Pet Store 781

Chapter 781: Seething

Is it another pet from his shop?

Cleo was again shocked and thought of Su Ping immediately. She had almost turned numb about the series of Class A ratings, which only appeared once every few years in the past but seemed to have become the norm in recent days!

The lobby seethed after the Class A rating was found out.

The pet owner, an Ocean State young man, stared at the test pillar in disbelief while everybody exclaimed.

I only paid a hundred million to improve my pet to Class A?

Am I dreaming? Or did I stumble upon a windfall?

"Buddy, you're rich now! You're rich now!"

"Was your pet trained in that shop? Oh my god, is there a grandmaster trainer in that shop?"

"Damn it, I heard that the training cost was only a hundred million!"

All the customers in the shop wailed. Many people looked at the Ocean State young man with open jealousy. They asked themselves, 'Why didn't I go to that shop yesterday?'

Why did they have to go shopping in malls with their girlfriends?

They had to break up with them!

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Many people had bloodshot eyes due to jealousy and fury.

The uncanny rules and costs set by the Pixie Pet Store, including the training costs, had been exposed on the Internet. Everybody knew that even the normal training would cost a hundred million in the shop!

There was also the fact that the training would only last one day!

The so-called professional training required ten billion, and half a month to finish.

It was almost like blatant robbery!

However, while they had at first mocked the shop online for ripping off the customers, they were then slapped in the face by reality.

The battle against the Star State experts from the Ryan family further proved that the owner of the shop was a Star State expert himself.

Why would a Star State bigshot care about so little money, or even bother lying to advertise?

However, nobody had expected that the training done at the shop would be that effective!

A Class A attribute had been attained after a single day. Nobody knew the pet's past aptitude, but it was unlikely to be a Class A-. It was already incredible enough if it would have been improved from B+ to A!

That was something that a master trainer couldn't achieve; a grandmaster trainer might not achieve it, either!

The Ocean State young man came to his senses while everybody was coveting his pet. He was both excited and scared since he saw how the others were acting like hungry wolves. He hurriedly fetched his pet, paid for the assessment, and left the crowd.

Woffett was a lawful place anyway, and the city guards weren't far from the site. Nobody would dare to cause trouble at the moment.

Cleo's face showed a slight change. She then figured out that a new testing policy had to be implemented in her shop after seeing how some people were looking at the leaving Ocean State young man with glowing eyes.

The customer's privacy had to be protected!

She shouldn't let others tell easily to whom the pet being tested belonged, or nobody would test any pet in her shop anymore.

She did it immediately, without even having the time to deliver the report that Garland was safe back to her family. She knew her family would learn of the matter even if she didn't report it.

After all, the boss of that shop wasn't intent on keeping it a secret. He was simply letting Garland sit in the shop. Her family had probably learned that Garland was still alive.

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Ten minutes later, exclamations were again heard in the assessment shop again.

Another Class A pet had been found!

It was just A-, but that was still in Class A!

However, nobody knew whose pet it was this time.

Some of the malicious guys looked around and tried to find the pet owner. The entire assessment shop fell quiet in the next two hours.

Class A!

A-!

The two ratings appeared on the test pillar in turns.

None of the pets were rated below A-!

The efervescent shop gradually fell quiet. In the end, everyone stopped talking whenever the Class A rating appeared on the test pillar.

All the people lingering in the shop had become too stupefied to talk.

Since when has the Class A rating become so common?

Some even suspected that the assessment system in the shop was malfunctioning, or had even been set to purposefully cheat.

However, when people questioned the shop, Cleo showed up and revealed her identity as a member of the Ryan family; all doubts dissipated.

Not only was the Ryan family the most powerful on Rhea, it was also the absolute authority that represented fairness!

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The planet had thrived exactly because the family was authoritative and fair. Everybody on the planet would have suffered and complained if the Ryans would have ruled over them with nothing but violence.

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Cleo, monitoring the situation inside the shop, was completely dumbfounded.

She was almost absolutely certain that the people who were doing the tests had been to Su Ping's shop and trained pets there!

All their pets had turned out to be Class A!

Did it happen to the ten Vast Sky Thunderous Dragons too? Were they trained and turned Class A overnight before they were sold?

After being stunned for a long time, Cleo suddenly realized what she should do; she patted her forehead and quickly contacted her family in her office.

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She was going to deliver the precious message back to her family as soon as possible.

A few minutes later—

The communication was established, and the middle-aged man's projection made of data streams looked down at Cleo and frowned. "What's wrong?"

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"Mr. Secretary, there's a piece of intelligence that I don't know if I should report."

"Speak."

"I suspect that the shop where Garland is being kept is backed by a grandmaster trainer, one who borders on the extraordinary level!" said Cleo, gritting her teeth.

It was just an unconfirmed speculation of hers, so she had to consider the consequences if it wasn't true.

"A grandmaster trainer?"

The middle-aged man's pupils contracted, but he soon calmed down and said, "What do you mean by 'suspect'? You should know the consequences of providing false intelligence!"

Cleo bit her lips and said, lowering her head, "Mr. Secretary, this is what happened. That shop can easily raise Class A pets within a day. Such an ability, according to the information I've gathered, is almost exclusive to grandmaster trainers..."

"He raised Class A pets in only one day?" The middle-aged man's expression changed due to a slight shock.

"Are you sure?"

"I'm sure."

The middle-aged man said after a moment of silence, "I'll send someone to investigate it. This will count as a great contribution if it's true! Be on alert in regards to that shop and don't offend the boss!"

Everybody knew what a grandmaster trainer meant.

Even Star Lords had to treat them politely. Grandmaster trainers would usually have one or even multiple Star Lords in their circle of friends.

Any Star Lord could single handedly crush the Ryan family into smithereens with ease!

The gap between them was like that between gold and s*it!

"Yes, sir."

Cleo held back her excitement and nodded respectfully.

Great contributions would be rewarded with countless resources. She would no longer be bound by her identity if she was appreciated by her family; she would then be able to compete along with the main branch's descendants with her talents!

The middle-aged man was secretary to the Kamp Continent's governor. His position in the family was quite high; he didn't have to steal the credit from her. After all, he would be well appreciated as long as he confirmed her report and delivered it to the family.

She would also receive enough rewards for her to rise to higher places in the family!

By the way, he said that the pets only went through normal training, and they already have Class A aptitudes. I paid for a professional training session. Will my pet rise to A+?

Su Ping's casual expression popped up in Cleo's head. Her heart suddenly pounded; a pet with an A+rating could be almost considered ultimate!

Besides, her pet was a Fate State Vast Sky Thunderous Dragon. If it was raised to A+, that would mean she would almost be invincible in the Fate State!

Even if she was only a Void State warrior, she could still defeat many Fate State battle pet warriors with her A+ dragon, unless she ran into any of the brilliant geniuses!

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Inside the Pixie Pet Store—

Su Ping had already returned the pets to their owners; one fifth of them chose to train their other pets in Su Ping's place.

The rest of them quickly ran to the assessment shop to test the recently trained pets.

Su Ping's shop was almost emptied after the pets were returned; he then began to welcome new customers.

Mia was the first to enter.

"Boss, it's truly been a long wait," said Mia with a smile and a hint of awe, which was different from what others felt; many were awfully nervous when interacting with Su Ping as if they were mice and he were a cat. After all, Su Ping was a Star State bigshot in their eyes; one who could easily kill them.

Mia, on the other hand, was from a renowned family. She had seen a lot of things since childhood, so naturally she controlled herself better than others.

Her confidence came from the bottom of her heart; the Star State wasn't too unusual in the Laiyefa family.

She had seen how obedient and respectful certain Star State experts were in the presence of her family's master, so she wasn't as awed of Su Ping as the others were.

"Thank you for your patience. What do you want to train?"

"I've gathered enough money, and I want professional training. Can you train two of my pets?" said Mia gracefully, not as casually as before. She was neither humble nor arrogant.

She certainly wasn't demeaning the Laiyefa family.

Su Ping's eyes glittered. Two pets?

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It would be twenty billion, which would in turn be converted to two hundred million energy points!

A hundred million was enough to raise the Chaos Spirit Pool to LV5.

To upgrade the shop again only required a billion energy points, which equated to an income of a hundred billion.

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He had accomplished one fifth of the task!

"Of course," replied Su Ping.

"Great." Mia was greatly relieved to see that Su Ping had accepted the task. She was afraid that he would turn her down because she was being too greedy.

After all, normal training could already produce Class A aptitudes to rise. She couldn't imagine how powerful Su Ping's professional training would be; but it would definitely be more effective than with normal training!

Mia felt it would have been a great bargain even if she were to pay ten billion for the normal training!

The pet she had trained was at the Void State. A Void State pet with a Class A aptitude could easily be sold for ten billion on the market!

It would be even more expensive if it was a popular dragon pet!

"I'll transfer the money now," said Mia quickly and obediently.

She quickly completed the transfer, fearing that Su Ping might regret that.

She was a VIP client in the Universe Bank, and her transfer limit was a hundred billion. She paid twenty billion up front.

Su Ping looked at the shop's energy and felt much more delighted to see the additional two hundred million points. He nodded and said, "Take out your pet."

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"Okay." Mia nodded and was about to summon her pet, when she thought of an important problem and asked, "Boss, how long will the professional training last?"

"Will you need the pet very soon?"

"Well, sort of. I can't stay on Rhea for long and have to go back to my academy soon." Mia nodded and hesitated. It didn't seem appropriate for her to cancel the transaction anymore, which would have offended the Star State expert.

Su Ping didn't expect that time would be a problem either. He frowned and asked, "If you're in a hurry, do you have a week?"

"A week?"

Stunned, Mia looked at Su Ping with her mouth opened. "Boss, did you say... one week?"

"Is it too long?" Su Ping slightly frowned. One week was already an exception. He would have to take her pet on every training session and use more strategies in training. The threat of death alone wouldn't be enough and would have to drain the pet's potential. He had to train with resources.

But, if the customer didn't have a week, he would have to use his training technologies, or maybe impart knowledge to the pet.

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"Yes, I can wait for a week!" said Mia quickly.

Suddenly, she looked at Su Ping with worry. "Boss... Isn't one week too short? Can you really train them so quickly?"

"Quickly?"

Su Ping raised his eyebrows. She was desperate a moment ago, and now she thinks it's too quick?

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Women are indeed troublesome creatures.

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"Of course. If you're really in a hurry, I can finish the training here and now," said Su Ping indifferently.

Mia was at a loss for words. Here and now? You must be kidding. Not even a grandmaster trainer would have dared to promise that...

But of course, she wouldn't say it out loud. She smiled awkwardly once she saw that Su Ping was dissatisfied with her suspicion and obviously angry. "I'm not in that much of a hurry. I can wait for a week. A week is good enough."

"A week it is, then. Call them," said Su Ping indifferently.

"Call them?"

"Call your pets."

"Oh, okay."

Mia blushed a little bit.

Then, she quickly summoned her two pets; her main and first deputy pets. The former was an ultimate demon pet, while the latter was a dragon. It wasn't a Vast Sky Thunderous Dragon, but a Fire Tide Crystal Dragon which was equally rare.

As for the tiger and the Frost Blood Star Dragon she had given Su Ping to train earlier, they were both deputy pets.

The appearance of those two pets instantly raised a round of exclamations.

Many people in the line were quite envious, as they recognized how precious and rare the pets were. The girl from the Laiyefa family was indeed rich, graced with plenty of resources.

Joanna approached her, attracting everybody's attention again, and took away the two minimized pets.

"Do you need anything else?" asked Su Ping.

Mia blushed and asked carefully, "Well, boss, do you have more Heaven Frost Crystal Fruits?"

She felt she was being too greedy. The previous Heaven Frost Crystal Fruits had been sold to her almost for free.

She had questioned whether the fruits were genuine, but she had realized that a Star State expert like Su Ping would never cheat her for such a trifling sum of money.

She would be shameless if she asked for more fruits.

However, she decided to bear the shame for the sake of her pet.

"You want more? They're not available right now, but I can look for them when I'm free. Come again a few days later," said Su Ping.

He could train the pets while collecting the fruits; his time wouldn't be wasted.

"Really? Thank you so much, boss!" Mia was quite delighted to see that Su Ping was casual about it, not at all displeased.

It seemed that the boss wasn't offended by her past actions.

"You're welcome. This is just an ordinary transaction."

"I'll remember your favor, boss."

"Like I said, it's just an ordinary transaction."

"Boss, it's so nice of you. I never had a chance to thank you for your favor the other time. Thank you so much."

"...Ordinary transaction."

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"Thank you, boss!"

Fine, we're not on the same channel. Su Ping was too lazy to talk any longer, and he looked out of the shop with a smile, hinting that she should go.

Mia left, then Su Ping greeted the second customer.

The second customer chose normal training after an exciting conversation, but he was going to have five pets trained in one go.

It would produce an income of five hundred million, or five million energy points.

Although it wasn't as profitable as professional training, it was much easier and the income could be accumulated.

Then, the third customer entered, the fourth...

"Boss, I—I'd like to train seven pets. Is that okay?" Filius stepped forward. He was very excited since it was finally his turn.

Unlike the others, he had confirmed the training effects in Su Ping's shop.

His Green Alligator was already a Class A pet that could fight against certain pets beyond its level, which was amazing enough.

Unfortunately, Green Alligators weren't really popular. Their price would never be too high even if their aptitudes were raised to Class A.

However, Filius wanted to train all his pets this time.

"Sure." Su Ping nodded slightly.

Filius felt troubled, seeing that Su Ping had accepted the task so readily. He suddenly gritted his teeth and said, "Boss, sorry for what I did earlier. I shouldn't have doubted you..."

Su Ping was stunned for a moment, but then realized what he meant. He said casually, "That's all right, it was nothing to me. I train all pets the same way."

Filius was greatly relieved to see how forgiving Su Ping was. He was a lot more relaxed as he replied gratefully, "Thank you for your benevolence!"

He was truly touched; a Star State bigshot was willing to forgive him.

"Take your pets out," said Su Ping. There were a lot more customers in the line, and he had no time for small talk.

Besides, training the pets would also take time; he was quite busy.

"Okay." Filius nodded. He suddenly thought of something and made a decision after taking a deep breath. "Boss, can I choose the professional training?"

"As long as you have enough money."

Filius excitedly replied, "Then, I'd like to have my main pet go through professional training."

"Okay."

Su Ping nodded.

Filius didn't hesitate anymore this time; he quickly paid for the service, which represented all the money he had left.

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He had intended to buy a powerful protective set for his pet, but obviously, the improvement of such equipment would be temporary and unreliable. Only the abilities would really belong to it.

Su Ping was feeling rather comfortable after seeing his income rise by another hundred million. It was true that making money was easy when someone became famous.

If he were to get to the bottom of things, he had to thank the Ryan family.

He didn't expect that he would gain such popularity for killing one of their kin.

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Adding the Vast Sky Thunderous Dragons he had sold, Su Ping didn't think he would need to worry about lack of customers anymore; he would only need to collect money every day and then train the pets.

He could also use the time to practice, while also developing the Little Skeleton and the others during the training sessions.

It was definitely a bargain!

After the deal with Filius, Su Ping then continued talking to the next customer.

One customer after the other entered the shop; Su Ping quickly found that the pet room in his shop was full.

He had only received a dozen customers, not as many as he did the previous day. However, most customers chose to train several pets, if not all of them. A single customer was worth ten customers when compared to the previous day.

Su Ping asked Tang Ruyan to inform the customers that there were no more openings. Those still in the line were stunned, then began to complain.

"Seriously? I've been waiting since yesterday, and you're saying there are no openings anymore?"

"Barely a dozen people went in. Why is the shop full already?"

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"I risked being attacked by the Ryan family yesterday. You're telling me that there are no more openings?"

Many people felt like crying, but they didn't dare to curse aloud.

Of course they didn't. The shop owner was a Star State expert. They had to walk carefully in his presence, let alone complaining. He could simply kill them if he was angered.

As furious as they might be, the queue didn't disperse immediately.

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They couldn't get into the shop that day, but there was always the next day.

Even if it wasn't their turn the next day, some people ahead of them would be gone, and they could always wait for a few more days.

The news from the assessment shop reached their ears while they waited. They were utterly jealous, which was another reason why the queue remained.

That was a shop where Class A pets could be trained!

To get a Class A pet... they wouldn't hesitate to wait for a month. One day of waiting was definitely worth it!

Those who didn't immediately join the queue could only go to the end of the long line. They looked at the countless heads in front of them, only regretting not being bolder before. They didn't know how long they would have to wait until their turn arrived.

Nobody knew how long Su Ping's shop would remain in operation, either. What if he left after a couple of days?

All Star State experts were unpredictable.

The previously broad street had been filled up by the queue, reaching the shop across the street. The owner of the shop was quite angry, since they were blocking his business, but he would never dare complain; after all, the owner of the other shop was a powerful expert.

Still, his business would plummet if he didn't do anything.

The boss could only watch the proceedings, simply joining the line in the end.

If he could get an opening and receive the training services from Su Ping's shop... There was the chance of getting a Class A pet, which would represent ten whole years of his store's income!

Why keep his own shop open if the training was that profitable?

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Word was spread like wildfire in the Federation, where communication was fast and convenient. More and more people arrived from the outside world.

There were originally about five hundred people outside of Su Ping's shop in the morning. Many people refused to join the queue after seeing how long it was. However, afternoon arrived, and the line already had three thousand people waiting!

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The people who had left the line—when there were only several hundred—could only regret their decision. They had to give up, once they saw the long and zigzagging line on the street, made by thousands of people.

Considering the shop's capacity, he would only receive a dozen customers every day; they would have to wait for months if they were to join the line.

However, while some people gave up, the line didn't get any shorter. There were already eight thousand people when the night arrived, blocking half of the street.

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Those who had relented when there were only three thousand people were currently regretting their decision, once they calculated the value of a Class A pet and the waiting time involved.

It would be an absolutely fair deal if they could get a Class A pet after several days waiting!

Some people were just like that. Always observers but never doers.

Many more gave up when the number of the people in the queue rose to eight thousand, but the line was still becoming longer...

Inside the store—

Tang Ruyan had closed the door after sending out a notice that the business hours were over.

Su Ping checked the ledgers and found that he earned more than five hundred million energy points on that day.

It was terrifying!

It was almost like a moneymaker!

Five hundred million energy points were originally fifty billion astral coins. There weren't many famous shops able to earn money that quickly.

I'll be able to upgrade the shop again if I get a few more professional training orders tomorrow! Su Ping was quite excited by how fast things were going.

It had to be noted that his shop had just been upgraded recently.

He wondered what new functions a LV5 shop would have.

Should I upgrade the Chaos Spirit Pool first, or the shop? Su Ping wavered.

Garland suddenly interrupted his thoughts. He said, while still sitting on the couch, "I've spoken to the Alliance of Stars. An advanced Star State senior reviewed your profile and accepted you."

He wore a troubled expression after saying that.

Su Ping's entrance meant that he had to leave his spot.

The seats were quite limited.

He was just a lackey in the organization, unqualified to invite anyone over; he could only let someone else take his place.

Leaving the Alliance of Stars was a huge loss for him. He would no longer enjoy receiving the precious intelligence shared in that circle. The people in the mid Star State level had always respected him because he was from the Alliance of Stars, but they probably wouldn't consider him a big deal anymore.

Chapter 783: Entrance to the Alliance

"The Alliance of Stars?"

Su Ping shot him a confused look. "Is that the circle of the Star State you mentioned?"

"Yes, the leader of the alliance is a Star Lord; you mustn't offend him. Its deputy is a Star Lord with a mysterious background... All in all, all the members are powerful and influential. I was the one at the bottom."

Garland didn't brag about his identity. He had already been defeated by the guy, and it was pointless for him to boast about himself.

Besides, he didn't want Su Ping to act cocky when he made his appearance. If he offended the leader, not only would Su Ping die miserably, Garland could also be affected.

After all, Su Ping was able to enter thanks to him.

"Okay..." Su Ping nodded, not really impressed.

Star Lords were on par with the Major Gods in the Demigod Burial...

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They were just workers under Joanna's command.

He was still unable to raise Star State pets, and he wasn't too interested in the circle. Even though he could persuade the Star State members of the circle to have their heirs visit his shop, he was already busy enough as it was; there was no need for any more customers at the moment.

The members of the circle could become his clients when he became capable of training Star State pets.

Seems like I have to increase my level soon, Su Ping thought.

Su Ping had only reached the peak of the Ocean State after having absorbed the thousand-year astral power that Nie Huofeng had saved. He had thought at first that the astral power was enough to boost him to the peak of the Fate State, but he didn't even reach the Void State.

Unlike when he sensed the Heavenly Tribulation before, Su Ping had already detected the bottleneck to reach the Void State and could break through at any time.

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However, he didn't choose to make a breakthrough that easily.

Normal battle pet warriors had to grasp the mysteries of space and break the bottleneck with that power in order to advance into the Void State.

His understanding of space was already much deeper than that of Void State warriors, and even that of Fate State experts. He was already able to set up the bridge to the new level!

However, Su Ping didn't want to go through that step that easily. He wanted to completely understand the truths of space before he broke the bottleneck and built the sturdiest bridge.

Such a bridge would be a hundred times harder than those developed by Void State warriors. It would also have the strength to endure his profound astral power and make his explosive force even more horrifying!

Seeing how unconcerned Su Ping was, Garland hesitated for a moment and then said with a bitter smile, "Do you have a minute? Give me your phone number. I'll relay it to the senior so that he'll send you the invitation to join the alliance."

"Okay."

Su Ping didn't consider it a big deal. He took out the green Lord Badge. His phone and all messages were being stored and managed through the Lord Badge at the moment.

In a way, the badge was his phone. It couldn't be compromised either, not even by the most brilliant hackers; they wouldn't have the courage to hack it either.

"A Lord Badge?"

Garland was quite shocked to see the badge.

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Never did he expect that Su Ping would be a lord!

But soon, he realized that Su Ping was more than qualified to be one, not to mention that the badge was only representing a lowly tier-5 planet.

"Here."

Su Ping gave his phone number to Garland.

The phone and its related phone number he had bought on the Blue Planet were already unusable. His identity had been registered in the badge when he was appointed Lord of the Blue Planet; a new and unique phone number in the Federation had been generated for him.

Of course, he was free to apply for other phone numbers, possibly to flirt with more girls.

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However, he was still single and the thought didn't cross his mind, unless he intended to flirt with himself.

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Garland remembered the phone number and thought quickly.

Su Ping is a lord. Why did he come to Rhea?

Does he plan to swallow Rhea, too?

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He didn't think it made sense. If that were the case, he would have gone straight to the Laiyefa family, who ruled over Zeruprun.

He could have easily been appointed as the master of Rhea, as long as he satisfied the Laiyefa family.

Garland didn't stop moving while he pondered, fearing that Su Ping would see what was on his mind. He quickly reached out to said senior in the Alliance of Stars.

Garland reported Su Ping's number to him after some small talk was exchanged.

Beep!

A few minutes later, Su Ping received a notification that the Lord Badge had sent directly into his head via information waves.

'Apollo invites you to join the Alliance of Stars.'

Apollo?

Su Ping was stunned for a moment, as the name was quite familiar.

Is it a nickname? It seems that some customs of the Blue Planet were passed down by the Federation. Su Ping felt somewhat comforted.

He accepted the invitation.

The information waves from the Lord Badge quickly created a virtual nebula in his head.

The nebula was cloudy and vague; shining stars could be seen far in the distance.

In the middle of the clouds was an enormous, round desk. Around the desk were chairs with high backs. Eight chairs were occupied at the moment, while the others were still waiting to be filled.

Su Ping was only able to see the contours of the people already seated. Their faces were shrouded by mist.

"A newcomer?"

"I think Apollo invited him. Welcome, newcomer."

"I just saw Roland quit. Is this newcomer replacing him?"

Those people spoke; some coldly, some warmly and others casually.

"Is this the Alliance of Stars?" Su Ping observed them and saw two men surrounded by mist at the far end of the desk. Not just their faces; their whole bodies were concealed.

"Hello, I am Apollo," at this moment, an old man coughed and said in an indifferent voice, "Roland gave up his place and transferred it to you. Newcomer, give yourself a name, so that we can easily address you. On the other hand, while the alliance leader and the deputy are present, they've only split some of their attention here; don't disturb them unless it's really important."

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Su Ping looked at the source of the sound, only to see an old man with a blurred face; he didn't expect that the person behind such a moniker was an old man.

He asked, "How should I give myself a name?"

"Have you never joined any forces?" asked a woman in a weird tone.

Su Ping turned around and saw a woman with a blurred face, but she sounded very young; she was probably in her twenties.

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"Nope."

"Just search with your Lord Badge," said the old man who went by the name of Apollo.

Su Ping was surprised. He was going to ask why they knew he had a Lord Badge, but then realized that all the members in the Alliance of Stars were at the Star State.

Every Star State expert would normally rule over one planet, if not more.

After all, money could be made without moving a finger if they controlled a planet; there were also taxes and other benefits.

Without further ado, Su Ping quickly did a search with the Lord Badge, soon finding a large batch of information. He then quickly modified his name.

A dialog box appeared in front of his face.

"Newcomer, your nickname must be prefixed with the Alliance of Stars. There's another thing: no one, except our leader and the deputy, can use 'Great Emperor' as a name. You can use names of gods and deities. That's the style of this alliance.

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"If you ever encounter Star State warriors with names of gods or deities, they probably belong to our circle.

"Of course, there are exceptions. Some people purposefully imitate the style of our names and impersonate us. Just teach them a good lesson if you meet any."

The old man added with a casual smile, "For example, my name is Apollo."

Su Ping was stunned. He wasn't aware of such a rule.

By the way, why is the naming style so childish?

Shouldn't all of them be Star State experts? Why does it feel so wrong?

"My name is Adam."

"I am the Deity of Eternity."

Two men smiled and offered examples to Su Ping.

Su Ping began to sweat hard, wondering what was all about.

Never mind.

It seemed that it was time for him to be juvenile, too. He thought for a moment and came up with a name. "Alliance of Stars – Heaven Destroying Celestial."

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"Celestial? That's an interesting suffix."

"Tsk, tsk. It sounds rather cool. How come I never thought of that?"

"Celestial sounds more awesome than deity."

The others were amazed by Su Ping's nickname.

Su Ping: "..."

Are these people so far gone already?

The old man named Apollo coughed and said, "It's all settled, now that you've given yourself a name. Celestial... I don't think it's as good as 'Great Emperor.' Well, let's see what the leader and the deputy have to say about it."

Once he heard that, Su Ping looked at the huge chair at the far end of the desk, still unable to see a thing. He couldn't even see the body figure of the two men who had spoken earlier.

Chapter 784: Alliance of Juveniles

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Su Ping had originally thought that the Star State circle would be advanced and fancy.

However, their juvenile names made him realize he was sorely mistaken.

"Was this naming style established by the leader?" Su Ping couldn't help but ask.

The old man named Apollo nodded and said, "Exactly, it's an inviolable rule that the leader has set up. The Alliance of Stars has a unique style among all the Star State organizations, all thanks to our leader's wisdom. You'll be able to witness it soon."

"...,

You must be really good at sucking up to the boss!

Su Ping's lips twitched. He felt like he had entered the wrong circle.

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The people present were the lords of planets. A single stomp of theirs would provoke a planetary earthquake!

Everybody thought that they were lofty experts on the top of the clouds; inscrutable, sophisticated, and unpredictable.

As it turned out...

Did any of them have the demeanor of a top expert?

Wait a minute.

Rather, did they behave in such a juvenile way because they were kissing up to the leader?

It must be the case!

The atmosphere in a circle was decided by a leader. It was just like it happened with companies; they were positive or corrupted depending on whether its leader loved adulation or the truth.

The leader was exactly the source of that childishness, and all the others were pretending that they loved it!

Brilliant! Truly brilliant!

So, that was how they showed their cleverness?

Su Ping took a deep breath. Acting was truly important for cultivators!

"Heaven Destroying Celestial, did Roland give his place to you? What's the relationship between you two? Why was he so generous?" asked a middle-aged man curiously.

Su Ping almost felt goosebumps rise; he felt rather awkward when other people addressed him by that name.

He looked at the man and found that he could see the guy's nickname.

...It was: the Deity of Six Realms.

Su Ping's lips twitched. He was just as good at acting as anyone else.

As long as he wasn't embarrassed, the embarrassment would be carried by others.

"He's a life-and-death friend of mine," said Su Ping simply.

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They were indeed life-and-death friends.

It was just that he nearly caused the death of that guy.

"It makes sense now," said the Deity of Six Realms.

Apollo was also enlightened. He had only asked the leader to give a space to the guy earlier after he begged and offered a lot of good stuff to him.

"You're free to change your face when you're here. If you're bold enough, you're free to adopt your face in reality. After you're done, I'll give you clearance so that you'll be able to see us," said Apollo to Su Ping.

I have to modify my face.

Su Ping was surprised. Once he saw that their faces were all shrouded by mist, he realized that it was meant to protect their privacy.

He instantly consulted the Lord Badge and soon learned how to change his face.

Very soon, Su Ping created a handsome face, which he believed was one tenth as attractive as himself. It was good enough; he preferred to keep a low profile when he was out.

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"I'm done."

"Yes."

Very soon, Apollo finished adjusting the settings.

Su Ping instantly saw that the mist covering the other people's faces was gone, revealing their real appearances. The Deity of Six Realms turned out to be a middle-aged man who had tattoos, or maybe energy circuits, on his face.

Su Ping was quite curious as he looked around.

Apollo looked like a kindhearted old man, but his eyebrows were long and sharp; blades were hidden behind the kindness.

Su Ping found that they had different faces and hair color from what he had seen before, and those on Rhea.

Every race had its own features. Su Ping speculated that since their privacy was protected, those people were probably unwilling to show their real faces, and might have created a different look than how they truly looked.

"Huh, Heaven Destroying Celestial, you don't look bad. It's also a style that I've never seen," said a girl nearby.

Su Ping turned his head, and his eyelids twitched.

Her name was Jade Pool Angel.

The girl named Jade Pool Angel seemed to be in her twenties, exactly like how she sounded. She also had quite a pretty face.

Su Ping chuckled and said, "Thanks..."

"This isn't your real appearance, is it? Do you look this handsome in reality?" asked Jade Pool Angel curiously.

"I'm ten times more handsome than this."

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"Seriously?"

Jade Pool Angel's eyes glowed.

Her glowing eyes gave Su Ping a sudden shock, as if just having seen a wolf.

It was true that boys should also learn to protect themselves when they were out and about.

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She must be quite ferocious!

"Sister Jade Pool, I'm heartbroken. How can you fall in love with someone so quickly?" said another young man.

Su Ping turned around and felt that he was on the verge of passing out.

Devil of the Netherworld...

Each of them was more childish than the other.

His own nickname didn't seem as horrible anymore.

"I've just arrived in the Forest of Meteorites; I have to get down to business. Talk to you later," said a cold-looking young man.

Then, his body faded away, and his chair was surrounded by mist.

Jade Pool Angel bashed the table and cried, "Brother Poseidon is truly diligent. He's training in the Forest of Meteorites again. I want to go there too. Who can take me there?"

The Deity of Six Realms sighed and pitched in, "I want to go there too. Please take me with you."

"The place is too dangerous for us. Brother Poseidon is truly lucky; he has a pet able to protect him," said the Devil of the Netherworld with envy and regret.

Su Ping was quite curious, so he asked, "What's the Forest of Meteorites? A training area?"

"You don't know?"

All of them were stunned. The Deity of Six Realms asked in surprise, "Brother Heaven Destroying, are you from another galaxy?"

Su Ping was at a loss for words. He knew he had exposed some information by checking his companion's expressions.

He quickly searched via the Lord Badge.

Some relevant information quickly popped up, but it was encrypted and he had to pay in order to read it

The fee was rather high. A billion had to be paid!

Su Ping wasn't short of money, so he paid the money up front. He then realized soon after that the Forest of Meteorites was a mysterious realm in Silvy.

That region was in space; it had a complicated environment. Many ferocious beasts lived there; it was one of the perfect places for Star State experts to train.

It was possible to capture Star State pets, or extraordinary ores and astral crystals there if one was lucky.

However, if luck was not on your side... you would never return from that place.

So, it's a place for training. It looks similar to the top-ranking dangerous places in the Demigod Burial, where most Star State beasts are active.

Su Ping realized that such a training place was a rarity to others but not attractive to him, at all.

He had too many places where he could train pets and exercise.

Su Ping ended the session in the Lord Badge and said to the Deity of Six Realms, "No, I was just asking."

Then, without giving the guy any chance to ask further, he said, "I have to go now. I'll have to ask for your enlightenment later."

"You flatter me. Brother Heaven Destroying, you must be in the beginning phase of the Star State too. Let's talk later."

The Jade Pool Angel called out, "Yes, Brother Heaven Destroying, let's hang out in the virtual arenas sometime!"

"Okay, call me when you're going." Su Ping replied with a smile.

Su Ping quit the virtual nebula after saying goodbye to them.

It was their first meeting anyway; he wasn't too familiar with the strangers yet. So, Su Ping never mentioned anything about pet training. He was still unable to train Star State pets anyway.

Chapter 785: Void Debris

"What about it? Have you joined?"

Hardly had Su Ping opened his eyes and his consciousness returned to his shop when he heard Garland's nervous question.

Su Ping looked at him and remembered everything that happened during his first encounter with the circle just then. He asked with twitching lips, "Now that you've left the circle, is it possible for you to reach out to any of the members?"

"Well..."

Garland glanced at him and said, "O'Neil is the only person that I'm close to from that circle. You didn't see him just now?"

"No, what's his nickname?"

"Zeus."

"..."

Su Ping was at a loss for words for a long time, before he asked, "Is the law he grasped from the lightning class?"

"No, it's a fire class law."

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"...Then, is his constitution of the lightning class?"

"No, it's also fire class."

"..."

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Su Ping finally allowed Garland to leave, as there was no longer a need to keep him under custody.

Apart from the Alliance of Stars, Garland had also sold his shares and other fixed assets; he had transferred all his money to Su Ping as soon as he could.

The money gathered almost reached a trillion!

Su Ping was further reassured about the lavish resources available to Star State experts. Garland didn't have his own territory; the master of the Ryan family—through the taxes collected on Rhea—could probably earn much more than that every year.

It was quite normal.

While living on a prosperous planet, the richest man in a continent had much more savings.

After all, the GDP of an entire planet could be astonishing.

Unfortunately, that money couldn't be converted into energy points, and could only be saved in his back account.

Su Ping intended to invest the money on the Blue Planet's development and fulfill his responsibility as a lord

Garland was delighted and surprised when he was set free; he didn't expect Su Ping to release him just like that

Their exchange had been too beneficial for Su Ping, after demanding too many things for the young man's release. It was definitely not a rational choice to let a Star State enemy walk away.

Is this guy simply fearless, or is he naive?

Garland felt he had been reborn when he left the shop and embraced the sunlight again. He looked back at the shop with a troubled face.

However, his gratitude was instantly gone when he thought of his losses; he quickly tore space apart and flashed away.

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At the store.

Su Ping looked at Tang Ruyan and Zhong Lingtong who were currently idling in the store and said, "I'm going to train the pets. Since you're free, you can go out and become familiar with the planet's environment. This is a tier-3 planet of the Federation; you should know more about the Federation in general."

Tang Ruyan pouted her cheeks. "I don't want to go out. I want to train."

"Suit yourself," Su Ping said.

"Master, I want to study too," said Zhong Lingtong cutely.

Su Ping looked at her. There wasn't much knowledge on training that he could teach her, unless he simply imparted the knowledge to her. The downside of such an option would be having her forever in his shadow; she would never catch up to him. It would be pointless.

Since she had been his student for such a long time, Su Ping wanted her to grow more brilliant than himself, so that he could be proud of her.

"Wait."

Su Ping took out the Lord Badge, which had already been adjusted to Rhea.

He made some gueries about how to become a trainer on that planet.

Information popped up moments after. He found a lot of classified information, thanks to his lord status' permissions.

Some of the information had to be unlocked with money; Su Ping paid without hesitation, as he had just earned a trillion.

He was also certain that the taxes collected on the Blue Planet every year would be much greater than that when it turned into an advanced planet in the future.

Taxes could produce enormous sums. Income taxes, expense taxes, corporate taxes, and many others could reach astronomical numbers.

Su Ping took a few minutes to read all of the information.

He thought for a moment and said to Zhong Lingtong, "If you want to learn, I suggest you get to know the training methods used in the Federation. All the training you learned on the Blue Planet is underdeveloped in comparison. It's best for you to catch up with the more advanced technologies available.

"You have two options. The first one is to apply for the local Trainers Association as a part-time student and part-time worker. The second option is to ask another trainer to teach you."

The latter part left Zhong Lingtong stunned. She quickly said, "No, I don't want another teacher. You're my only teacher!"

"By teacher, I mean some sort of professor who loves teaching students. You only need to attend their classes. I can pay the tuition fees for you," said Su Ping.

Zhong Lingtong instantly realized what was going on and relaxed. She thought she had done something wrong and Su Ping didn't want her as a student anymore.

She didn't know how she could survive without Su Ping in that foreign place.

"Sir, I want to apply for the Trainers Association as a part-time worker. Then, I'll attend the masters' classes with the money I earn. You've taught me training skills and I haven't returned anything to you yet. I don't feel comfortable taking more money from you."

Zhong Lingtong bit her lips and spoke with firmness showing on her round face.

"That works too. Come to me anytime if you don't have enough money. I have more money than I can possibly spend right now." Su Ping chuckled.

Zhong Lingtong was relieved after he accepted the request. She nodded quickly.

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Tang Ruyan rolled her eyes and asked, "My training is also expensive. Can you give me some money?"

"I can't give you any, but I can lend you some," said Su Ping after glancing at her.

Tang Ruyan was infuriated. "Why are you only supportive of her? I get that she's your student, but I am your employee. You've never paid me any salary!"

"You're just a temp. You think you'd get paid?"

"You—You are a leech!"

"I don't suck the blood of the poor."

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Tang Ruyan was mad, but she had to compromise in the end. She said, "Fine, consider it a loan then. I'll repay you after we return to the Blue Planet, or when I grow stronger and make money. You just robbed a Star State expert blind and earned a lot. Lend me ten billion for starters!"

"You are truly greedy." Su Ping rolled his eyes but didn't decline her. "Spend the money wisely; it wasn't easy for me to rob someone."

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Tang Ruyan felt warm when Su Ping did give her the money, but she didn't act gently right away. She snorted and said, "Training is always expensive, and I don't know the prices in the Federation yet. I'll return the money to you if I don't use it up. I'm going to check the training methods available first."

"Do whatever you like," Su Ping said.

Once he made arrangements for the two, Su Ping asked them to become acquainted with the environment and find something to do. He also asked them to contact him if they ever got in trouble.

Su Ping closed the door and went to the pet room once they left the shop; he was ready to start training.

He wasn't planning on going to the Demigod Burial this time, mainly because he had been to most of the dangerous places in the Demigod Burial.

He had left marks and his name on the dangerous places and had recently become a celebrity of sorts, even more famous than some of the Major Gods.

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After all, a man who often explored dangerous places would easily attract attention.

However, nobody had found out he was from another world because Joanna had been helping cover up his identity.

"I'm not going to your hometown this time," said Su Ping to Joanna.

Joanna was getting ready to leave when she heard that; she felt disappointed. She then replied, "Okay."

Su Ping didn't explain. While the Demigod Burial was a great and advanced cultivation site according to the system, he felt he was getting used to the places he could go to.

He was already too familiar with the ways that the beasts fought and how the energy circulated; he wanted to go to a strange place in search of different stimulations.

Even though he might run into peak Star State beasts in those places and get killed, he would have the chance to tap into more of his potential with a life-and-death pressure.

He had already become used to calmly locating his opponent's flaws during battle in order to secure a victory!

"Void Debris!"

Su Ping found a high level option in the cultivation sites' list.

It meant that the strongest creatures found there were beyond the Ascendant State.

Their power would be just like that of the four Superior Gods in the Demigod Burial who were stronger than Joanna!

Su Ping checked the information of the cultivation site.

Void Debris: This is the tomb of a War God who died in the ninth eon. The sky cried and the void was shattered when he died!

His body was hidden in the boundless void. Countless people have looked for his body and the artifacts he left. The place they searched gradually became a forbidden land.

Many void beasts live in the area. Be cautious if you want to go there!

Void beasts?

Su Ping's eyes glittered. He was hoping to get to know the mysteries of space better. Those void beasts would be his perfect sparring partners!

As the name implied, those beasts lived in the void and were congenitally capable of wandering in the secondary space. They fed on the energy found in the void; even their young ones could perform space skills.

For instance, Su Ping's Vast Sky Thunderous Dragon had a void beast bloodline and had great talent in spatial skills. Its kind was able to reach the Void after they became adults.

Breaking through the bottleneck and establishing a bridge was as simple as having food and water for those dragons. It was an instinct etched in his DNA.

"System, when was the ninth eon? I've seen plenty of cultivation sites that were left from that age," Su Ping asked in his heart.

"The ninth eon is the closest eon to the modern days," replied the system indifferently.

"What was before the ninth eon? The eighth eon?"

After a moment of silence, the system said, "That is still too far away from you. I'll tell you the answer when you reach the Star State."

Su Ping didn't know what to say, but he wasn't really curious; it was only a casual question. Still, there seemed to be more secrets behind this, considering the system's reaction.

He summoned the pets to be trained. He then took the Little Skeleton, the Dark Dragon Hound and the pets to the Void Debris.

At this point, the ticket fee to the advanced cultivation sites was almost negligible for him.

However, he could still spend a lot of money on resurrections. After all, he often died more than once on each trip, unless he stayed idle in one place.

He had to be reckless and actively look for beasts to get the most out of the training and exercising. As a result, he often got killed dozens of times.

Whoosh!

A space vortex appeared and drew Su Ping in.

Teleporting dizziness came over him again. When Su Ping opened his eyes, he felt the loss of balance as if he were in a quickly descending elevator; he swiftly unleashed astral power to stabilize himself.

The feeling of descent was gone. Then, Su Ping finally found that he was in the middle of the void; he had really been falling rapidly!

There wasn't a single place where he could set foot on; darkness and chaos were everywhere.

Is this... the tertiary space? Su Ping looked around. He came to this conclusion based on the heavy and restricting pressure he felt on his skin, but the place was different from the tertiary space he knew, which was completely dark. There was a certain glimmer in the Void Debris.

He looked at the light source, only to discover a dim light frozen in the void.

The light radiated brilliantly and was obviously divine.

Su Ping's eyes widened in shock. The dim light was clearly a divine power. It looked like an attack that had been released and frozen there.

Several shadows were crawling next to the divine power. Their hindquarters looked like those of a spider, with many pointy legs, but their forearms and head resembled those of a lizard. There were wrinkles on their napes, and they could crane their heads easily.

Void beasts?

Su Ping focused his attention and instantly sensed that all the void beasts had a Fate State cultivation.

The void beasts also noticed him and turned around. Just as if he were a stranger who had broken into their home, they slowly crawled over to Su Ping with hostile intent.

Su Ping raised his finger and pointed at them without hesitation.

Boom!

The power of laws was unleashed; a rumble of thunder echoed in the void where no sound could be transmitted. It wasn't a physical sound; it was one that resonated in the soul.

Bang! Bang! Bang!

The closest void beasts had been ripped apart before they could even approach him.

Even though the place was their territory, the power of laws' suppression was of an insurmountable higher level.

Once he finished the beasts off, Su Ping attracted their bodies over and took out their cores, which contained a pure void energy.

Those cores would surely be highly nutritional for his White-Scaled Vast Sky Thunderous Dragon.

Su Ping stored the cores in the system space and then flew towards the frozen divine light.

The divine light was releasing a horrifying pressure, but still, it had been consolidated. The power and method that froze it was beyond Su Ping's current understanding.

It was exactly at this moment when ripples were spread out in the void. Then, the divine light disappeared into a deeper space beyond the tertiary space.

The surrounding void trembled once the divine light vanished. Su Ping suddenly saw cracks in front of his eyes. He saw the fourth and even the fifth space!

Chapter 786: The Fifth Space

The tertiary space already had torrents that contained the power of laws.

Such laws were broken and incomplete; it was hardly possible to learn anything from them. However, the torrents that carried them could be quite destructive.

As for the fourth space, it contained even more chaotic energy and was even more lethal!

Even the peak Star State experts had to tread carefully in the fourth space. They might encounter attacks of complete, destructive laws while exploring.

As for the fifth space...

Joanna had mentioned to Su Ping that it was a place that even the Major Gods and the Star Lords wouldn't easily enter. It was possible to hear voices and whispers from the primeval age. Such mysterious sounds could easily drive anyone insane!

Star Lords would only try resisting such attacks with the power of faith!

The deeper space kept falling apart in front of Su Ping's eyes. He saw the fourth space as well as the fifth space that was opening further in the fourth space.

Moo!

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A hollow roar, devastating and overwhelming, emerged from the fifth space and went into Su Ping's head; he instantly felt the agony of his soul being torn. He felt as if his head were being cut apart, and the hollow roar became even clearer.

"Go away!!"

Su Ping gritted his teeth and roared in his consciousness.

The roar echoed in his head like that of an ancient dragon, shattering the hollow sound that had just invaded his head. The fracture was healed and no longer felt as painful.

Su Ping was astonished. He felt that he would really lose control of himself if he didn't do anything!

If he was driven mad, he would even forget who he was and end up completely lost in that place!

Fortunately, he could be resurrected.

Is that the fifth space that even Star Lords fear? The air it leaks is almost too much for me. Luckily, I've been through worse... Su Ping stared at the twisting and expanding fifth space with flashing eyes.

Suddenly, he made a decision.

Whoosh!

Su Ping dashed towards the fifth space.

He first entered the fourth space at a quick pace. The darkness in the fourth space surrounded him and made him feel as if he were tied up. His movements were slowed down as one would experience when in water. He could hardly break free, a hundred quilts seemed to be holding him in place.

All of a sudden, he felt a dangerous aura approach him.

Su Ping instantly detected three space torrents that were attached to three horrifying laws!

Two of the laws were incomplete, but the last one was quite powerful. It was almost like a complete law, and it cut him like a gigantic axe.

Su Ping narrowed his eyes and unleashed all his astral power. All the astral power in his cells rushed out like exploding planets.

Boom!

Su Ping threw a punch at the place where the three laws were gathered.

Two of the torrents were instantly eclipsed by the light of his fist; however, the giant axe which carried the most powerful law cut the fist apart, as well as the three laws that were attached to it!

Su Ping's expression changed, and he hurriedly took action again.

However, the giant axe flew close with the overwhelming aura of laws. Su Ping couldn't think of another word except 'sharp'!

That was exactly the law that the giant axe carried!

It was so sharp that it could cut anything apart!

Su Ping established multiple shields with astral power and then punched again, this time not aiming at the front of the axe but toward one of its sides. His fist aura was broken, while the axe was deviated and knocked away.

Su Ping was so shocked he had cold sweat all over his body.

Even though he could come back to life, he always tried best, hoping to survive every battle.

This law must've been grasped by a peak Star State warrior. It's almost complete... Su Ping looked at the disappearing law of sharpness and remembered it vividly. However, the law was close to completion; he could hardly cut it open and understand it.

That is, unless an expert were there and captured the law, to disintegrate the mysteries of the law layer by layer, letting him absorb the law in a gradual manner.

However, such an expert had to be at least at the Ascendant State.

That was the combat ability of Joanna's original self. It was impossible even if Su Ping wanted to ask Joanna for help. Her original self was still restricted somewhere.

The fourth space is truly dangerous. Garland's partners were forced to flee through the fourth space by me. They probably would have died if they weren't capable enough, Su Ping thought.

He prudently summoned the Little Skeleton, the Dark Dragon Hound, the white-scaled Vast Sky Thunderous Dragon and the other pets.

He also summoned the customers' pets.

After all, resurrecting those pets would come at no cost, so it was fine even if they were killed easily in that place.

"Merge!"

Su Ping chose to merge with the Inferno Dragon. He grew in size and his energy soared, turning into what looked like the hybrid of a dragon and a human.

He then merged with the Little Skeleton, or to be more exact, he requested his pet to use its special merging skill.

Su Ping's combat ability was doubled with the dual pet-merging. He was confident of dealing with the law of sharpness if he met it again.

The fifth space!

Su Ping looked at the flipping and disappearing fifth space, quickly breaking it without much thought.

The close by Dark Dragon Hound and the Purple Python were already used to suddenly entering dangerous places where they could hardly survive. They could only struggle to hang on.

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They activated their own skills and followed Su Ping closely.

The white-scaled drakeling had fought in the Demigod Burial for a long time with Su Ping. It had already become used to the dangerous places that always popped up out of nowhere. It actually didn't feel any pressure in the fourth space, all thanks to its void beast bloodline. Rather, it found the place quite familiar.

Even so, it had no time to enjoy the feeling. It quickly reacted and followed Su Ping once it sensed the surrounding dangers.

The pets of the other customers, however, were astounded by the place they suddenly found themselves in.

All of them trembled with fear when they detected the fluctuating power of laws.

One of the pets was soon impaled by a random blade that was flying by. The power of laws it carried had easily ripped the pet apart.

Su Ping chose to resurrect the pet without thinking once he received notification of its demise.

As for himself, he moved faster toward the fifth space further ahead.

The voices from the crack became even more evident as he moved closer. There were quite a few of them, as if a lot of people were moaning and praying. Some of the voices were maddening, while others were eerie.

With bloodshot eyes, Su Ping roared in his consciousness, feeling that his head was falling apart.

"I've even seen real gods. Begone!!"

He defended his consciousness with all of his strength. The Force Field appeared next to his face, displaying the shocking scenes he had witnessed in the Chaotic Realm of the Undead.

Su Ping had seen the Lord of Bones there, the King of the Netherworld who floated in an ocean of blood, and a host of mountainous ghosts that wandered in the world.

Su Ping was still too weak back then; those creatures had left a deep impression on him. He felt that even Joanna's original self wasn't as horrifying as those creatures, which had surpassed the Ascendant State and reached immortality!

They wouldn't decay out or be destroyed by the passage of time.

Those mystifying murmurs weren't nothing when compared to those ghastly undead creatures.

Even if the murmurs were the words left by a deceased true god, or by some sort of unimaginable almighty power, they only contained a tiny fraction of the power that created them.

Su Ping, on the other hand, had confronted such strong creatures. He had even snatched a blood crystal from one of such creatures; it was the skeleton king's bloodline which was later consumed by the Little Skeleton.

Su Ping broke into the fifth space when his head was about to explode.

All of a sudden, the murmurs were gone, and everything was peaceful and quiet.

Huh?

Su Ping was quite puzzled by such tranquility.

He felt like he had arrived in another world.

Su Ping then felt a gentle breeze that was mixed with a certain smell.

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Su Ping was stunned for a moment. He looked forward, and his pupils contracted.

He found that he was right in the middle of a gigantic mouth.

The mouth was wide open, like that of a whale; Su Ping was right at the center of that oral cavity, surrounded by immense fangs...

Bang!

The mouth was closed. The oppressing force which equaled a million tons instantly broke the bones covering the surface of Su Ping's body. Blood gushed out of his pores because of the pressure. He was simply squeezed to death.

Revive!

Su Ping chose to resurrect right after he entered the death space limbo.

He was no longer inside that big mouth when he reappeared, all because it had left the original spot and he was resurrected exactly where he died.

Su Ping then saw the master of such a strange mouth, which was an enormous void beast that seemed to have emerged straight from the myths.

The unimaginably huge beast noticed the freshly resurrected Su Ping when it turned around. Its cold and half-closed eyes were fully opened in surprise.

A Star Lord void beast...

Su Ping was awed by that beast, but he wasn't too shocked by it. He kept looking at the creature; he would still try his best to resist if it wanted to eat him again, even though he knew that resistance would be futile.

Therefore, Su Ping didn't focus all his attention on the beast. Instead, he observed the fifth space around him.

Chapter 787: Dry Corpse

The pressure in the fifth space was ten times stronger than that in the fourth space. Su Ping felt as if he were rooted in the soil and could hardly walk!

However, the otherworldly murmurs—which contained an unknown power—were gone, making Su Ping feel more comfortable.

Aside from that, Su Ping detected a strong spatial air permeating the area. Spatial laws seemed to be surfacing around his body. The feeling was quite strong.

Space...

Su Ping had an epiphany. He suddenly felt that he was right at the threshold of the laws of space.

The massive beast seemed to have realized that it was being ignored by such an ant. It was infuriating, so it chose to invoke a sharp blade that slashed at Su Ping like a sword.

The blade struck him as quickly as light.

It was also extremely destructive. Su Ping had just thought of resisting and was about to take action, but then he lost his consciousness again and got killed.

Revive!

Su Ping chose to revive right where he was.

The beast obviously narrowed its eyes upon seeing that Su Ping was standing there yet again. There was no telling what was on its mind, but it unleashed a space blade again.

Su Ping was prepared this time, so he quickly threw a punch.

He didn't use his sword, which was a Star State treasure that could be used in Star State battles. It would probably end up being broken by that beast in a flash.

His fist aura—which contained the power of three laws—was cut apart like bread, and so was Su Ping.

Su Ping thought for a moment in the death space, eventually deciding not to be stubborn.

He would only be wasting energy on resurrections if the beast turned out to be as stubborn as himself.

It was impossible for Su Ping to learn anything from such a beast; the strength gap between them was too vast.

Su Ping waited for thirty seconds before he revived himself.

He then saw an enormous tail the size of an aircraft carrier flying away, right before his eyes.

The beast had turned around, heading elsewhere.

Su Ping was slightly relieved. It seemed that the beast wasn't as curious as a human; he was seen as a mere bug it could kill easily.

If it didn't kill him in one try, it could kill him several more times.

Maybe a human would have stopped to consider why the first try failed, but other creatures were usually not as curious.

I didn't expect such a horrifying creature to be living here. If people were to break into the fifth space and saw such a thing, they would probably want to kill themselves, Su Ping said to himself.

Su Ping heard the distant murmurs again, once the beast flew away and disappeared. They were quite low and vague, but nonetheless irritating.

Su Ping held back his irritation and a rising desire for destruction. He focused on the fifth space around him. The spatial aura was so dense that he felt as if he could touch the laws of space at any time!

Whoosh!

Suddenly, Su Ping's consciousness was gone.

Revive!

Su Ping was stunned, but still chose to resurrect himself.

He was still standing where he was, but there was nothing around him. He didn't know how he got killed.

It seemed that someone had just passed by and killed him by accident...

No wonder, even Star Lords would think twice before entering that place.

Su Ping quickly focused his attention and revived both the Little Skeleton and the Inferno Dragon. He asked them to protect him, along with his other pets.

He calmed down and perceived the laws of space around him.

Roar!

Standing behind Su Ping, the Dark Dragon Hound suddenly barked at the Inferno Dragon with bloodshot eyes; it then unleashed aggressive skills at the latter.

The Inferno Dragon's eyes were also bloodshot. It was infuriated by the Dark Dragon Hound's attack, so it fought back.

The Little Skeleton stood next to Su Ping; a red light flashed in its eye sockets. It turned around and gazed at Su Ping who was meditating at the moment, before it drew out its bone saber.

After that, it approached Su Ping and stood with its back against him like a guardian would.

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Besides the Dark Dragon Hound and the Inferno Dragon, all the other pets had gone out of control one after the other. They soon started fighting, and some of the pets died.

The Dark Dragon Hound and the Inferno Dragon were also fighting in earnest. It was the first time they had ever fought with their full strength, and neither party was winning.

Su Ping was also affected by the battle; he then woke up and saw the situation. He instantly realized they had been influenced by the whispers of the gods.

There was nothing Su Ping could do; he could only consider it a training session for them.

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"Huh?"

Suddenly, Su Ping saw an object drifting over from the distant dark space. It moved unhurriedly, as if it were floating in a river.

Once it was closer, Su Ping finally recognized that it was half a body!

It was the upper half of a body with a smashed head. It wore silver armor, but its exposed hands were already brown and wrinkled like those of a dry corpse.

Someone died in the fifth space, and the body was preserved.

Su Ping was surprised. He unleashed his astral power and pulled the partial corpse closer. He instantly felt that the body was heavy, and was emitting a familiar aura.

He had detected a similar energy from the Major Gods in the Demigod Burial before. They were Joanna's subordinates, who had escorted him several times.

Was he a Star Lord? This body must have been floating here for a long time. Su Ping was astonished by the discovery. He had fought Star Lord monsters before, but he was almost instantly killed every time. He never knew how strong the Star Lords were until he saw the incomplete remains.

He was being killed there, no matter how hard he tried.

He didn't even know how he had gotten killed.

However, the Star Lord's body had been kept there, even after he died!

Even though it couldn't last forever, the time it had endured suggested how powerful the body was!

This armor isn't bad. It's ragged and the energy formation inscribed is somewhat damaged, but I think it can be salvaged. Su Ping touched the silver armor on the dry corpse and quickly tore it off.

He took off the silver armor and stored it in the system space.

Su Ping then studied the corpse.

The Major Gods in the Demigod Burial would never be that willing to let him study their bodies with such scrutiny; it was a rare opportunity.

Su Ping then spread his astral power and delved into the dry corpse. He discovered, to his amazement, that there was still an exuberant astral power in the cells of that dry corpse.

That power seemed to be locked in the cells!

It was exactly the astral power which had kept the body powerful and intact.

Apart from the astral power, Su Ping also detected a stream of magnificent and sacred aura, as broad as the sky; he felt insignificant before it.

Is this the power of faith that Joanna mentioned?

Su Ping's eyes glimmered. He soon found that the lingering power of faith was still gathered on the corpse.

Su Ping extended his hand to the Little Skeleton and asked for its bone blade.

The bone blade was even harder than his sword. It was made from the tusk of a primordial creature that had reached immortality.

Su Ping then struggled to cut open the chest of the dry corpse with the bone blade.

Once the chest was cut open, the power of faith contained within began to disperse like the air of a popped balloon.

Su Ping didn't see it coming; he quickly unleashed his astral power to lock the environment and absorb the power.

However, the power of faith ignored the blockage of his astral power and continued to leak out; it was as useless as fetching water with a web.

The light was gone in the blink of an eye; Su Ping only managed to absorb a tiny bit of it with his astral power, only managing to keep the power of faith by pinning it on his bone blade.

He found that his body was unable to absorb the power, which couldn't be restrained by him. His body was full of holes when considering the scope of the power of faith.

Only the Little Skeleton's bone blade had been able to lock and absorb the power.

The dry body soon withered after losing the power of faith; the astral power in its cells was flowing out.

Su Ping would not miss such a trove of astral power. He simply surrounded it with his own astral power, not letting any of it leak out.

The amount of astral power in the dry body's cells was enormous and condensed, devoid of impurities. It was purer and lighter than the astral power in Su Ping's body, which had gone through hundreds of Heavenly Tribulations. It also contained a special aura.

Su Ping's body absorbed the power.

The astral power in his body soon reached the limit, seemingly ready to break the bottleneck at any time.

There was almost as much astral power in that corpse than in the thousand-year astral power reservoir that Su Ping had previously absorbed!

Su Ping was astonished by the quantity.

Was that expected of every Star Lord? The remaining amount of astral power in his body was unbelievably massive as it was!

Chapter 788: Advancement

Su Ping quickly transformed the magnificent astral power into the foundation for a bridge that connected all his cells.

He instantly became as hard as a piece of iron. He wasn't a Void State warrior, but he was as strong as one!

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All that was left was the law of space!

As a matter of fact, he could have directly broken through given his cultivation, but he wanted to build a sturdier bridge, and he hadn't yet used the mysteries of space he already knew.

Space...

Su Ping's senses were spread out. He had no time to care about the status of the customers' pets at the moment, nor did he have time to pay attention to the Inferno Dragon and the Dark Dragon Hound's battles.

The dangers hidden within the fifth space were also ignored; he simply focused on perceiving the law of space.

The energy was dense in that place; the spatial law was almost visible and tangible. Still, it seemed like a cloud that could be seen but not touched when he tried to reach for it.

Calm! Calm! Calm!

Su Ping could only focus on achieving a complete stillness.

Time flew by without him realizing it.

There was no notion of time in the fifth space. He could only make speculations based on memory.

Space folding, jumping and shuttling... The methods that involved the mysteries of space had already been grasped by Su Ping. He was currently tracking down the sources of those mysteries.

The truth lay at the source!

Truth was like a seed; the branches and leaves which sprouted from them were the skills on the surface.

There was space at the core of the skills.

The system said that the mysteries of space are hidden in the deepest parts of space...

What is space?

If the universe is compared to an egg, space would be the eggshell.

However, the enormous emptiness behind the eggshell is also space...

Super acceleration... Time... Time frame...

Space...

Revive!

Su Ping kept pondering over those concepts, gradually understanding the truth of space in the middle of a dense void energy. He felt as if he were swimming in the depths of an ocean, which naturally let him to understand the rhythms of water.

Su Ping was killed by something during his meditation—

But he wasn't bothered by it, simply coming back to life and resuming his meditation.

He turned a blind eye to the dangers around him and was completely devoted to the task.

While he contemplated space, Su Ping also thought of time via the Mid-Level Acceleration skill he had acquired; time and space were indispensable.

However, time was even more subtle and sophisticated.

Time was also one of the four supreme laws; very few people could understand it.

Su Ping was slightly distracted; he had to concentrate his attention on the truth of space again.

There was no telling how long it had been. Su Ping felt he had died dozens of times. He didn't know what had killed him, or how many times he was brought back to life. He had no time to consider anything else.

Space is everywhere...

Even a piece of paper can be separated into countless spaces.

Space involves cutting and separating. The layers resulting from the cutting and separating are the walls of space...

This is space...

Su Ping slightly opened his eyes, and blades seemed to be flashing out of his eyes. He raised his hands, and a transparent power of law surfaced. It couldn't be seen but was extremely sharp, like the edge of a sword!

The edge could destroy anything he wanted!

It was a pure blade made of space.

The blade was sharp enough to cut the secondary space. If any Void State being flashed in front of him, he could cut the secondary space they escaped into and get them out.

"Law of Space: Cutting!" Su Ping quietly named it.

He sensed that such a spatial law wasn't complete, but he was already satisfied.

Understanding a complete truth, would enable him to become a Star Lord, and build a world of his own.

Since he had already grasped the law of space, Su Ping no longer hesitated to build a bridge with the astral power he had accumulated, including the laws he already knew, to connect his entire body.

After a hum, Su Ping felt that his body was shivering; countless cells were surging vigorously.

While the cells were surging, his body unleashed a tremendous amount of astral power. The life energy in his body was activated and all his cells were regenerated.

Su Ping instantly made use of the laws he knew and cleansed his internal system. He removed all the impurities in his body using the traits of two laws. His veins started to glitter, and all his acupoints were dredged; he glimmered as if he were made of glass.

The divine power in his body—boosted by the astral power—wandered throughout his body and became even purer.

Very soon, such an evolution was complete.

Su Ping felt so great that he took a long breath, as if he had just returned from a spa session.

He had been holding his breath when he hit the bottleneck, while everything became smooth at that moment... Anyone who had suffered from constipation should know what it felt like!

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Su Ping realized that his cells had become even more elastic; they were also much more spacious than before, perhaps due to the law of space.

The interior of every cell was at first like a pond; it then evolved and turned into a lake.

It was a dozen times bigger than before!

The Chaos Star Chart that Su Ping cultivated allowed him to hide his astral power inside his cells. He was currently in the Astral Body State and there were star vortices in his cells. The astral power spun inside his cells like floating planets.

Every cell was the same.

When they spun, they would send out such a powerful attraction force that Su Ping was able to absorb astral power and strengthen himself all the time, even when he wasn't training.

That was exactly why such a cultivation technique handed by the system was so horrifying.

The cultivation method was the most important factor to a battle pet warrior.

Earlier on, Su Ping didn't know better, but if he could only choose one of the system's rewards, he would abandon the acceleration skill and the other training techniques to keep that cultivation technique.

My increased storage of astral power is partly due to my training and the life-and-death battles, and also due to this cultivation technique. I think my astral power is as good as that of many experts in the mid Star State phase.

If I ever run into people as strong as Garland again... I should be able to execute them quickly, without giving them a chance to escape! Sharpness flashed in Su Ping's eyes.

While Star State battles could be even more horrifying than a nuclear war—and might even destroy a whole planet—it would be very hard for two Star State experts to kill each other, especially when their strengths were equal.

If one side was being defeated, it would be hard for the other side to stop the former from escaping. That is, unless there was a major gap of strength between them, like when someone at the peak of the Star State fought against someone in the beginning phase.

Otherwise, even though a mid-phase Star State expert could easily defeat someone in the beginning phase, it would still be hard to actually make the kill.

After all, anyone at the Star State could tear space apart and escape to the fourth space as a last resort. Nobody would chase them all the way to the fourth space, which was too dangerous, unless they were sworn enemies.

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Su Ping had mastered four laws and advanced to the Void State.

He had earned a lot from the trip; he felt he had gone to the right place.

Su Ping then shifted his attention to the environment.

The Little Skeleton, the Dark Dragon Hound, the Inferno Dragon and the customers' pets were all dead; he had indeed been too busy meditating to revive them.

He was still in the deep, dark fifth space. He could only "see" nothingness around him with his senses.

Su Ping quickly resurrected all of the pets.

I should practice with the roaming void beasts. It's not easy to enter the fifth space; I can hardly tear into the fifth space on my own, but it's much easier now. The people in the outside world would hardly enter the fifth space, unless they were cornered. Nobody knows what's lurking inside the fifth space.

Su Ping glanced at his battle pets.

He didn't merge with any of them; he could always revive them when they were killed. They wouldn't benefit from the training if he merged with them.

"You already have a high aptitude. Practice harder here and try to reach the high-high level."

Su Ping looked at the white-scaled Vast Sky Thunderous Dragon.

Su Ping had more or less bonded with the pet he had captured during the quest, but it wasn't as close to him as his other pets were.

"Woo!"

Hearing that, the White-Scaled Vast Sky Thunderous Dragon bellowed, as if saying that it understood.

It had always been obedient.

It wasn't too hostile towards Su Ping, even though it knew Su Ping was the one who had captured it. That was quite perplexing to Su Ping.

"I'll let you return to see your parents in the Rumbling Thunder Continent when you're capable enough. If you want to stay and follow me, that's fine too," said Su Ping telepathically.

It was a choice he offered the pet.

He knew why the little guy had been trying to grow strong, fighting in the vanguard.

It wanted to return and reunite with its parents.

It was exactly because they were deeply bonded that Su Ping was willing to give it a choice.

Otherwise, Su Ping would have kept it to himself after all the efforts he had spent.

The drakeling was stunned after hearing that; it gazed at Su Ping with its purple eyes, which were reflecting Su Ping's smiling face.

It didn't respond nor did it make a sound this time.

Su Ping smiled and petted it. Then, he turned around and released his energy without hesitation, alluring the beasts in the fifth space.

Phew!

The magnificence of his astral power even surprised himself.

It was like a tornado that was sweeping out. The released astral power was enough to ruin a street if they were in the outside world!

The astral power in my body seems to be a hundred times greater than the norm for the Void State... Su Ping calculated.

Right at that moment—

A weird wave approached them.

Su Ping narrowed his eyes and turned around, only to see a sharp wave coming at him. It was obviously a void strike.

He instantly raised his hand and used the law of space. A thin blade made with the law was slashed forth, cutting the void waves apart.

Roar!

Then, a loud roar echoed in the soul and penetrated the mind. After that, a behemoth the size of almost ten aircraft carriers moved toward them. It would've horrified a lot of people in the; even the beast kings would have looked petite next to it.

Peak of the Star State!

Su Ping narrowed his eyes. He would have fled immediatelyIf he were in the outside world, but, since he could be revived, his eyes were ablaze with a burning fighting spirit.

"Kill it!"

Su Ping didn't merge with his pets; he simply asked the Little Skeleton, the Dark Dragon Hound and the other pets to attack along with him.

He ignored the customers' pets, which could hardly stand in such conditions.

The Little Skeleton and the Inferno Dragon quickly charged forward, followed by the white-scaled dragon, which was already an Ocean State beast king; it had a high-level aptitude, and a combat ability close to the peak of the Fate State. It had also perceived a vague rule of the lighting class, all on its own.

It hadn't completed the entirety of the law and could only make use of some of its power. This achievement was thanks to an inspiration when seeing Su Ping perform lightning class laws during battle. Another reason was that it had a high power of understanding. After all, it already had a Class B aptitude back in the wild.

Given more time, Su Ping believed it would perceive its own law.

Apart from that pet, the Little Skeleton, the Dark Dragon Hound and the Inferno Dragon had been able to grasp their own laws, which significantly boosted their combat abilities.

They had never grasped laws from countless laws before, mainly because their opponents weren't strong enough; only Fate State beast kings were destructive to them.

However, after fighting Star State beasts in the Demigod Burial with Su Ping for a long time, they had seen all kinds of laws and were forced to understand some of them.

The void beast was clearly infuriated after seeing how Su Ping and his pets were approaching.

A horrifying power consisting of laws was quickly released. The Little Skeleton, which was in the lead, was shattered but then revived immediately; not with Su Ping's help but on its own.

That was exactly why the Little Skeleton was horrifying. Not even a Star State beast could kill it easily without working hard.

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"Revive!"

Su Ping revived the Inferno Dragon and the white-scaled drakeling. He then stepped out and smashed the beast with the power of four laws he knew.

However, the beast remained unscathed after the attacks. The Law of Cutting that Su Ping had just grasped didn't affect the beast.

Su Ping sensed that his power of law was thawed, and the aura of laws on the beast was almost close to the ultimate truth; it was able to subdued all of his four laws.

Is this the complete power of law? The more Su Ping approached it, the more he could feel the power of truth. He didn't reserve his strength at all, unleashing all of his astral power from his cells, compressing the power on his sword and charging at the enemy.

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Su Ping returned to his shop once he became exhausted in the Void Debris, and then selected another batch of pets. After that, he went to the Void Debris again.

Joanna looked at Su Ping with open astonishment, sensing the obvious change in his aura; she was certain that he had broken through to the Void State.

Also, unlike other Void State warriors, Su Ping contained a horrifying amount of energy. Her unique perception skills allowed her to sense how there seemed to be a sun in Su Ping's body. Not even a beginner Star State expert would have that much astral power!

He's truly a monster... Joanna thought even more highly of Su Ping, feeling that he could even surpass her someday if he kept growing.

Of course, she was talking about her original self, not that reincarnated body.

Chapter 789: Pet Contest

Su Ping fought for half a month in the Void Debris.

Only fifteen hours passed in the outside world.

Su Ping's shop had yet to open at noon the next day.

The customers waiting outside of the shop started to become worried because of this.

"It's even later than yesterday."

"The shop opened at nine o'clock in the morning the other day. Aren't they going to open today?"

"I wonder how many customers they're going to receive today. Considering how far back we are in line, we'll have to wait for at least a week."

"Someone offered to buy my spot for thirty million yesterday, but I chose not to sell it."

The customers waiting in line kept whispering to each other.

The line kept getting longer and longer. All the pets thus far trained at Su Ping's shop had developed and currently had Class A aptitudes.

The shocking news had attracted countless people to the shop.

Some had suspected that all of it was just marketing; a plain old publicity stunt. They didn't believe it was true, unless the shop had a grandmaster trainer.

Very soon, the suspicion proved to be ungrounded. Su Ping had displayed a Star State prowess during the battle against Garland; too many people had witnessed that.

A Star State bigshot would certainly not care about such a paltry sum of money, would he?

Why would he need to cheat to advertise the shop?

Thanks to the mainstream consensus, Su Ping's shop became much more popular than before. Its name was gradually spread out of the Kamp Continent to reach the rest of the planet.

A spot in the line was already worth tens of millions; it wasn't hard to imagine how many people would be attracted to it.

Woffett City became famous overnight throughout the Kamp Continent.

At the store—

Su Ping flashed and appeared in the shop.

His clothes were ragged, and his hair was unkempt. He looked as dirty as a veteran who had returned from the battlefield.

However, his eyes remained as sharp as those of a hawk.

He quickly abandoned the sharp aura and resumed his normal demeanor. Even so, his aura was greatly different from before.

The half-month battle in the Void Debris had boosted his combat ability, enabling him to be reborn.

He had a deeper understanding of the law of space. He spent most of time in the fourth space for training, with the exception of a single, lucky chance he was able to enter the fifth space.

Later on, he became able to tear into the fifth space on his own.

Su Ping tried to go deeper and reach the sixth space, but he wasn't even able to detect the sixth space with his current strength and perception.

It was just like how ordinary people weren't able to detect the secondary space.

Peak of the Void State...

The harvest obtained during the half month period was quite enormous. Su Ping had found the remains of some Star Lords in the fifth space, although most of the remains were already bones; they remained intact thanks to the protection granted by the lingering power of faith.

Some of the remains had astral power hidden in their cells; the power accumulation was as massive as that found in the thousand-years worth of astral power that Nie Huofeng had saved.

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Su Ping absorbed the astral power until he was completely filled; he was only a step away from the Fate State.

Apart from the level increase, Su Ping's battle techniques and experience in the void were significantly improved; he was completely different from his own self from a day prior.

Su Ping felt that he could easily defeat Garland if he ran into him again; he wouldn't even give him a chance to escape!

Is it already the new day...?

Su Ping was entranced as he looked at the hazy rays of sunlight through the window.

He even found the rays themselves dazzling.

His stay in the Void Debris took too long, while being completely deprived of any sunlight.

Pulling himself together, he changed his clothes, shaved himself, took a shower, and then opened the door.

"It's open! It's open!"

"Great!"

"The boss is finally out."

The customers were surprised to see the opened door, then they quickly became excited.

Su Ping had already detected the situation outside and wasn't too shocked by it. Still, the popularity was beyond his expectation; he didn't expect his business to thrive that fast, barely having settled down on a strange planet.

"Are any of you here to fetch your pets? Come forward first," said Su Ping.

"Me, me."

"Me too."

Soon, many of the customers went inside the store and claimed their pets.

Su Ping nodded. Tang Ruyan and Zhong Lingtong weren't present at the moment, but he was too lazy to call them—he simply asked those customers to line up, then he returned their pets according to his training log.

"Thank you, boss."

"I can't thank you enough, boss."

"..."

All the customers who fetched their pets were both excited and respectful toward Su Ping. After all, they had witnessed that Su Ping was a Star State warrior.

Su Ping didn't know what to say. I'm just a businessman. Why are you thanking me?

You think I don't want to charge more? I simply can't!

Most of the customers who claimed their pets left without testing the pets in his shop; they chose to run to the assessment shop across the street.

The assessment results were more accurate than their own tests; they were also more used to the assessment system used in the Federation.

However, a lot of people chose to leave and assess their pets in other places, which was merely a precaution in case anyone coveted their pets.

The street had become an instant hit, all because of Su Ping's shop.

The street was supposed to be a mediocre business strip in Woffett City, when compared with dozens of similar places in the city; however, it became a superior business hub. There weren't many luxury stores on the street, but you could find as many magnates as on the top-tier business streets.

After all, the cost to train pets in Su Ping's shop could easily reach a hundred million.

The professional training required ten billion. Such a hefty transaction would usually only be completed with the supervision of the relevant departments, unless both parties were powerful and their accounts in the Universe Bank were advanced enough.

"Class A!!"

"Oh my god, another Class A!"

"It must be from that shop. There had never been a Class A pet before yesterday morning, but then there was one the moment the shop opened."

"Tsk, I wonder which lucky dog it is."

"Let's go, let's go. Join the line; I'll stay here even if I have to wait until next year!"

"He's so good. I heard that the training cost was just a hundred million. Charging a hundred million for a Class A pet is almost like charity!"

The assessment shop exploded again; the "Class A" result on the testing pillar invoked another round of jealousy.

Another Class A rating had appeared on the pillar soon after, but it was A- that time. Nevertheless, a lot of people were extremely envious.

It's true! That shop only delivers Class A pets!

Still watching from the second floor, Cleo was quite astounded by the readings on the test pillar.

Her shop's revenue had also soared thanks to Su Ping. After all, the charges for a Class A pet were much higher than those for a Class B pet.

That rule applied to any assessment shop.

I have to notify the family, no matter the outcome, to show that I'm fulfilling my duties and that our family made the right decision when choosing not to confront him... Cleo thought.

Su Ping's shop became more important in the eyes of the Ryans.

She knew full well that even though the Ryans were the de facto dominators of the planet—and she was truly proud of being a member—it couldn't compare to Su Ping's shop.

Having routed three champions, including Garland, showed his horrifying combat ability.

His training expertise showed that he wasn't a simple master trainer, either.

It was important to stress that the training only took a single day!

The master trainer working for the Ryans was definitely incapable of training so many Class A pets in one day!

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The street became completely crowded soon after Su Ping opened the shop.

The exclamations from the assessment shop stirred the customers waiting in line, making their eyes become bloodshot. They stared at Su Ping's shop as if it were an unparalleled beauty.

The notifications announcing Class A pets kept coming; those who complained about the long line were all rendered speechless.

They had become restless and angry because Su Ping's shop hadn't opened until noon, but there was only madness left in their eyes at the moment.

They only hated that they couldn't rip apart everybody ahead of them and run into Su Ping's shop first.

Inside the store—

Su Ping checked the openings and welcomed the new customers after seeing off others who had already trained their pets.

Some of the old customers chose to train their pets again, but most didn't have the money, even if they wanted to.

After all, not everybody was rich.

"Boss, I—I'd like to train eight pets."

The new customer was a young man. He was so thrilled to be next to Su Ping that he couldn't even talk straight.

Su Ping smiled and then asked him to choose between normal and professional training.

The money was paid, and the pet was submitted.

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The news about Su Ping's shop had been sent to the Ryan family before Cleo reported.

The Ryan family had its own intelligence crew, who acquired the intelligence as soon as possible.

The family leaders were shocked to receive such a message.

They had suspected that the prior tests were fortunate occurrences, or maybe because of other reasons. However, the newly-trained pets conclusively proved that there was a grandmaster trainer in the shop!

There was no longer doubt about it.

A graceful lady was crying inside a glamorous hall, next to a middle-aged man who wore wrinkled clothes "My child, my Randall..."

"Stop crying!" yelled the middle-aged man angrily.

The woman wasn't intimidated in the slightest. Instead, she shouted hysterically, "Stop yelling at me! Randall died! Our child died so young, and yet you don't dare to say anything as his father. Are you even qualified as a father?"

"Shut up! Shut up!"

The middle-aged man seemed to have been stung. He jumped and roared, "You think I didn't beg my father for support? He already sent Garland and other experts over, but the man is a Star State expert and is being supported by a grandmaster trainer. How can we avenge our son? My father had already warned me. Do you want me to die too?"

The woman was stunned and weakened. She knew how strong her father-in-law was—the dominator of the Ryan family. What the man said was like a royal decree!

"But our son..."

"It's all because you spoiled him. I said that he should have been sent to an academy, yet you insisted on keeping him at home. Do you see the trouble he caused?" The middle-aged man laid on the blame even more angrily.

Fury was all over the woman's face; she then lost all her gracefulness and simply bit her lips in silence.

"Don't ever talk about the matter again. My father said that he would help cleanse Bohr's body as a way to compensate. It's already merciful enough of my father that he hasn't blamed us for humiliating the Ryans."

Regret and discontent were written all over the woman's eyes, but the main emotion was fear.

She knew she couldn't defy her father-in-law, or she would lose everything!

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The news of a grandmaster trainer appearing was soon sent to an elder of the Ryan family.

"Dozens of pets with Class A aptitudes were trained in a day?" said a silver-haired old man in a garden, dazed by the ramifications of such event.

He had been fertilizing some flowers with dragon urine at the moment.

All the plants in the garden were expensive pet foods.

A scholarly middle-aged man lowered his head and quickly reported the situation, "Yes, sir. It has caused an uproar outside, and it is also said that there's valid evidence. According to what we know so far, this is what happened..."

Once he was briefed, the old man said with glittering eyes, "Everything leads to the chance of an actual grandmaster trainer working in that shop. At least, I'm incapable of replicating such results."

The middle-aged man was quite shocked after hearing such a verdict.

After all, the old man was a bona fide master trainer; even Star State experts had to treat him politely. And yet, he had admitted his shortcomings.

Wasn't it another proof that only a grandmaster trainer could achieve such results?

Has a grandmaster trainer truly graced our Rhea?

It was almost like an emperor visiting a small village while wearing ordinary clothes. The Ryans would have welcomed him eighty thousand kilometers away from Woffett if he would have openly shown his identity.

"Let's go and meet him," said an excited old man who stopped his fertilizing tasks. His training ability would grow a lot if he could be enlightened by a grandmaster trainer. It was indeed a rare opportunity.

After a momentary lapse of shock, the middle-aged man hesitated and said, "Sir, he just killed one of our leader's grandsons. If we chose to visit him, wouldn't the Ryan family..."

"Like you said, he just killed one of his grandsons. Is O'Neil short of descendants? He's not even short of sons, let alone grandsons!" mocked the old man.

The middle-aged man's lips twitched as he listened.

Just a grandson...

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Pixie Pet Store—Woffett City.

Su Ping worked for two hours and received a dozen customers; the openings were soon filled up again.

"Sorry, but we're full. Please come again tomorrow," Su Ping apologized to the customers still waiting in line.

No openings again?

The people outside felt like crying.

It seemed that they would have to wait even longer.

Su Ping's politeness was unusual to them; it was almost unimaginable that a Star State bigshot would actually apologize to them.

"Boss, you're too kind. We're very grateful that you're willing to train our pets."

"Exactly, boss, please have some rest. Your health is very important."

Similar comments were uttered by the crowd; many echoed their thoughts.

Su Ping was also unused to them being overly polite, but he still took the chance to closed the shop right away.

The remaining customers didn't leave as advised; all of them remained standing where they were. There wouldn't be any spots available the next day if they chose to leave.

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Back in the store, Su Ping took a break and then resumed the training sessions.

He enjoyed the process. He was also progressing fast, thanks to all the battles.

Su Ping was having a blast while fighting alongside the Little Skeleton, the Dark Dragon Hound and his other pets.

The Void Debris was said to be a place where an ancient god had perished, but Su Ping had yet to come across any of the god's remains after half a month of fighting.

Still, he wasn't bothered by this. His main purpose was to train himself in a harsh environment.

He did find some Star Lords' corpses floating in the fifth space. They had probably gone there to explore the fifth space and perished in the end.

Human beings would always be greedy, no matter how wealthy they already were.

Time flew.

Several days later—

The Pet Contest that was held every couple of years on Rhea had already started; people were signing up everywhere.

A lot of foreigners had made the trip to the planet because of the contest, as well as the mating season in the Rumbling Thunder Continent.

Pet shops and any establishment offering pet services were experiencing a rapid increase in revenue.

Su Ping's shop was of course the most popular of all.

It became even more popular with each passing day; more and more people learned of its existence and headed over from various places.

The line outside of Su Ping's shop had already extended beyond the street. The City Hall had even established a special passage for the people waiting to be served.

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Those in line had almost reached the city limits!

Even those who weren't planning to train their pets had shown up to claim a spot, all with the intention to later sell their spot at a high price. It was quite a flourishing business.

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The enthusiasm of that many people had made Su Ping's shop quite popular, so much that everyone in the city had learned of it!

"The Pet Contest is about to begin. I'm going to be the Ocean State pet king in Woffett City!"

"You really think you can pull it off? My pet has already been trained in the Pixie Pet Store three times already. I've invested all my money on the pet, and its aptitude is already A+!"

"Stop fighting. Even if it's A+, so what? I have an Ocean State Star Fire Dragon. It can easily beat your pet!"

Everyone was engaged in heated discussions related to the upcoming Pet Contest while waiting for their turn outside the shop.

Chapter 790: Visit

"Cousin, are you going to participate in the Pet Contest?"

Across the street—on the second floor of the assessment shop—two beautiful women were standing by the window.

Cleo looked at the pet shop across the street; her eyes flashed when she saw its long queue. She said, "Yes, I've signed up for the Ocean State and the Fate State categories. You're also participating, right?"

"Yes, I've signed up for the Ocean State and the Void State tiers."

"Did you sign up in Woffett City? I believe the local competition will be fierce. After all..."

"Cousin, I'm not that dumb. My two Class A Vast Sky Thunderous Dragons probably won't even win the city championship if I sign up here."

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Cleo gave her a bitter smile.

That was indeed the case.

Such high profile dragons would have easily won in a city-wide championship in the past. After all, their opponents would be on a similar level.

The natural advantages enjoyed by the Vast Sky Thunderous Dragons, and their Class A aptitudes, would make it easy to crush their opponents. All save for the rarely-seen excellent pets.

Still, at that moment...

There seemed to be pets with Class A aptitude all over the street.

While they were still rare in other cities, they weren't as uncommon as before in Woffett.

The Pixie Pet Store had contributed to raise the bar in Woffett City's Pet Contest by several levels on its own.

"Good thing we can sign up in other cities thanks to the privileges of our family, or we would definitely be knocked out if we tried our luck here," Lily remarked with mixed feelings.

She looked like an innocent teenager, but she was actually quite smart.

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Cleo nodded with sympathy in her eyes.

While they could take advantage of their family's privileges, the normal citizens of Woffett weren't as lucky and could only register there.

Those who would have been sure winners in the past had to count on luck this time, or the chance to have their pets trained at Pixie.

The upcoming Pet Contest made the queue outside of the shop grow even more, and the prices for the spots continued to rise. It was said that someone had paid twelve billion for a spot among the first fifty in line!

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As for the twenty spots closest to the shop, they were being sold for twenty billion, but few were willing to part with them. After all, they weren't stupid; they could make just as much money if they managed to get a Class A pet.

"This year's contest is probably going to be extra intense," Lily said with glittering eyes, "I think my two pets can only win the city championship. There's no telling how fierce the global phase of the contest will be..."

Cleo thought exactly the same. There was eagerness in her eyes.

Any pet with a Class A aptitude would have garnered everyone's attention in the past.

But this year...

Everybody had a Class A pet!

Cleo estimated that the final stage would probably be for rare A+ rare pets only!

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Outside the shop—

Su Ping finally opened at ten in the morning.

He walked out of the shop. As usual, the people fetching their pets went in first.

New customers were received after every pet was claimed.

Soon after, the shop was full again.

Exclamations were concurrently bursting out on the street. Those who had claimed their pets had already gotten assessment results in the shop across the street.

All of the tested pets were Class A, without any exception.

Even the lowest aptitude was still A-. There were even occasional A+ pets, which made everybody feel jealous.

The cheers were spread out to the street and to the ears of all the people waiting in line. Those who had become bored of waiting were shocked by the results, their excitement rekindled.

The rumors are true!

All the pets trained in this shop have Class A aptitudes!

Every pet is Class A!

"Hello."

Right when the time came for Su Ping to apologize due to full capacity and get ready to close the shop, a middle-aged man suddenly showed up by the entrance. It was a scholarly fellow who looked at Su Ping in awe. He said, "Boss, hello. My teacher would like to meet with you."

"Me?" Su Ping frowned and shook his head. "I'm not a celebrity. There's no need to meet me."

Many people had tried to meet him during those days, some even offering gifts, all in the hopes of cutting in line and getting their pets trained in advance.

However, he couldn't break the rules of the system. As for the spots being sold outside the shop, Su Ping no longer bothered with them. Everything was fine, as long as they didn't do it in front of his face.

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After all, it was impossible to truly forbid any of them from cutting in line.

In the event of a Star State expert arriving, the people waiting in line would be awed and would surely make place for him, so the Star State expert would naturally be at the front of the line.

There was nothing Su Ping could do to stop that.

"Boss!"

Right after Su Ping declined him, the middle-aged man became anxious and said quickly, "My teacher is Master Pablo."

Su Ping: "?"

The middle-aged man was stunned for a moment, noticing the confusion on Su Ping's face. He then said in a low voice, "My teacher is a four-starred master trainer. He heard that there's a grandmaster trainer in your shop, and he's here to visit him. I wonder if you could give us a chance to meet him."

As he talked, an old man wearing a hood moved closer to Su Ping.

Silver hair could be seen on his cheeks below the hood.

Su Ping noticed him and found that the stranger was a Fate State expert.

"A master trainer?" Su Ping raised his eyebrows. He had learned more about the four-starred master trainers from the information learned via the Lord Badge. To put it simply, they were more respected than Holy Spirit Trainers on the Blue Planet, and they could inspire the power of understanding pets!

However, they could only train pets below the Star State.

While they could train Star State pets, they couldn't inspire or give the pets new talents; they could only make slight improvements to the pets' combat abilities.

Grandmaster trainers were necessary to invoke qualitative changes in Star State pets.

It was also the reason why even a Star Lord who ruled a galaxy would retreat a grandmaster trainer courteously.

Grandmaster trainers could not only strengthen Star State beasts, but also train those at the Star Lord State. Most Star Lords can only ask grandmaster trainers to take care of their pets. That is, until they find better trainers.

"Are you the master trainer?" Su Ping looked at the man who was wearing a hood in a low-profile manner.

He was talking telepathically. Since the guy preferred to keep a low profile, there was no need for him to spread out.

"Hello, boss, I'm Pablo." The old man raised his head and revealed his calm eyes. His eyes glittered, and he was somewhat confused.

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He sensed that Su Ping was truly at the Void State!

It wasn't a disguise, that was his real level!

Oftentimes a master trainer would have a special perception technique. As years passed no creatures were able to hide their level in front of him, unless they were the Star Lords' pets.

However...

This young man is a Star State warrior who fought against Garland and the other capable warriors.

He defeated two of the three opponents and caught Garland!

How could such a man be in the Void State?

"Is it a rare disguise technique?" Pablo's eyes flashed, and he was quite shocked.

The disguise technique was quite horrifying, given that he couldn't see through it.

Perception abilities were amongst the most important skills to him; but still, it didn't work on the guy.

"Yes," Su Ping nodded and said, "There's no need to meet. I'm training in this shop. Business is flourishing, as you've seen. I don't have time to talk to anyone."

"..."

The old man was stunned.

The next moment... His eyes widened; he looked at Su Ping in shock.

What the heck?

You're the trainer in this place?

He swallowed and said, "Boss, I intend to meet with the grandmaster trainer in your store..."

"I'm the only trainer in this shop," said Su Ping helplessly, "I don't know if I'm the grandmaster trainer you mention, as I'm still learning as a trainer. I don't know many abilities, and my tricks are quite rudimentary as they are. I only consider myself as a beginner trainer at best."

"..."

Pablo was shocked by that revelation.

He didn't think that Su Ping would impersonate a grandmaster trainer, unless he wanted to get himself killed.

After all, it was a serious offense!

The system didn't seem to be trying to hide the grandmaster trainer in the shop; it was unnecessary to ask anyone to pretend to be a grandmaster trainer...

But...

Is Su Ping really the grandmaster trainer?

But the man was a Star State expert who defeated Garland, who was also in the Star State, and caught him alive!

Is fighting just his part-time job?

Pablo was quite perplexed. What Su Ping said had rendered him speechless.

The grandmaster trainer was claiming that he only had rudimentary training tricks and called himself a novice trainer... *Then, what is he?*

An apprentice trainer?

Or maybe a completely-clueless intern trainer who didn't know what he was doing?