

The Boss Behind The Game Chapter 14

Chapter 14: The Players' Retaliation

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After logging out of the game, Li Tianxia still remained in a state of disbelief.

I was a victim of a kill and steal, and not only that, I myself was killed in the process?

A gush of rage burst out from the bottom of his heart as he tried to log into the game once more.

[Player, you have died in the game and entered the three-hour respawning period!]

“Damn, the creator of this game must have been insane to make such a setting!” Li Tianxia was dumbfounded.

As he was recollecting his thoughts, he suddenly remembered the reason he played, and how he had gotten himself into the game.

Li Tianxi took a deep breath. He realized that the game itself was quite menacing. It had made an experienced game developer like himself be so caught up in the game without him even realizing it.

He pulled up the main page of Platform173 and pressed on Battle Online once more. This time, he found that several new blurbs of feedback from other players had appeared below the page of the game.

Crayon_Shinchan: “Impressive. Never in my life would I expect to come across a game with 100% fidelity; I firmly give my vote. Enough talking, let me get back to my game.”

Jedi_Knight: “Outstanding CG, can't wait for this game to be turned into a movie!”

PasserbyABCD: “Where is the creator at, care to explain what the heck is the 3-hour respawning period for?”

FortifiedByUsingCash: “Damn, I was killed by a player in the game just for the kill-stealing. Is there a manager somewhere to keep the scene under control!”

StarWarsGuild_LanLan: “The guild has officially entered the game and is recruiting strong players, let's play together~ Come on~”

Strike_Gold: “As I expected, No. 1 is still here. Also, Great Dragon Guild is recruiting, we are looking for strong players. I have currently reached Level 12.”

Skip&Run replied to Strike_Gold: “Bro, please take me with you, I'm 24/7 online!”

AsSilentAsSnow replied to Strike_Gold: "Damn, Level 12? Bro, aren't you a bit extreme? Even so, please lead me in killing those Wandering Souls and in finishing the newbie quests!"

Watermelon_Taro replied to Strike_Gold: "Bro, may I ask which character class has greater strength? I'm stuck here choosing my character class, I can't make up my mind, such a pain. [Sad Face]"

Peppa_Boar: "My vote goes to this game, and I hope players won't overlook such a game. I'm still exploring and finding partners to play with."

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Li Tianxia fell silent as he read the many messages that flooded the page.

He sighed as he moved his mouse to the top right corner of the page, where the voting area was, then placed his vote under Battle Online.

This time he was thoroughly satisfied. Initially, he felt so confident in his game Natural Evolution that he and his team spent so many years creating. But after having a go at Battle Online, it was nothing compared to his own game.

He exited the page twice and returned to the main list, then pulled up the page for Natural Evolution. Li Tianxia realized that just like the previous one, this game was crammed with good reviews at the bottom of the page. However, this was not enough to cheer him up, because deep down he knew that if these loyal players of his ever tried out the game Battle Online, they would immediately pack up and leave without ever looking back.

There was no doubt he was feeling miserable for he had come across an outstanding opponent. Li Tianxia felt his shoulders sink, as if a large boulder of stress was pinning him down, making him feel helpless.

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At this moment, Lu Wu and Bei Li's eyes were dead set on the main page of Platform173, their hearts hammering against their chests as they watched the number of votes bounce higher and higher.

Meanwhile, the artifact was sending notifications about players registering into the game relentlessly. As the number of messages were overloading, Lu Wu immediately created a screening system so that only the number of online players were displayed.

Their game had been on Platform173 for less than two hours, but the number of players who logged into the game had reached 30,213, including 29,864 online players. According to the statistics from the artifact, the fraction of offline players were mostly logged out of the game after dying.

In other words, the players who stayed after their first go at the game had terrifyingly reached 100%.

This clearly had caused Lu Wu and Bei Li to weep tears of joy.

Lu Wu could not imagine the terrifying undead army that he was going to have from the hundreds and thousands of people playing his game. When the time comes, he would take back the whole of Beiqi without so much as lifting a finger.

However, his phone started ringing, breaking his train of thought. He picked it up and saw that the number belonged to Wu Guoyi.

“Brother Wu, what’s up?” Lu Wu asked curiously.

“My dear brother, you’ve got to help me this time!”

When he heard such a serious tone coming from him, Lu Wu instantly thought that something must have gone wrong with the game, and so he asked hastily, “What happened?”

“Sigh, I’ll only get worked up if I talk about it. At the beginning, there were only a few players around, and I could still freely go online and battle the Wandering Souls. However, there were a whole bunch of players in the game today, and when I was killing a Wandering Soul, someone killed me and stole it, tell me, how can I not be upset about that?”

Upon hearing this, Lu Wu could not help but crack up, and here he was worrying that it was some important matter, but it was only Wu Guoyi being a victim of player killing and stealing, and had even died in the process.

“Brother Wu, what are you trying to say?”

“Soul coins. I need soul coins. Brother, can you please give me some to upgrade my outfit? I’m going to seek vengeance! This isn’t hard for you, right!?”

Lu Wu was stunned by his request, he never planned on giving away free soul coins in the game, as the coins benefited him greatly as well. However he owed Wu Guoyi a huge favor for helping him, so he did not have the heart to turn him down, “Brother Wu, to be honest, the development of the game is now on the right track, so the only way soul coins can be harvested is from killing creatures. My hands are tied, and so are my

team's. Luckily, before the game was set on this track, I had personally left behind 100 soul coins. I'm giving these to you, but in the future there won't be any more!"

When Wu Guoyi heard this, he agreed without hesitation, and his mood immediately lightened.

"But brother, are you saying that your team is no longer calling the shots after the game is already developing on the right track?"

"That's right, other than the amazing graphics designed by us, the internal programs are left to run by itself, even I myself don't know what's happening there. So brother, be prepared to be blown away!"

When the words settled in, Wu Guoyi took a few steps back and breathed in a mouthful of air, "Brother, when you get the chance, you have to let me meet your team... I'd like to see what kind of mysterious beings they are that they can be so capable!"

Lu Wu hung up after exchanging a few more words. He took a glance at Bei Li, who was nibbling away at her biscuit, then shut his eyes.

When Lu Wu checked his balance once more, there were only about 2,000 soul coins left. He searched for Wu Guoyi's name and after double checking that the details were right, he transferred 100 soul coins to Wu Guoyi's account.

After the three-hour respawning period was over, Wu Guoyi logged into the game once more and was surprised to find an extra 100 soul coins in his backpack. He instantly went to the shop and purchased a blue Python Sword for the price of 100 soul coins.

The faces of the players that were involved in his death still lingered in Wu Guoyi's mind, and his heart filled with hatred at the thought of them. Holding tightly onto his artifact that was emitting a ray of blue light, he rushed toward the direction of the Ghost Mountains once more.

Coincidentally, he bumped into Li Tianxia on the way there, who was also there for retaliation.

After the two started a conversation with each other, both of them found that their murderers were indeed from the same group. And so they teamed up and charged toward the Ghost Mountains, vowing to avenge their deaths.