

Glory 81

Chapter 81 – A Blessing or a Curse

At this moment, Ye Xiu was waiting for Seven Fields and the others to dungeon together again. After making an appointment with Tyrannical Ambition for the Level 25 dungeon clear, they didn't invite Ye Xiu to train with them. Compared to Blue River, they didn't care about making any friendly relationships with Ye Xiu. They paid, he worked, it was that simple.

With regards to Ye Xiu not being put on the leaderboards after the successful Goblin Merchant first kill, Seven Fields and the others were extremely resentful. But Ye Xiu completely didn't care. Regarding these sort of glories that normal players were envious of, Ye Xiu couldn't care less. However, to normal players, this was an extremely significant glory. As a result, because he wasn't put on the first kill leaderboards, although Ye Xiu didn't care, he didn't need to show it. In the end, as expected, he exchanged his bargaining chip with Tyrannical Ambition for many more rewards.

Seven Fields and the others felt that this wasn't worth it at all, but for Ye Xiu, he thought of it as a cheap choice. Tyrannical Ambition was obviously very regretful, but there was no other choice! They valued glory even more than normal players. Their guild's name being put up on the leaderboards was extremely important to them, so they were willing to pay a high price for it.

From the Goblin Merchant's first kill, in the end, Ye Xiu received 20 White Wolf Bristles and 30 Spider Teeth from Tyrannical Ambition.

Spider Teeth came from the two hidden BOSSes, the Spider Elite and the Spider Warrior in the beginner village's Spider Cave dungeon.

These two hidden BOSSes all looked weird. The Spider Warrior held a spider-shaped Spider Shield. The Spider Elite directly used its eight legs for boxing. When these two hidden BOSSes were killed, there was a chance for them to drop the Spider Teeth. Because dungeons could be cleared limitlessly in the beginner village, Tyrannical Ambition had quite a lot of these sort of materials. 30 Spider Teeth wasn't anything difficult for them.

As for White Wolf Bristles, those were dropped from Frost Forest's hidden BOSS White Wolf. In these few days since the server opened, Tyrannical Ambition didn't have many of these. Last time, Endless Night used 10 of them for nothing. This time, they couldn't pay the 20 in full. Luckily, everyone had their dungeon entries renewed, so after killing off the Goblin Merchant, Tyrannical Ambition hurriedly formed parties to run Frost Forest dungeon in order to pay off the debt. Inside, all of their cheeks streamed with tears. F*ck, exactly who was the one doing the labor? Why did it seem like they were the ones slaving away to pay the debt?

The guild leader Cold Night was even more worried. This Lord Grim really did need a lot of precious materials. As their levels rose, there would be more dungeons and more wild BOSSes. Was it possible that they needed him to help them every time they wanted to get a new record? This guy's appetite was huge. He was cunning too. He didn't want money, only hidden BOSS materials. Like this, there was no way they could keep buying him!

Even if they could, this situation was burdensome. Were all of the tenth server's leaderboards completely controlled by this single person? Especially the wild BOSS first kills and dungeon clear records. These two leaderboards embodied a guild's strength the most.

It seems like the tenth server's situation can no longer be controlled all because of the sudden appearance of this expert. Where did this guy come from? Cold Night didn't understand. He also went to his guild's headquarters to ask for advice.

Every side was like this and ran dungeons while carrying this worry. On that night, the tenth server's first string players all broke through to Level 25. They switched equipment and learned new skills. Their strength instantly leaped one level. Although Cold Night was worried, he had already made an appointment with Ye Xiu for the Frost Forest clear record.

"Hello hello, we're all Level 25, let's break the record!!" Endless Night was Tyrannical Ambition's contact person to Ye Xiu.

"Oh? Wait a bit. I'm still in a dungeon." Ye Xiu said.

"You haven't used up all of your dungeon entries, have you?" Endless Night started sweating.

"I still have one more." Ye Xiu said.

"Hurry hurry." Endless Night bounced up and down.

"Why the rush? We don't need a cleric for the clear record." Ye Xiu said.

"F*ck. Let me ask you what you need this time." Endless Night said.

"Ten White Wolf Bristles, two Mithril Pendants, one Ice Crystal Staff." Ye Xiu said.

"You..... you White Wolf Bristle maniac!" Endless Night cried. Their whole guild ran Frost Forest and with great difficulty, barely paid off the debt for their 20 White Wolf Bristles. And now he wanted another ten. Once Endless Night told the guild leader Cold Night about the White Wolf Bristles, Cold Night almost flipped the table: "Is he looking for trouble? He's intentionally looking for trouble, right? Why does he needs so many White Wolf Bristles? If he wants money, aren't all the materials the same? White Wolf Fangs! White Wolf Fur! White Witch's Tears! Ice Remnants!! Ask him if any of these can replace it!"

Endless Night immediately asked and in the end Ye Xiu said extremely magnanimously: "Okay, I'll first take these as mortgage. And then when you guys find enough White Wolf Bristles we can trade, how about it?"

"What do you want with all these White Wolf Bristles?" Endless Night looked and saw that this guy wanted these White Wolf Bristles no matter what. So it seemed like he didn't want these hidden materials for money and wanted them for an actual purpose.

"To make equipment." Ye Xiu said.

"Bullsh*t....." Endless Night rolled his eyes. These hidden material's most important usage was for making equipment. If he asked what he was making with them, then he was obviously asking what

equipment he was going to make. They were only level 20. It wasn't worth it to make such low-leveled equipment. So if he was going to make equipment, then it would obviously be the highest-leveled ones.

In the end, Ye Xiu didn't reply to Endless Night's question.

As a result, Endless Night didn't go and question him anymore. He temporarily put down the White Wolf Bristles matter. The Mithril Pendants were just toys; they had no value. But Ye Xiu's third request made their balls hurt.

Ice Crystal Staff was a Level 25 Orange Equipment. Tyrannical Ambition, from top to bottom, didn't have one. Orange equipment had an extremely low drop rate. They were extraordinarily valuable and weren't sold in the market. Even low-leveled equipment would sometimes be taken out by high-leveled players to show off because they truly were too difficult to find. Otherwise, how could Endless Night keep shaking his Orange Crystal Cross around. Orange equipment were for those with status.

"We really don't have an Ice Crystal Staff." Endless Night said.

"Then let's talk later when you find one!" Ye Xiu wasn't in a hurry. He wasn't in a hurry at all. Lord Grim was only Level 21 and there were still plenty of opportunities to set a new Frost Forest clear record. But Tyrannical Ambition was worried! Their first string players were Level 25. If they continued to power-level, they would reach Level 26. If they broke a record at that level, then it wouldn't count.

"Ask for something else. Can you ask to mortgage something?" Endless Night said.

"Your Crystal Cross?" Ye Xiu asked.

"F*CK!!!" Endless Night shouted.

Ye Xiu wasn't done talking: "Your Level 20 Orange weapon is still a little lacking. How about a few more hidden materials too?"

Endless Night didn't respond for a long time. He really had invited disaster onto himself. At this moment, he sent a request to Cold Night stating that he didn't want to be the contact person anymore.

"Whoever wants it can have it!" Endless Night hugged his Crystal Cross and made a clean getaway.

Cold Night was unable to make heads or tails of the situation. He could only add Lord Grim as a friend for himself and ask. Hearing the three words Ice Crystal Staff, he also almost coughed blood.

"We really don't have this." Cold Night cried. Was this expert's help a blessing or a curse?

Chapter 82 – A Swift Dungeon Record

The Ice Crystal Staff made Cold Night feel powerless, but it wasn't because he wasn't willing to give it up. Not matter how rare the item was. It was only a Level 25 equipment and nothing more. It was only a transition equipment and could only be used temporarily for that level stage. With regards to experienced players, they didn't really care. Thinking of this, Cold Night couldn't help but look down on Endless Night. It was only a Level 20 Orange equipment, that's all. This guy treated it as a treasure and wouldn't hand it over. He asked him for the reason and he answered that it was good-looking so he wanted to collect it.

“It’s only going to be used for mortgage. It’s not like you’re not going to get it back!” Cold Night said to Endless Night.

“Don’t trick me. Do you think it’s as simple as we’ll trade when we want to? Lord Grim clearly wants the Ice Crystal Staff. Do you know how many times we’re going to have to kill the White Witch for this item to drop?” Endless Night said. It was exactly this Ice Crystal Staff that made Cold Night feel so powerless. To find an Orange equipment, you could only rely on luck to get it!

“If we don’t have one, then we’ll buy one. There’s always a way.” Cold Night said.

“Do you want to try it now?” Endless Night said.

“Take your Crystal Cross and try to sell it.” Cold Night wasn’t happy. Right now the game was still in the new server opening stage, as an experienced veteran, he only sold equipment and never bought one. Right now, low-leveled equipment could be sold for some money, especially to those noobs. But once everyone was high-leveled and into the Heavenly Domain, low-leveled equipment were like floating clouds. At that time, a Level 25 Purple weapon would be the same price as a single White Wolf Bristle. When Cold Night said to buy it, he meant to buy it at a cabbage price later when the price fell. Buying a Level 25 Orange weapon right now, was an outright nooby action, how could Endless Night not understand?

“Sell it, sell it!” Endless Night teared up. He knew that this outstanding weapon he had in the Level 20s wouldn’t last forever. Endless Night could only gnash his teeth in rage at Lord Grim. Cold Night wasn’t happy either. He had a type of willing-to-sacrifice-everything-he-had feeling. This sort of feeling made him feel terrible.

However, for the guild’s activity in the new server, their reputation was number one! It was a worthy investment. In the end, these two players relied on this belief to maintain their faith. And they had no choice but to comply: this Lord Grim was too much of a veteran. Although the items he wanted were tricky, it was still within their limits. He didn’t demand ridiculous fees like a lion.

But the problem was, like this, Cold Night was extremely worried about their Three Great Guilds fighting over this Lord Grim. This definitely wasn’t something they could do for a long time. After making the deal with Lord Grim, Cold Night also logged out to ask the guild leader for help with his main account. It wasn’t that he didn’t want to participate in the Frost Forest clear record. It was that he was a f*cking Knight, Glory’s main tank class. As a result, he was also ignored like Endless Night.

Their one Knight and one Cleric, these two Priest classes, were originally the tenth server Tyrannical Ambition’s two core characters. Right now they had helplessly become miserable b*tiches. Seeing Lord Grim running over from outside Frost Forest, he immediately sent out four Level 25 DPSers from Tyrannical Ambition. While the strategy for the dungeon was being explained, Endless Night pinched his mouse resentfully. His clenched hands were drenched in sweat.

“This is the general idea. Does everyone understand?” After Ye Xiu finished explaining, he had confidence that with this sort of full DPS party, as long as they didn’t make any mistakes, there shouldn’t be any problem in setting a new record. He just didn’t know exactly how much they would beat it by.

When the four DPS players heard this, they were all in a daze. They were just like Blue River and the others when they first heard about using One Wave Rush, they all felt it was inconceivable.

“If there’s not problem, let’s go!” Ye Xiu announced. He casually led Lord Grim into the dungeon.

The four DPSers all carried a bit of doubt in their hearts. But once they entered the dungeon, they didn’t think anymore of it. They immediately rushed forward. They were going for a clear record. Every second counted.

At this moment, Lord Grim had already gone up to pull monsters. Compared to last time, the Thousand Chance Umbrella’s Original, Gun, Sword, and Lance were all Level 15 now. Ye Xiu was more steady in pulling monsters with his increased damage. While he instructed them on when to attack his pulled monsters, he unleashed attacks on other monsters.

The four output damage very carefully, afraid to OT. However, they soon discovered that under this person’s lead, OT, this sort of problem, didn’t exist. Did this person understand their damage output better than them?

Pulling twenty or so monsters in a One Wave Rush made the four DPSers scared witless. But under Ye Xiu’s step by step instructions, the four quickly took their position and like Blue Brook Guild, they went from doubt to shock to admiration to excitement.

After the first wave of monsters had been killed, everyone glanced at the time. They immediately determined that as long as they didn’t make a mistake, the record would certainly be broken.

“Kill!” The four players were as energetic as a rainbow. They were even more excited than Ye Xiu. After all, this record was to be set by Tyrannical Ambition. Ye Xiu didn’t care at all about this and continued to carry out his work.

Endless Night and the others were also running dungeons with other Tyrannical Ambition players. However, none of them were thinking about themselves: they were all thinking of that record-setting party.

From time to time, Endless Night looked at the time. In an instant, ten minutes had passed. Their team was also a Level 25 party, but seeing their current progress, it wasn’t possible for them to break the record. Not knowing where that other party was at, Endless Night couldn’t help but think about it. He was extremely curious, but he didn’t want to ask, afraid that his message might mess up their concentration.

As for the other members, they chatted while killing monsters. Their main topic was on Lord Grim, this mysterious expert.

In a flash, five minutes passed. The record-setting party had already been in the dungeon for fifteen minutes. Endless Night became even more anxious. He couldn’t help but open up the dungeon leaderboards and look. The current record was still that 20:24:11 record. Currently, their players’ strength had increased substantially. After these 15 minutes, the record could be newly set at any time.

“Clear!!” Someone in their party suddenly yelled.

Endless Night, who was still looking at the previous record, quivered. He immediately looked towards the system announcement and was taken aback.

System Announcement: Congratulations to Herb Garden's players Plantago Seed, Giant Taro, Oriental Sweetgum, Rangoon Creeper, Malva Nut for breaking Frost Forest's clear record, time: 17:48:45.

"Herb Garden's players?" Those four were all astonished.

"Don't worry, it's not the end yet." Endless Night unexpectedly said calmly. At this moment, every big guild had reached the Level 25 realm. They could obviously begin using all their strength to clear the Frost Forest dungeon. With Herb Garden's level, it wasn't anything to fuss about. 17:48:45. This record could still be beaten by their party. Lord Grim's party had entered the dungeon for 15 minutes. They should also be done soon, right?

Endless Night's expectations weren't wrong. When Herb Garden's record had been broken, Ye Xiu's party didn't even blink. This was because they had already completely assessed what type of time they could set. 17:48? How sorry! Herb Garden's players could only be happy for a minute.

The four Tyrannical Ambition players excitedly thought this. On the other hand, Ye Xiu continued his steady damage output.

Suddenly, another System Announcement popped up.

System Announcement: Congratulations to Excellent Dynasty players: Gray Black, Sea Breeze, Inherit, Nowhere to Run, Purse for breaking the Frost Forest clear record, time:13:24:21.

The entire world was shocked!

Chapter 83 – Almost the Limit

13:24:21.

Perhaps to the majority of players, this was just another record on the leaderboards. But for Endless Night, Plantago Seed, Blue River, these sort of players from big guilds that were always thinking of these records on the leaderboard, only these players understood what this record signified.

13:24:21. This was only the tenth server's record. This record clearly broke the all-time record in all ten of Glory's servers.

This record didn't have any system rewards. At first, players recorded these records for themselves to compete for. Later, Glory officially ranked the records for each of their respective servers. Frost Forest's all-time record was only 14:31:58. Although Blue River and the others couldn't clearly remember this number, they knew that it wasn't below 14. But now, in the tenth server, Excellent Dynasty had actually broken this record by a minute.

In the end, Herb Garden's players couldn't even celebrate for one minute. Tyrannical Ambition's players couldn't celebrate either.

Ye Xiu's record-setting party had already passed the 15 minute mark. They obviously couldn't break this new record.

"F*CK!!" When this record popped up, the four DPSers were all astonished. No matter how hard they tried, their efforts were already futile. In the entire process, they were careful, careful, and more careful. Their palms were extremely sweaty but they didn't dare wipe it. They feared that they would

delay the record by a second. But now? Just when they thought that they could break Herb Garden's record without any problems, this 13:24:21 record was like a bolt from the blue.

The four were already motionless, but the battle sounds were still resounding in their ears. The four players recovered and looked. Lord Grim was still fighting with the Frost Thain.

"Brother, did you see the system announcement?" One player couldn't help but say.

"I saw it." Ye Xiu replied.

"We're already too late." One player sighed.

"We should at least finish the dungeon, right?" Ye Xiu laughed.

"You're still laughing. Since it's like this, you won't be getting anything either." One player said, but he started to attack again.

"Yeah, I'm out of luck." Ye Xiu said.

"Excellent Dynasty..... d*mn, 13 minutes, isn't this already this highest record in all ten servers?" Among the players, an unsure player said.

"It is! There wasn't any record that broke 14 minutes before." Another player said.

"This..... We're way off then?" Another player said.

"Correct, we'll finish this dungeon in 16 minutes at best." Ye Xiu said.

"Sigh....." While they sighed, the Frost Thain was finally beaten. Their end record was 17:07:66. This did beat Herb Garden's previous record and could be considered as the tenth server's number two record. But a number two record, although it wasn't easy for small guilds, to Tyrannical Ambition, it didn't mean anything.

When Lord Grim and the four DPSers exited the dungeon, Endless Night and the others were still fighting in the dungeon. Cold Night hadn't returned from his report back to the old server. On the other hand, Herb Garden's players experienced the descent from heaven to hell. They had just been celebrating their new record, when a new record beat theirs by four minutes. It felt like they had been slapped in the face. This wasn't over yet though. In another moment, Lord Grim's party beat their record again. Herb Garden's efforts looked meaningless.

At this moment, Plantago Seed received a message from Blue River: "What a tragedy! A tragedy."

"F*ck, 13 minutes!! How the f*ck did they do that. Who's in Excellent Dynasty?" Plantago Seed didn't notice Blue River's taunt. Instead, he discussed with this expert how such a record was possible.

"Excellent Dynasty....." Blue River didn't reply to Plantago Seed's message. He only pondered over this guild name.

He wasn't unfamiliar with this guild. It was a level lower than the Three Great Guilds, but Excellent Dynasty was still a distinguished guild. And this was only its current form. In the past, it was once the most glorious guild. In that time, the Excellent Era Club swept the Professional Alliance, dominating the pro scene for three years.

Correct, Excellent Dynasty, the professional club that backed them was Ye Xiu's former team, the Excellent Era Club.

The Professional Alliance was the peak in Glory's community. Each and every move of a club could have a lasting impact on Glory. And the guild that was backed by the club even more so. When the club rose, the guild rose. When the club declined, the guild declined. Excellent Era's achievements in the recent years weren't good. In the game, their guild was immediately surpassed by Blue Brook Guild, Tyrannical Ambition, and Herb Garden. However, their foundations was deep. Although they were surpassed, they didn't decline too far.

Within the tenth server's tussle, the Three Great Guilds competed against each other and didn't put the other guilds in their eyes. Who knew that Excellent Dynasty would suddenly attack heavily. Before, they were hiding their true strength. None of the other leaderboards had their name on them. But at this moment, they amazed the world with a single brilliant event. In an instant, they took the Frost Forest clear record.

13:24:21!!

They not only broke the tenth server record, but they even beat the all-time Frost Forest record by a whole minute. Was Excellent Dynasty preparing to rise in power again?

Thinking of this, Blue River immediately thought of Excellent Era Club's most recent change. The old generation captain Ye Xiu retired and the new generation expert Sun Xiang took the Battle God One Autumn Leaf. They clearly intended to shuffle the cards and rebuild. Then was the Excellent Dynasty's sudden rise in the game related to the Club's movements? If it was like this, then relying on them to stop these players from setting new records was a little extreme. This record probably wasn't done by ordinary players like them.

"They're experts." Outside of Frost Forest's dungeon, Ye Xiu was talking to Endless Night, who had just finished his run, and Cold Night, who had just returned from his old server.

Cold Night was like Blue River and ran back to the old server to report his work. In the end, when he returned back to the tenth server he heard that something big had happened. 13:24:21. Cold Night was also astonished by this number. He hurriedly ran to outside the dungeon and happened to hear Ye Xiu's opinion.

"You don't say! We also guessed that they were experts." Endless Night said.

"They're not ordinary experts. This party should have at least three players who are at a pro level." Ye Xiu said.

Cold Night and Endless Night were dumbstruck. To them, pro-players were existences that they could only hope to reach. In the moment of their shock, they both forgot to think how Ye Xiu could determine this so clearly.

"This record is almost the limit for Frost Forest's clear record." Ye Xiu said.

"Almost?" Endless Night heard this keyword.

"So you're saying, this isn't the limit?" Cold Night said.

“How could the limit be so easy to reach?” Ye Xiu laughed.

“So you’re saying?”

“Wait until I’m level 25 and then we’ll see! You guys should also hurry!” Ye Xiu said.

“Hurry what?” The two were both startled.

“The items I want! You guys have time to gather them now!” Ye Xiu said.

“F*CK!” The two shouted together. Such a shocking event had just occurred and this guy was still thinking about those materials and equipment.....

Chapter 84 – Manpower Needed

Ye Xiu’s beautiful confidence made Cold Night and Endless Night feel skeptical, but they had a very serious issue facing them right now.

“Brother, how many more days do you need until you’re Level 25? We can’t stay at level 25 forever to wait for you!” Cold Night said. Lord Grim was now Level 21 and he wasn’t madly leveling for 24 hours. It would take him three or four days to get to Level 25. Cold Night definitely couldn’t waste these three or four days. Their elite members would definitely pass Level 25.

“The opposing party has three or more pro level players.” Ye Xiu said.

After Cold Night and Endless Night heard this, they waited a bit for a follow up. But in the end, they only heard this statement without anything behind it.

Just when Cold Night was about to ask, Endless Night already jumped up and yelled: “F*CK, so you’re saying our skill levels aren’t good enough??”

Because Endless Night had been excluded several times from the elite party due to him being a Cleric, he had unfortunately raised a habit of self-doubt. At this moment, Endless Night had already understood what Lord Grim was implying.

“To break a normal record, then you guys are fine. But this record..... would only be possible if you had an Orange equipment party of Level 25s.” Ye Xiu said.

An Orange equipment party in the new server was clearly a fantasy. Even in the old servers, to use up money just to make a Level 25 Orange equipment party only for the Frost Forest dungeon record was too much of a joke.

After all, this was only the lowest level dungeon. Wasting their blood and tears like this wasn’t worth it.

Cold Night was worthy of being called a guild leader. Although his gift for self doubt wasn’t as good as Endless Night, he already heard another implication : “Don’t tell me we need to find pro-level players?” After saying this, Cold Night could only feel that this was inconceivable. This was only the tenth server’s lowest level Frost Forest Dungeon and they actually needed pro players to confront it? That was too delusional!

In the end, Ye Xiu laughed: “It’s only Frost Forest! Using pro-players would be too ridiculous. Actually, as long as you have players with a bit of hand speed then you can reach the limit too.”

“A little hand speed and then the limit? Then pro-players would be even higher!” Endless Night said.

“Let me say it to you like this. First, disregard the strength of your accounts. At the new server’s current level, each of the guild’s five elites from equipment to skill are all around the same, right?” Ye Xiu said.

“Yeah.....” Cold Night admitted. In this sort of five player party, their advantages over the other guilds were limited. After all, as long as their was a party of five elites then they could compete. The five player elite parties from lower grade guilds like Excellent Dynasty wouldn’t be worse than theirs.

“So in the end, what most affects the clear record is your mechanical skill. Suppose a pro-player’s skill level is a 10. But in such a low-level dungeon like Frost Forest, the max they could go to is a 5. A skill level 10 or a skill level 9 could only bring out a max of a skill level 5 in this dungeon. Do you understand now?”

Cold Night and Endless Night obviously understood this. This was like if their opponents had 100 life. A 1000 damage attack was the same as a 100 damage attack. Although the former was ten times greater than the latter, the end result was the same. The reason the 1000 damage attack couldn’t be fully displayed was because of that meager 100 life.

“If you’re talking about our mechanical skill, then Cold Night and I aren’t bad.” Endless Night said.

“They aren’t bad. You two are probably Tyrannical Ambition’s most mechanically skilled players over here right? But you guys..... one’s a Knight, one’s a Cleric.....” Ye Xiu said, “Can you play other classes?”

“What.....if we could?” Endless Night asked carefully.

“If you say it like this, then I guess you can’t.” Ye Xiu said.

While Endless Night was depressed, Cold Night followed up: “I can play as an Elementalist..... But it’s be a bit difficult with this account. The account I can borrow will definitely power level. It definitely won’t stop at Level 25.”

“If it’s like this, then even if you ask an expert to come over and play for you guys, then this account problem won’t be easy to resolve!”

“True!” Cold Night admitted. Over here in the new server, all of the Level 25 accounts were concentrated on power leveling. They couldn’t just stop temporarily. As for the other level players, those newly recruited players in the new server, they had only just became familiar with them. How could they just ask to borrow their accounts? Even if someone was willing to, their account cards were real-life objects. Both sides would have to be in the same place.

“Player and account. I can help look around for those.” Ye Xiu said.

Cold Night felt long ago that this guy’s self-confidence was definitely one of his strong points. As a guild leader, he had already began to weigh the pros and cons of this situation. If this guy completely found his own party, then his price would definitely be higher. If it was just for a Frost Forest dungeon record, then Cold Night already felt that it wasn’t too worth it. He firmly replied: “Our offer won’t go any higher.”

Unexpectedly, Lord Grim, who they had thought was extremely greedy, didn't actually have the intention of raising the price and laughed: "I don't need that. The price stays the same. But you guys will have to do a little extra."

"Extra?"

"Those five characters from Excellent Dynasty that cleared the record, give me info on their classes, equipment, everything. The more detailed the better." Ye Xiu said.

"This..... I can think of a way." Cold Night said.

"Also, I may need you guys to provide a few equipment." Ye Xiu said.

"Equipment?"

"The most important ones are the Level 25 Purple weapons. Of course, other equipment are welcome too. These will only be borrowed temporarily. When I'm done, I'll return them to you. If you guys need a mortgage from me, then I can do that." Ye Xiu laughed.

"What classes?"

"First find info on those five players from Excellent Dynasty. After that, I'll determine exactly how many pro-level players they had." Ye Xiu said.

"First tell me what classes. I'll begin preparing." Cold Night said.

"Then, one Battle Mage, one Brawler, and..... a Launcher, these first." Ye Xiu said.

"Battle Mage? You aren't going to look for Thousand Creations right?" Cold Night began sweating. Currently, in the tenth server, Blue Brook Guild's Thousand Creations was a Battle Mage with high mechanical skill.

"Obviously not. If it was him, would he need a Purple weapon?"

"That's true." Cold Night said, "Then who are you looking for?" He deserved to be called a guild leader! He was always sensitive towards talents.

"I still have to think about it!" Ye Xiu said.

Chapter 85 – Steamed Bun Invasion

Cold Night was extremely perplexed. This tenth server really was cursed. In an instant, so many experts popped out? This wasn't Glory's style!

In ordinary games, a single server was a single world. In old servers, unhappy players would often restart when a new server opened. Like this, maybe they could become the king or tyrant of the new server and stir up troubles. But in Glory? All of the experts ended up gathering in the Heavenly Domain. No matter how rampant you were in the first, second, third, fourth server, etc. if you didn't even have the qualifications to enter the Heavenly Domain, then you were just a joke.

As a result, in Glory, veterans that wanted to abandon their old accounts and start anew didn't have to switch to a new server. In the old server, a veteran could use their old account's money to buy items and their strength to level faster; how great was that?

As a result, of those veterans that came to the new server to pioneer, the overwhelming majority of them were like Cold Night and the others, who came to run their guild. But now, they met Lord Grim, an unprecedented expert. And this player claimed that he could find players with mechanical skill higher than him and Endless Night, that level of players.

Although he and Endless Night were way inferior compared to pro players, among the player masses, they were still considered extremely skilled. They were the elite of Tyrannical Ambition's elite. They were comparable to Blue Brook Guild's Five Great Experts, that sort of level. However, this Lord Grim seemed as if he could just casually find a few better than them. This made Cold Night extremely perplexed. With regards to such a confident character, how could he not be curious.

"You guys go level up! No one's going to try and beat this record anyways. Wait until I level up and then I'll help you clear it." Ye Xiu said.

"Then..... let's contact each other later." Cold Night patiently said. No matter who Lord Grim found, he would eventually find out in the end.

Cold Night and Endless Night carried their doubts and left. Their entries for Frost Forest had all been used up. They could still do Boneyard though. Ye Xiu's Lord Grim was only Level 21 and couldn't enter Boneyard. Right now; he could only complete quests and clear monsters to level.

While he went to a place to level, Ye Xiu opened up his friends list and yelled out to "Steamed Bun Invasion".

Although this Steamed Bun Invasion was a noob at Glory, after hunting the Blood Gunner and dungeoning with him a few times, Ye Xiu found that his hand speed was quite quick.

His situation was a bit similar to Tang Rou's. He wasn't familiar with Glory, but he had the hand speed for it. In comparison, although Steamed Bun Invasion's hand speed wasn't as fast as Tang Rou's, his coordination was better. Seeing how crazily enthusiastic he was towards Glory, this hand speed was most likely practiced through playing games.

At this moment, Steamed Bun Invasion was still in the Frost Forest dungeon with Seven Fields and the others. Ye Xiu had done his last run with Tyrannical Ambition's players. Seven Fields and the others randomly added another person for their last run. In such an ordinary party, with their ordinary characters, ordinary equipment, and ordinary coordination, their dungeon clearing speed really was too ordinary. They almost needed thirty minutes to clear it.

Steamed Bun Invasion had a high hand speed, that wasn't wrong, but the fact that he was still a Glory noob couldn't be ignored. As a result, his display of strength was greatly related to the leader's leading skills. With outstanding leading to replace his own thinking, instructing him on his position and damage, only then would his full strength be displayed. Right now, their party's leader was Seven Fields. He was only an experienced player and couldn't even be considered an expert.

“Ah, God, we’re still in a dungeon. Is there anything you need?” Steamed Bun Invasion replied quickly. While in a dungeon, while fighting monsters, he could swiftly reply back. This was one indicator of hand speed.

“I’m done. In a bit, I’ll come look for you for some business.” Ye Xiu replied.

“It looked like.....your name wasn’t on TV?” Steamed Bun Invasion said.

“Yeah, I failed.” Ye Xiu said.

“Ah, what a pity!”

“First finish your dungeon. Let’s talk later.”

“Okay.”

Ye Xiu had chatted with Cold Night for a long time after exiting the dungeon, so Seven Fields and the others should almost be done with their dungeon too. In a short while, five players exited the dungeon, depressed and dejected. Without brother expert overseeing them, Seven Fields and the others were extremely unsatisfied with their efficiency, but were also helpless to improve their situation. Even though they saw how brother expert led them, there was no way that they could copy him. This situation was similar to how the Three Great Guilds couldn’t copy Ye Xiu’s One Wave Rush.

Blue River and the others obviously understood how to use One Wave Rush to fight. However, they also had no way to copy it because they had no way to achieve the skill level needed to be the core player.

“Brother expert.....” That random player from Seven Field’s party immediately left while the remaining four greeted Ye Xiu. They had also heard of his failure to set a new record. When they were still in the dungeon, they checked the record leaderboards. They saw Lord Grim’s name in the second place party. The difference in time between theirs and the first place party’s wasn’t small. Seven Fields and the others guessed that brother expert wouldn’t be feeling too good, so they only greeted and didn’t say anything else.

“Right now, the situation for the Frost Forest record has changed. In order to break the record, then I need a party with some skill.” Ye Xiu said.

“Definitely not us!” Seven Fields started sweating. He clearly knew about his own skill. Their skill wasn’t even comparable to the elites of the big guilds.

“What do you think of Steamed Bun’s skill level?” Ye Xiu said.

“Steamed Bun?” Seven Fields, Sunset Clouds, Drifting Water each sent an appalled emoticon. Finally, they said: “Steamed Bun doesn’t really know how to play?”

Steamed Bun Invasion copied them and sent each of them an appalled emoticon.

“Yeah, he doesn’t really know how to play. But Steamed Bun’s hand speed is very quick.” Ye Xiu said.

“Really?” Seven Fields and the others doubted. They hadn’t noticed it.

“Yeah, this is true. My hands are very quick. How did God know?” Steamed Bun Invasion was amazed.

"I could see it." Ye Xiu laughed. Actually, because of Steamed Bun Invasion's unfamiliarity with the game, it wasn't easy for him to display his hand speed. But who was Ye Xiu? He was textbook-level player who couldn't be more familiar with Glory. Relying on a few particular actions, he could determine a player's reaction speed and hand speed. The things he could see weren't things ordinary people could see.

"My hand speed is pretty good, but....."

"You feel like you can't put it to use!"

"Right, right!" Steamed Bun Invasion immediately followed.

"Come with me tonight to clear monsters. Let me teach you." Ye Xiu said.

"Okay okay!" Steamed Bun Invasion said happily.

"Brother expert, teach us too!" Seven Fields and the others blurted out.

"Do you guys still need me to teach you? You guys only need to improve your hand speed." Ye Xiu said.

Seven Fields and the other's cheeks streamed with tears: "We've been practicing the entire time!"

"I can't avoid saying it. Sometimes, there's something called natural talent that makes strange things happen." Ye Xiu said.

Seven Fields and the others cried: "Brother expert, we know already know you're very tactful, but why does it seem like you're being so direct!"

"We can go together then! Those without talent can only rely on hard work. It's just that most people haven't put in the effort that's all." Ye Xiu said.

Chapter 86 – Teaching the Noob

Ye Xiu led Seven Field's group to Boneyard. Seven Fields, Sunset Clouds, Drifting Water were like Lord Grim, and were Level 21. With regards to the Level 23-26 Boneyard and its higher leveled monsters, they weren't very confident.

Steamed Bun Invasion was Level 23. The Boneyard had monsters at the same level as him, so he was already eager to try them out.

Steamed Bun Invasion was obviously going to be coached by Ye Xiu. Although it couldn't be said that Seven Fields and the others couldn't improve, in such a desperate situation, only Steamed Bun Invasion could be counted on. After dispatching Seven Fields and the others to train, Ye Xiu began teaching Steamed Bun Invasion one on one.

First, he had to explain to this guy his Brawler class.

The Brawler class had mixed strengths. But in this Level 25 stage, it didn't possess any AoE skills.

A Level 1 Brawler could learn the same skill as every other class. A knock-up skill called "Uppercut".

At Level 5, it could learn the skill "Slap". A Slap would sharply and clearly move others. It was the only aggro-related skill before the class change.

The Level 10 skill Knee Attack struck the target with the user's knee. However, it could only be considered a half-grab skill because it didn't have a knock-down effect.

Afterwards, the Level 15 skill Strangle could not be used behind the target. After locking onto the target's throat, Strangle, like the Knee Attack, didn't have a knock-down effect. At Level 20, after changing classes, the Brawler could learn the skill "Brick Buster". However, hitting the back of the head to trigger the effect was a bit difficult. The mouse movement had to be quick and accurate.

After that, there was the Level 20 skill: Sand Toss. Ye Xiu had already instructed Steamed Bun Invasion on this move.

Brawlers could learn the skill "Apply Poison" at Level 25. It would apply poison to the user's weapon. Afterwards, attacks could poison the target. However, this poison didn't last. It was a one time additional damage that ignored defense. Currently, the Level 23 Steamed Bun Invasion couldn't learn it, so Ye Xiu didn't talk about it. Steamed Bun Invasion had already learned about different methods on how to use the above skills with normal attacks from his own experience. So Ye Xiu first instructed him on the hidden effects of all of these skills.

For example, how "Slap" could hit twice.

When "Knee Attack" was used as a back attack, it could knock back the target.

When "Strangle" was used, the opponent would have his or her defense reduced by half.

None of these things were written in the skill tooltip and could be considered hidden effects. While Steamed Bun Invasion was engrossed in the game, he didn't check any guides, so he didn't know.

"If you don't understand anything, why'd you pick this class?" Ye Xiu asked him. In the end, the guy told him that he just randomly learned skills when he was still unspecialized. And later, he felt that the Brawler's Slap, Knee Attack, and Strangle were all commonly used attacks when he fought in the streets. So he immediately felt that this class was very moving. When he was moved to the extreme, he changed classes in satisfaction.

This answer made Ye Xiu sweat a little, but he had already changed classes so there was nothing he could do. After instructing him hand to hand, Steamed Bun Invasion, who already possessed high hand speed, improved at lightning speed, playing extremely well.

Ye Xiu was now only worried about one problem: with this guy's passion for gaming and the fact that he was already two levels higher than him, this guy won't reach Level 26 before he gets to Level 25 right?

This problem was extremely serious. Ye Xiu felt that he had to talk about it with Steamed Bun Invasion.

"Steamed Bun? How long has it been since you last slept?" Ye Xiu asked.

"Huh? I'm not tired." Steamed Bun Invasion was happily clearing and Slapping monsters.

"You should probably rest! I found a few guides for you. They all talk about Brawlers. You can take a look at them." Ye Xiu said.

"Oh oh, I'll look at them when I eat." Steamed Bun Invasion.

“Even if you keep leveling like this, you’re not going to be able to catch up to the big guild’s players. Those all have several people playing on one account, so they level every day without resting.” Ye Xiu said.

Steamed Bun Invasion showed his disdain: “That’s stupid.”

“More people, more strength! So don’t try to compete with them by yourself. Relax and slowly level. The most important thing is that if you level so quickly, you’ll be Level 26 in a flash. How am I supposed to look for you so we can set a dungeon record together?” Ye Xiu finally said his main point.

“Why not?” Steamed Bun Invasion really was too much of a noob. He didn’t even know how dungeon records worked.

Ye Xiu could only explain it to him. Afterwards, Steamed Bun Invasion couldn’t help but fall into confusion. He wanted to quickly level, but also wanted to set a new record and go up on TV.....

Seven Fields and the others were summoned by Ye Xiu to be lobbyists for him and persuade Steamed Bun Invasion.

These three also did their utmost to explain to Steamed Bun Invasion that in Glory, levels were like floating clouds. Going up on TV, going up on the leaderboards were the most majestic goals in Glory.

The pile of players bombarded him one after another. Finally, Steamed Bun Invasion reluctantly accepted: “Okay then. Then I’ll try to slow down. God, how many days do you need to level?”

“I’ll be quick.” Ye Xiu said, “Oh right, don’t join a guild in these few days.”

“Okay.”

Finally, he settled the matter with Steamed Bun Invasion. Ye Xiu let out a sigh. Dealing with this noob wasn’t easy. No matter how you said it, he wouldn’t listen to you, being a noob was also a type of strength.

Steamed Bun Invasion, who had a difficult time accepting that he had to level slower, couldn’t kill too many monsters. If he didn’t, he’d be bored. Killing too quickly wasn’t good, but killing too slowly was boring. For a moment, he didn’t what he should do, so he simply logged out of the game and looked at the guides Ye Xiu gathered for him.

Ye Xiu looked. And at long last, this guy stopped leveling. However, he himself had to hurry up. As a result, he partied with Seven Fields and the others and madly cleared monsters as if they were in a dungeon.

They cleared so madly that the three players started feeling a little nauseous towards the Boneyard. Ye Xiu was still full of energy though. The other three couldn’t help but sigh with sorrow: “He really deserves to be called brother expert.”

They trained in the Boneyard until the day came. The four players had all leveled to Level 22. Although Seven Fields and the others wanted to vomit, brother expert’s leading made leveling more efficient making the three of them a little reluctant to leave. However, on Ye Xiu’s side, it was time for him to change shifts, so he couldn’t continue playing at the reception desk.

After hurriedly handing over the shift, he quickly rushed over to the smoking area to continue playing.

Chen Guo woke up from her sleep. She looked out from the window and saw the nice weather.

Stretching, she climbed out of her bed. She rubbed the sleep out of her eyes and wanted to go to the bathroom. When she reached her bedroom door, she suddenly remembered that there was still a male living in these rooms. She couldn't casually expose her body like she did before when it was just her and Tang Rou.

Thinking of this, Chen Guo quickly fixed her pajamas. Whatever needed to be tied was tied. Whatever needed to be buttoned was buttoned. Only then did she leave the bedroom.

After leaving the room, she looked to the side. Tang Rou's room was completely open.

Too careless! There's a male living here too! If you didn't close your door when you slept, who knew what a male's lust could do. While thinking of this, Chen Guo did an experiment. She tested whether she could see Tang Rou's bed from the door crack. In the end, she saw the bed, but she didn't see anyone in it. Chen Guo stared blankly. She pushed opened the door. Tang Rou's bed hadn't been touched.

She hadn't slept all night!

Chen Guo was astonished. She immediately went towards Ye Xiu's storage room. The door was also wide open. After a bit of hesitation, she decided to run in and look.

No one here either!

These two were lunatics!! Chen Guo foolishly looked towards the two empty rooms on her left and right.

Chapter 87 – I Feel Like None of You Slept

Chen Guo quickly tidied everything up and then appeared in the Internet Cafe like the wind. While the employees all greeted her with "Morning Boss", her gaze fell on Tang Rou in the non-smoking area. Her expression was the same as when Chen Guo went to sleep: concentrated without the slightest hint of tiredness. She ran to the smoking area and her gaze fell onto another person. Ye Xiu was over here smoking, taking in clouds and puffing out fog. In that cloud of smoke, the rough outline of his figure could be seen playing the game.

Early in the morning! This was the time of day when the Internet Cafe was the most empty. There were even fewer guests now than when the guests were pulling all-nighters. The sounds of these two playing crisply echoed throughout the Internet Cafe. You once, me once, pa pa pa pa.

Chen Guo ignored Ye Xiu and first went over to Tang Rou.

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"Still playing. You're asking to die." Chen Guo closed in while speaking.

No response. Tang Rou was wearing her headphones, which only allowed her to hear the game noises. The Chen Guo next to her simply wasn't with her in the same world.

Chen Guo could only step forward and take off her headphones. Only then did Tang Rou respond.

"You got up so early!" Tang Rou turned her head to look at Chen Guo for half a second and then turned back to the game, pa pa pa pa.

"You've gone mad from playing." Chen Guo was helpless. She was starting to feel a little skeptical on whether pulling Tang Rou into Glory was the right thing to do.

"Ha ha." Tang Rou laughed, but didn't say anything.

"What level?" Chen Guo went up to look.

"Level 16. I'm still off from Ye Xiu's Lord Grim by 5 levels." Tang Rou said this and opened up her friends list. After seeing Lord Grim's name, she cried out in surprise: "Woah, he leveled up again. He's Level 22 now."

"So competitive! Finish this dungeon and then go to sleep. Once you're done resting, you can go back and play." Chen Guo saw that Tang Rou's Soft Mist was in the beginner village's Skeleton Graveyard fighting in close quarters. She was soloing it too. Who would believe that this was a Glory noob?

"What sleep? It's almost time for me to go to work." Tang Rou said.

Chen Guo was startled. That was true. Today, Tang Rou had the morning work shift. Normally, she would already be sitting at the reception desk.

"I'll go once I'm out of this dungeon!" Tang Rou smiled at Chen Guo. No matter how good their relationship was, in the end there was still a boss-to-employee relationship. Tang Rou also had work to do in the Internet Cafe. She wasn't eating for free or living here for free, only playing here for free.

"First rest a bit! I'll ask someone to switch with you." Chen Guo said.

"No need, no need." Tang Rou chatted with Chen Guo while her hands never stopped moving. This night, through the guides and the game, Tang Rou had learned how to use the Battle Mage's low-level skills. Tang Rou had improved a lot and was already different from before, not completely relying on reaction speed and hand speed to play.

"Okay!" Under Chen Guo's watch, Tang Rou's Soft Mist soloed the Spider Cave's final BOSS. After logging out of the game and shutting off the computer, she immediately headed towards the reception desk. Chen Guo silently followed her and then when she reached the reception desk, Tang Rou had already logged back into the game.

"We should at least eat something, right?" Chen Guo said.

"You haven't eaten either? Thanks!" Tang Rou laughed as if she had won a favor.

"I don't know what to say!" Chen Guo forced a smile. She went out to buy breakfast and then returned to give Tang Rou a portion. She even brought a portion for Ye Xiu.

"Ah! Boss, you're too kind." Ye Xiu took the breakfast and said, "I didn't help put a blanket over you yesterday night. Did you sleep well last night?"

"Both of you are mad!" Chen Guo thought of the rooms that clearly had three people living in them. But when she woke up, she found that she was the only one there.

“Oh? Little Tang didn’t sleep either?” Ye Xiu said and opened up his friends list to check. Sure enough, Soft Mist was still online.

“You didn’t know?” Chen Guo stared blankly. Don’t tell me these two didn’t say anything to each other over the entire night? Tang Rou was chasing after this guy’s level, but this guy actually didn’t know at all.

“I didn’t notice. Perfect. I still have something I need to talk with her about!” Ye Xiu took his breakfast and ran to look for Tang Rou.

At this moment, Tang Rou was eating her breakfast while looking at a Battle Mage guide. Seeing Ye Xiu come over, she immediately swallowed the food in her mouth. After wiping her mouth, she nodded her head and said hello.

“What level are you?” Ye Xiu asked.

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“Level 16.”

“How quick! Hurry up and get to Level 25. There’ll be something fun to do.” Ye Xiu said.

“Oh?” What thing?’ Tang Rou asked.

“Have you seen the Frost Forest clear record?” Ye Xiu asked.

“I saw it. It looks like your record was broken!” Tang Rou said. She followed the records pretty closely because she had originally wanted to surpass Ye Xiu. But in the end, she didn’t think that someone had already beaten that night. One of them was even Ye Xiu’s own party. Tang Rou saw Lord Grim’s name on the second place party. It was a much better time than his original one too.

“It didn’t only beat my record. It’s the highest clear record in all ten of Glory’s servers.” Ye Xiu said.

“You want to take it back?” Tang Rou said.

“Yup. Fun, right?” Ye Xiu said.

“If you take it back and then I beat yours, that’d be even more fun.” Tang Rou said.

“When were we enemies!” Ye Xiu didn’t know whether to laugh or cry. It looked like this sister really did want to beat him.

“Ha ha.” Tang Rou laughed.

“When you get to Level 20, try out the dungeon for yourself first! It looks to me like you’re looking down on this record too much.” Ye Xiu said.

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“I was just kidding. The highest record in all ten of Glory’s servers must be amazing.” Tang Rou said.

“Oh, then hurry up and level then!” Ye Xiu let out a sigh. He was worried that this girl might be a bit too conceited.

“Okay.” Tang Rou nodded her head.

“Are you sleeping tonight?” Ye Xiu asked.

“I.....”

“Hey! You two are going too far!!!” Chen Guo suddenly jumped out to interrupt them. After hearing this, it looked like these two weren’t going to sleep. Did they need to play so crazily?

“Relax boss. It won’t interfere with work.” Ye Xiu said.

“No good. The Internet Cafe’s computers are all mine. I won’t let you play on them.” Chen Guo said unreasonably.

Ye Xiu let out a sigh. He knocked on the reception desk: “Little Tang, open up a membership card for me.”

Tang Rou was startled, but then immediately went to do it while mumbling to herself: “Then I’ll open up one too!”

Chen Guo fell apart. She really was going to die from anger! The more irritating part was that Tang Rou was also going to follow what he said blindly. She’s ruined, ruined! She’s only played Glory for a day and she’s already ruined.

“I won’t care about you guys then.” Chen Guo ran off in anger.

“Cough, hurry up and level.” Ye Xiu didn’t mention the membership card and told Tang Rou to take care. He went back to the smoking area to continue struggling.

Tang Rou’s morning shift went from 7 in the morning to 3 in the afternoon. Business in the morning was relatively slow, so she wasn’t very busy and could still play. In the afternoon, guests gradually began to flow in. The reception desk was a bit too busy for her. She could only play the game on and off, but she still continued to persevere.

However, Ye Xiu stopped when it was noon. He ran over to check on Tang Rou and saw that she was still playing even under such busy conditions. It really wasn’t easy.

“You’re really not going to sleep?” Ye Xiu asked.

“I have the morning shift. I don’t get off until 3.” Tang Rou said.

“Okay.” Ye Xiu replied, “You still have to pay attention to your sleep. Physical strength greatly influences your ability to play, too.”

Chapter 88 – Glory League

Between Ye Xiu and Tang Rou, one of them went to sleep after lunch, while the other went to sleep after the three o’clock shift. When dinner arrived, neither of them were there. Chen Guo angrily annihilated her dinner with the other employees. She originally didn’t want to leave either of them food, but after eating midway, she gave into her soft-heartedness and in the end, she left the two of them food.

At 8 o’clock at night, Ye Xiu, with 8 hours of sleep, woke up like a machine. After smoking a cigarette, he went to rinse his mouth and wash his face. He then left the room and headed downstairs.

The Internet Cafe downstairs was pitch black again. It was the same as when Ye Qiu's retirement was announced. Ye Xiu was startled. Then, he thought of Happy Internet Cafe's practice of broadcasting the Glory Profession Alliance Championship. He calculated the date. Today was the day of Glory's 20th match.

He looked at the first floor's lounge and just as expected, the projection curtain from last time had already been opened. At this moment, the e-sports channel was already being streamed onto it. The match hadn't yet started, but many people had already scrambled for a good position. While they played on the computer in front of them, they waited for the match to start.

Ye Xiu walked up to the reception desk and asked the little sister there: "Which match?"

Clearly, the little sister at the reception desk didn't care too much about Glory. As before, she was still watching her K-Dramas. However, as part of an Internet Cafe, she knew what should be known: "Excellent Era's!"

Ye Xiu nodded his head. He understood very well.

The Glory Professional Alliance had a total of 20 Clubs. The 20 teams fought each other one on one. The ten matches were held at the same time. The TV channel was limited in how much it could show at once, so they usually only broadcasted the most important match. But as an e-sport, the true broadcasts were on the Internet. On the Internet, all 10 matches were streamed at the same time. The spectators could freely choose which match they wanted to see.

Happy Internet Cafe and Club Excellent Era were in the same city, so most of the people here naturally supported their home town's team. Happy Internet Cafe mainly broadcasted Excellent Era's matches.

Now that Ye Qiu retired, although the supporters were sad, their support for their Club didn't change. The newly introduced expert, Sun Xiang, made them feel even more expectant. They hoped that Excellent Era could rise from their slump in the previous season. Currently, as the second to last placed team, they were still quite far from getting a playoff spot. But the season was just a bit over halfway through, so everyone still had hope that some miracle would happen.

The matches all started at 8:30 PM. There were still 10 minutes until they started. After Chen Guo attended to all of the guests, she came over and saw Ye Xiu at the reception desk.

"Boss." Ye Xiu immediately said hello.

"I left you some food." Chen Guo said.

"Thanks." Ye Xiu went to go get food to eat.

"Broadcasting Excellent Era's match?" Ye Xiu chatted with Chen Guo while eating food.

"Yeah." Chen Guo nodded her head.

"Who are they against?" Ye Xiu asked.

"301." Chen Guo said.

“Oh.” Ye Xiu nodded his head. With regards to the pro teams, he obviously knew more about them than Chen Guo. 301 was the short form for Team 301 Degrees, a part of Club 301 Degrees. They were an old team in Glory. They kept their rankings in the middle with a steady performance. Although the team didn’t have a powerful account like the Battle God One Autumn Leaf, the six main accounts had equal strength. Among the six characters that the team captain Yang Cong controlled, the Assassin Scene Killer possessed Silver Dual Swords: Chaotic Winding Shadow Swords. He played shrewdly and ruthlessly, a troublesome opponent.

In the league’s first half, Excellent Era had been bullied around by everyone. But now that a new expert had come, they clearly showed their intent to rise again. It was Sun Xiang’s first match since he joined the team, yet the TV channels all chose to broadcast this.

8:30. The matches began on time. Ye Xiu had already madly annihilated his dinner. The atmosphere in the Internet Cafe began to heat up. Everyone boldly discussed their opinions on the upcoming match and arrogantly commented on their predictions. Ye Xiu looked to Chen Guo, who was also extremely excited. She was worthy of being called one of Glory’s most devoted fans.

The twentieth match of the Season 8 Glory Professional Alliance Championship, 301 Degrees vs Excellent Era!

A title appeared on the broadcast. The commentator spurred the mood by shouting as if he were wailing like ghosts and howling like wolves, while introducing today’s honored guest: Li Yibo.

So it’s Li Yibo..... Ye Xiu didn’t need any introduction. There were very few people he didn’t know among the pros. Li Yibo was a former pro-player, but he retired four years ago. His skill level in the professional circle was also considered top-tier and he was very good at networking. When he was a pro-player, he established a good relationship with the media. After retiring, he immediately became an honored guest among the professional commentators. He had already been doing this for four years.

At this moment, immaculately dressed, Li Yibo was chatting leisurely in front of the camera and commentated on the two teams. The recent change in Excellent Era was obviously the focus point. And talking about Ye Qiu’s commemoration obviously couldn’t be avoided. With a solemn expression, Li Yibo recalled a story between Ye Qiu and himself back in the days. Hearing this, Ye Xiu was dumbstruck: “You f*cker, you and I only said a total of ten words to each other. Make it up! Keep on making it up!”

Calm and composed, Li Yibo made up the entire story. With just a look, it was obviously a script he prepared beforehand. Soon after, he randomly chatted with the commentator for a bit and then the match officially began.

301 Degrees vs Excellent Era. Individual Match: Round 1. Player Introduction.

301 Degrees, Player: Gao Jie. Character: Stellar Sword.

The Internet Cafe was filled with hissing sounds. There were even curses thrown in there. With regards to the loyal fans, any opponent was an enemy. A complete beatdown would be immensely satisfying.

Next up Excellent Era, Player: Su Mucheng. Character: Dancing Rain.

“OH OH OH OH, SU MUCHENG!!!!!!”

Ye Xiu still hadn't figured out what had happened when a tsunami of whistles and shouts almost made him fall off his chair. Especially the nearby Chen Guo's screeching, they carved into his bones and engraved itself into his heart.

"What intense reactions, ha....." Ye Xiu laughed. He had never doubted Su Mucheng's popularity, but this scene made him jump in fright.

"Of course!! She's the number one female expert!" Chen Guo proudly said. This was her number one idol.

"Number one female expert? Who said that?" Ye Xiu said baffled.

"That's what everyone says." Chen Guo said.

"That's just hype!" Ye Xiu said.

"If not her, then who else?" Chen Guo asked.

"If you're talking about skill level, then the strongest female expert should be Chu Yunxiu." Ye Xiu said.

"Team Misty Rain's Chu Yunxiu?" Chen Guo asked.

"Yup."

Chen Guo thought for a moment. In the end, the match started and her thoughts immediately flew there. Another "OH OH OH, SU MUCHENG" was shouted, giving her idol a cheer as if she believed that Su Mucheng could hear her.

This is a fangirl!!!! Ye Xiu exclaimed in surprise. If he called Su Mucheng over to the Internet Cafe to play a round, would this boss be so excited that she'd burn down the Internet Cafe in order to celebrate?

Chapter 89 – Home Advantage

In the middle of everyone's cheers, the match officially started.

In the pro scene, an overwhelming victor was extremely rare. It was impossible to show off such ridiculous gaps in strength such as between an experienced veteran and a noob. A few powerful, dominating players and their god-level characters could create a certain amount of suppression to ordinary pro players and their characters, but Su Mucheng and her Dancing Rain weren't at this level.

However, in comparison, Gao Jie and his Stellar Sword were a bit inferior. But this sort of strength shown on paper wasn't enough to say whether he would win or lose. In this one on one match, it wouldn't be a surprise if either of them won. Their performance on stage could either increase or make up for the gap between their strengths on paper.

When all was said and done, in the end, this was a player-oriented competition. God-level characters also needed a player to utilize its strength. No matter how tyrannical a player was, there would always be a time when the player would go into a slump and lose. What's more, it was currently a period of rising stars. The title of unequalled had already been sealed long ago.

"Beauty Su, I'll be starting now!" A message from the Stellar Sword jumped out in the chat box next to the match scene.

That's right, in the Glory competitions, although the two opponents couldn't use their voice to communicate, they could type out words to send out a message. In the playing field, there was only this single public chat channel. The messages sent here wouldn't be blocked and would be directly broadcasted for everyone to see.

Truthfully, in some matches, the trash talk between the two players were even more memorable than the actual battle. In the pro scene, there was no lack of players who were experts at trash talking to irritate their opponents. After the message was sent out, the opponent would definitely see it. There was no way to block or close the chat box.

Of course, whether a player wanted to use this sort of method all relied on the player's preferences. In all of these years, all kinds of players with different styles appeared.

There were players that would talk whenever there was a chance to.

There were players that would seize any opportunity to calmly insult their opponents.

There were players that wouldn't say anything from start to finish.

There were even a few dirty players that would fill the screen insulting their opponent's genitals.....

And ultimately, that sort of dirty talk wasn't blocked either. However, those players would be penalized by the Alliance. Moreover, with so many people watching, dirty and violent words would obviously damage the player's image. As a result, most of these happened when they made a mistake and accidentally said them. Specialists in talking dirty hadn't appeared in a long time.

Gao Jie's opening remark implicitly made fun of her being a girl. Happy Internet Cafe's numerous fans immediately went into an outrage and roared at him. However, Su Mucheng only typed out a smiley face and said "Okay!"

Gao Jie had no other verbal attacks other than his opening remark, so he immediately took out his sword and began to attack. Stellar Sword was a Blade Master. Su Mucheng was a Launcher. One was a long-ranged class and the other a close-combat class. Gao Jie relied on his familiarity with the map to wind around, hiding his body as he moved, and quietly closed in on Dancing Rain.

Why was Gao Jie familiar with the map? This was because in the regular season, the Glory League adopted a double round-robin system, splitting into a home and away game. The home ground's biggest advantage was that they had the privilege of choosing the map.

Glory had numerous battle maps and added new ones every year. Knowing which map they would use naturally meant the players could do research and practice beforehand. They might also play in the same map in their away game, but they obviously wouldn't have the focused practice like when they did in their home games. It was definitely possible that the home team and the visiting team prepared for the same map, but such an occurrence hadn't yet happened. And as the number of maps in Glory increased, the probability of this happening also decreased.

If the map chosen was the same as what their opponents had once chosen as their home map, then that was their own mistake and couldn't be blamed on others.

The current map that was used in this one on one match was a white snow covered town. Stellar Sword's character wore a full body of white-colored equipment. Even the opponent's Silver weapon "White Lightsaber" implied that it emitted white light. The reason for using this map was too obvious.

At this moment, Stellar Sword was taking the long route to close in on Dancing Rain. The current broadcast was on Stellar Sword's first person perspective, letting everyone experience his current circumstances. Then, it switched to a bird's eye view of the entire map. From this view, they could see that Dancing Rain wasn't stupidly staying in her original position, not moving and turning around everywhere.

The point of view quickly switched to Dancing Rain.

The match broadcast had many different points of views. They didn't only have the player's first-person view. Right now, it was a third-person view letting everyone see that Dancing Rain was circling around a small area scouting around.

From this, it could be seen that whether the match was exciting or not was decided by the performance of the two players. However, this broadcast also showed to everyone that an outstanding cameraman was needed for this too. If the camera angle stayed on a bird's eye view from start to finish, then no matter how exciting the match was, the broadcast would turn it into trash.

This time, the cameraman was clearly quite good. By switching between these three camera angles, plus the casting by the commentator and the guest, the intentions of both players became obvious.

Gao Jie was controlling Stellar Sword along a roundabout route to close in, preparing to catch Dancing Rain off guard.

But the experienced Su Mucheng clearly anticipated this. After observing the surrounding terrain, she controlled Su Mucheng to jump to a good sniping spot. This spot occupied the high grounds. If Stellar Sword wanted to get near, then he would have to expose him to Dancing Rain's heavy fire.

Happy Internet Cafe immediately started booing and laughing. Their laughing was naturally aimed at Gao Jie. He had originally wanted to mount a sneak attack, but now he would fall to Dancing Rain instead.

But Ye Xiu knew that there was no way it would be so simple. If Gao Jie really would fall from this ambush, then he would have wasted his home ground advantage.

Just as expected, Ye Xiu predicted correctly. After Gao Jie's Stellar Sword closed in, he didn't rashly rush forward. Instead, he took another detour and slipped his head out from a small alley to look around.

"This guy sneaking about really is so wretched. Just hurry up and die already." Chen Guo impatiently said.

Ye Xiu shook his head: "His current position is a blind spot. Su Mucheng's movements were within his calculations.

"Gao Jie's current position is a blind spot! No matter what sniping spot Su Mucheng chooses, none of them would have been able to see his position. It looks like all of Su Mucheng's movements are within

his calculations!” In the broadcast, Li Yibo’s voice also said this at just the right time. It was identical to what Ye Xiu said.

“It looks like 301’s research on this map was very thorough.” The commentator laughed.

“Naturally.” Li Yibo said.

“How does Gao Jie know which sniping spot Su Mucheng is hiding at?” Chen Guo was startled when she said this because the commentator also asked the same question.

“Footprints.” Ye Xiu and Li Yibo answered. Their answers were the same.

Chapter 90 – The Footprints are a Trap

“Oh, so it was the footprints.....” The commentator suddenly realized, “Everyone look, the map 301 chose is a snowy land, so after a character moves, the character will leave behind a footprint.” Following his explanation, the broadcast showed a few of the footprints Dancing Rain left behind.

“But if he goes out to check the footprints, then he’ll expose himself to Dancing Rain’s fire!” The commentator felt.

“So look here.....” Stellar Sword began moving, while Li Yibo explained: “Gao Jie should be going to a footprint where Su Mucheng can’t see him. 301 has studied this map very thoroughly!”

“Oh? Is there such a spot?” The commentator was unconvinced.

“Probably only Gao Jie can answer this question.” Li Yibo pretended to move back and forth in suspense.

“Ha ha ha.....” The commentator laughed. Actually, to be a professional Glory commentator, Pan Lin had already done this for several years. He himself was a Glory fan. Although he wasn’t at the level of a pro-player, he had done this as work for a long time so his scope on the game wasn’t ordinary. He probably already knew the answers to his previous doubts and questions, but no choice, that’s what the program wanted! The commentator and the honored guest were supposed to echo each other and chat.

The commentator and the honored guests did different work. The commentator usually introduced the subjects, while the honored guest analyzed. Pan Lin had commentated for many years and had worked together with Li Yibo many times. They could be considered well-coordinated.

Gao Jie controlled Stellar Sword to go around the surroundings. After finding a spot, the camera angle changed, giving everyone Stellar Sword’s first person view. Just as expected, Stellar Sword found one of Dancing Rain’s footprints. As spectators who had seen the map from a bird’s eye view, they obviously knew that this footprint was already enough to expose Dancing Rain’s position.

“Sure enough, she was found.” The commentator said, “Su Mucheng is too careless! This mistake shouldn’t have been made.”

“Yeah, it looks like Ye Qiu’s retirement had a big mental impact on her. From when she first started her career, she had always been with Ye Qiu.” Li Yibo spoke as if he understood the situation well.

“Oh no! What should she do?” Chen Guo nervously tugged at Ye Xiu’s arm.

Ye Xiu laughed a little. He puffed out a smoke and said: “The footprint is the real trap.”

“What?” Chen Guo was startled. She turned her head towards Ye Xiu. Her previous question wasn’t actually aimed at Ye Xiu. She was simply nervous and was talking to herself.

“Look.” Ye Xiu pointed at the projection. The sound of a gun came through. Chen Guo immediately turned her head. Dancing Rain was using an Aerial Fire to move. In midair, she targeted Stellar Sword, who was behind the wall, and launched an Anti-Tank Missile.

Gao Jie clearly hadn’t anticipated this sudden attack. The Anti-Tank Missile sent out three artillery shells that whistled over. It was already too late to dodge them. The artillery shells exploded and the shock wave blasted Stellar Sword into the wall.

Su Mucheng landed on a roof. Her pitch-black gun aimed at Stellar Sword and a tongue of flame roared out. An artillery shell flew out a short distance and then suddenly exploded into several smaller artillery shells and dropped down in numerous arcs towards Stellar Sword. No matter what direction Stellar Sword moved, he was already trapped.

Launcher Skill: (FIM-92) Stinger. The fired artillery shell would explode into eight Stingers and drop down, carrying out an AoE attack.

This skill was usually used on flat grounds and pointed up towards the sky. After the initial artillery shell exploded, the smaller Stingers would envelop the target, dropping from the sky. However, Dancing Rain was already on higher grounds, so she saved time by not needing to calculate where to release Stinger.

Although Stellar Sword couldn’t avoid the shots, he could still try to minimize the damage. If he stood there without moving, then he would take damage from all eight Stingers. As a result, Gao Jie controlled Stellar Sword to rush forward. There was no way he could avoid the damage, so he decided that he might as well close the distance between Dancing Rain. Right now, he was already closing in. There was no point in trying to mount a sneak attack in his position.

He opened up a path with Triple Slash. After eating two Stingers, Stellar Sword rushed to underneath the house and immediately used Rising Dragon. He raised his sword above his head. Light flashed out and he flew up.

Relying on this skill’s powerful lift off, Gao Jie believed that the Gunner had no way of blocking his path up to the roof.

Just as expected, he rose onto the roof and looked. Dancing Rain had already pulled away, maintaining a certain distance from Stellar Sword.

Seeing that Stellar Sword was about to land on the roof after flying up, Dancing Rain’s hands made a clicking sound and a Heat-Seeking Missile launched in an arc dropping towards the edge of the house.

Heat-Seeking Missile! Using a heat source to find its target, it dropped from the sky to attack the opponent. It had a wide explosion radius and had high damage. It was an extremely powerful skill.

Except, it was too slow!!

The not yet landed Stellar Sword used a Sword Draw in midair. A snow-white sword light streaked across the sky. With a “Dong” it accurately hit the heat source.

“Beautiful!!” Pan Lin and Li Yibo exclaimed in admiration at this brilliant and outstanding move. But at this moment, a smiley face sent by Su Mucheng flashed on the chat box. Immediately following, a thick pillar of light dropped from the sky completely enveloping Stellar Sword from head to toe. Stellar Sword and the house underneath his feet exploded and then collapsed.

The light pillar spun and then split into six smaller light pillars. While spinning, they revolved around the center and then gradually spread out, causing the snow on the ground to fly up, covering the sky with a sheet of white snow.

Launcher Ultimate Skill: Satellite Beam.

“An amazing Satellite Beam!!!” The commentator Pan Lin reacted quite quickly. Immediately following with these words, the original high praise “Beautiful” looked as if they had anticipated this and were praising Su Mucheng.

Li Yibo’s reaction wasn’t slow either; he immediately followed: “It looks like Gao Jie miscalculated this time.”

“Let’s all see how much damage this Satellite Beam did……” Pan Lin directed the cameraman to look at Stellar Sword’s life.

“It looks like it’s gone down a third.” Li Yibo said.

“Let me see…… you’re right!! Stellar Sword’s life dropped by one third. This Satellite Beam really did some work. Adding onto the previous Anti-Tank Missile and Stinger damage, Gao Jie is not in a good situation!” Pan Lin shouted.

“Correct, let’s see if he has any new methods to close in on Dancing Rain. If the distance between them is kept like this, then there’s no way he’ll be able to beat a Launcher.” Li Yibo said extensively.

“The point you’ve analyzed is correct.” Pan Lin immediately followed.

From when Dancing Rain was about to be sneak attacked to Stellar Sword being caught unprepared and losing a third of his life in an instant, Happy Internet Cafe’s fans all stared in awe and all forgot to cheer. This included Chen Guo.

Until she heard Ye Xiu say: “It’s over for Gao Jie. Su Mucheng is in an extremely good situation.”