

## Passive Skills 9

### Chapter 9: Bloodshed Caused by a Rabbit

The three of them ran towards the novice village. Zhang Shan looked at his experience bar, which was 326/2000. Leveling up to level 4 required 2,000 experience points. Leveling up was getting harder and harder. Would the experience requirement always increase exponentially? If so, that would be scary. 1

Returning to the novice village, Zhang Shan spent all his copper coins and bought 5,000 bullets. Including the remaining 2,000 in his package, there were a total of 7,000 bullets. It was enough for him to use for four hours. 1

After the Thousand Miles Riding Alone had finished repairing his equipment at the blacksmith's place, Wind-Blowing Wind Chimes brought them out into the wilderness. The scenery in the wilderness was completely different from the level 1 and Level 2 monster areas. In comparison, the level 1 and level 2 monster areas were more like a breeding ground.

On the map outside, there was an empty wasteland and low shrubs. Occasionally, they could see wild wolves, wild dogs, and other level 3 and level 4 monsters. However, the three of them ignored these monsters and headed straight for the wild boar forest.

After running for about 10 minutes, they entered the wild boar forest map. The trees in front of them had grown taller, but they were a little sparse. Not far away, wild boars were roaming about.

Zhang Shan checked the wild boars' attributes.

Demonized wild boar: level 5, HP 1,000, attack 53, skills: charge. Wild boars have a violent personality. They will charge at those who approach them, causing a knockback effect. Damage increased by 50.

"Demonized wild boar is not strong. Its attack power is only a little more than the rabbit's, and its skills are not strong either. It only adds 50 damage. It only has a few more health points. There's no pressure at all." Thousand Miles Riding Alone was full of confidence.

After reaching level 3, his health points reached 280, and his defense also increased by two points. He had a total of 17 defense points. The wild boar could only hit him with around 30 health points at most. With a healer around, there was no pressure at all.

Of course, it was also because Wind-Blowing Wind Chimes had learned the Rejuvenation Spell that he was so confident. Otherwise, with his attributes, he would only be able to take on two monsters in a row. He would then need to rest and recover his HP.

"The wild boars here are not strong, but we need to coordinate our classes to fight them. We can't just fight them at close range. We can't hit the monsters when we're pushed back. The long-ranged players can't hold on either. If we're hit by the wild boars three times, we'll die. Only through the coordination of the close-ranged players and the long-ranged players would make it easy to fight. It should be the most suitable monster for us to kill at the moment." Wind-Blowing Wind Chimes explained to them.

They started to work.

Thousand Miles Riding Alone ran towards a lone wild boar and used Fallen Leaf Slash-56. The skill of Fallen Leaf Slash increased by one level and added 10 points of damage. He had already reached level 3

and his skill damage was 30 points. Adding in his own attribute damage, it was close to 30 points. In one hit, he had dealt 56 damage to the wild boar.

Zhang Shan and Wind-Blowing Wind Chimes also immediately joined in the attack. Each of them dealt six or seven hits to finish off a wild boar. Wind-Blowing Wind Chimes raised her hand to recover the health of Thousand Miles Riding Alone.

Experience +17, copper coins +15. No wonder Wind-Blowing Wind Chimes had bought so many little blue potions. It was not a loss. The money dropped by the level 5 monsters had also increased. It was completely worth the cost.

A monster was dealt with in less than 20 seconds. Zhang Shan could level up to level 4 in half an hour or so. It was much faster than leveling up from level 2 to level 3.

“Wind Chimes, isn’t your brother, World of the Storm, also here farming wild boars? Why didn’t I see them?” Zhang Shan was a little puzzled. He looked around for a long time but did not see a single player. He did not know where the brother of Wind-Blowing Wind Chimes was farming.

“The wild boar forest map is very big. It takes more than twenty minutes to run all over the map. I don’t know where they are either. I don’t care about them. It’s not like we’re fighting a boss. It’s not like the more people there are, the better. Two or three people fighting monsters together is the most efficient,” Wind-Blowing Wind Chimes said.

Zhang Shan looked at the game map. The wild boar forest map had already been lit up. However, the map was indeed very big. They had been moving around the small corner of the wild boar forest, and their range of movement was less than 1% of the entire map.

The demonized wild boars were knocked down one by one by them, and their EXP kept increasing. The Thousand Miles Riding Alone was full of energy, and he said happily, “Do you think we can level up to level 5 before lunch?”

“If we eat later, we can level up. It’s only 10:30 now. We can level up to Level 4 at a little past 11:00. However, leveling up from Level 4 to level 5 requires 5,000 EXP. Based on our current progress, we should be able to level up to level 5 at around 1:00 in the afternoon. It will delay our mealtime. We’ll see how it goes. After all, it’s the same we farm it after eating.” Wind-Blowing Wind Chimes replied. Perhaps she was a girl who ate on time and had to go offline to eat at that time.

“You must be using the game pod. Why do you have to go offline to eat? Didn’t you say that you can stay offline for more than 10 days and it doesn’t matter?” Zhang Shan did not understand.

“I still have to go offline for some activities. After all, the game is not the real world.”

“That’s true.”

When Wind-Blowing Wind Chimes said that, Zhang Shan understood what she meant. In fact, it was just a matter of extent. Just like working overtime every day, people would become mentally unstable after a long time. Similarly, staying in the game world for a long time would naturally have an impact.

However, it was said that by using the most advanced quantum communication technology, the New World had already solved some of these problems. For example, when players entered the New World,

the human body was actually sleeping, there was no effect. It was just that the mind was still active, just like in a dream.

Of course, if a person kept dreaming, it was not right. Although it did not directly affect the body, it would gradually increase the pressure on the mental world. Therefore, it was necessary to go offline after a while to exercise and to relax the mind. 1

If long-term overtime was said to be a double pressure on the body and mind, then long-term gaming was just a mental pressure. Relatively speaking, it was lighter. As long as he adjusted in time, it would not be a problem.

While Zhang Shan was still thinking about the impact of the game on the body, Thousand Miles Riding Alone suddenly shouted, "Quick, look at the novice village chat channel. It has started fighting in the rabbit map. It's a mess. Haha, luckily we left first. Otherwise, we would definitely be disgusted to death by those guys."

"They really started fighting? Let me see, hehe." Zhang Shan also wanted to see how they started fighting.

On the novice village chat channel...

"D\*mn it! So what if they're long-ranged? They only know how to steal the monsters. We worked hard to kill the monsters until we ran out of HP, and the mages stole the monsters in one go. Don't they know how to kill their own monsters? Since they didn't want me to play, then everyone should stop thinking about farming monsters. Whoever farms the monsters, I'll beat them. Let's see who can fight better. At most, we won't level up today."

"D\*mn it, which b\*tch is beating me? Use peaceful mode to kill monsters."

"Peaceful mode my ass."

"Jingke of Yi River, you trash Thief, why do you always use a small knife to stab my ass? With your trash attributes, can you kill me? I sent you home with a Fireball Spell. Now that you've dropped by one level. Aren't you happy?"

"Haha, kill, kill all. There are no guards in the novice village. There's no penalty for red names."

"There are no punishments at all. Red names in NPC shops cost double the price, and buying a small blue bottle costs 20 copper coins." 2

"Double the price for red names is nothing. The old blacksmith won't even repair the equipment. He says that I'm an executioner, and he won't help me. My clothes only have a little bit of durability left, what should I do? Ahhhh."

"Haha, I'm not afraid. Anyway, I only have novice equipment, so I don't need to repair it. Grandsons, wait for me to kill them. No one will be able to fight monsters, hehe."

"Don't mess around. Go find whoever you have a grudge against. Why are you fighting me? I just want to quietly farm monsters."

“You still want to farm monsters? Go farm a Kiba. It wasn’t easy to reach level 2 but dropped again. Did I offend anyone?”

“Forget it, forget it. I’ll go farm chicks. I can’t afford to offend you, lunatic.”

Zhang Shan closed the area chat channel

“A rabbit caused bloodshed, haha.” Zhang Shan could not help but laugh frantically. 1

“By the way, is there really no punishment for the red names in the novice village? It’s just that they don’t get to repair equipment and pay a double price when buying things? Then if I ask someone to help me buy things and repair equipment, I will be able to kill without worry. It doesn’t matter if it’s a red name then. It makes my hands itch a little.” Thousand Miles Riding Alone said with a little eagerness.

“You’re thinking too much. How can there be no punishment? Since shops and blacksmiths hate red names, what about the village chief? He’s also an NPC. He definitely hates red names. Although the village chief doesn’t seem to be of much use right now, when we leave the village, we still have to look for the village chief. Who knows if he’ll settle the score by then?” Wind-Blowing Wind Chimes explained her view on the red name system in the novice village.

“That’s really possible. Maybe the red name players won’t be allowed to teleport out of the novice village. Even if the red name is removed, there might be other punishment mechanisms,” Zhang Shan speculated.

“Hurry up and check the forums. It’s not just our novice village. It’s the same for the others. The rabbit map is in chaos. Haha.” Thousand Miles Riding Alone was farming monsters. At the same time, he had time to check the forums. 1

Hearing his words, Zhang Shan opened the New World Forum curiously.

Sure enough, the forum was full of posts about the PK event of the rabbit map in the New World. Some people were analyzing the problem of the novice village’s red name punishment mechanism in the forums.

However, most of the analyses were similar to Wind Chimes. They said that when it was possible to leave the village after reaching level 10, the village chief might give a punishment. As for how the punishment would be, no one said anything. After all, the official website did not have such information.

One of the posts caught Zhang Shan’s attention.

“How to launder red name in novice village? I already had a red name for an hour, and my sin value has always been 10 points. When I found the village chief, he completely ignored me. What should I do now? I don’t even dare to leave the village now. I’m begging the big shots to give me some pointers.”

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“It serves you right. It’s only been two hours and your red name has already been there for an hour. Don’t tell me you want to dominate the little chick map and become the king of the chicks?”

“That’s right. You probably saw someone being hit by a monster until they ran out of HP and killed him with a sneak attack. B\* tch, it serves you right!”

“It serves you right +3.”

“It serves you right +4.”

“It serves you right.”

“It serves you right +5. Upstairs, you’re askew.”

“If the sin value hasn’t dropped by a single bit in an hour, then the sin value in the novice village might not drop naturally. Since the village chief is ignoring you now, it might be because you haven’t reached level 10 yet. He’ll probably talk to you once you reach level 10. However, he’ll definitely punish you. There’s a high probability to pay the money to launder the sin value. Hurry up and prepare the money, Young Man.”

“The big boss upstairs is right. The village chief will only talk to the players when they’ve just arrived at the novice village and left the novice village. When the time comes to launder the sin value, it’s either to pay or a high-difficulty mission. Young Guys, have a good time. What’s the point of messing around in the novice village? The stage is too small.”

“The boss is right.”

“I worship the boss.”

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