coins... or at least another army of the size and as strong as the drake's army.

"I can't cheat on that, so maybe I will need mana to solve that problem..." Ryan rubbed his chin thoughtfully.

Ryan had tons of loot that he gained in the battle of the previous day, and he also had a lot of essences to create mana potions. So, he will have to gather a lot of mana doing that. The problem was the time, Void World could solve that problem, but it will cost some extra mana.

"Oh, well... Mana Control is leveling up pretty fast, and it will level up faster there, so it is not really a problem," Ryan shrugged and then entered his Void World.

Class: Apocalyptic Archer Lv 21 (+ 07 UP)/ Storm Caster Lv 61 (+ 02 UP)/ Crystal Archer Lv 85 (+ 04 UP)

Race: Night Demon /Reptilian Champion/ Lord of the Ice Foxes (-)

Rank: 1st

Health: 38371/38371 (59,75/s)

Mana: 42388/42388 (59,75/s)

Stamina: 41430/41030 (59,75/s)

Strength: 1881 (+21422) (+130)

Dexterity: 67533 (+28655) (+550)

Speed: 2270 (+23410) (+548)

Intelligence: 2352 (+19595) (+33)

Endurance: 2398 (+20395) (+160)

Control: 2476 (2450) (+510)

Mentality: 2452 (+17195) (+70)

Luck: 2080 (+13560)

Recovery: 8450 (+29050) (+1045)

Willpower: 2452 (+17193) (+40)

Coins: 5.111.986.145

Status: 00

Skill List

Offensive Physical Skills: Power Shot Lv 215 (+ 30 UP), Barrage Lv 01, Currency Damage Lv 01,

Passive Physical Skills: Eagle Eyes Lv 258 (+ 19 UP), Concentration Lv 258 (+ 19 UP), Archery Lv 258 (+ 19 UP), Accuracy Lv 258 (+ 19 UP),



Spells: Draconic Transformation Lv 265 (+ 25 UP), Frost Armor Lv 249 (+ 15 UP), Ice Breath Lv 299 (+ 25 UP), Smite Lv 01, Solar Eclipse Lv 01, Solar Enchantment Lv 01, Odin's Eye Lv 01, Runic Knowledge Lv 01, Mana Control Lv 06 (+ 05 UP)

Support Skills: Electric Resistance Lv 233 (+ 74 UP), Shock Resistance Lv 202 (+ 55 UP), Conversion Lv 113 (+ 39 UP), Electric Immunity Lv 112 (+ 49 UP)

Classes:

Combat: Hero Lv 04 (+ 03 UP), Celestial Archer Lv 09 (+ 08 UP), Electromancer Lv 15 (+ 14 UP), Celestial Warmage Lv 01, Magic Lord Lv 04 (+ 03 UP),

Non-Combatant: Transmuter Lv 39 (+ 13 UP), Time Mage Lv 27 (+ 05 UP), Sloth Lord Lv 18 (+ 03 UP),

Race: Centaur, Dragon, Kobold, Triton, Asgardian,

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Time was of the essence, so Ryan didn't waste a single minute. He drained the mana of thousands of items, and soon enough, Soul Eater was filled with mana yet again. He did the same with the potions, but once again, based on Merlin's calculations, it wasn't enough... maybe Ryan should turn his mithril armor into mana. It was too big anyway, and against Odin, it didn't help all that much. It didn't work even against Baldr.

"Well, it didn't work because of their abilities, and armor like that still grants me a massive boost in my defense," Ryan muttered while rubbing his chin thoughtfully. "Maybe I should ask Nakine if he can lend me some mithril..."

"Fear not! For I am here to solve all your problems," Loki's voice echoed through the Void World.

"Loki... I knew that you were an annoying guy, but I didn't know you were a peeping Tom," Ryan furrowed his eyebrows.

“What are you talking about? I just felt that one of my friends was in trouble, and I came to help!” Loki said. “I wasn’t spying on anyone.”

That was obviously bullshit. Still, rather than that, Ryan was more interested in how he could enter Void Worlds like that. He didn’t enter, but his voice could work inside... things would have been a lot easier if he had used that when they were under Hypnos’ influence.

“You know, I can help you with your problems, and you can help with mine,” Loki said.

“I see... you want something more, even though we already sold you several domains,” Ryan said. “Let me guess. You want Echidna’s domain.”

“You are pretty smart, Ryan,” Loki said.

“I can only feel shivers and annoyance when you praise me,” Ryan frowned. “Regardless, that domain belongs to Femradiel, and I won’t ask her to hand it over. In any case, since I am done here, I will just hunt some monsters and steal their mana. Or even better, I can ask Femradiel to summon some monsters here, and I will steal their mana with Soul Eater. That is a pretty efficient way to reach my goal.”

“Well, that is up to you, but I wasn’t planning to tell you about a world of mine that I have been keeping as a secret,” Loki said. “Thanks to that, I have a nearly infinite supply of mana.”

“Good for you,” Ryan said without showing any interest.

“Come on, don’t be like that,” Loki said. “Come to my domain in Spain, and I will show you something impressive.”

Ryan wondered if he should waste time with or not. Knowing Loki, he was insane enough to make his allies waste time in such an important time. However, he knew that Ryan wasn’t by far one of the most patient people in the world, so he wouldn’t dare do that.

“All right... but if I think that this trip was a waste of time, I will demand compensation,” Ryan said.

“I am sure you won’t be disappointed,” Loki said, and Ryan could imagine the grin on his face.

Ryan canceled Void World and then sighed. It was already time for breakfast, but Femradiel still was snoring. Somehow, he freed himself from her arms and then left by using Teleport. He wondered if he should have warned the others about his leave, but in the end, Ryan wasn’t the type of person who felt the need to report every single one of his actions to his allies. No matter who they are.

Thanks to Soul Eater, he reached Loki’s domain in a single instant and then moved to the dungeon as well. On the next planet, he found Loki and a portal on his side. Weirdly enough, this portal granted him the chance to see the other side, and in there, Ryan saw a completely blue world.

“What is that?” Ryan frowned.

Instead of replying, Loki made the image approach the planet, and then Ryan saw that the world was filled with small blue plants. Much to Ryan’s surprise, he actually could appraise those plants.

Blue Angel.

Effect: A spiritual plant that has magical powers. When its leaves are eaten, they recover your mana by ten points. Each plant can bore five leaves, and a new leaf can appear once every five days.

“... A pretty interesting plant indeed,” Ryan frowned. “You cultivated an entire world to multiply those?”

“Yes and no,” Loki replied. “Using them like this wouldn’t be that efficient. That is why I transform them into mana liquid.”

Loki said and then showed another part of the world where some humans and creatures of all kinds of species were working harvesting them and transforming them into mana liquid after turning them into powder. Ryan bet that he could drain the mana liquid with Soul Eater... if he had a decent size stock of those plants, he would be able to charge Soul Eater between battles, and he will have the power to level up classes even when he isn’t fighting or training.

“So, you want to trade Femradiel’s domain for this world?” Ryan asked.

“Ha-ha, that was funny,” Loki said. “You are smart, but you are not smarter than me. In exchange for that domain. I would give you one billion points of mana every day.”

That seemed too good to be true... besides, what does Loki do with so much mana? Probably something very worrisome, still, those humans and the other creatures didn’t uncomfortable working like that. Then again, there was a chance that he was only showing an illusion.

“I can teleport you to that planet if you are that suspicious,” Loki said.

“No, it is fine,” Ryan said. “I will talk with Femradiel and see if she wants to do the trade. Talk with you later.”

Before Loki could say anything, Ryan left. Truth to be told, he wasn’t going to ask Femradiel anything. He just learned something pretty useful.. Even though Ryan couldn’t replicate the same method to obtain a stupid amount of mana, now he knew that he could do many things aside from just relying on skills to recover that.

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As soon as Ryan returned, he was welcomed with eyes full of criticism from Femradiel, Isis, and Athena. They knew where he had gone and who he had met, so it was only obvious that they would look at him that way.

“What? Do you think that I am the kind of person who would get along with Loki and plot something behind you guys’ back?” Ryan frowned.

“No, but why be so secretive?” Femradiel asked.

“If I were secretive, I would deny the event,” Ryan said. “Even though I knew it would be useless. Anyway, did something happens?”

“No... aside from the demons, the elder gods aren’t making any moves,” Isis replied. “By the way, may I ask, what did you talk with Loki?”

“He only showed me what he wanted to offer in exchange for Echidna’s domain,” Ryan replied. “I am not really interested in giving something that isn’t mine, so the negotiation is over. You guys look like you want to learn more about what he showed me... he just showed me how he has a stupid amount of reserves of mana. Unlike many of you might imagine, he isn’t doing anything shady to have that... I think.”

“... Putting that aside, the demons are attacking my army, but they are not even trying,” Athena said. “We need to make our move before the elder gods plan to do something unexpected.”

“Can they even do that without Odin?” Femradriel asked. “I thought he was the heart of the Norse gods. As for the Greek gods, they already lost many of them. Unless they plan to attack us at the same time, I can’t see them achieving much.”

“It might take some time, but those who are cool-headed enough will realize and convince others that this is the best way for them,” Athena explained. “They are starting to realize that every time they fail, we gain more power. Directly and indirectly.”

Athena was talking about the weapons they created using the spirits of the elder gods and the fact that the followers of the other side were also growing less fond of their leaders that kept losing battle after battle against a smaller group. While that was a good weapon on their side, it could stir up all the remaining enemies and cause the worst-case scenario: an all-out war where all the gods of Norse or Greek mythology will show up to fight.

“I was planning to decrease the strength of the demons once again, but in this type of condition where all our enemies are on alert, it might cause more trouble than help,” Isis said. “The places where the demons have high-concentrations of survivors. If a battle between us and then take place in there, many bystanders will lose their lives.”

“So, we can only wait and see what will happen?” Femradriel frowned. “That doesn’t seem the smartest thing to do when we have the upper hand.”

“I agree, but staying low now will help us recover from the damage we received, not to mention, the enemies will realize that we won’t make any mistakes now that we accomplished so much,” Isis added. “That will make them grew even warier of us. They won’t attack so soon, and that will also let us the time to adapt to our new powers and weapons.”

“Now that those things had been solved... can you care to explain what that thing is?” Athena asked while pointing to Merlin.

“A little something that I gained when I became the strongest human,” Ryan replied. “Its name is Merlin, and according to with he/she/it, it was created by the same person who created the classes and added it to the system.”

“I thought that was just the system evolving and humans adapting to their new powers...” Isis furrowed her eyebrows. “As expected, someone is interested in helping the humans that part of the system didn’t exist a long time ago.”

“Well, let’s not be hasty. According to Merlin, the so-called help granted us power, but it also caused certain problems,” Ryan said. “The monsters grew stronger faster, the dungeons leveled up faster, and you guys returned much sooner than expected.”

“That was something we also assumed incorrectly,” Athena said while looking at Isis. “We thought that the levels of mana increased faster than other planets because this world had mana a long time ago. Usually, it takes decades for a dungeon master to be able to appear on a world.”

Now that Ryan thought about it, that explained why he couldn’t find a treasure chest at the end of the dungeons in other worlds. It seemed that the guy who created the classes wanted humans to grow stronger, but not too strong to the point where they would seek more power in other worlds. Without reason like that, humans wouldn’t feel compelled to wage war against other races that weren’t picking a fight with them.

“Well, if that is all, I am going to do some training,” Ryan said. “Can you keep summoning monsters to my Void World, Femradial?”

“Sure, why not?” Femradial shrugged.

Ryan didn't waste time customizing his Void World so that Femradiel couldn't find anything inside it. That really was something Ryan would do... focus only on the practical level of the skill. Regardless, Femradiel began to summon monsters, but Ryan only wanted to steal their mana with Soul Eater, much to her surprise.

"Ah, I forgot to explain. Merlin can pass me the knowledge of all classes as long as I pay the right value for the class with mana or coins," Ryan said.

"What? Isn't that pretty unfair?" Femradiel frowned in shock.

"You can recover your mana by using Lust and increase your lust without using mana... your new powers are the unfair ones," Ryan said. "What the heck... Those skills you gained after defeating Aphrodite are also ridiculously insane."

"I guess that is true... anyway, you are going to grant me those classes, right?" Femradiel asked.

"I was wondering... I would feel better if I knew that I was stronger than you," Ryan said and then forced a smile when he saw Femradiel's annoyed face. "Of course, that is just my male pride speaking.. I will share the knowledge with you."

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Thanks to Femradiel broken powers to recover her mana, she had created an army of five hundred monsters that could recover one hundred points per minute in just one hour. That means that by using Soul Eater, Ryan could drain fifty thousand points of mana per minute as well... it was a pretty decent amount of mana. Considering all his skills, he could only recover one-third of that. Still, he wasn't satisfied, so he decided to look in Merlin's database for a class that would help him even more. As long as it was a tier-three or lower class, he would buy it. He actually found one. It was a very good class against mages, even though it was mage class.

Congratulations! You have become a Level one Spell Breaker!

You obtained the following skills: Magic Destruction, Mental Boost, and Magic Understanding.

Your intelligence and mana will increase by six points, your stamina, health, willpower, and mentality will increase by three points whenever you level up your class.

Congratulations! You have learned the skill: Magic Destruction.

Effect: It grants you the power to nullify and absorb the mana of spells that uses low amounts of mana. At level one, you can nullify spells that cost five points of mana, and the same amount will increase with each level up.

You obtained 01 status point.

Congratulations! You have learned the skill: Mental Boost.

Effect: It passively increases your mana regeneration by one point per level.

You obtained 01 status point.

Congratulations! You have learned the skill: Magic Understanding.

Effect: By understanding the fundamentals of magic, you can decrease the cost of mana of your spells by one point per level. This skill can only decrease the cost of all skills by up to fifty percent.

You obtained 01 status point.

“Not bad... to think I would be able to recover and save mana so much thanks to a single-tier three-class,” Ryan said, visibly impressed. “I am shocked I didn’t find this one sooner.”

Ryan was about to ask Merlin to make Mental Boost to level up a few times when he realized it... wasn’t he doing the same thing Femradiel could do with the monster system? She could do that because she



was a dragon, but he couldn't imagine the skills of a dragon and the skills of the creator of Merlin were so similar...

Usually, Ryan wouldn't level up that class since it would cost him mana, but since they were in the Void World, where time passes faster, it would be efficient to do that right at that moment. Besides, to make the skill level up in any other way, he would have to use magic, and that would be less efficient.

"It is actually true... you can really gain classes by relying on that thing," Femradiel said, visibly impressed after she used Appraisal and confirmed that Ryan gained a new class.

Ryan felt a bit offended since she thought it was a lie. Regardless, Ryan knew that Merlin's presence wouldn't take the chance to clear dungeons a useless task. After all, he could gain status points by clearing them periodically.

"Merlin, you said that you can't help me while I fight, but what about outside fights?" Ryan asked. "What else can you do to help me?"

"I am surprised. I didn't imagine any sane human would find my abilities insufficient," Merlin said. "It seems I was indeed wrong."

"So, you can't do anything else?" Ryan asked. "Aside from using sarcasm, of course."

"No," Merlin replied.

Merlin had a pretty human-ish behavior, but that was only natural since he had been created by using magic. It wouldn't be weird if the mana of his creator heavily influenced his personality. Regardless, that wasn't important for Ryan. He tried to come up with other ways to gather enough mana, but most of them would be only helpful in the long term. Fortunately, thanks to the time speed in the Void World, around noon of that same day, Ryan finally obtained enough mana to make Sea Lord reach level max.

Congratulations! The class Sea Lord has reached the max level.

Congratulations! The class Sea Lord has evolved into Sea King.

All of your statuses have increased and will increase by three hundred points once this class levels up. The effects of the previous class' skills have doubled.

"I knew it..." Ryan said while ignoring another massive power-up. "Following the logic between those titles, the next will be Sea God, and I will finally be able to use Poseidon's Trident and demonstrate its full potential."

Ryan knew that he was getting carried away, but he couldn't help but wonder which other mythological figures used bows as the main weapon. The only ones that came to mind were Artemis and Apollo, but fortunately, he wasn't crazy enough to pick up a fight with them just to obtain their weapons.

"This seriously isn't fair..." Femradiel said. "The balance of power can't be broken like this."

"What kind of balance of power..." Ryan said and then sighed. "Hey, Merlin, make some of Femradiel's classes level up as well. As long as she doesn't level up Lust Lady and Lady of Love, everything else is permitted."

"Why are you so worried about those?" Femradiel asked.

"As long as she gives the mana necessary, then I can do it," Merlin said.

"What? Can you? I thought you were supposed to help only me," Ryan said, visibly surprised.

"I follow your orders related to my abilities, so it doesn't matter if I use my abilities to help others," Merlin said. "As long as you give the order, then it is possible."

That was another piece of useful information. That fact only made Ryan confirm that Merlin's creator didn't make him to help a single human rule over other humans or other species. Still, if the owner were another person, it wouldn't change anything.

"Why are you so quiet? Are you thinking of changing your mind?" Femradiel asked.

“... Remember, Merlin, all classes are possible, but those two,” Ryan said.

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Ryan wanted to do another experiment, so he decided to stay and gather mana throughout the rest of the day, but they were forced to stop that a bit sooner because Femradiel noticed that Isis was calling for them. Without wasting time, they went to talk with her, and they found Athena and Loki already in the meeting room.

“Did something happen?” Ryan asked.

“More or less,” Isis replied. “Until now, nothing really big, but apparently, Loki noticed that Hermes moved toward the Norse gods’ territory.”

Hermes... the messenger of gods, and also the god of boundaries, travel, trade, communication, language, writing, cunning, and thieves. Hermes was also responsible for protecting livestock and presided over the spheres associated with fertility, music, luck, and deception... at least, that was what Athena told them about Hermes.

“I can’t gather intel from inside any longer. If I expose myself, I will be attacked,” Athena said. “My guess is that the Olympian gods want to offer a truce between them and the Norse gods.”

That made things a bit more troublesome for the group... without considering the opportunities of those parties trying to decimate each other, the actions of those presented would be extremely limited. If they decided to team up, then...

“In terms of raw numbers, the Norse gods still have the advantage,” Loki said. “However, they lost Odin, and without their leader, they can only rely on Thor. He isn’t a very good diplomatic, and he tends to solve things with his hammer, but right now, his anger will be completely directed to us.”

“I guess the chances of them teaming up are really high...” Isis closed her eyes and then crossed her arms. “This isn’t good... we can’t team up with other deities. So, our only option is to try to make the other humans join our side.”

“The people in South America and Japan might accept, but they won’t leave their territories,” Ryan said. “As for the Russians, I have a friend who might agree, but she isn’t the only one who calls the shots.”

“What about your friends in North America?” Isis asked.

“Their numbers aren’t that big, but they have some survivors that might come in handy against the big guns,” Femradiel replied. “That being said, aside from Alissa and her soldiers, the others might not want to join forces since Ryan left a bad impression on them.”

“What about the survivors in Israel, Italy, and England?” Ryan asked.

“You should forget about them,” Isis said. “They are a bit complicated.” ρ??∪??(?)???

“How so?” Ryan frowned.

“We tried to negotiate with them while you were on the dragons’ world, but the four archangels said that they want to ally themselves with those that are working with the man who has the power of a deadly sin and obtained the power of the demons as well,” Loki explained. “Do I have to say who that person is?”

“I didn’t know that I was that infamous,” Ryan shrugged. “Still, I am surprised that they are divided into three regions but still can afford to negate becoming allies with you three.”

“Their powers are highly effective against demons, after all,” Isis said.

They seemed like a strong force, so Ryan couldn’t help but feel bad about it... but it wasn’t like his powers made him evil or demonic, at least not all that much. His actions certainly were... no, Ryan was pretty sure that most of his actions could be considered evil. He was egoistic, and he didn’t listen to others. While he helped some people over the last year, that wasn’t his priority, not even ten percent of the time.

“Alissa created her own domain, finally,” Isis said. “So, she can’t abandon it now. Weirdly enough, we can’t ask them to join us because they have their own domains and thousands of civilians to protect.”

More and more, it was becoming clear that they would have to deal with the Norse and Greek gods by themselves. There were also the forces in India and China, but they will only look at the rest of the globe when they see a single powerful enemy that they will have to work together to defeat. Otherwise, any negotiation would be useless.

The room stayed quiet for a while because no one knew what to do. Although the people there weren’t the type, who would get depressed over the lack of a solution to a complicated situation. Just thinking and not finding a proper answer wouldn’t help either.

“Well, we can’t just assume that they will join forces yet...” Isis said and then took a deep breath. “Let’s keep on sharpening our fangs, and then we will deal with the situation. Femradriel, I need to ask you to train the soldiers here inside your Void World.”

“All right, I can do that,” Alissa said.

“As for the rest of us, let’s focus on developing strategies against the remaining enemies,” Isis added. “I will be counting on you two, Loki and Athena since you know them better than any of us.”

“Yes, yes,” Loki said.

“Right,” Athena said.

Ryan quickly returned to the Void World and began to think of what he should do to improve their situation. However, he was from being a tactical genius, so nothing really came to mind... nothing aside from keeping with his plan to level up his classes. He had a certain idea that seemed promisor, but it relied on him as the center again.

“I already knew that, but man... I am really very egocentric,” Ryan frowned.

It seemed that the destiny of the whole group was in Athena and Loki's hands. Without their help, fighting against so many elder gods at the same time will result in their end.. After insisting on coming with some sort of plan, Ryan ended up having an idea, but it was risky... that being said, it would also decrease the pressure on the rest of the team. The downside was that he would have to pay a high price for it... and the currency would be in blood and pain...

## Chapter 887

"Merlin, based on my skills and your data, what are the chances of success on that plan?" Ryan asked.

"None," Merlin replied.

"... What should I do to increase those chances?" Ryan asked after frowning.

"There is nothing that you can do," Merlin said. "If you insist on that plan, you will die. I hope that my next master will have a better brain."

"I don't pay you to say bullshit like this," Ryan said.

"You don't pay me, we exchange mana for knowledge," Merlin explained. "Therefore, I am free to say whatever I think it is convenient for myself."

Ryan was starting to think that Merlin's initial behavior was just an act, and that was the truth. Merlin... a very annoying AI-type creature, even though his behavior made him look really far apart from any decent AI.

Although he was fully aware that such a plan was risky, Ryan couldn't come up with any other. In any case, he was worried, but he was worried about the future while he was stealing the mana from the monsters Femradiel summoned. Thanks to that, his levels of annoyance weren't rising.

Much sooner than Ryan predicted, Femradiel returned to his Void World. Weirdly enough, she gave him her Soul Eater, and Ryan frowned when he saw it with one billion points of mana.

“... Why did you do that?” Ryan facepalmed and then asked.

“I don’t have any use for that domain and I want some new classes,” Femradiel said.

“Well... it was yours, so I can’t really complain,” Ryan shrugged and then said it. “Let’s just hope that Loki won’t do anything troublesome with so many domains.”

Domains granted mana and coins, but those could only be used on the dungeon system, so Femradiel really had no use for it. In any case, the first class that Femradiel asked for was a really weird one. It wouldn’t make her stronger... at least in a normal way.

Congratulations! You have become a Level one Fire Spiritualist!

You obtained the following skills: Fiery, Fire Meteor, and Fire Prison.

Your intelligence and mana will increase by six points. Your stamina, health, willpower, and mentality will increase by three points whenever you level up your class.

Fire Aura: it grants you the power to summon an aura that will increase your fire-related attacks by three percent per level and will decrease the damage of all fire-related skills on you by one hundred points per level.

Cost: 500 mana per second

You obtained 01 status points.  $\sqrt{22(2)22}$

Fire Meteor: it grants you the power to summon a meteor that will spread a sea of flames upon impact. The damage caused will be equal to the level of the skill + 50 percent of your intelligence.

Cost: 3000

You obtained 01 status points.

Fire Prison: it Grants you the power to lock a target inside a prison of fire that will cause damage over time of one hundred points multiplied by the skill level. The duration will be equal to the level of the skill multiplied by 5 five seconds. The prison can withstand up to one hundred points per level.

You obtained 01 status points.

“Are you planning to become a fire dragon now?” Ryan frowned.

“Of course not, I just want to improve my elemental resistances,” Femradiel said. “Use the crossbow in which you sealed Odin’s spirit. That should help me level up the class and the Fire Aura faster.”

Ryan had many reasons to refuse. First, he was busy. Second, he didn’t want to hurt an ally. Despite that, he decided to help her since it was to avoid trouble in the long run. Femradiel was fully aware that she couldn’t rely on the monsters for her to become as sturdy as possible since no one could tell when the next fight would happen.

In any case, Ryan frowned when he aimed at Femradiel’s feet and then pulled the trigger. The bolt exploded upon contact, and there was no piercing damage. Only a mark of burn... Femradiel was surprisingly sturdy.

“You can fire faster,” Femradiel said.

“All right... Let’s finish this as soon as possible,” Ryan said and then pulled the trigger in quick succession.

In the end, it didn’t take long for Femradiel to start to sweat cold. She was healing herself as soon as she got hit, but burn marks are annoying and tend to stay for a while, even after one uses Full-Heal.

Ryan could tell that Fire Aura was getting stronger but not strong enough. Besides, Ryan received two boosts in his power recently. So it was only natural that he could damage Femradiel that easily.



“Since we are already here... Odin, do you think that your people might ally themselves temporarily with Olympus now that you have been defeated?” Ryan asked.

“You should know that already,” Odin replied. “If my people retreated and didn’t attack on the next day, they might be planning a large move.”

“How do you know that they didn’t attack again?” Ryan asked.

“Since you are in this place, it is only obvious,” Odin said.

Ryan hoped that Odin would free him from that worry, but he had been too naive. Soon enough, Ryan resumed his attacks and helped Femradiel for quite a while. He also used that time to think about his strategy, but he got nothing else aside from some very basic insights. Merlin said that Ryan would die, but Ryan had the confidence that he might succeed... he just needed the right tools. Fortunately, Femradiel gave him some amazing insight by trying to get sturdy as well.

In any case, Ryan couldn’t show to anyone what he was going to do. Otherwise, Femradiel would use everything in her power to stop him. With that in mind, he attacked her until her face was completely pale. Femradiel wasn’t the type to complain, but she obviously was going too far.

“We can resume this later,” Ryan said. “Rest for a while and then you will be back on our feet. In the meantime, I will resume my own training.”

“Got it, I will wait outside since time will pass slower there..” Femradiel said.

Chapter 888

Congratulations! You have become a Level one Electric Spiritualist!

You obtained the following skills: Lightning Aura, Continuous Lightning, and Electric Prison.

Your intelligence and mana will increase by six points. Your stamina, health, willpower, and mentality will increase by three points whenever you level up your class.

Lightning Aura: it grants you the power to summon an aura that will increase your electric-related attacks by three percent per level and will decrease the damage of all-electric-related skills on you by one hundred points per level.

Cost: 500 mana per second

You obtained 01 status points.

Continuous Lightning: it grants you the power to summon a lightning bolt that will hit and damage the target for as long as it stays active. The damage caused will be equal to the level of the skill + 50 percent of your intelligence per second.

Cost: 2000 mana per second.

You obtained 01 status points.

Electric Prison: it Grants you the power to lock a target inside a prison of electricity that will cause damage over time of one hundred points multiplied by the level of the skill. The duration will be equal to the level of the skill multiplied by 5 five seconds. The prison can withstand up to one hundred points of damage per level.

You obtained 01 status points.

“Now let’s see... I guess I will have to use Mithril Crossbow of the Unrivalled Sorcerer myself,” Ryan rubbed his chin thoughtfully. “My skeletons won’t be able to use that crossbow for more than a few seconds, after all.”

Ryan activated Electric Aura and then began to fire Electric Bolts toward his feet. Whenever he got hit, his feet would paralyze and grow numbers for a while, so that was kind of scary, but Ryan eventually got used to it.

“What about now, Merlin?” Ryan asked. “If I level up this skill up to level one hundred, then...”

“You still will die,” Merlin said.

“You have so little faith on me...” Ryan said and then sighed. ρ??ϕ??(?)???

Despite the fact that Merlin was so pessimistic, Ryan decided to keep training that class. Soon, he would obtain others in order to make his plans have more chances of success. However, before doing that, he would need to level up that class as much as possible.

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Outside Ryan’s Void World, Femradial was helping the survivors inside her own world by summoning monsters for them to fight. If the worst-case scenario really happens, most of those people won’t have many chances to fight. They will be decimated by the elder gods. Still, in case they bring their armies, then they will have their chance to fight for their lives and try to decide their own fate. In any case, Femradial wasn’t inside the Void World. She was checking things from outside when she noticed Isis approaching.

“I know that I asked you this without confirming your condition, but how are you after the fights of that day?” Isis asked.

“I am fine, they caused some trouble, but I already had plenty of rest,” Femradial replied.

“What about Ryan?” Isis asked. “He defeated a tough foe and while his previous condition didn’t interfere much in the fight, I heard that he struggled a lot.”

“He seems fine as well, but...” Femradial frowned.

“But?” Isis asked, slightly confused.

“He is planning something, I can tell because he seems quieter than usual,” Femradiel replied. “It seems that information about the other guys’ not joining this group bothered him a little and he is trying to make up for it.”

“That seems something Ryan would do... are you worried that he is planning something dangerous since he isn’t telling anyone about it?” Isis asked.

“Yes. Ryan is a simple guy and for what I can tell, he has been pretty ordinary throughout his entire life, thanks to that and some recent events, he has been fighting against his lack of confidence,” Femradiel explained. “The only way he thinks he can do that is by struggling most than anyone.”

“Struggling right now by himself doesn’t sound too good considering the enemies that we will have to face,” Isis looked upward and then said it. At the same time, she tried to imagine what Ryan was up to. “Well, if something were to happen, you can always run and help him. I am sure the rest of us can fight without you two for a while. Just make sure to prevent him from pushing himself too hard and make him get sick again.”

“Will do. Anyway, anything new about the moves of the enemies?” Femradiel asked.

“We are trying to keeping an eye on them, but that is difficult,” Isis replied. “If a dungeon master makes changes in their domains in order to let someone enter, no one can tell. Besides, feeling presences inside the domains is impossible. So, they might be teleporting around as we speak to have a meeting among themselves and we can’t confirm that. They can easily teleport around the globe, after all.”

Femradiel nodded... it looked like despite their victories, things were only getting more complicated. Regardless, they couldn’t just worry endlessly about such things. Just like Isis told before, it would be better to focus on improving their armies and their skills while they can.

Using the rest of the mana that she had in her Soul Eater, Femradiel decided to speed up the time inside her Void World. While she and Ryan won’t be able to make use of that again, she needed to increase the power of the skill in case they obtain that chance one day.. That was because Femradiel heard from Ryan what Odin told him before about the true enemies... Odin wanted to create a world where the people would have the chance to fight the true enemies, so Femradiel assumed that the battles wouldn’t end after the Greek and Norse gods had been dealt with. Maybe Femradiel should ask Isis

about that, but she couldn't help but wonder... if she knew about those true enemies, why didn't she mention them until now?

## Chapter 889

After leveling up Electric Aura up to level fifty, Ryan decided to take the next step. However, much to his surprise, even though only a couple of hours passed in the real world, he received some bad news.

"Ryan, you need to come out and see this..." Femradiel said via Telepathy.

Ryan quickly undid the Void World and then opened his eyes. Even before he could leave the room, he noticed that something was off. It was around three in the afternoon, the temperature in Egypt was supposed to be pretty high, but much to his surprise... the wind was pretty cold.

When he left the room, he noticed that it was snowing... snowing in Egypt... Ryan couldn't say that never had happened before because he didn't live that long. Still, he noticed that even Isis looked shocked, but not for that, but it was because the Mediterranean Sea was now frozen.

"It seems that they reached an agreement much sooner than we expected," Isis said, showing a complicated expression. "All the armies of the remaining Olympian gods are marching South, toward this place and toward Athena's territory."

"How many time do we have to do anything?" Femradiel asked.

"Their armies will reach us in three to four hours, the same thing can be said about Athena," Isis replied. "The real issue here is that we can't leave the domain, if we do, the Olympian gods will attacks us all at once. It is pretty obvious."

"Sorry for my delay, but things aren't that good on my end as well," Loki suddenly said via Telepathy. "The army of the Norse gods are moving toward my domain in Spain. While losing a single domain isn't the end of the world, they will find traces of the other ones and they will be able to teleport to those as well. I will have to fight here."

“Is that so...” Isis said, looking really troubled by the sudden change of events. “Keep us update if something happens or if you need help.”

The usual Loki would say something annoying this time to get on everyone’s nerves. Still, he just ended the spell without saying anything. It seemed that even he was caught off guard this time... Regardless, soon after, it was Athena’s turn to use Telepathy.

“It seems we were got on their nerves this time...” Athena said. “My predictions were way off... my apologies.”

“There is no need to apologize, this never happened before and it only shows how much nervous they are regarding us,” Isis said. “They probably imagined that we would try to obtain more allies once we noticed their movements. So, with that in mind, they decided to act this fast.”

“I have many followers here, so I can’t abandon them,” Athena said. “I will fight here until the very last moment.”

“Understood, keep us updated,” Isis said.

“So, are we just going to wait for the attack?” Ryan asked. “We can always try to melt the ice.”

“It is useless,” Isis said. “The whole ocean was frozen in a single moment. So, they will just do the same again. Besides, it is not like monsters at the max level will ever drown. We might be able to attack them from a distance, but it won’t be enough. The farther away the caster is from the target, the weaker the spell and any other type of attack will be. There is also the fact that the elder gods will see through this plan and will try to protect their troops with some defensive spells. “

Ryan nodded. Since the elder gods won’t show up unless they leave the domain, they obviously will protect their troops since relying on those will be the fastest way to knock down any domain.

“We have to split our forces and attack before they reach this place,” Ryan said. “Since Athena and Loki were in other regions, the enemies’ forces are already split to begin with. Besides, even if they hurry to defeat us, the army of the Norse gods will have to travel for a while. Femradial, you take their left side

and I will take the right. That way, if something happens, we will be able to help or be helped by Loki and Athena.”

Isis and Femradiel frowned when they heard that. Ryan was talking as if Loki and Athena’s armies were just a few hundred meters away, but they were hundreds of kilometers. Not to mention, splitting the enemies’ attention also meant that they would split their forces. They will become easy targets, and considering the situation, it was obvious that Ryan would be their main target.

“No, that is too dangerous... we will find another way,” Femradiel said.

“All right, if you have any better idea, I am listening,” Ryan said. “You have one hour to come up with a better plan.”

Ryan sounded pretty confident on his plan, but he wasn’t a tactical genius, so Femradiel was also confident that she could come up with a better plan in one hour... However, much to her despair, nothing came to mind. If all the enemies’ armies reach Egypt, then Isis’s domain will fall. She lost a lot of the mana stored in defense when the demons attacked, after all. Another push for an even greater force will certainly finish it off. Once that happens, it will be game over... no matter what happens, they couldn’t let so many enemies approach. It will be better if they drown the entire armies in the middle of the Mediterranean. Isis probably can do that. She just needs to make sure that no elder god will get in the way of her attacks. For that to happen, they needed a diversion, and that was what Ryan offered.

“So, Femradiel, what is your plan?” Ryan asked.

“... Let’s go with your plan, but instead of just fighting in the same area, let’s fight close to Loki and Athena,” Femradiel said. “Having someone to offer us back up will be necessary, absolutely necessary. We will teleport to their domains and then attack the armies approaching them. Meanwhile, Isis will attack the monsters crossing the ocean.. Let’s win this.”

## Chapter 890

Although Femradiel’s plan was just a slight upgrade from Ryan’s, he didn’t complain. Still, he felt slightly troubled in having to fight while considering that Loki would have to back him up. Before leaving, Femradiel and Ryan gave the orders for their pets to fight to protect Egypt no matter what. In the last

moment as well, Ryan decided to do something unusual to pump him and Femradiel. A brofist... it seemed silly, but it was the best Ryan could do at the moment to show his trust on her.

“What is this?” Femradiel frowned.

“Just close your hand and touch it,” Ryan said. “It is like a promise between friends, friends... friends..... That we will win no matter what.”

“Why did you tried to imitate an echo in the word friends?” Femradiel frowned even more. “Well, I suppose this is just like you... too damn shy.”

After touching each other’s fists, Ryan and Feramdiel teleported. In North of Spain, Ryan found an army of king trolls marching toward Loki’s domain. While Ryan could also see, thanks to Clairvoyance, an army of Fenrir in front of his domain. They didn’t seem like the best match-up against the trolls.

“I heard details from Isis, are you sure about this?” Loki asked.

“Yes, I am,” Ryan replied. “Coming here will help me achieve my goal with more ease... just make sure to let those two fight me, you can deal with anyone else, all right?”

“Those two?” Loki frowned.

Ryan used Draconic Transformation and then dashed toward the trolls. In the end, instead of attacking with arrows and bolts, he just summoned Draconic Sword and then began to swing it around wildly. The king trolls tried to attack Ryan with their ice clubs. They were ten meters long, after all. However, they were too slow...

Since the enemies were numerous, Ryan didn’t even have to worry about missing or being skillful. He just swung his sword around, and monsters and their weapons were split in half as if they were made of butter. Eventually, some of them began to fire Ice Spear toward him, but what was the point of firing Ice Spears against an ice dragon?



For a second, Ryan even considered summoning Soul Eater and then fill it with some of the enemies' mana. Still, he did well in not doing that... Suddenly, several Electric Spears fell from the sky at absurd speeds, and Ryan didn't even have time to dodge them. He got hit and paralyzed... which surprised him since, at some point, he even got used to Odin's lightning bolts, but even though those spears were a lot smaller, they caused more damage.

While Ryan was being attacked by a rain of continuous Electric Spears, the king trolls passed by him as if it was only natural. Their goal really was Loki's domain... Somehow, Ryan activated Electric Aura, and then the pain and the paralysis decreased. Thanks to that, Ryan had the chance to use Teleport and escape from the torrent of attacks. Once he did that, he felt two presences floating in the air.

Zeus

Class: ???/???/???

Race: —

Rank: —

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: ???, ???, ???

The visitors that Ryan had been waiting for finally showed up... It was weird, but Zeus was pretty similar to how Ryan had imagined him. He was an old man that had one heck of a physique despite having long white hair and beard. His eyes emitted a silver-ish glow, but from them, Ryan could see sparks emanating. How strong someone had to be to be able to emanate sparks of energy in their eyes? Zeus didn't have a weapon or armor. Instead of that, he was just wearing half of a robe on his upper body and showing off his muscles. Despite that, Ryan knew that he was far from being defenseless. ρ??∫??(?)???

Thor

Class: ???/???/???

Race: —

Rank: —

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: ???, ???, ???

On the other hand, Thor was completely armed and armored from head to toe. He was a tall, young-looking man who had red hair and a beard. Both of those were quite gruff. On his left hand, one could see the legendary hammer, Mjolnir. Aside from that, his armor and helmet seemed pretty normal. Still, his brown eyes were weird... aside from the usual transparent glow that showed that he had a high level of divinity, his eyes were so brown that they kind of looked red like blood.

“Oh, boy... you were waiting for those two?” Loki said via Telepathy. “I commend you, Ryan. You have balls... or perhaps you just have a death wish.”

“No shit, Sherlock,” Ryan said while sweating cold.

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Ryan knew that those two would emit one hell of bloodlust, but even in his guess, he had underestimated them somehow. Their bloodlust was so intense that Ryan felt like his body was being pierced by one thousand needles... one thousand very sharp but thick needles.

The afternoon sky was quite blue in that part of the country and of the year, but dark clouds appeared alongside those two. There was no mistake... they would be the most challenging enemies Ryan would have to defeat.

“Human... release my father’s spirit, and I will grant you a quick death,” Thor said with his chin up.

“Bearded man, make me do it,” Ryan said. “You can also try asking nicely, it may work.”

Thor raised his hammer, but then Zeus moved his right arm to stop him. That was more like it. Before any battle, those types of beings had to waste some time with chit-chat.. That was how things were supposed to be.

“Let’s not be hasty, Thor,” Zeus said while looking at Ryan. “We need to show some respect toward the man who defeated Poseidon and Odin.”

“Says the man who greeted me by using hundreds of Electric Spears,” Ryan furrowed his eyebrows.

“My apologies, but I needed to check that you didn’t defeat those two by pure luck,” Zeus said, still looking at Ryan as if he was trying to kill him with his eyes alone. “Before anything, I would like to ask where you put their spirits.”

“In a place you will never reach,” Ryan replied with a smile on his face.

“While you throw mud in our names, I still need to thank you for not killing them,” Zeus said. “That would be unforgivable and I would make sure to make the entire human race for that crime.”

“Well... aren’t you quite merciful?” Ryan frowned. “Let’s make the humans pay for the ‘crime’ one.. The crime you speak of, was just me fighting and defeating in a one-on-one fight against someone who wanted to drown the entire world. Odin was the same, he wanted the same justice you speak, but in the end, he failed at achieving his goal.”

Thor swung his hammer, and the most giant lightning bolt fell on Ryan’s head instantly. The attack made Ryan tremble from head to toe while he felt that even his bones were turning into charcoal. That was quite worrisome, considering that Electric Aura was already on, and Ryan didn’t feel any relief from those attacks.

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“It is King Odin, worm,” Thor glared at Ryan. “You will show respect, or you will pay dearly.”

Ryan wished that he could say something sarcastic, but after the attack, he had to wait for a while before his mind could work properly. Maybe Merlin’s predictions weren’t off the mark... even if Electric Aura reaches the max level, Ryan was having a hard time thinking that it would be enough.

“Whatever, dude,” Ryan said and then shook his head to regain the focus in his eyes. “You sure are different from your father. You could learn how to keep your cool from him, but if you didn’t learn until now, then you won’t ever learn.”

Thor raised his hammer again, but this time Ryan reacted on time to dodge by teleporting. The massive lightning bolt fell on the trolls’ army and decimated hundreds of them. In contrast, the sound alone paralyzed many others. Ryan had assumed that Thor would be a plain warrior that could use lightning alongside his hammer, but it seemed that he wasn’t so bad at magic.

“I already told both of you to calm down,” Zeus glared at them both. “If you kill him, you fool, you won’t recover your father’s spirit. Who knows for how long we will have to wait for him to free himself from that prison.”

Thor snorted. As expected, he wasn’t the type who would look at things with a calm mind. While it was only natural, his attitude would cause more problems to his people down the line. In any case, Ryan couldn’t help but wonder... wouldn’t it be better if Odin never came? Or was he that worried about the spirit of Poseidon?

“Let’s make a deal, the winner of this battle will gain everything,” Zeus said. “Our spirits, our abilities, our weapons... Naturally, we will fight one-on-one. You have the world of the god of the gods that we will keep our end of the bargain... as long as you keep the weapons which you sealed the spirits of the elder gods in a place where we can reach.”

“Thanks, but no thanks,” Ryan said.

Zeus let out a sigh. It was OK to be dubious of that offer, but to refuse it without giving any thought? Zeus assumed that Ryan had planned to make them go easy on him in order for them not to lose the spirits of the elder gods, but in fact, that was something Ryan thought about just now.

“... Since things have come down to this, then I don’t have any other choice,” Zeus said after a long sigh. “We will crush again and again, until not a single piece of your spirit will be found inside this shell of yours. Prepare to become nothing but a dog.”

Zeus pointed his right hand toward Ryan, and then dozens of his bolts fell from the sky. Ryan didn’t even have the time to see a single one of them. Such was their speed. That being said, he managed to use Teleport and then retreat, and the bolts only hit the trolls. However, Ryan suddenly felt an impact on his right side and then felt his bones cracking. The pain spread around his whole body while Thor’s attack made him spin in toward the opposite direction. Ryan really hates combined attacks...

As if things weren’t troublesome enough, Zeus bombarded Ryan even before he could stop flying with his bolts. Once again, Ryan felt like Electric Aura was completely useless... However, when he felt Thor approaching again, he clenched his teeth and recovered for a second. He had enough time to summon the crossbow in which he sealed Odin, and that surprised Thor. Without hesitation, Ryan bombarded him with Dark Bolts.

Thor protects himself with the hammer. While he didn’t suffer much damage, his already massive hammer became even heavier, which made him frown. Ryan had planned to keep attacking with Fire Bolts, but Zeus stopped him with another huge torrent of his bolts. Before he could try to take the weapon, Ryan stored it away.

Class: Apocalyptic Archer Lv 27 (+ 03 UP)/ Storm Caster Lv 63 (+ 02 UP)/ Crystal Archer Lv 89 (+ 04 UP)  
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Race: Night Demon /Reptilian Champion/ Lord of the Ice Foxes (-)

Rank: 1st

Health: 38371/43371 (67,75/s)

Mana: 42388/47388 (67,75/s)

Stamina: 41430/46030 (67,75/s)



Strength: 1881 (+26422) (+130)

Dexterity: 67533 (+33655) (+550)

Speed: 2270 (+28410) (+548)

Intelligence: 2352 (+24595) (+33)

Endurance: 2398 (+25395) (+160)

Control: 2476 (29050) (+510)

Mentality: 2452 (+22195) (+70)

Luck: 2080 (+18560)

Recovery: 8450 (+34050) (+1045)

Willpower: 2452 (+22193) (+40)

Coins: 11.986.145

Status: 00

Skill List

Offensive Physical Skills:), Herculean Strength Lv 92 (+ 06 UP), Fighter's Spirit Lv 76 (+ 06 UP),

Passive Physical Skills: Eagle Eyes Lv 267 (+ 09 UP), Concentration Lv 267 (+ 09 UP), Archery 267 (+ 09 UP), Accuracy 267 (+ 09 UP),

Spells: Fiery Aura Lv 01, Fire Meteor Lv 01, Fire Prison Lv 01, Lightning Aura Lv 55 (+ 54 UP), Continuous Lightning Lv 01, Electric Prison Lv 01

Support Skills: Earth Resistance Lv 244 (+ 34 UP), Fear Resistance Lv 46 (+ 10 UP), Magic Destruction Lv 01, Mental Boost Lv 53 (+ 52 UP), Magic Understanding Lv 19 (+ 18 UP)

Classes:

Combat: Mad Knight Lv 04 (+ 03 UP), Hero Lv 07 (+ 03 UP), Hercules' Descendant Lv 66 (+ 04 UP), Fallen Archer Lv 62 (+ 07 UP), Magic Lord Lv 09 (+ 05 UP), Spell Breaker Lv 19 (+ 18 UP), Fire Spiritualist Lv 01, Electric Spiritualist Lv 39 (+ 38 UP),

Non-Combatant:, Navigator Lv 37 (+ 14 UP), Time Mage Lv 47 (+ 05 UP), Sloth Lord Lv 28 (+ 03 UP),

Race: Centaur, Dragon, Kobold, Triton, Asgardian,

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Ryan wished that he had a plan against even one of those two, but he didn't have it. He decided to fight them because they certainly were the most troublesome foes and because the rest of the group would be able to fight more accessible if they didn't have to worry about them. Regardless, Ryan was in the wrong spot, and the situation will only get worse, so he had to damage them as fast as possible before they could have the chance to do something even more dangerous.

After having a certain idea, Ryan decided to put it into practice immediately. It was a bit dangerous, but the whole situation was, after all. While leaving a trace like a lightning bolt had passed in his place, Thor approached, and he swung his hammer. The very moment the strike landed, he activated Soul Armor to nullify the damage, and he also summoned Gungnir and swung to cut Thor's throat. However, in the blink of an eye, Thor noticed that something was weird and didn't attack with everything. Thanks to that, he had the chance to dodge the spear by lowering his stance.

“What an annoying speed...” Ryan thought and then stored away Gungnir.

Before Ryan could do anything else, Zeus fired his bolts toward Ryan and then paralyzed him once again. Thor approached to smash Ryan’s head with the hammer, and in the end, he landed a hit and almost crushed Ryan’s head, but Ryan got his hands smashed instead when he tried to protect it.. Regardless, at that moment, Ryan activated Vengeful Explosion, and it worked. The same amount of damage was reflected to Thor’s hands, and Ryan saw his expression of annoyance getting worse. On his hands, though, Ryan could only see some bruise marks. It couldn’t be compared to Ryan’s broken hands.

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“I suppose he is much sturdier...” Ryan furrowed his eyebrows.

In any case, Ryan learned that common defensive skills worked against Thor, and that was good. It means that as long as he has mana, he can protect himself from receiving critical damage. Thor wasn’t as skilled as his father... still he makes up for it with brute strength and stupid speed. Ryan could only react to it sometimes, thanks to Death Sense. However, Zeus was the problem. He was only using the most basic version of his attacks, and yet, he could paralyze Ryan completely if he wished for it.

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Despite the difference in damage that both of them received, Thor seemed even more pissed. It appears that receiving damage from someone so inferior was something he couldn’t stand it. Maybe Ryan could use that pride against him, but not so well while Zeus stays behind, backing him up.

Suddenly, Thor stopped charging like a mad bull and began to spin his hammer... Ryan knew what he was doing. Apparently, Mjolnir was like a boomerang when it had an owner. No matter where it is or where it is thrown, it will always return to the user if he wishes for it. At some point, Thor spun his hammer so fast that a horizontal tornado appeared on his right side. Without wasting any more time, he

threw toward Ryan. At the same time, Zeus bombarded him with bolts that paralyzed him... that asshole increased the output at that time to make sure that he wouldn't react...

The hammer hit Ryan's chance and then made him to the distance. He lost consciousness for a moment while his chin was cracking, but when he recovered and tried to grab Mjolnir. He noticed that it couldn't move an inch, even while it was flying close to his body. When the weapon finally lost some momentum, Ryan had the chance to breathe for a second, but then his back was hit against a mountain, and he felt many bones breaking. Ryan tried to heal himself faster, but he failed in doing so before he could vomit some blood. He caused only a small bruise on a single enemy, but he had already suffered so much damage... he won't last long that way.

"Merlin, with the mana I gain from Conversion, uses it to level up Stone Skin, Bronze Skin, Steel Skin, and Electric Aura," Ryan said.

"Understood," Merlin said.

It was hard to imagine that he would last long enough to make good use of that skill or to hope that it would change the flow of the battle significantly, but Ryan could at least have some hope. Otherwise, what would be the point of fighting?

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Ryan saw that Merlin was quick to work, but he had hoped that he would be more optimal while making those levels up. Making them level up equally seemed like a waste when they required different amounts of mana to level up. To make that process a bit faster, Ryan decided to summon the mithril

hammer in which he sealed Hephaestus in and then used it to block some of Zeus' bolts. When Zeus noticed that the energy of his attacks had been drained by the weapon, he stopped attacking. The next moment, when Thor tried to hit Ryan with his own hammer, Ryan swung his hammer as well, and a thunderous impact echoed through the area alongside with an explosion. Ryan suffered some damage, but he also obtained a lot of mana from Conversion and from the dead trolls that were hit by the explosion.

Ryan had used the energy stored in the hammer to even the power of their attacks a little bit. However, once again, he lost the exchange. His already damaged body suffered even more damage, and Ryan began to bleed from other parts aside from his mouth. As for Thor, he only had a few scratches here and there.

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The same kind of thing repeated itself several times before Ryan finally realized that perhaps he would have to rely on his trump cards much sooner than expected. He needed to weaken those two in order to make the fight a bit fairer for him. Fighting against one of them at a time would already be troublesome enough, fighting those two at the same time, then...

Dark Ice Breath might catch Thor off guard, but if Zeus sees that attack from a distance, Ryan doubts that it would work against him. He would be able to thoroughly analyze it and see what Ryan needed to do to use it and to hit the enemy. Ryan needed to find the perfect moment to damage both of them with the same attack...

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Mithril Hammer of the Destruction

Effect: With each attack, this weapon stores part of the energy of the impact, and that same energy can be used against the enemy whenever you decide to do so..

Strength + 2400, Endurance + 1500, Recovery + 1500, Speed + 1500, Mentality + 1500.

Durability: 360/2000

“Tsk... already, huh,” Ryan clicked his tongue in annoyance when he saw the durability of his hammer decreasing at astonishing speed.

Ryan could always repair it, but it would take more mana than usual since the hammer was made of mithril. While that was a bit troublesome, it gave Ryan some ideas. One that he had planned to use against Odin, but he didn't since the fight didn't drag out for too long, and another was due to the hammer.

Ryan activated Heat Field, a skill that Hephaestus used against him that could increase all his status and damage everyone nearby him, and he also used Solar Eclipse. Zeus frowned when he saw Ryan utilizing the skill of his son, but he frowned even more, when a dark disk appeared in the sky and covered the sun. The darkness covered only a small area of the planet, but it would increase in size the more it leveled up. Regardless, that wasn't Ryan's objective... he wanted the bonus in status both skills granted him.

“Merlin, add those two to the list as well,” Ryan said.

“Understood,” Merlin said.

“By the way, what are my chances now?” Ryan asked.

“None,” Merlin said.

Ryan sighed... but at least he had time to do that. Thor and Zeus stopped attacking and raised their guards because they imagined Ryan was planning something, but nothing happened. He only wanted the bonuses in status those skills granted. Zeus immediately realized that moving Ryan away from the

darkness would be useless since the dark disc would follow him. It was quite a weird skill but highly useful.

For the time being, the bonuses of those skills were nothing, but eventually, they will become a problem. Thanks to that, Ryan made those two realize that they should get rid of him before he could become a real nuisance. They had forgot about it that such skills would cost tons of mana to maintain, and Ryan wouldn't it level up so fast without fighting. Due to the circumstances, though, waiting for Ryan to run out of mana wasn't wise either. Greek and Norse gods had already lost too many elder gods, and considering that those two were the core of their respective people, they couldn't afford to fail or even waste too much time.

Thor and Zeus looked at each other, and as if they had exchanged words mentally, they nodded. Thor stepped back, and that made Ryan frown. The next moment, Zeus disappeared, and practically at the same time... Ryan was punched in the stomach. The impact didn't make him fly, but it shook his core. Maybe Zeus used much brute strength, but he certainly could cause critical and concentrated damage.

While Ryan's eyes were spinning, Thor raised his hammer and made another massive lightning bolt fall from the sky and hit him. It only lasted for a single instant, but a good part of Ryan's Frost Armor melted. Ryan's brain stopped working for a few moments due to the massive power of the attack, and then Zeus punched him in the stomach again... they sure knew how to break the spirit of someone. Thor paralyzed and caused massive damage, while Zeus attacked Ryan's stomach and made him lose all the air in his lungs.

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That scene repeated itself several times... it was agonizing. Ryan only had time to restore his health, but not enough time to properly recover from the wounds. Their speed was so insane that he couldn't do anything else. It was overkill. From the very beginning, both of them knew that a single human couldn't fight any of them separately, even less so when they fought together. However, they needed to do that much. Otherwise, they will never recover the spirits of the elder gods.

However, they were forced to stop their combo when they saw Ryan's body changing. The corruption was spreading, and his anger made the miasma emanating from his body. As expected, they knew that Ryan still had a card up his sleeve... However, before Ryan's vision could be taken by the corruption, he used Anger Manipulation and converted those feelings into mana... he finally could use that to calm himself down and actually gain mana from it, thanks to the Spell Breaker class.

"I can't let this get the better of me so soon..." Ryan muttered. "Even if I were to lose my mind, I can't see myself winning against those two. I need to defeat them while my head is cool."

Although Ryan knew that, he could only imagine for how long he would resist like that. After all, his body was already covered in blood and burn marks. Such was the power of the two strongest gods of Norse and Greek mythology.

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When Thor tried to use his massive lightning bolt again, Ryan suddenly summoned Gungnir, and that made him flinch for a moment. Using that opportunity, Ryan looking at him and then swung the spear... it was hard to believe that Thor could react so fast. Still, he actually dodged an instantaneous strike that Ryan had aimed at his right eye. The damage was minimal since Ryan had to upgrade the Magic Lord class, but it still ignored Thor's defense and slightly made the right side of his bleed.

"Now that is more like it," Ryan said and then showed a tired smile.

Thor's face grew red with anger, and then he proceeded to attack Ryan with his hammer. It seemed that the only way to cope with his anger was by using physical attacks... what a dumbass. Zeus sighed when he watched that. As expected, Thor had no notion of teamwork, and he was quick to let the blood rush to his head.



Death Sense warned Ryan, and he summoned Draconic Bow toward that direction and fired it. He couldn't see Thor during that attack, but he still hit him. The impact happened before Thor could get too close to Ryan, so he was completely unscathed.. The direct impact made Thor's body sustained considerable damage. It had been a counterattack, after all. So, he was a bit dizzy. Before Ryan could try to finish him off, Zeus bombarded him with his bolts again... forcing him to stop. However, Zeus frowned when he realized that Ryan's spells didn't deactivate. Thanks to that, he had the chance to summon his hammer and block some of the bolts.

"I thought he had used all his mana in that attack, was I wrong?" Zeus furrowed his eyebrows.

Zeus was certain that Ryan didn't have time to use potions or summon Soul Eater, so that didn't have any explanation. It had, actually, but Zeus won't be able to realize it... Ryan just stored Soul Eater inside him. That way, his weapon will drain and restore his mana whenever necessary.

Zeus realized that Ryan finally had the chance to counterattack, and until he learns how Ryan is recovering his mana, they should change their strategy. Otherwise, even they will sustain a lot of damage with those counterattacks. When Thor finally recovered, Zeus touched him on his shoulders. He was about to charge recklessly again.

"Calm down, Thor," Zeus said. "If you don't want to be hit again by that attack, you will have to change your strategy... we can't give him the chance to counterattack, do you understand me?"

It seemed those two were planning to raise the bar... even though Ryan could barely keep up with their attacks. In any case, he couldn't help but wonder... what are they going to do? Attack at long distance? That seemed the easiest method, but...

In the end, Thor nodded. He did that pretty fast, considering how hot-blooded he was supposed to be. That wasn't a good sign, and Ryan soon learned away... the next moment, both of them disappeared, and then Ryan got hit on his sides at the same time. It was the same speed that Zeus had used before... Thor could be that fast, too... they were moving at light speed. That was why Ryan didn't have the chance to react. ρ??∪??(?)???

Both attacks made Ryan's expression change to one of pain and agony, but that hadn't been enough for Zeus and Thor. They kept attacking the same spot over and over again until Ryan's health almost dropped to zero, and he lost his consciousness. However, at the last moment, they were forced to retreat when Ryan activated Vengeful Explosion. That granted him a few seconds of rest, but he only felt

agony after he fell on his knees... to be attacked that fast by those two elder gods in particular. It was like experiencing a hell of pain and nothing more.

“They used their lightning magic to enhance their movement speed...” Ryan thought. “... and then only attacked me with physical attacks... is it because they can’t use magic while moving that fast?”

Or maybe it was due to the fact that they might kill Ryan, and they would lose the spirits of the elder gods. That would explain why they wouldn’t use magic while moving that fast... In any case, that speed was no good. Not even Ryan’s teleporting speed could keep up with that. Not to mention, it was probably much more efficient.

Ryan got used to their magical attacks because he had prepared himself for them before the battle. Still, against attacks at lightning speed that could decrease his health in an instant... that wasn’t something he was prepared for. With that in mind, Ryan began to teleport around once the Vengeful Explosion ended. Even if he were to reflect some of the damage, it wouldn’t prevent his defeat. So, he had no other option but to teleport around the area and see for how long they could keep that speed.

“My apologies, Ryan,” Loki said via Telepathy. “If I weren’t so busy, I would help you.”

“Yeah, right...” Ryan said while he clenched his teeth and saw that the army of Fenrir was actually winning the fight somehow.

Ryan didn’t come to fight those two, hoping to receive his help, after all. Suddenly, Thor and Odin caught up with Ryan and then attacked his sides again, make his ribcage shatter into many pieces. Since it has come down to this... Ryan will have to take some risks.

Before Thor and Zeus could continue the attack, Ryan used Teleport, but those two quickly followed him. However, Ryan had a surprise waiting for them. When they tried to attack, Ryan used Shapeshifting to become a two-headed ice dragon. The two heads opened their mouths and used Dark Ice Breath. However, much to Ryan’s annoyance, they retreated.

“Even their reaction speed is insane... damn it,” Ryan muttered while biting his lips.

Ryan missed, and thanks to the fact that he used such an attack, the corruption spread around his body once again. That wasn't good. Even if by some miracle he wins the fight by relying on that power, in the end, he will become an enemy to the entire world with his rage, and considering his recent power-ups, stopping him will be impossible... without killing him.

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Thor and Odin finally stopped their deadly sequence of attacks when they saw that the Dark Ice Breath instantly froze the air around Ryan. Two massive pillars of dark ice fell on the ground and smashed hundreds of king trolls. That was unexpected since endurance was also their forte.

"As expected, his power added with the corruption is something else," Zeus said. "I can see how defeated Poseidon, Thanatos, and Hypnos."

Ryan didn't use that power on Poseidon, but he didn't have to correct Zeus. Rather than that, he would use every single moment to come up with a better way to defeat those two pain in the asses.

"It seems that now you have 0.1 % chances of winning this fight," Merlin said.

"... Because of the corruption?" Ryan frowned.

It was progress, but it was too dangerous to rely on that power now. Not to mention, the corruption had already taken over eighty percent of his body. The boost in power that he will receive probably won't increase his chances up to one percent. In any case, Ryan still could keep using Anger Manipulation to have some extra mana during that fight, so that much was fine for the time being.

"Sloth Aura isn't working... probably because their divinity level is too high," Ryan furrowed his eyebrows and then considered that. "What about Chronos' Ring?"

Even if he were to use Chronos' Ring, they could easily escape with Teleport unless Ryan seals the exterior with ice magic. Unfortunately, that would be deadly against those two... it was like entering a cage he had created himself to take down those two. In any case, while they were analyzing the dark ice, Ryan decided to use the two pillars with Telekinesis. They won't break easily, so they might help him cause some blunt damage on those two assholes... Ryan made the pillars spin around him as fast as

possible in order to use them as the last line of defense... and he could only pray that it would be enough.

At first, it didn't work... Odin and Thor used their light speed to approach and pass through the pillars while they were spinning and attacked Ryan. Still, they soon retreated since he had predicted that and made the weapons approach. They teleported away instead of flying...

"... this hurt like hell, damn it," Ryan muttered while glaring at the enemies. "Still... why they teleported? Their speed is better than Teleport... are they afraid of getting close to those pillars?"

The corruption was there, but it was hard to believe that just getting close to those pillars would be so troublesome to them. However, considering how much damage and how weakened they become after getting hit by them, the previous elder gods showed to Ryan that corruption was like the worst poison in the universe for them.

That would cost him a lot more mana, but in the end, Ryan used it anyway. He enhanced the power of his Telekinesis by relying on Mana Manipulation. The spinning speed of the pillars increased exponentially, and even Zeus finally showed an annoyed expression. It was only obvious since the massive pillars created some tornadoes that were even making the king trolls fly to the distance.

Suddenly, Thor and Zeus raised their arms, and then, numerous lightning bolts fell toward Ryan. Naturally, he used the pillars to block those, but they wouldn't last forever. Still, that much was fine. Ryan already knew that those two were afraid of the pillars... Ryan used one to block the lightning bolts and made the other spin around its own axis. Once it gained enough speed, Ryan activated Deadly Aim and Perfect and then threw it toward Zeus.

Zeus decided to outspeed it and then attack Ryan from one of the sides since now he was unable to protect himself from two directions. In the end, he succeeded in doing so. He punched Ryan's left side until his body was bent to the side, but he had to stop because the speed of the pillar also wasn't something to laugh at. Zeus tried to keep moving around, but the pillar followed him, and he barely had the chance to land two punches on Ryan. At some point, he decided to attack with bigger versions of his bolts, and while they were causing damage... it wasn't causing damage fast enough.

"I am going to dispose of this," Zeus said. "Use your head a little, and you will be fine."

Thor nodded. Both of them knew that the kinetic energy of the pillar wouldn't last for more than a few minutes, perhaps less than a minute, if Zeus finds something sturdy enough to hit that. Zeus found some mountains and made the pillar pass by those. Still, thanks to its spinning speed, it passed through like the mountain was made of bubbles... the same thing happened a few times before he realized that only that wouldn't be enough.

When Ryan felt Zeus's presence disappearing in the distance. He immediately flew toward Thor and made the pillar attack him, now was the time to kill one of them... he couldn't afford to defeat either of them without killing in order to make a weapon out of their spirits, after all.

Thor wasn't the type to run away from a fight, so he swung his hammer toward the dark ice pillar and made the object move backward quite a bit, and it also made some fragments of the pillar fly in the distance. Ryan looked at them and had an idea... Regardless, Not even his hammer could destroy that... that only made Ryan eager to fight.

Thor was forced to stop his lightning bolts, so Ryan summoned Gungnir and Mithril Crossbow of the Unrivalled Sorcerer. While attacking with the dark ice pillar, Ryan also fired dark bolts to make Mjolnir heavier and also attacked Thor from a distance with Gungnir.

"My son..." Odin said. "It seems that even you are having trouble dealing with Ryan."

"King Odin... I will free you in the blink of an eye," Thor said.

Ryan was pretty annoyed, and that statement only made things worse. He began to attack much more fiercely than before, and he tried to cut Thor's ligaments.

## Chapter 896

In the blink of an eye, Thor was covered in blood. Although his body still was free from deep wounds thanks to his lightning-like reflexes. The damage was pilling up... Ryan made a mental note to level up the Magic Lord class if he had the chance. Gungnir was just too useful, but he needed to cause more damage with it. Speaking of Gungnir... Ryan had another idea.

Ryan summoned Poseidon's trident, and his power over the ice pillar increased. This time, when he attacked, his turn finally came. When Thor tried to repel the attack, he was the one who was pushed back. Losing a contest of brute strength made Thor open his eyes widely in shock... However, in the next moment, things changed again. Some iron gloves appeared on Thor's hands, and a belt appeared on his waist. When he swung his hammer again, the ice pillar was sent flying toward the opposite direction, and Ryan barely had the time to stop it.

"He still has some magic relics hidden? Are you fucking kidding me?" Ryan asked, visibly annoyed.

Thor reassumed the offense and moved to attack Ryan, the massive pillar got on his way, but he easily repelled it to the side. Ryan didn't have the chance to block the next attack, so he felt Thor's true power... Mjolnir hit him in the stomach and the impact made each one of his bones to crack. Ryan was paralyzed due to the shock and continuous pain, and then Thor prepared himself to finish him off. However, he stopped before swinging his hammer. He felt a sharp pain coming from behind his body and at many points. When Thor turned around, he didn't see anything, but he saw numerous shards of the ice pillar piercing his body when he used Clairvoyance. Ryan obtained control over them while he wasn't looking and used them as projectiles with Telekinesis, Perfect Aim, and Deadly Aim.

"You..." Thor muttered in anger.

"You should pay more attention to your surroundings," Ryan said. "You didn't notice when that much corruption approached."

Thor ignored that and tried to swing his hammer, but Ryan made the shards pierce his body even more. That dulled the feeling of his muscles, but it also made him some mental pain... it was quite odd. How come Ryan never noticed the elder gods had that much trouble against corruption? He knew that it was as effective as divine energy, but... maybe it wasn't due to the corruption alone. His recent power-ups made his corruption more effective.

Regardless, Ryan didn't have time to waste. He immediately brought back his dark ice pillar and made it spin to gain strength. He had to crush Thor now that he had the chance. He couldn't afford to half kill him. An elder god of that level would take too much time to go down using half-assed attacks.

Ryan used Telekinesis and tried to crush Thor's head, but in the end, somehow, he managed to swing Mjolnir and repel the attack. At the same time, he made the shards leave his body... Ryan couldn't believe that, but it seemed that he just used his own physical strength to do that.

After opening his eyes widely in shock, Ryan finally noticed that Thor's condition was still bad. After all, the corruption pierced his body, and it won't leave that easily just because the shards left. Ryan covered Poseidon's trident with ice magic and then increased its size by hundreds of times in the blink of an eye. At the same time, Thor raised his hammer and made a massive lightning bolt fall. p??(??)???

Before Ryan could get hit, he fired the spear and the dark ice pillar. Thor also didn't have the chance to defend himself. That was probably Ryan's best attack without relying on Draconic Bow and Dark Ice Breath... it would cause a lot of damage, but so did Thor's lightning bolt. He used everything he had on that attack... the attack had been so massive that Ryan's body disappeared inside the massive lightning bolt.

The environment changed after that attack... the noise of the attack had been so powerful that all the vegetation in the area died thanks to the vibration. The ground suddenly turned dark due to the burn marks left by the massive attack. Naturally, such a massive attack raised a massive curtain of dust that covered the entire north of Spain. Still, when it dissipated, it showed two bodies collapsed on the ground. Those were Ryan and Thor... Somehow, Ryan survived, and so did Thor. Due to the previous minutes, they were too wounded to be able to launch their best attacks as efficiently as possible. That being said, but of them were unconscious.

"Well, well... this sure took a longer than expected," Zeus suddenly appeared and then watched both bodies. "Your predictions are a bit off, though... Hera."

"My apologies, Dear," A dark-haired woman suddenly appeared and then said. "This human is more troublesome than I predicted."

Hera seemed pretty young, unlike Zeus. Regardless, she was an astonishingly beautiful woman, but her expression was a bit... too arrogant, even though she was apologizing. It almost looked like she blamed Ryan for her mistake. Hera was wearing a golden robe and a crown of the same color. She also had a short golden hand that had two snakeheads at the top.

"Regardless, thanks to you, we don't have to worry about Thor either, and this human will die without causing us any more trouble," Zeus said. "Use your magic to make him free the magic weapons in which he sealed the demons and elder gods."

Hera nodded, and Zeus proceeded to recover Poseidon's Trident. They touched Ryan and the weapon at the same time, but when they did it... those vanished like they were made of illusions.

"What a day... what a day!" Loki's voice echoed through the area. "Not only I saw my dear brother being bested by a human, but I also discovered that Zeus himself had been planning to backstab him since the very beginning... I knew something was off when you took your time to return."

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"Loki..." Zeus said as if he was chewing something very unpleasant. "For such a cowardly god, you sure have some nerve. Where are the human and Thor?"

"Fear not, almighty Zeus," Loki said. "Ryan is about to wake up, and knowing him, I am sure he will finish his business with you. I just brought those two to my domain because I smelled something fishy, and I was right. Hera was really around."

"You dirty little..." Hera bit her lips in exasperation.

"Let's not insult each other before the fight," Loki said. "I knew that I wouldn't be able to fight against Zeus and Thor, but I can fight you, Hera. Our powers are really similar, after all. I will see you soon."

Zeus and Hera looked at each other and then decided to attack Loki's domain before Ryan could wake up. If anyone could see that, they would think the world was ending, and the epicenter was Loki's domain. Hundreds of lightning bolts began to hit the barrier with every passing second.

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The sound and the tremors of the lightning bolts were what made Ryan wake up. He looked to the ceiling of the barrier and felt like Earth was being destroyed. Suddenly he got up and then recognized Belphegor's domain, which he sold to Loki. He saw the unconscious Thor on his left side, bleeding from his head, and on his right side, he saw Loki.

"... What happened?" Ryan frowned.



“Your attacks knocked down each other,” Loki replied. “After that, I brought you two here because this fight was more or less something Hera had planned.”

As quickly as possible, Loki explained what happened in the last few minutes. Ryan imagined that his plan had been too good since Zeus didn't get rid of the pillar so soon. However, how Hera planned that?

“It seems she can see the future,” Loki said. “That is a power I definitely want, so while you faze Zeus, I will defeat her.”

That was in Ryan's plans, but there was another thing that he didn't understand. Loki had the chance to defeat Thor, but he didn't do it. And yet, he helped the man who defeated his brother... that wasn't something someone was supposed to do just for amusement.

“Why did you do this, Loki?” Ryan asked.

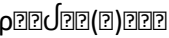
“Why? Because it is interesting,” Loki replied. “I am sure you watched many movies where you rooted for the underdog. It is even more fascinating to see one in real life. Not to mention, the elder gods already ruled this world once. Why would I let the same thing happen again? The same boring things will happen. That is not interesting.”

As expected, Ryan felt that he would never understand Loki. His way of thinking was just too incompatible with his. Instead of wasting time with that, he decided to get up and then seal Thor's spirit in another weapon. However, before Ryan could select a weapon, Loki gave him a mithril bow.

“Let's at least put my brother inside a decent weapon,” Loki said. “Thor is insufferable, but I don't want to see him being used in a poor weapon.”

“Sure...” Ryan said.

Lightning God Bow Crossbow (Mythological) (Cursed)

Effect: A weapon forged using the spirit of an elder god. Due to the power of the spirit used, the weapon is cursed, and its owner will have to endure the voice of the fallen elder god while holding the weapon. When using the bow, you can cause ten percent more damage against elder gods. At the cost of two thousand points of mana, it grants you the power to damage any enemy that you can see instantly and paralyze them for a while according to their resistances. The damage caused will be equal to your dexterity, and other skills and equipment can't affect the damage caused. This bow can fire projectiles at the speed of light. 

Dexterity + 3600, Intelligence + 2000, Speed + 2000

Durability: 2500/2500

You obtained 9.296.475.777 coins.

Congratulations! For defeating Thor, you have become a Level one Thunder Lord!

You obtained the following skills: Light Speed, Electric Absorption, and Instant Learning.

All of your status has increased and will increase by one hundred points once this class levels up.

Congratulations! You have learned the skill: Light Speed.

Effect: It grants the power to move at light speed, this skill also enhances your reaction speed, but even so, you might want to be careful in order not to hit something while moving. With each level up. The cost of the skill will decrease by ten points per level.

Cost: 20.000 mana per second.

You obtained 01 status point.

Congratulations! You have learned the skill: Electric Absorption.

Effect: It decreases the effects of all-related attacks by one hundred points per level. When you succeeding in nullifying all the damage, you will be able to turn the enemy attack into health, mana, and stamina.

You obtained 01 status point.

Congratulations! You have learned the skill: Instant Learning.

Effect: Thanks to the power of lightning, your brain can analyze faster skills, and that grants you the power to learn them instantly. As long as it isn't a skill that has a high level of divinity, you can learn it instantly and make it level up as fast as possible based on the level of this skill.

You obtained 01 status point.

“Oh, boy... this is quite insane,” Ryan frowned.

The cost of Light Speed was quite something, but its usefulness more than makes up for it. Ryan would be able to move at unbelievable speeds from the very beginning, and the cost will decrease over time. Instant Learning was also something else... did Thor know that? He didn't seem like the type who learns fast...

“You should take those two,” Loki said, pointing toward Thor's hammer, gloves, and belt. “While Zeus relied on Hera to find the best method to use the Norse gods, he isn't a weakling. He will show his true power now... you will need all the help you can get.”

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Thor's Iron Gloves (Heroic)

Effect: Those indestructible gloves give you protection when using Mjolnir and electricity at the same time. No matter what happens, it will protect you from your own attacks.

Durability: Indestructible

Thor's belt (Heroic)

Effect: It grants you a bonus of fifty percent on your strength.

Durability: 2000/2000

It has been a while since Ryan had any upgrade on his equipment. Aside from his bows and crossbows, he wasn't interested in crafting anything, after all. In any case, before leaving, he gave Merlin the order to level up his Electric Absorption using all the coins he had. After all, Zeus had been firing lightning bolts against the barrier for a while. Their numbers were impressive, just like their intensity, and yet, there was no sign of him running out of mana... Ryan truly will need to increase his resistance against electric attacks...

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Congratulations! The skill Electric Absorption has reached level 326.

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"Only this much?" Ryan frowned. "You are not scamming me, are you, Merlin?"

"No. You see, Absorption is the last level in all resistance-type skills, so it is only natural that it will cost more to level it up," Merlin explained. "Besides, do you know that all these level-ups will decrease the damage you may suffer from electric attacks in more than thirty-two thousand points?"

"Yeah, but... I was hoping with this many coins, I would become completely invulnerable against electric attacks," Ryan replied.

"I wish that I was born human. I would be able to be this reason, and I also would be able to blame my organic matter for such foolishness," Merlin said.

"You are acting like you are so smart, but you said that I didn't have any chance in defeating them, and yet, I defeated Thor," Ryan said. "Maybe we need to send you back to the technical support of the enterprise that built you since you are obviously not working properly." ρ??(??)???

"I am working properly. You only won because Zeus and Hera were scheming beyond everyone's backs," Merlin said.

"If you don't mind, I want you to leave," Loki said. "My barrier is about to collapse, and there are many king trolls that I have to kill after all this."

"... My bad," Ryan said and then forced a smile.

As soon as Ryan left the domain, he was immediately attacked by dozens of lightning bolts. Although he could at light speed and dodge them, he decided to see how much damage he could take now. As it turns out, he could see a difference. Each attack still could take ten thousand points of his health that was around three percent of his total when he is in draconic form. However, the paralysis effect is still as strong as ever.

"I still can't let those hit me, huh..." Ryan muttered.

Death Sense warned Ryan, and then he used Light Speed to move away from that spot. In the next moment, he only saw Zeus standing in the place he had been after he had punched the air. The motion of his punch made the air around vibrate and even created small lightning bolts, but Ryan ignored that.

"You obtained his power..." Zeus said after he turned around. "I am impressed that you can use it already with such mastery."

"Dexterity is my highest attribute, after all," Ryan shrugged. "Control is also pretty high, so it is only natural that I would be able to do it. Besides, the less I move, the less mana I will use."

“You learn it quickly,” Zeus smiled. “It is a pity that you were born just a lowly human, and it is also a pity that you had committed many crimes against us.”

“Yeah, I heard of that before. Someone much more convincing and admirable told me that.” Ryan said. “Since not even Odin convinced me of my crimes, you won’t be able to pull it off. After all, you are someone who probably had to rely on Hera’s schemes on many occasions to keep your throne. You cheated on her so many times, and she killed or tried to kill so many of your children, and you never abandoned her... you are pathetic. No wonder that asshole is like that. He has your blood, after all.”

Ryan’s words of utter contempt made Zeus so mad that a dark aura appeared around him. It was only an illusion created by his bloodlust. Still, it was enough to make Ryan sweat cold. However, he enjoyed that quite a bit... get on the nerves of the enemy.

Zeus raised both of his arms upward, and then Ryan prepared to dodge a big attack. However, nothing came. Instead of that, the dark clouds above grew thicker, and the bolts happening inside also grew more frequent. Soon after, Zeus fired a massive torrent of electricity toward it, and then he lowered his arms. In the next instant, a lightning bolt fell and almost hit Ryan... that was odd. Zeus didn’t do anything, after all.

“Ah... you sent your energy so that the clouds could detect the mana of everyone below, aside from you, of course,” Ryan said. “Now I can be attacked from above automatically, and you can focus on attacking directly.”

Zeus smiled after he heard that. A lightning bolt fell and hit Zeus in the next moment, but he didn’t even flinch. Instead of that, his body seemed bigger, and his presence also seemed more powerful... it seemed that Ryan was only half-correct.

“I will show you the power that I used to defeat my father, Cronus, during the Titanomachy,” Zeus said.

“Let’s hope that such power will be enough and you won’t need Hera’s help again,” Ryan said. “Come to think of it, you probably relied on her to win the war. I am not your descendant, and I am pretty happy for it, but I will make sure to make history repeat itself. Just like Cronus defeated Uranus and you defeated Cronus... I will defeat you. “

Before Zeus could grow stronger and bigger, Ryan decided to attack. However, Zeus predicted that, and it wasn't like he was waiting for the power-up. He just wanted to see Ryan grow impatient and slowly be taken by despair. Using Light Speed, Zeus moved toward Ryan, but he did the same and escaped. While Zeus was pursuing Ryan, he summoned Absolute Death Crossbow and then pulled the trigger. Zeus was forced to protect his eyes from the continuous damage, and Ryan used that chance to approach and attack. He couldn't hope that he would be able to draw the full power of Mjolnir, but what if he adds the momentum of his speed? What if he also attacks using Hephaestus' hammer? Ryan approached and attacked using both. Unfortunately, Zeus blocked them with his elbows alone.

Ryan immediately retreated... While he stored some energy in Hephaestus' hammer, he knew that he would need much more to stop Zeus, and he certainly won't have the chance to do that. While Ryan was thinking about what to do, Zeus got hit by another lightning bolt and began to grow again. With each hit, he had grown ten centimeters, and Ryan could tell that his strength increased by at least five percent... if things continue at that pace...

"I should have asked Athena and Isis about their strategy about how to fight against Zeus..." Ryan thought while he was having a hard time keeping the panic from showing in his face.

If the worst comes to the worst, Ryan also had some skills that he could to boost his status.. However, none of them were at the same level as Zeus' spell.

"Since I am not learning it... it must be a special skill that only Zeus has," Ryan muttered. "Can you tell me any information about that, Merlin?"

"I guess we can call it Infinite Potential," Merlin replied.

"You guess?" Ryan frowned.

"It is impossible to quantify and understand every single skill, my creator never mentioned and didn't add any information similar to that on my database, so I can only deduct," Merlin replied. "Considering his status as an elder god and the things we know about his life, I can assume that he has an amazing body that grants him the power to become stronger by storing more energy on his body. While that is probably something temporary, it gives him the chance to surpass the limitations of his physical body. Considering all that, I can say that it is better to defeat him as fast as possible or wait for his body to overheat."

Ryan had considered both things, but they were kind of difficult to achieve. Zeus was already crazy powerful, so if he wanted, he can focus on defense and wait patiently for his power-up. On the other hand, there was no telling for how long he maintained an enhanced body like that.

Regardless, Ryan summoned the Crossbow of the Unrivalled Sorcerer and then began to bombard Zeus with dark bolts. However, even while Light Speed was active, Ryan failed in hitting him... the reason being the fact that Zeus also used that skill to even things. Unless Ryan assumes some risks, he won't be able to cause any damage. Without wasting time, he created some gauntlets of ice that he could use in that form and then moved toward the enemy. Naturally, Zeus smiled since he was going to fight in his best range. ρ??(??)???

As if he was trying to amuse himself, Zeus punched Ryan's fist when he wanted to beat him. Ryan's arm trembled, and he felt his bones cracking slightly... not even with the boost in the water element thanks to the class Sea King. Ryan would be able to lose in a direct confrontation using that tactic... However, he couldn't stop now.

Ryan tried to punch Zeus again, but at the last moment, his right fist opened, and he bombarded Zeus' face with Chi Explosion. The Greek god was caught off guard, but Ryan only managed to scratch his face a little bit. Unlike Thor, Zeus didn't let the blood rush to his head. So, Ryan didn't accomplish anything with that.

Despite the failure, in the next moment, Ryan dashed toward Zeus again. Their fists collided, but Ryan also Draconic Bow at point-blank range. However, even though Zeus couldn't have dodged it, he still managed to move his arms and protect his head. When the smoke disappeared, Ryan saw that Zeus was bleeding here and there, but even those wounds were quickly closing.

"This isn't good... even if I use Draconic Bow several times..." Ryan thought and then looked around for the dark ice pillar he used to defeat Thor.

Unfortunately, that wasn't anywhere. Zeus probably got rid of it when he returned. That was annoying, but there was no telling if it would work or not. Zeus watched the previous fight, and he probably had a good idea of what Ryan was planning to do.

While Ryan was thinking, Zeus got hit two times by lightning bolts, and his body grew yet again. That kind of fight against time was really annoying, and yet, Ryan couldn't do anything to stop those lightning



bolts. Maybe he could disperse that massive cloud with Draconic Bow, but he would leave himself wide open against Zeus for a second, and that might be deadly.

Ryan took a deep breath and then opened his mouth. Zeus opened his guard, but instead of an Ice Breath, Ryan summoned a Draconic Lance. The massive weapon made of mana looked like a problem. However, Zeus still wasn't worried, he had taken a direct hit of Draconic Bow, and that was Ryan's probably best skill. However, Zeus furrowed his eyes when Ryan finally used Dark Ice Breath and covered the spear with the dark ice. Now that seemed like a problem...

Ryan also covered his ice gloves with the dark ice. He tried to hurry up, his eyesight still got blurry thanks to the corruption. Now it was settled, if he uses that type of skill again, he will lose his mind... he couldn't let that happen.

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Ryan made the dark ice spear, but Zeus was the one who attacked; first, he knew that Ryan could become a pain if he gained the momentum while using a weapon like that... at least for a while. Ryan moved his gloves and blocked Zeus's punch that aimed for his chin, but even though the gloves protected him from direct damage, the vibration still made him click his tongue. Regardless, Ryan had to endure that because he needed to focus on controlling the spear.

Congratulations! The skill Light Speed has leveled up.

Congratulations! The skill Death Sense has leveled up.

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Thanks to Light Speed and Death Sense, Zeus was unable to catch Ryan off guard. For the time being, that was enough for him since his power was slowly building up. Ryan was also getting stronger, but not nearly fast enough compared with that crazy spell.

When the Dark Ice Spear finally was spinning around fast enough, at least for Ryan's standards. He made it fly toward Zeus, but before it could hit him, Zeus moved away with his Light Speed. As expected, it will be hard to hit him with that massive spear... unless Ryan wields it. However, even if he does that, Ryan is pretty sure that Zeus would use something to surprise him. Besides, he wasn't a spearman.

Ryan tried to block the lightning bolts from falling using the dark ice spear. Still, in the end, those passed nearby it, completely ignoring the weapon, even though it wasn't supposed to be possible.

Ryan dashed toward Zeus with all his might again, using the momentum Light Speed granted him, and the power of Concentrated Strike, Ryan made Zeus move backward a little. Even though the attack also damaged him, Ryan didn't stop there. He tried to punch with his left hand as well, but then Zeus was forced to escape when the dark ice spear approached to pierce him from behind.

"This is quite disappointing," Zeus said. "Can't you do better than this?"

"I could ask the same thing. You were a lot more troublesome when Thor was with you," Ryan replied.

Neither taunts actually worked. Usually, Ryan could do better than that, but he couldn't since he was worried about the time limit. Regardless, Ryan tried to use the same way of attacking several times. Still, not even when he boosted the power of his Telekinesis by using Mana Manipulation did he manage to hit Zeus with it. Eventually, Zeus became forty meters tall, and Ryan became unable to make him move with his punches. He still was running away from the spear, but without hitting him, it was essentially useless.

Ryan was starting to get impatient. Not even when he was fighting Zeus and Thor at the same time, he was making so little progress. Despite his frustration, Ryan still charged toward Zeus in order to punch him, this time. He didn't move the dark ice spear, so Zeus felt like playing with him a little. In the end, when Ryan's punch approached, Zeus only blocked it and then grabbed Ryan's arm. Still, before he could do anything, dozens of magic bows appeared around and were very close to him.

Zeus was surprised. At that angle, he wouldn't be able to block or even dodge the bolts. He tried to use Ryan's as a shield, but he naturally only fired those that wouldn't hit him. Zeus was hit by hundreds of bolts that stole his mana and decreased his Endurance. His calm expression finally broke a little, and then he threw Ryan to the ground after he tried to punch him in the face. Ryan's gloves got in the way.

The impact raised a massive curtain of smoke, but in the end, Ryan got up while smirking and feeling pretty refreshed. It seemed that he finally found a way to attack Zeus. Not to mention, his body shrunk a little. Those lightning bolts were charging him with mana, so if he uses too much or loses mana, he will decrease in size.

When Ryan got up, he soon was welcomed by a punch coming from Zeus. However, he protected his stomach with his gloves. Zeus insisted on attacking even though Ryan was blocking it for a while. Eventually, he retreated when he noticed the dark ice spear approaching.

“I need to steal his mana... but I can’t do that while wearing these gloves...” Ryan thought. “Regardless, they are sturdy enough, and they can protect me from his attacks, so perhaps I should keep focusing on using Spiritualist’s Crossbow to do that... Wait, there is that skill... Merlin, which class do I need to obtain to get Mana Stealer?”

“It is a special class called Spell Thief,” Merlin replied. “It will cost you two hundred million mana points.”

That was more than Ryan had currently... he would need fifty million more. Still, would it be worth it? The skill would be at level one, after all. Until it can steal more mana than Zeus can gain due to those lightning bolts...

Regardless, Ryan decided to keep using Spiritualist’s Crossbow whenever possible alongside Light Speed. Thanks to that combination, he managed to recover twenty times more mana than he spent in a single second, after all. No wonder Zeus looked so pissed.

When Zeus tried to attack Ryan again, this time, he blocked the attack with a single glove. With his left hand, Ryan tried to punch. Blocking the attack wouldn’t do Zeus any good, so he was forced to retreat again. Zeus stopped moving for a second and considered his options. If he takes his time, he won’t have to worry about anything. Power will naturally come to him. However, he had a bad feeling coming from Ryan. Just attacking now and then didn’t seem like a good idea against a foe like that... should he use magic to paralyze Ryan as much as possible or conserve his mana in order to become physically stronger as soon as possible? That was a tough question, even for Zeus.