

Martial Arts 281

Chapter 281: Your Request Is Too Much.

“Your acting is good.” Wang Teng scoffed.

Liu Xinghui covered his face and said, “You must have misunderstood me.”

Wang Teng turned to look at Wan Feiyu. He asked, “He didn’t tell you what happened during the exam, right?”

Wan Feiyu instinctively gave a fawning smile when he saw Wang Teng looking at him. However, after hearing his words, he got suspicious. He replied, “He only told me that you passed the beginner-stage runemaster exam.”

“Wang Teng didn’t just pass the beginner-stage runemaster exam. He also passed the intermediate-stage runemaster exam. My master saw potential in him and wanted to take him in as his disciple. Liu Xinghui was at the scene too. He knows about it,” Su Lingxuan opened her mouth and said. She cast a meaningful glance at Liu Xinghui.

“You passed the intermediate-stage runemaster exam and President Gorlin wants to take you in as a disciple?!” Wan Feiyu’s expression turned ugly.

If Wang Teng had only passed the beginner-stage runemaster exam at his age, he was a talent. However, if he became an intermediate-stage runemaster, he shouldn’t be underestimated. He might become a master-level character like Gorlin in the future.

Also, if the president of the rune society took Wang Teng as his disciple, his status would be wholly different.

Wan Feiyu wouldn’t have provoked Wang Teng if he knew this.

“Oh right, my master has already accepted Wang Teng as his disciple!” Su Lingxuan knew what he was thinking, so she added fuel to the fire.

Wan Feiyu’s face turned green with anger. He glared at Liu Xinghui furiously. “Good, good, Liu Xinghui, you are amazing!”

“Sigh.” Liu Xinghui sighed. He shook his head and crawled up from the ground. After patting the dust off his body, he smiled. “I did scheme against you, but you can only blame yourself. You got jealous when you saw Su Lingxuan walking with him, so you wanted to hurt him. You brought this upon yourself.”

“Despicable!” Wan Feiyu gritted his teeth and cursed.

The others were shocked. They all looked at Liu Xinghui, who seemed to have turned into a different person. Their gazes were filled with contempt.

“You’re really shameless.” Wang Teng clapped his hands and laughed. “Do you admit that you schemed against me?”

“So? You want to beat me up, but you won’t dare to kill me. Only an idiot like Wan Feiyu will get intimidated by you,” Liu Xinghui said confidently.

He looked at Wang Teng and Su Lingxuan with a sinister gaze. These two people had put him in a tough spot today. He would make them pay in the future.

“You!” Wan Feiyu was so angry that he wanted to vomit blood.

“You’re right. I don’t dare to kill you,” Wang Teng nodded and said.

“Hmph!” Liu Xinghui snorted.

“But, I can hit you until you are almost dead!” Wang Teng laughed out loud.

“You can try!” Liu Xinghui said coldly.

“Your request is too much.” Wang Teng shook his head.

The next second, he launched his attack.

Liu Xinghui was a runemaster, so his martial arts cultivation wasn’t that high. He only saw something flashing past his eyes, and then he was thrown into the air again.

Bang!

He landed forcefully on the ground. This time, the other side of his face got swollen. Two more teeth fell out from his mouth, along with fresh blood.

He truly looked like a pig’s head now.

Wan Feiyu felt a little delighted when he saw this scene. How dare Liu Xinghui play him? He deserved to be in this state.

But, this Wang Teng is really courageous. Isn’t he afraid of the Wan and Liu families’ revenge?

He had offended two families at once. He wouldn’t be able to get off scot-free even if he was President Gorlin’s disciple.

Wan Feiyu’s eyes shimmered. He knew that Liu Xinghui was the reason behind his humiliation, but Wang Teng was the one who broke his arm and leg. He had even extorted more than ten thousand Force stones from him. This was an undeniable truth. He couldn’t swallow this insult.

Liu Xinghui looked up slowly and glared at Wang Teng. His eyes were filled with bitterness and hatred. “Continue!”

“I love tough cookies. They are more fun to break than weaklings who back down after a single punch. They aren’t fun at all.” Wang Teng smiled as he walked towards Liu Xinghui.

Wan Feiyu felt frustrated.

Was he calling him a weakling?

He got humiliated without doing anything!

At that moment, a gold brick appeared in Wang Teng’s hand.

Liu Xinghui’s expression finally underwent a change.

The others were stunned. Where did this brick come from?

Wang Teng arrived in front of Liu Xinghui in a few steps. Liu Xinghui wanted to dodge, but Wang Teng pressed his head down and started hammering him mercilessly with the brick.

Bang, bang, bang!

Low thuds stunned the crowd.

Every single sound represented a hit on Liu Xinghui's body. It was painful just listening to it.

The muscles on Wan Feiyu's face twitched. Suddenly, he felt fortunate that he had pleaded for mercy in time. If not, he would have been treated inhumanely, too, right?

Su Lingxuan's eyes were glistening as she stared at the brick.

Wang Teng gradually came to a stop. He let out a deep breath and said, "This feels good!"

When Liu Xinghui heard his comment, he stumbled and rolled his eyes. His entire face was distorted. It was swollen like a basketball... Only a martial warrior could handle this kind of beating.

"You haven't fainted yet? You are a tough person!" Wang Teng smashed the brick at him again when he noticed that he was stumbling but didn't fall.

Bang!

Liu Xinghui's eyes rolled back in their sockets, and he finally collapsed.

Wang Teng scanned his surroundings. There were multiple attribute bubbles on the ground, all belonging to Liu Xinghui.

Spirit*8

Spirit*10

Enlightenment*12

Spirit*6

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He picked them up.

Liu Xinghui is a runemaster, but he dropped many attributes. Wang Teng wondered to himself.

Liu Xinghui had dropped a total of 36 spirit attributes. It was higher than a normal person.

Spirit: Spiritual realm (75.3/100)

He picked up another 20 points of enlightenment. The amount was sizable. Liu Xinghui was indeed a genius. His enlightenment was quite high.

Enlightenment: Spiritual realm (56/100)

After a period of accumulation, Wang Teng's enlightenment attribute had reached its halfway mark. As his enlightenment climbed higher, his cultivation talent would get better and better.

Wang Teng ignored Liu Xinghui, who was lying on the ground like a corpse.

Wan Feiyu and his friends shrunk back when they met Wang Teng's gaze. They looked like rats that had met a cat.

"Leave. Don't let me see you again in the future," Wang Teng said.

Wan Feiyu didn't dare to say anything. He left hurriedly with the help of his friends.

As for Liu Xinghui, no one cared about him.

"Let's go back," Wang Teng said to Su Lingxuan.

"Okay." Su Lingxuan nodded. They walked towards the rune society. Along the way, she said, "You've offended them, you know. They won't let you go so easily."

"Tell me about the two families," Wang Teng said.

"The Wan family is an old and well-known martial arts family. Their business covers the entire Yang City, and they are very powerful. Wan Feiyu is the third son of the Wan family's head. He has an elder brother and an elder sister. Their talent and ability are much higher than his. The elders of the Wan family might not act, but you still have to be careful about his siblings. As for the Liu family..." Su Lingxuan started explaining the details to Wang Teng.

Chapter 282: Yongye Mountain Ridge And The Cultivation Of The Divine Spirit Master

Along the way, Su Lingxuan explained the Liu and Wan family to Wang Teng.

"All in all, you shouldn't go out alone for the time being," she reminded him in the end.

Wang Teng smiled. However, he didn't take her advice to heart.

Based on what Su Lingxuan said, there were a few talented young people in the Liu and Wan families who might take revenge for Wan Feiyu and Liu Xinghui.

However, Wang Teng wasn't worried. After all, Su Lingxuan didn't know his true ability. He wasn't afraid of any martial warriors below 5-star.

The martial warriors above 6-star were the kings of their regions. They were boss figures in Yang City, so they wouldn't make a move easily.

Even if they didn't care about their reputation and bullied him, he could still find his master, Gorlin.

After some time, Su Lingxuan and Wang Teng went back to the rune society.

"You're back!" Gorlin was still sitting on his rocking chair and reading his book. He smiled when he saw the two of them.

"Yes." They nodded their heads and sat down beside him.

"Did you have fun?" Gorlin asked.

“Don’t talk about it!” Su Lingxuan was frustrated. She immediately told Gorlin what happened just now.

Gorlin laughed when he heard the story. “Young people are full of vigor!”

“Why are you laughing at our plight?” Su Lingxuan rolled her eyes at him uncontrollably.

“Don’t worry. Since they know that you’re my disciples, they won’t do anything to you. It’s just a small trifle between you youngsters,” Gorlin said to Wang Teng.

“If they come and find me again, they’ll be the ones suffering,” Wang Teng said indifferently.

“You can continue boasting!” Su Lingxuan had learned that Wang Teng wasn’t weak when she saw him in action earlier. However, she didn’t think that he was comparable to the renowned talents from the Wan and Liu families.

After all, Wang Teng was already very gifted in rune making. If his martial arts talent were on par with those people, it would be too monstrous.

“Wang Teng, you haven’t found a place to live in Yang City, right?” Gorlin didn’t stay on this issue anymore. He changed the topic and asked Wang Teng casually.

“That’s right.” Wang Teng nodded.

“Move over here. I have many empty rooms. I’ll ask Lingxuan to help you tidy your room,” Gorlin said.

“Okay, thank you, Master.” Wang Teng thanked him.

“Why is it me again?” Su Lingxuan was unwilling to follow her master’s arrangement. She felt that she had to do all the work ever since Wang Teng came.

“Hahaha. Well, you became my disciple first,” Gorlin teased her.

“Yet you didn’t give me the position of the senior sister!” Su Lingxuan retorted.

Wang Teng chuckled secretly.

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At night, Wang Teng moved into the small wooden house in the garden at the back of the rune society.

Although Su Lingxuan complained, she still helped him tidy up his room. The place was neat and clean, with new blankets on the bed. It gave off a pleasant sunny smell.

As Wang Teng stood in the room, the small and angry face of Su Lingxuan appeared in his mind. He couldn’t help but shake his head and smiled.

Then, he sat down on the bed and started cultivating his Force until midnight. At that moment, a voice suddenly sounded beside his ears.

“Come to the garden!”

It was Gorlin.

Wang Teng opened his eyes in shock. He pondered to himself as he walked out of his room and came to the garden.

Gorlin was standing in front of the little wooden house. He knew that Wang Teng was behind him without turning around. He opened his mouth and said, "Follow me!"

After he finished speaking, his body floated up slowly and rose into mid-air. He flew towards the night sky.

The spiritual power in Wang Teng's mind surged out when he saw this. It enveloped his body and brought him into the air. He followed closely behind Gorlin.

Gorlin was aware of Wang Teng, so he didn't travel at his fastest. If not, based on his speed, Wang Teng could only breathe dust behind him.

"Master, where are we going?" Wang Teng hurriedly caught up with him and asked as he tilted his head.

"Yongye Mountain Ridge!" Gorlin smiled.

"Yongye Mountain Ridge!" Wang Teng thought of something, and a map appeared in his mind.

Yongye Mountain Ridge was at the southwest section of Yang City, more than 30 kilometers away. Based on their speed, they would only need half an hour.

"What are we going to do there?" Wang Teng asked.

"The cultivation of a divine spirit master will cause a huge ruckus. Besides, you need some things to help you. There's an ample number of star beasts on Yongye Mountain Ridge. It's a suitable location for your cultivation," Gorlin explained.

Wang Teng nodded. He didn't ask anymore.

"Now, let me explain the cultivation methods of a divine spirit master. The strength of a divine spirit master comes from his spiritual power. We use a special method to control the Force around us using our spiritual power. We can also change this Force to launch offensive attacks. This special method is known as 'art'..."

Gorlin started his explanation.

Wang Teng listened with rapt attention, feeling that he had learned a lot. His enlightenment was extremely high now, so he could understand what Gorlin said immediately.

Simply put, a divine spirit master used his spiritual power to execute different arts and used these arts to control the Force.

Half an hour later, the two of them arrived at their destination.

A vast mountain ridge appeared in the dark like a large-sized centipede creeping in the night. It twisted and turned. The mountain ridges branched out like the legs of a centipede. Under the dim moonlight and starlights, it looked frightening.

Wang Teng had seen the Yongye Mountain Ridge on the map, but he didn't have this feeling at that time. He was a little astounded by the scene.

"Let's go!" Gorlin chose an area closer to the outskirts. He led the way and landed on the ground.

The two of them walked in the eerie dark forest. Even so, with their eyesight, they were able to see everything clearly.

After some time, they met a few wolf star beasts that were looking for food.

Gorlin floated in mid-air and retracted his aura. He left Wang Teng on the ground to face the famished wolves alone.

Since it was the practice of a divine spirit master, he couldn't use his martial arts. He could only fight them with his spiritual power.

Mind you, this was the first time Wang Teng was using his spiritual power solely for a battle.

Along the way, Gorlin had already taught Wang Teng a few simple arts. Now, with a thought in his mind, his spiritual power started moving on a certain path. It manoeuvred the fire Force in his surroundings. Very soon, he gathered more than ten fire arrows in front of him.

"So fast!" Gorlin raised his eyebrows in surprise.

Although this was the first time Wang Teng executed this fire arrow art, he succeeded on his first try. Also, one could tell that he had good control over his spiritual power based on his execution speed.

"Roar!"

The wolf star beasts gave a low growl. A few pairs of wolves' eyes stared at the fire arrows in front of them, sensing the danger they posed.

Their chest started heaving up and down violently. Suddenly, they pounced on Wang Teng. They chose to attack first.

Wang Teng smiled. He waved his hands, and the fire arrows shot out like bullets. They left trails of red in the air as they flew towards the star beasts.

Chapter 283: Was This The Trouble Of Having A Disciple Who's Too Outstanding?

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The wolf star beasts had silver-white fur, with a rim of gold fur around their neck and claws. It made them look like immortal beasts.

They were 2-star star beasts, so they were pretty intelligent. They didn't dodge when they saw the flaming arrows shooting towards them. Instead, they congregated their sharp golden glow on the claws and slashed it forward.

Bang, bang, bang!

When the golden claws hit the flaming arrows, they gave off a metallic sound. They actually managed to block the arrows.

However, three arrows still managed to weave their way around the claws and hit their targets. After a few cries of agony, three star beasts fell on the ground and died.

The remaining four wolf star beasts turned ferocious. They leaped into the air and closed the distance with Wang Teng.

Wang Teng's expression didn't change. He converged a few strings of fire Force into a rope, sending it towards the four wolf star beasts.

The four wolf star beasts were in mid-air, so they didn't have time to dodge. Hence, they got entangled by the ropes. Wang Teng executed his fire arrows again and stabbed the remaining wolf star beasts to death.

It sounded like a long action scene, but in fact, it happened within a split second. The 2-star star beasts got killed immediately, showcasing the might of a divine spirit master.

"Not bad." Gorlin slowly landed and nodded calmly. "But, there are still flaws in your moves. You could have used your spiritual power to control the flaming arrows and make them change directions when you're attacking. That way, you would have killed the star beasts on your first try."

Wang Teng wanted to explain that he was going to execute the 'art' a few more times to get the hang of it. But, if he said this, his master might feel awkward, so he decided to remain quiet. He nodded and said, "You're right. I will take note of this in the future."

"Okay, let's continue." Gorlin nodded. He walked forward as he sighed in his heart. There was no sense of satisfaction in teaching this new disciple since he didn't need to guide him much. It was a happy yet helpless thing.

Was this the trouble of having a disciple who was too outstanding?

When the star beasts were killed, they had dropped multiple attribute bubbles. Wang Teng picked them up while keeping his spiritual power.

Metal Force*50

Blank Attribute*64

Gorlin didn't notice anything amiss. Well, he wouldn't know that Wang Teng was able to pick up attributes no matter how hard he thought.

Wang Teng waved his hand and kept the corpses of the star beasts in his space ring. Then, he ran after Gorlin.

He didn't plan to hide the existence of his space ring.

In the morning, he noticed that Gorlin had a space ring too. Even Su Lingxuan, Liu Xinghui, and the children from the elite families had one each. This meant that the space ring wasn't rare among the upper society circle even though it was precious.

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The night passed quickly. Two hours before daylight, Wang Teng and his master returned to Yang City.

Wang Teng had made considerable improvements in a single night. He learned a few powerful arts and had become a real divine spirit master.

In the past, he only knew how to control weapons with his spiritual power. That was just the most basic art. It also used up much of his spiritual power, so he lost more than he gained.

But, in some aspects, there were pros in controlling weapons too. After all, the attacking power of spiritual power with sharp weapons was tremendous.

The shooting star spiral was one such example. It was sharp and had special abilities. It was definitely a good weapon for sneak attacks.

After returning to his little wooden house, Wang Teng laid on his bed and fell asleep instantly.

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8 am.

“Bang, bang, bang!”

Violent knocks shook his door.

“Who is it!” Wang Teng woke up and shouted with a frown. He used his hand to block the sunlight streaming in from the window.

“It’s me. The sun is shining on your butt. Why aren’t you awake yet?” Su Lingxuan called out sweetly.

“Let me sleep a bit more.” Wang Teng turned his body and muttered.

“Get up. I’ve prepared breakfast!” Su Lingxuan said.

“Young madam, I’m really sleepy. Can I get up later to eat?” Wang Teng said helplessly.

“No. It’s breakfast time now. You must get up and eat. If you don’t come outside, I will kick the door,” Su Lingxuan said.

“F**k, are you a devil? I can’t even sleep.” Wang Teng was irritated. He got out of bed and opened the door violently. He glared at Su Lingxuan and said, “You’re ruthless.”

“Why are you up so late? What bad things did you do at night?” Su Lingxuan gave him a sly look. She had an evil smile as she peeked into his room.

“I just came to Yang City and am not familiar with this area. What bad things can I do?” Wang Teng was speechless.

“Oh, so you can’t do bad things because you’re unfamiliar with this area, right? Does this mean that you can do bad things once you get familiar?” Su Lingxuan was enlightened. She looked at him with disdain.

Wang Teng suddenly realized that this little girl was sinister too. Hmm, why did he say ‘too’?

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“I don’t want to bullshit with you.”

Wang Teng raised his legs and walked out. He didn't even close the door. There was nothing inside, so she could look at it however she wanted.

Su Lingxuan lost her interest. She helped him close the door and caught up with him hurriedly.

"Where's breakfast?" Wang Teng asked.

"Oh, I didn't make breakfast. Let's go out and eat." Su Lingxuan sniggered.

Wang Teng turned around abruptly to glare at Su Lingxuan. He got fooled by this little girl.

"Haha, come on. I know a delicious breakfast place around here. I'll bring you there," Su Lingxuan chuckled and said.

"You want me to treat you again, don't you?" Wang Teng smiled coldly.

"It's nothing to you. You just earned more than ten thousand Force stones yesterday. Breakfast will only cost you a few of them," Su Lingxuan said. "A man can't be stingy. You won't be able to find a girlfriend like this."

"Is this a problem of being stingy? Also, who can't find a girlfriend? Don't you know how to speak?" The edge of Wang Teng's eyes twitched. His face turned black as he scolded her.

"Alright, alright. How about this? In the future, you will treat me, and in return, I will find girlfriends for you. What do you think?" Su Lingxuan winked at Wang Teng. Suddenly, she lowered her voice and said, "You're making a profit, you know. The ladies I introduce are all beauties."

"Do I look like someone who will give up my principals for beauties?" Wang Teng remained expressionless and righteous. He said without any change in his tone, "How beautiful are they?"

"Pfft!" Su Lingxuan almost choked because of this twist.

She had a different view of Wang Teng after hearing what he said at first. She didn't expect him to be so serious. Did she have some misunderstanding of him?

Yet, the moment this question popped out, the image he built in her heart collapsed. It collapsed entirely.

"Beautiful, very beautiful. You will definitely be satisfied," Su Lingxuan said hurriedly with a strange expression.

"Cough, cough. I suddenly feel that it's only right of me to treat my junior sister for some breakfast," Wang Teng nodded and replied.

Su Lingxuan snorted in her heart. She had a new understanding of how shameless her senior brother was.

Chapter 284: Soft Muddy Baby Killer

The two of them finished their breakfast outside and went back to the rune society. They brought a serving for Gorlin too.

Su Lingxuan wasn't polite when she asked Wang Teng to treat her. She chose the best and most expensive dishes.

Wang Teng didn't mind, though. After all, you couldn't spend too much on food.

After breakfast, Gorlin started teaching them rune studies. As the president of the rune society, his knowledge of runes was unmatched in the entire Yang City.

But he didn't spend much time teaching. After talking to them for two hours, he passed the time back to them and allowed them to practice and fumble their way around.

Wang Teng used the opportunity when Gorlin went out for business to sneak into the rune society and picked up the rune attributes dropped by the runemasters.

Rune Knowledge*2

Rune Knowledge*5

Spirit*6

Rune Knowledge*4

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After Wang Teng picked up all the attribute bubbles, his rune knowledge and spirit attributes increased exponentially. Approximately one hour later, he received a total of 45 points of rune knowledge and 28 points of spirit.

Spirit: Spiritual realm (78.1/100)

Runemaster: Intermediate stage (151/500)

Hehe, I might be able to become an advanced-stage runemaster within a few days. Will Master Gorlin be shocked if he knew? Wang Teng thought of this happily.

After picking up a round of attributes, there weren't many bubbles left. Wang Teng didn't plan to waste his time here anymore.

He returned to the garden behind the rune society, but Su Lingxuan wasn't there. He didn't know where she had gone.

Just when he was about to go back to his room to sleep, he saw a bunch of slimes jumping around among the bushes... Oh wait, they were called the soft muddy babies.

His eyes suddenly lit up.

He then looked around him.

Very good, there was no one around.

Wang Teng walked forward carefully. He reached out and grabbed a soft muddy baby. They weren't agile and even seemed a little clumsy. With his speed, he was able to catch it in one try.

The soft muddy baby kept struggling in Wang Teng's hand. Its entire body was like a ball of jelly, soft and flexible. Its shape kept changing, and it almost slid out of Wang Teng's hand.

It kept making strange 'ewww' sounds with its mouth. It was quite cute.

In the past, Wang Teng had seen the description of this kind of creature in all kinds of dramas and novels. However, he had never touched one before, so he didn't know where their sound came from.

He was curious as he sized up this strange creature.

Speaking about it, this world was really weird. It gave birth to this kind of creature.

But nothing's impossible anymore since an alternate world has already appeared. Wang Teng thought to himself mockingly.

Then, his gaze turned serious. He scanned his surroundings again and even used his spiritual power to check the area to confirm that there was no one around.

So... hehehe!

He activated the fire Force in his body. A ball of flame rose on Wang Teng's palm.

Splurt!

The soft muddy baby didn't even have time to cry in agony. It turned into ashes instantly.

"I've sinned, I've sinned!"

Wang Teng had three seconds of silence for this soft muddy baby. Then, he looked at the attribute bubble that was dropped on the ground.

Water Force*1

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That was it!

Nothing else!

There was only 1 point of water Force. Nothing else.

What happened to the morphing talent?

Wang Teng looked at the 1 point of water Force speechlessly. This soft muddy baby didn't fail to live up to its useless reputation.

Unfortunately, a useless creature couldn't become the main lead!

Never mind, 1 point means 1 point. No matter how little the attribute was, it was still an attribute. He mustn't waste it.

Wang Teng picked up the attribute and touched his chin. He wondered to himself: *Talent attributes are rare. The probability of it dropping is low, so... should I kill a few more just to make sure?*

Will Master Gorlin explode in anger if he knew that I killed his research target?

He couldn't make up his mind. However, when he thought of the possibility of a morphing talent, Wang Teng forced himself to be ruthless and grabbed another soft muddy baby.

"Don't blame me. I'm doing this because I have no other choice..."

A ball of flame emerged in his hand. Poof, another soft muddy baby was dead.

Earth Force*1

Wang Teng: ...

Let's continue!

Wood Force*1

Fire Force*1

Metal Force*1

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More and more soft muddy babies died in his hands. However, they only gave 1 point of attribute each. A thin layer of sweat appeared on Wang Teng's forehead.

This was too difficult!

Too difficult!

Could it be that the morphing talent doesn't exist? Wang Teng was puzzled.

Should he just give up?

He looked at the few soft muddy babies left and felt a little guilty.

"The last one!" Wang Teng felt a little unwilling to give up after spending so much effort. His eyes flickered as he tried to convince himself.

Yes, that's right. This will be the last one.

Splurt!

Another small life was taken away by the ruthless flame.

Wood Force*1

Wang Teng was about to go crazy. He clenched his fist and took a deep breath. "Shall I... try another one?"

"This will really be the last one!"

Wang Teng's gaze was firm. He caught another soft muddy baby and sent it to heaven.

Another attribute bubble dropped on the floor. Before he could pick it up, he heard a shout.

"Wang Teng! What are you doing?"

Wang Teng shuddered. His head turned numb as he flicked the ashes on his hand away stealthily. He then stood up and looked innocently at Su Lingxuan, who had suddenly appeared.

“Junior Sister, when did you come back? Where did you go and play just now?”

“Don’t try to fool me. Tell me, what were you doing just now?” Su Lingxuan glared at him with wide eyes. She strode over and looked at the mess on the ground, as well as the few soft muddy babies left. They shrunk together pitifully. Her expression turned malicious as she said, “You, you, you...”

Wang Teng shifted his feet secretly and said, “I didn’t do anything. Junior Sister, you must believe me.”

Su Lingxuan obviously didn’t believe him. She glared at Wang Teng in disbelief and said, “You’re crazy! The soft muddy babies are so cute. How can you kill them!”

“I didn’t do it. I didn’t. Don’t bullshit.” Wang Teng shook his head fervently.

“I saw it personally! I will tell Master,” Su Lingxuan said.

“Don’t. I admit; I admit. But I didn’t kill for the sake of killing. I’m doing experiments!” Wang Teng rolled his pupils and said hurriedly.

“Experiment? What are you experimenting with?” Su Lingxuan asked curiously.

“I, I’m studying their morphing talent. Master Gorlin is so stubborn about it, so as his disciple, I need to inherit his will.” Wang Teng started talking nonsense with a stern face.

“Really?” Su Lingxuan’s expression softened. However, she still had her doubts. She felt that something was weird here, but she couldn’t figure out what it was.

“Yes. That is the truth,” Wang Teng nodded his head furiously.

“What did you find out?” Su Lingxuan asked.

“This...” Wang Teng was stunned. He looked around him and suddenly saw the attribute bubble he hadn’t picked up beside him. His eyes lit up.

Morph*1

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Chapter 285: Morph Talent=Men In Women’s Clothing!

Morph*1

It appeared!

It really appeared!

Wang Teng was elated. He didn’t have much hope at first, but the Morph talent appeared after Su Lingxuan caught him red-handed.

God bless him! Or her?

He immediately started thanking all the deities in the sky. God, angels, Zeus... he didn't miss a single deity.

This was so difficult!

He had killed so many soft muddy babies. If he didn't get this talent, the soft muddy babies would have died an unworthy death.

He picked it up.

He touched it with his right leg, and the Morph talent attribute bubble immediately merged into his body.

As the Morph talent integrated into his mind, Wang Teng instantly got enlightened.

This Morph was not able to allow him to change his body shape like the muddy babies. For instance, the muddy baby could change from round to rod-shaped, but a human couldn't.

After all, the physical composition of a human was different from the muddy babies.

However, after receiving this talent, Wang Teng was able to change his muscle and skin shape. That meant he could change his appearance entirely.

Amazing! Wang Teng was beyond happy. As expected, this talent didn't disappoint him.

Su Lingxuan noticed his long silence, so she snorted. "You didn't find anything? Or are you lying to me?"

Wang Teng snapped back to his senses. A smile appeared at the edge of his lips as he said, "Why will I lie to you? I was collecting my thoughts just now. Actually, I've already had some ideas. I will demonstrate to you after Master is back."

"Really? Master didn't find anything after studying for such a long time. You only studied for half a day and discovered something?" Su Lingxuan was shocked. She didn't believe that Wang Teng had achieved any results. She only asked because she wanted to expose Wang Teng's lie.

"What will I gain from lying to you? I will get exposed the moment I stand in front of Master," Wang Teng replied.

"But, it's impossible to find anything." Su Lingxuan always felt that the morphing ability of the soft muddy babies was possible because of their body structure. It was never any Morph talent represented by their life patterns.

"Who says that it's impossible?" Wang Teng gave her a meaningful glance.

"But..." Su Lingxuan felt uncomfortable under his stare. She wanted to rebuke him.

"There's no but. My stupid junior sister, don't use your ordinary mind to judge a genius's thoughts," Wang Teng boasted.

"Me? Ordinary?" Su Lingxuan felt that she had heard a joke. She pointed to her nose in disbelief.

This was the first time she heard someone calling her ordinary. This fellow was really arrogant and infuriating.

“That’s right. I’m talking about you!” Wang Teng nodded and said.

“Well, I will wait and see how amazing the thoughts of a genius are.” Su Lingxuan was so angry that she smiled.

“Wait and see.”

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Gorlin didn’t come back in the afternoon. Wang Teng and Su Lingxuan went to do their own things after they finished lunch.

Wang Teng went back to his room and opened his attributes panel. He decided to experiment with the Morph talent he had gained earlier.

Morph: 1/100

Wang Teng was dumbfounded. “Only 100? Looks like the limit of this Morph talent isn’t high.

“Let’s give it a try!”

The muscles on Wang Teng’s palm started wriggling along with his thoughts.

Seconds later, his palm changed. Whether it was the size, the palm prints, the fingerprints, or the overall shape, it was completely different from before.

Mind you, every human’s fingerprint was unique. Yet, the Morph talent allowed him to change it. This showed how amazing this talent was!

“This is so magical!” Wang Teng flipped his palm. He got more interested as he looked at his palm.

He stared at it a while longer and started muttering to himself, “However, with the current level of my talent, it’s difficult to even change my palm’s appearance. I will not be able to change my entire body.”

His gaze landed at the last row of his attributes panel.

Blank Attribute: 814

He had been saving them for a long time. It was time to put them to use.

With a thought, 99 points of blank attributes were deducted from his total. The description behind the Morph talent immediately changed to perfected.

Morph: 100/100 (perfected)

Wang Teng savored the feeling of having a perfected Morph talent.

Then, he smiled. The muscles all over his body started squirming and changing. His face, his body... every spot was changing.

After a few moments, he had changed completely into a different person.

His appearance was rough, and he had a fat figure. He wasn’t the handsome young man anymore.

Even my mom won't be able to recognize me! Wang Teng touched his chin as he looked at the mirror and wondered to himself.

He got addicted to playing with his appearance. He stood in front of the mirror and started morphing without stopping.

He found it very interesting.

He was able to change into a lady and shrink Adam's apple. However, there was no way he could make a certain part of his body disappear...

Wang Teng looked down with a weird expression. "Is this what you call a man in women's clothing? Cough..."

After some time, he walked out of his room with his original appearance.

Wang Teng left the rune society and found a secluded spot. He changed his appearance. Soon, he turned into another young man around his age. Once he changed his attire, he became a wholly different person.

He asked around for the location of the alchemist society and the blacksmith society in Yang City. Wang Teng went to the alchemist society first.

The alchemist society wasn't far from the rune society. In fact, the blacksmith society was also nearby. They formed a triangle.

The alchemist society was a strange building shaped like a furnace. It was more eye-catching than the rune society.

When he walked near, he could smell the faint smell of herbs. It was pleasant.

Wang Teng walked into the alchemist society. He scanned his surroundings and noticed that it looked similar to the rune society. It was quiet and clean. The staff was doing their jobs in an orderly manner.

Similarly, many attribute bubbles were floating in the building.

Wang Teng used his spiritual power to pull them over quickly.

Last night, Gorlin gave him a personal lesson. He had already taught him how to hide his spiritual mark. Thus, he didn't have to worry about getting found out. It saved him much trouble.

Alchemy*10

Spirit*8

Alchemy*6

Alchemy*5

Spirit*4

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After a round of collections, Wang Teng had a huge gain. He received 188 points of alchemy and 32 points of spirit in total.

Spirit: Spiritual realm (81.3/100)

Alchemist: Intermediate stage (88/500)

His secondary job also changed a little. A new Alchemist row appeared, and he jumped directly from the beginner stage to the intermediate stage.

Other people had to spend a long time building their foundation, whether they were alchemists, runemasters, or blacksmiths. However, for Wang Teng, he just skipped levels and achieved what other people had to spend a few years or even tens of years to get in a blink.

Two hours later, Wang Teng walked out of the alchemist society. He had successfully passed the intermediate-stage alchemist exam and gained the position of an intermediate-stage alchemist.

Beside him, two alchemists from the alchemist society were talking to him enthusiastically...

Chapter 286: Dead... Yao Wang And Duan De!

“Brother Yao, your talent is astonishing!”

“That’s right. No talent like you have appeared in this empire for the past hundreds of years. You’re only 18 years old. The alchemist society in Yang City has hit the jackpot.”

“The Empire Alchemist Session held three times a year will be happening soon. If you are able to participate as a representative of Yang City, you will definitely be able to set the empire on fire.”

“However, Brother Yao Wang, your name is a little...”

They exchanged glances with each other, not knowing whether they should laugh or cry. This name was a little arrogant![1]

But, it was just a name, not a nickname. Names were given by parents, so they couldn’t say anything about it.

“This surname is quite rare. I’ve never heard of an elite alchemist family with this surname. Could it be an unknown elite family who lived in hiding?”

“I heard that many outstanding descendants of these secretive families come out to gain experience after they become adults. They will return to their families when they finish.”

“I admire people like them!”

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The two alchemists from the alchemist society sent ‘Yao Wang’ off. They were impressed as they lowered their voices and discussed with each other.

Yao Wang was Wang Teng’s alias.

A moment ago, Wang Teng completed the intermediate stage alchemist exam in the alchemist society and passed it successfully. He had alerted many people.

An 18-year-old intermediate-stage alchemist!

This was a rare talent. He was destined to have an extraordinary future.

He might become a master or even a grandmaster!

If a grandmaster emerged in the alchemist society of Yang City, it would go down in history!

Even if he couldn't become a grandmaster, there were great benefits in becoming a master too. Every master-level alchemist had the power to influence decisions on a higher level.

If the president of the alchemist society was around, he would be alerted by his talent.

The people in the alchemist society were immersed in happiness. However, they didn't know that the Yao Wang, whom they placed so much hope on, had changed his appearance. He was heading to the blacksmith now.

The blacksmith society had a different style from the alchemist society and the rune society. The latter were elegant and noble, while the blacksmith society was bold and unrestrained. Blacksmiths had high status too, but most of them were rough and wild. They were bulky and massive. The difference between them and runemasters and alchemists was huge.

All along, these three groups of people disliked each other. They would always compete when they met.

Wang Teng had already changed his appearance to one suitable for blacksmiths. His muscles bulged out of his shirt. He was lean but muscular, and he didn't look as frightening as the other hunks. His face was sharp and angular. In other words, he was a handsome man!

The edge of his lips went up when he walked into the blacksmith society and saw the floor full of attribute bubbles.

He picked them up.

Smithery*8

Spirit*3

Smithery*6

Spirit*5

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Wang Teng immediately gained another round of smithery and spirit attributes.

He collected 122 points of smithery and 24 points of spirit.

Spirit: Spiritual realm (83.7/100)

Blacksmith: Advanced stage (191/1000)

He had exceeded one hundred smithery attributes in one go. This was unexpected.

His blacksmith level had reached the advanced stage after his journey to the Red Leaf Dwarf tribe. Even with an additional 122 points of smithery, he was still at the advanced stage.

More than one hour later, Wang Teng walked out of the blacksmith society with a rough and sloppy-looking dwarf beside him.

“President, you don’t have to say anymore. I don’t have any intention of finding a master.” Wang Teng gave a bitter smile as he looked at the president of the blacksmith society beside him, who was talking continuously.

Do all the bosses want to keep a genius as their disciple whenever they see one?

Wang Teng thought to himself speechlessly.

This muscular and short dwarf in front of him was the president of the blacksmith society. He was also a... chatterbox!

His speed of talking and the amount of nonsense he had were enough to traumatize a person.

However, it was undeniable that he had high hopes for Wang Teng. He was using a rare metal to forge a weapon when he heard about Wang Teng. He immediately abandoned his half-done work and ran over to find him.

The intermediate-stage blacksmith who came to report this matter to him felt his heart aching when he saw the rare metal get thrown to the side.

This rare metal would turn to scrap in a blink of an eye. Even if it was recycled, its value would be heavily compromised.

The president of the blacksmith society felt helpless when he heard Wang Teng rejecting him again. With a sad expression, he said, “Sigh, Duan De, why don’t you want to accept me as your master? I’m a master blacksmith. I’m only one level away from a grandmaster. Do you know how many people want to be my disciple? I don’t give them a chance, yet you’re rejecting me. Do you know that this is a huge loss for you...”

He couldn’t stop once he opened his mouth. Duan De... Wang Teng immediately interrupted him and said, “President, I still have some urgent matters to attend to. I will make my move first!”

He turned into a flash of lingering shadows without giving the president any time to react. He disappeared at the end of the corridor.

“Hey, why did you run away? I’m not done yet. You little brat! You’re so talented, but you don’t want to be my disciple...” The president of the blacksmith society shook his head as he nagged. He then turned and walked into the building.

“President!”

“President!”

The people in the building stopped in their tracks and bowed to him. They treated him with respect. However, when they heard him muttering, their expressions changed, and they hurriedly ran away. They were afraid he would catch them and nag them in place of Wang Teng.

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Wang Teng turned a corner and confirmed that the president of the blacksmith society didn't chase after him. He heaved a sigh of relief.

This is too scary!

He shook his head. He still had lingering fears.

Wang Teng found an empty place and changed back to his original appearance. He wore a gown and walked towards the rune society blatantly.

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During dinner, Su Lingxuan tattletaled on Wang Teng with shimmering eyes. "Master, Senior Brother killed many soft muddy babies today."

Gorlin was stunned. He raised his head and looked at Wang Teng. "What's the matter?"

He didn't feel sad for the soft muddy babies. After all, he also dissected them during his experiments. He was just curious why Wang Teng chose to kill those harmless creatures.

"I was curious about your research, so I did my own study." Wang Teng started talking nonsense.

"Oh right, Senior Brother says that he achieved some results," Su Lingxuan winked at Wang Teng and said with an evil smile.

She didn't believe that Wang Teng found anything. She mentioned it in front of Gorlin because she wanted to embarrass him after he got exposed.

"Oh, really?" Gorlin didn't mind. Instead, he asked with a smile.

"Of course. I will reveal my gains after dinner," Wang Teng said confidently.

It was Gorlin's turn to be surprised.

Wang Teng didn't look like he was boasting. He sounded so confident, so he might really have found something.

"I shall take a good look later then," Gorlin smiled and replied.

"Tsk, you're just acting. If you really found something, I will...." Su Lingxuan pouted.

[1] Yao Wang in Chinese means God of Medicine

Chapter 287: Finish This Bottle Of Chilli And You're Still My Smart And Cute Junior Sister

"What will you do?" Wang Teng taunted her.

Su Lingxuan glared at him. Suddenly, she saw a bottle of chili on the table. She said, "I will... I will eat this bottle of chili."

"You said it. Master will bear witness!" Wang Teng hurriedly blocked her path of retreat.

Su Lingxuan was flabbergasted.

"You guys!" Gorlin burst out laughing.

After dinner, they went to the study.

There were runes and rune pens placed on the table. Wang Teng picked up a rune pen and started contemplating.

"You can't draw it, right?" Su Lingxuan teased him. "Senior Brother, if you don't know how to do it, you can just admit it. There's no point in being stubborn at this point."

"Alright, Lingxuan, give Wang Teng some time to think. Don't disturb him." Gorlin was much more patient than her. He stood at the side and spoke to Su Lingxuan calmly.

Wang Teng glanced at Su Lingxuan. He knew what to draw, but he needed to decide how much he should reveal to them so that they wouldn't be dumbstruck. It would be a little too astonishing if he drew the complete rune.

What would happen after the morph rune appeared?

He wasn't worried. Morph talent and morph rune were two different concepts. No matter how strong the morph rune was, it couldn't be compared to the morph talent.

Wang Teng didn't say anything, his expression unchanged even when Su Lingxuan teased him. After contemplating, he started drawing with his rune pen. Soon, a few outlines of runes appeared on the paper.

"What are you drawing!"

Su Lingxuan didn't understand the drawings at all. Just when she was about to mock him, she heard Gorlin's surprised voice.

"This is..."

Her expression changed slightly. When she saw Gorlin's pondering face, her heart dropped. "No way?"

Su Lingxuan kept quiet instantly. She turned to look at Wang Teng and saw him giving her a sinister smile. A bad feeling crept up her heart.

She bit her lips, glaring at him without backing down.

She didn't care if she was right. She must not lose in terms of stance!

Gorlin got more and more enchanted by the runes on the table. In the end, he pushed Wang Teng away and leaned closer to study them. He kept exclaiming, "Interesting, interesting, I didn't expect it to be like this."

After some time, he lifted his head and looked at Wang Teng with appreciating eyes.

“I didn’t expect you to get this result. It’s not perfect, but if we continue researching, we will be able to patch the flaws,” he said.

“You taught me well.” Wang Teng chuckled as he curried favor with his master.

“Haha, I only taught you for one day. It has nothing to do with me. It’s your innate talent.” Gorlin was caught between laughter and tears.

“Master, will these outlines be beneficial for your research?” Wang Teng asked.

“Yes, they will help a lot. I did gain some inspirations, but this is your work. I will not steal it. You should continue the research. It will help you greatly in your rune studies,” Gorlin said.

Wang Teng was speechless.

This wasn’t how the script should go.

He planned to give Gorlin some inspiration. With Gorlin’s attainments, it wouldn’t be difficult for him to come up with the morph rune. That would save him much trouble.

But, Gorlin wanted to stop his research altogether.

Master, do you have to be so righteous?

Wang Teng didn’t know if he should laugh or cry. He found an excuse and said, “Master, why don’t you continue the research? My attainments in rune study aren’t high, so I will have to spend a lot of time if I want to go in-depth. This isn’t a good thing for me.”

Gorlin was startled as he looked at Wang Teng. He pondered for a long time before he replied, “How about this? I will continue my research. If you’re interested, you can find time to do your own experiments. We will verify our results with each other and perfect the rune together.”

Wang Teng didn’t reject him anymore. He nodded and said, “Okay, we will do it this way.”

Su Lingxuan was thunderstruck. Wang Teng really managed to come up with the morph rune!

Although it was just an outline, it was an impressive discovery.

Mind you, Gorlin didn’t manage to find anything after researching for a long time. Wang Teng only studied it for a day, yet he achieved astonishing results. It felt incredible just thinking about it.

If it stopped at that, it would still be fine. However, Master Gorlin even wanted Wang Teng to carry on the research with him and verify their results. He had already placed Wang Teng in the same position as him!

This treatment made her extremely jealous.

“Junior Sister, what did you say just now?” Wang Teng looked at Su Lingxuan with an evil gaze. His sly voice pulled her out of her thoughts. “If I have any findings, you will eat that bottle of chili, right?”

“Ha, haha...” Su Lingxuan’s face was tense. She immediately gave an awkward and rhythmic laugh before saying in embarrassment, “I think that there might be some misunderstanding. Senior Brother, listen to me.”

“Before I listen, please eat that bottle of chili,” Wang Teng said mercilessly. He took out the bottle of chili and pushed it in front of Su Lingxuan.

“You, you!” Su Lingxuan was stunned. “When did you take it?”

“When you said you wanted to eat it, I brought it along.” Wang Teng sniggered.

Su Lingxuan felt so frustrated that she wanted to vomit blood. She glared at Wang Teng. “You’re a scheming man!”

Wang Teng: ...

You were the one who wanted to eat it. Why are you calling me a scheming man now?

“You asked for it. Who can you blame now?” Wang Teng said with a cold smile.

“Master...” Su Lingxuan didn’t know what to do. She could only turn and plead for Gorlin’s help. She looked at him pitifully and begged him in a sorrowful tone.

“Hahaha, this matter is between the two of you. Don’t look for me.” Gorlin found it interesting too. He laughed loudly and turned to leave.

“Ah, Master, don’t leave. Save me!” Su Lingxuan wanted to run away, but Wang Teng stopped her. “Are you trying to escape?”

When Su Lingxuan saw Wang Teng blocking the door, she knew that she wouldn’t be able to leave if he didn’t move. Her pupils started twirling furiously. She called out sweetly, “Senior—”

“Stop, stop!” Wang Teng felt his head turning numb from her greeting. Goosebumps appeared all over his body. He stopped her hurriedly before she could finish and said, “I’ll give you a chance. You can either eat this bottle of chili or help me wash my smelly socks. Choose.”

“What? You want your smart and cute junior sister to wash your smelly socks? You are so... ruthless!” Su Lingxuan widened her eyes and questioned him as if she had heard something astonishing.

“Bang!” Wang Teng slammed the bottle of chili on the table. “If you don’t want to, forget it. Finish this bottle of chili and you’re still my smart and cute junior sister.”

(☹_☹;) Su Lingxuan felt that the person in front of her was a devil with horns. She regretted it. She regretted seeking death.

“Junior Sister, it’s just a bottle of chili. You won’t die if you eat it.” Wang Teng consoled her.

However, it had the opposite effect. Su Lingxuan couldn’t hold back anymore.

She pouted, and tears started flowing down her face. “Wah~”

This was Wang Teng’s expression:

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Chapter 288: Cockscomb Jade Scale Python

Su Lingxuan condemned Wang Teng's inhumane behavior.

She refused to eat the chili, but she could... wash the smelly socks!

For the next few days, Wang Teng worked hard in cultivation (picking up attributes). He appeared in the three societies using his three identities, Wang Teng, Yao Wang, and Duan De. Every day, he picked up many skill and spirit attributes.

Now, his runemaster and alchemist levels had reached the advanced stage too.

Runemaster: Advanced stage (16/1000)

Alchemist: Advanced stage (22/1000)

If the other runemasters and alchemists knew his astonishing speed of progression, they would question their whole life.

This was impossible!

Fortunately, Wang Teng didn't plan to reveal his true ability. Instead, he would unveil it bit by bit and then... surprise!

This was more interesting.

Of course, whether it was a surprise or a shock would depend on what he displayed.

Also, Wang Teng's spirit attribute rose quickly. He had hit the 90-mark!

Spirit: Spiritual realm (90.3/100)

As his spirit attribute got stronger, he felt the spiritual power in his mind getting more and more powerful. If that deep whirlpool of spiritual power released its true potential, he might frighten himself.

At night, he would follow Gorlin to the Yongye Mountain Ridge for his divine spirit master practice. He became skilled in the attacks of a divine spirit master as time passed. His ability kept improving.

He killed many star beasts possessing different elements, so his Force slowly increased too.

Wang Teng's talent amazed Gorlin. He kept exclaiming in his heart. Towards the end, he decided to let Wang Teng cultivate on his own. He wouldn't follow him anymore.

One night.

At a certain part of the Yongye Mountain Ridge.

Wang Teng floated in midair and waved his hand. A spear made of fire instantly shot out from his hand.

There was a huge earth element giant ape star beast in front of him. It was entangled by vines and was unable to move. It struggled furiously. When the long flaming spear shot towards it, it howled and wriggled. It slammed the ground with its big palms, wanting to break free from the vines.

Under its overwhelming force, the vines started breaking one by one. However, new vines grew out from the ground and pinned the ape to the ground like metal chains.

Slash!

The long flaming spear reached the beast in a split second and penetrated the giant ape's heart.

The giant ape stopped struggling. Its eyes were wide open as blood spurted out of its wound. Life was draining away from it quickly. After a few whimpers, it soon fell into the embrace of death.

Earth Force*56

Blank Attribute*43

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He picked them up.

"As expected of a 4-star star beast. It dropped so many attributes!" Wang Teng muttered to himself as he glanced at his attributes panel.

Ever since Gorlin allowed him to practice on his own, Wang Teng started letting himself loose. The 1-star and 2-star star beasts were unable to satisfy his appetite. He decided that he would only kill 4-star star beasts and above. More attributes would drop from them.

Earth Force: 356/2000 (4-star)

Blank Attribute: 1860

Wang Teng nodded in satisfaction when he saw the changes in these two attributes. With a swoosh, he appeared beside the giant ape.

He placed his palm on the ape's body. Force flowed out of his body as he sensed the corpse.

Unfortunately, there was no star core or star bone.

He still kept the corpse in his space ring. At that moment, he had a sudden thought. He looked up at the night sky.

His vision changed, and he looked down from the sky.

This was the Spirit Flame Ghost Crow's vision.

Wang Teng noticed an intriguing thing, and a meaningful smile appeared on his face.

"Interesting!"

He flew into the air and merged into the darkness. He shuttled through the dense forest as he headed in the direction where he was looking just now. He traveled without making a sound, like a spirit in the dark.

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In the mountain valley, a group of seven was attacking an enormous python. These people were all powerful, at least at 4-star soldier level. One of them even had wings behind his back. This should be a 5-star soldier-level martial warrior.

The enormous python seemed to be a 5-star star beast. Even among the 5-star star beasts, it was a strong presence. That was why these seven people were unable to defeat it based on their ability even after such a long time.

Soon, Wang Teng arrived at the scene. He hid using his dark Force and activated his Wave Invisibility skill. At this moment, he was like a dark spirit. It was impossible to find him.

He stood on the branch of a tree and observed the battle happening not far away.

His gaze was instantly attracted by the appearance of the giant python. It had a crown-shaped like a cockscomb on its head. Its scales were green, and it looked unique.

“Cockscomb Jade Scale Python!” Wang Teng gazed at it strangely from afar. He learned this python’s name from the shouts of those people.

Wang Teng didn’t plan to help them. He just wanted to watch the show and see if there were any bubbles he could pick up.

As he thought about this, he looked to his left. A few hundred meters away from his current position, another group of people was hiding in the dark.

He had noticed this interesting scene through the Spirit Flame Ghost Crow’s vision. This was why he decided to come and take a look.

“Be careful. This Cockscomb Jade Scale Python is a rare poison element star beast. Its attacks are extremely poisonous and can even corrode our Force. We can’t fight it head-on,” a young lady’s voice suddenly sounded among the crowd.

Poison element star beast? Wang Teng’s eyes lit up when he heard this.

The Cockscomb Jade Scale Python hissed into the air, spurting poison from its mouth. It shot towards the seven people like a rain of poisonous arrows.

The lady’s reminder came right on time. Everyone evaded the attack before the poisonous arrows reached them.

When the arrows landed on the ground and the trees, green smoke rose from the ground beside them. It gave off a toxic stench.

“Move, don’t smell it.” The young lady’s voice was heard again.

Everyone followed her order. They surrounded the Cockscomb Jade Scale Python once again after the smoke dispersed and showered it with attacks.

The Cockscomb Jade Scale Python was alone, so under the attacks of the seven martial warriors, it kept retreating. It squirmed its body vigorously. The green scales on its body were as hard as steel, but under the onslaught of the martial warriors, its flesh exploded and turned bloody.

The python hissed in pain. At that moment, a crazed look appeared in its snake eyes. The cockscomb on its head suddenly erupted, and black smoke billowed out from the hole. It quickly spread to the surroundings.

The young lady who spoke just now had a sharp change in her expression. She shouted hurriedly, "This is bad. There's an error in our information. Retreat!"

Her companions' expressions changed too. They turned around and dashed away almost at the same instant.

But, it was too late. The black smoke spread out at an astonishing speed. It merged into the air and instantly proliferated.

The martial warriors only managed to withstand the black smoke for a few moments. Then, they collapsed. Even the sole 5-star soldier-level martial warrior could only persevere for a few seconds at most. Then, its wings scattered, and it dropped from the sky.

Chapter 289: News Of Poison Scripture

No one knew if the seven people who got poisoned were dead or alive. The poisonous smoke continued spreading without a stop. The group of people hiding in the dark had no choice but to run away.

On the other hand, Wang Teng didn't move. He wasn't affected at all.

This poisonous smoke paled in comparison to the Demon Lotus Poison Body.

When Wang Teng released the poison Force inside him slightly, the poisonous smoke evaded him like the civilians who saw their king.

With Wang Teng in the center, there was a non-poisonous area around him.

His eyes shone slightly when he saw this.

He knew that the poisonous smoke wouldn't be able to harm him, but he didn't expect this to happen.

The poisonous smoke filled up the entire area, remaining in the air for a long time. The giant python laid motionless in the dark. Wang Teng activated his Spiritual Sight and noticed that its Force glow was weak. Its vitality was running low.

The group of people hiding in the dark were starting to get agitated. They probably didn't expect this black smoke to last for so long.

"You Jingfu, what's going on?" a handsome young man shouted at the person beside him with an unhappy expression.

"Young Master Yao, I'm not sure either. The information we got only says that this Cockscomb Jade Scale Python will give off poisonous smoke from its cockscomb when its life is in danger. It didn't say

that the poisonous smoke will last for so long,” a scrawny middle-aged man replied in a helpless tone. He looked frightened.

“Useless. You can’t even do a simple thing.” Yao Yu’s expression turned cold. He glared at You Jingfu and continued furiously, “If we wait too long, Princess Yao will be dead. What am I supposed to do to a corpse?”

“Young Master Yao, calm down. The Cockscomb Jade Scale Python is at its weakest state now. It might not have the time to care about other things. Also, based on my observation, the poison in the smoke isn’t too strong. It’s used to confuse the opponents so that the python has time to escape. With the princess’s ability, she should be able to withstand it for some time. Let’s wait patiently. The black smoke will soon disperse,” You Jingfu explained anxiously.

Yao Yu’s expression softened. He replied, “I’ll believe you one more time. If you ruin my plan, I’ll make you pay for it.”

You Jingfu furrowed his brows. Despite feeling bitter in his heart, he could only reply, “Yes, yes. If I ruin your plan, I will accept the punishment.”

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Hmph, this is very interesting. Wang Teng sat down on the branch as he studied the black smoke. He also guessed that it would disperse soon, so he waited silently.

Approximately ten minutes later, the black smoke disappeared, as expected. Yao Yu and his men carefully inched towards the area.

The Cockscomb Jade Scale Python was nowhere in sight. Wang Teng knew that it was hiding below the marsh. Its aura was still present.

This should be the home of this Cockscomb Jade Scale Python. It wouldn’t leave easily.

Yao Yu and his men arrived in front of the people who had collapsed. They weren’t dead, just unconscious.

“Young Master Yao, look, I was right.” You Jingfu gave a fawning smile. He came forward to take credit for his words.

“You’re still a little useful.” Yao Yu nodded and continued, “Take out the antidote and give it to the princess. We might not be able to save her if the poison goes deep into her body.”

“Okay. Young Master Yao is very thorough.” You Jingfu didn’t let the opportunity of throwing in a word or two of flattery slip by.

He took out a jade bottle and poured a pill out. He fed it to the young lady lying on the ground.

“Wait.” When Yao Yu saw You Jingfu’s rough and wrinkly hand, he frowned uncontrollably. He kicked the man away and said, “Give me the pill. The princess will be my woman in the future. Don’t touch her with your dirty hands.”

You Jingfu stumbled and almost fell. However, he didn't get angry when he heard You Jingfu's words. Instead, he laughed and passed the pill to him. He hesitated and asked, "Young Master Yao, she's still a princess. If you do that to her, you might not be able to answer to Lord Yang."

"What do you know? What's done can't be undone. For the sake of his reputation, he won't do anything to me," Yao Yu replied with disdain.

"Wise words." You Jingfu smiled and praised the young man.

"Alright, cut the bullshit. You will get your benefits after this matter ends since you offered me great help." A hint of disdain flashed past Yao Yu's eyes. However, he didn't express it.

He took the pill and fed it to the lady in front of him.

Right at that moment, the lady opened her eyes abruptly, a cold glint flashing past her pupils. The lady took out a dagger from her sleeve and clenched it in her hand. She stabbed at Yao Yu's chest.

Yao Yu was startled, but he reacted quickly. He pushed his palm out as fast as lightning and grabbed the lady's wrist. He smiled and said, "Everyone says that the princess is no weaker than the male warriors. They're speaking the truth."

"You're despicable!" Li Rongxue glared at the young man with her beautiful eyes. There was disdain written all over her face.

"I do things with integrity. How am I despicable?" Yao Yu smiled and asked.

"Shameless!" Li Rongxue shouted angrily.

"Princess, it's not good to curse your fiancé," Yao Yu smiled and replied. He wasn't provoked by her words.

"Stop dreaming. If you dare touch me, you will only get a corpse in the end," Li Rongxue rebuked without backing down.

"That's not up to you." Yao Yu continued to wear a handsome smile on his face. At the same time, a pill appeared in his hand. He flicked the pill, and it slid down Li Rongxue's throat.

"What did you feed me?" Li Rongxue's expression changed.

"Weakening pill," Yao Yu said.

"You!" Li Rongxue immediately felt her body going numb. She couldn't exert any energy at all.

"I'm doing this for your sake. You're at your prime. Why should you seek death?" Yao Yu smiled. He said to the female martial warrior behind him, "Look after her. Don't let her die."

"Yes," the female martial warrior replied.

Li Rongxue's face turned pale, and despair appeared in her eyes.

"Young Master, what about the others?" another person behind Yao Yu asked.

“Kill them.” Yao Yu remained expressionless. His tone was calm, as though he was asking them to kill some ants.

“Yes!”

“Yao Yu, how dare you!” Li Rongxue shouted.

“Kill them!” Yao Yu didn’t look at her. He repeated his words to the people behind him.

His teammates acknowledged him and walked forward. They stabbed their long swords into the hearts of the unconscious martial warriors, taking their lives away mercilessly.

Fresh blood spurted out, reflecting in Li Rongxue’s eyes.

“Yao Yu, I will take revenge one day. I swear to God,” Li Rongxue said with hatred. She glared at him until her eyes almost popped out.

Yao Yu smiled. He didn’t take it to heart.

You Jingfu took a step forward and said, “Young Master Yao, the Cockscomb Jade Scale Python is at its weakest state now. Shall we grab this chance and kill it?”

“There’ll be changes if we stay here. Let’s not complicate matters,” Yao Yu shook his head and replied.

“You’re right.” You Jingfu thought of something and asked again, “I heard that the Lord Yang Residence is collecting information on the hundred poisons to help Lord Yang detoxify the poison in his body. If there’s a poison scripture, may I take a look at it?”

“Hmph, I knew that you were interested in this. If there’s one, I’ll let you look at it. The poison element scripture is rare, but it’s useless to a normal martial warrior,” Yao Yu replied.

“Don’t even think about it. I’ll not give it to you even if there’s one,” Li Rongxue said coldly.

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You Jingfu felt awkward. However, he didn’t dare to face Li Rongxue’s anger. *You are going to be one family in the future. Why are you flaring up at me?*

Yao Yu chuckled. He patted You Jingfu’s shoulder and said, “Don’t worry. I’m her man. I’ll make the decision.”

You Jingfu smiled in embarrassment and didn’t dare to say much. Since Yao Yu had promised him, he would get his benefits for sure.

Li Rongxue was so angry that her chest hurt. Yao Yu was so brazen and shameless. He was already claiming that he was her man. What a pipe dream.

“Let’s go. We shouldn’t stay here any longer. Let’s find a good spot for the princess and me to spend a lovely night,” Yao Yu waved his hand proudly and said. Looking at Li Rongxue’s beautiful face and perfect figure, he was already getting restless.

“Congratulations, Young Master, for achieving your dream.” Yao Yu’s subordinates congratulated him in unison.

You Jingfu also smiled and said, "Congratulations, Young Master Yao!"

"Hahaha, you've all helped me today. I'll reward you handsomely when we go back." Yao Yu laughed loudly. He was fully content.

Li Rongxue's face turned green.

At this moment, a voice suddenly broke the jovial atmosphere.

"Erm, excuse me, sorry to disturb you!"

"Ha—" Yao Yu's laugh was stuck in his throat by the sudden voice. He jumped in shock and almost choked. It felt as if someone had grabbed his throat.

"Who?"

"Who is it? Come out!"

Yao Yu and his subordinates turned towards the source of the sound and yelled.

They saw a young man standing not far away. He was looking at them innocently.

"Who are you?" Yao Yu asked coldly after he regained his composure. There was a malicious look in his eyes. He had no good impression of this young man who had jumped out and frightened him.

"It doesn't matter who I am. I just want to ask the princess one question," Wang Teng pointed at Li Rongxue and said.

"You eavesdropped on us just now." Yao Yu's face turned black. There was killing intent in his eyes.

On the other hand, Li Rongxue's gaze shimmered.

"Not really. I didn't hear much, only a little," Wang Teng chuckled and replied.

Yao Yu's face was as black as the bottom of the pot, but he wasn't stupid. Since Wang Teng dared to step out, he must have some confidence. He couldn't decide what to do. "What do you want to ask?"

Wang Teng smiled. He seemed to know what Yao Yu was thinking, but he didn't care. Instead, he asked Li Rongxue, "Does your family collect poison element scriptures?"

"What if we don't? What if we do?" Li Rongxue retorted. She had a sudden thought.

"If you do, I'll save you, and you can repay me with the poison scripture. If you don't, I'll leave," Wang Teng answered straightforwardly.

"If they do, I can give it to you. Why do you have to ask her?" Yao Yu asked without changing his expression.

"Oh, nothing. I don't want to make a deal with a rapist. I'm embarrassed to be in the same league as you," Wang Teng replied directly.

Yao Yu's face turned green and white with anger.

Li Rongxue's eyes lit up. This might be her only chance. However, the man opposite her was very young, and he was also alone. Could he really do it?

"How dare you!" Yao Yu's subordinates turned furious when they saw Wang Teng humiliating Yao Yu.

"Do you want to beat me?" Wang Teng squinted.

Yao Yu raised his hand to stop them. He asked without any expressions, "Do you really want to become my enemy?"

"Not really. If you don't start the fight, I'm too lazy to fight with you," Wang Teng replied.

"Are you an idiot?" The corners of Yao Yu's mouth twitched. He realized that it was too difficult to communicate with the young man opposite him. Although he seemed easy-going, he was actually infuriating.

"I'm not an idiot, but I sell swords[1]. Do you use a sword? Do you use the upper sword or the lower sword? Or do you practice the ultimate sword skill, the unity of man and sword?" Wang Teng said cunningly.

"I don't use swords. I use a blade," Yao Yu replied instinctively.

"Pfft!" Li Rongxue's expression became weird, and she couldn't help but laugh out loud. She looked at Wang Teng and felt that this fellow was a little cheeky.

"What are you laughing at?" Yao Yu frowned and asked.

"Young Master Yao, he might be calling you... a bitch," You Jingfu reminded him kindly as he held back his laughter.

Yao Yu immediately understood. His expression turned cold and gloomy, as though a storm was brewing inside him. He gritted his teeth and said, "You're looking for death!"

"Hey, the princess over there. Do you have poison scriptures or not?" Wang Teng ignored Yao Yu and shouted at Li Rongxue again.

Yao Yu felt indignant and upset for getting ignored. He ordered his subordinates in a cold voice, "Kill him!"

"Hey, don't be impatient. She still hasn't replied to me. There's no point in fighting now," Wang Teng shouted hurriedly.

Li Rongxue was speechless. She felt that if she didn't reply to him, he might really walk away. Hence, she immediately shouted, "Of course I have. As long as you save me, I'll pass you the poison scripture as a repayment."

"That's what I was waiting for." Wang Teng laughed. He immediately dashed towards the martial warriors that were charging at him.

At the moment, he was wearing a boxing glove in one hand and held the golden brick in the other. It was as though he had no plans of putting up any resistance.

He slammed the head of the first person who arrived in front of him with the brick. This was the one who shouted the most furiously just now.

Wang Teng didn't show any mercy in his actions. He had instilled Force into the brick, so it became extremely heavy. The person was pushed to the ground by the overwhelming strength.

The lower half of the person's body was buried into the ground, and his bones were all broken. However, his upper half was still above the ground. There was a massive bump on his head.

Wang Teng had used finesse to hit the person into the ground without splitting the person's head. If not, based on the weight of this brick, even a martial warrior would die in one hit.

The other martial warriors were given a scare when they saw the miserable appearance of their companion.

This fellow was so cruel.

Wang Teng didn't give them time to react, though. He rushed towards the nearest person and wanted to repeat his earlier action.

The person's expression changed entirely as he slashed his battle blade at Wang Teng. The blade glow lit up the air around him. Although his movements were fast and ruthless, he still wasn't able to hit Wang Teng.

Bang!

The person was shoved into the ground with a loud bang.

At that moment, a sword glow attacked Wang Teng from the back. He tilted his body and evaded it just in time. Then, with a step, he appeared behind the attacker and sent him into the ground.

Yao Yu's subordinates weren't his match at all. They were all shoved into the ground after a few attacks. Their uncovered heads had huge bumps on them, looking like plants growing on the field.

Wang Teng stopped. He patted the dust off his body and raised his head to look at Yao Yu. "What do you say now?"

"4-star soldier level. If that's your confidence, you can die now." Yao Yu held the long blade in his hand and walked towards Wang Teng slowly.

"Be careful. Yao Yu entered the 4-star level not long ago. Although his character is lousy, he's a famous talent in Yang City," Li Rongxue shouted.

"Thank you for your compliment. It looks like your impression of me is not that bad." Yao Yu smiled slightly.

"Unfortunately, you used your talent in the wrong areas. You embarked on the crooked path and brought destruction on yourself," Li Rongxue said coldly.

"Who cares if it's the enlightened or the crooked path? They all lead to the same end." Yao Yu couldn't care less about morality.

“You’re obstinate,” Li Rongxue said in disdain.

“Alright, stop bickering with one another. You make me look like an outsider. Let’s finish this quickly. I still have to go back and sleep.” Wang Teng yawned uncontrollably as he said in a helpless tone.

Li Rongxue rolled her eyes and turned quiet.

“Since you’re so eager to die, I’ll fulfill your wish.” Yao Yu shook his head as though he was feeling pity.

The next moment, he turned into lingering shadows and dashed towards Wang Teng.

Wang Teng smiled slightly. The moment he took out his battle sword from his weapon carrier casket, Yao Yu had already arrived in front of him. He swept the blade at his head.

Wang Teng raised his hand to block it.

Clang!

When the blade and the sword collided in mid-air, sparks flew everywhere and lit up the dark night. The collision of Force caused an eruption to occur. Their hairs flew up because of the strong wind.

“You have some skills.”

Yao Yu’s gaze froze slightly. He swept with his left leg, but Wang Teng raised his leg to block it. He retrieved his battle sword and formed a flaming sword glow.

Slash!

Yao Yu tilted his body, dodging the sword glow as it flashed past in front of him. However, the edge of his shirt got scraped by the fire. It started giving off a burnt smell.

Neither of them used their full force until now. They were just testing each other.

The battle started for real now. Within a few breaths, they had exchanged many blows.

Boom!

A loud explosion shook the surroundings. The two of them retreated while panting slightly.

“Who on earth are you?” Yao Yu had become more serious when he stared at Wang Teng. His mind was working furiously, but he couldn’t remember where Wang Teng came from.

He possessed such ability at such a young age. He was definitely not some nobody. Hence, he must be an outsider.

“My Yao family is quite powerful in Yang City. You still have a chance to stop now,” Yao Yu said with a flickering gaze.

The Yao family! Wang Teng wondered to himself. *What kind of coincidence is this?* He said, “I’m sorry. I seem destined to clash with the Yao family.”

Yao Yu’s expression turned gloomy. What kind of reason was this? He was just saying that there was no room for discussion.

“Nevermind. I’ll just help you on your way to Netherworld.”

He held the long blade in his hand and focused, releasing a sharp blade aura. Yao Yu’s body was engulfed in gold Force. They turned into numerous blade glows.

“Blade presence!”

“Be careful. Yao Yu has already comprehended his blade presence!” Li Rongxue shouted in fear.

Wang Teng remained calm.

“Sword presence!” Li Rongxue was flabbergasted. This fellow had gotten his sword presence too.

Boom!

The sword presence and the blade presence collided forcefully.

The sword glow and the blade glow intertwined with each other. It felt like the bombardment of gold and iron. They frittered each other away, not refusing to give to the other.

In the end, no one was able to come on top. Along with a loud explosion, they disappeared at the same instant.

A black figure dashed out from the dust.

“Your Force should almost be depleted!”

A glaring ice blue glow erupted from Yao Yu’s palm.

“Ice Force. Yao Yu is a double-element martial warrior.” Li Rongxue seemed to have discovered something incredible, and her face became a little pale. Was her hope going to be destroyed?

“Go and die!” A killing intent flashed past Yao Yu’s eyes. He pushed his palm on Wang Teng’s chest.

A strange smile appeared at the edge of Wang Teng’s lips as a similar ice blue glow congregated on his palm. He met his opponent’s palm with his own.

Bang!

Yao Yu was sent flying back. He felt a powerful Force enveloping his body. He was thunderstruck. “How is this possible?”