#### The Good 2001

# Chapter 2001: The Biggest Lie in History (1)

Shen Yanxiao sighed. She did not expect Taotie to be as smart as Vermilion Bird. If it were Vermilion Bird, he would probably go up and fight Luoqiu and the rest to the death without her.

Not to mention her protective nature, even the arrogant Vermilion Bird was rather protective.

Even though he disliked Taotie and liked to abuse him, this was limited to himself. If anyone else wanted to abuse Taotie, Vermilion Bird would burn them to ashes.

Vermilion Bird would certainly protect Shen Yanxiao's students.

However, Taotie, this little guy who surrounded himself with food all day long, was obviously not as active as before.

Looking at Nock who was glaring at her like a tiger watching its prey, Shen Yanxiao knew that if she did not find a way to smooth things over, this matter would not end so simply.

Even though Shen Yanxiao wanted to beat up these idiots who dared to touch her naughty brats with Taotie, looking at Luoqiu's respectful attitude towards that old man, she knew that the other party's background must not be small. She could pat her buttocks and leave after beating them up, but the members of the Flaming Red Squad were not so unrestrained.

For the sake of the overall situation, Shen Yanxiao could only use her brain.

At this moment, the members of the Flaming Red Squad focused their eyes on Shen Yanxiao. For them, at this time, Shen Yanxiao could decide the life and death of the little foodie.

Shen Yanxiao touched her chin and looked at Nock, who looked like he wanted to kill Taotie.

To tell the truth, she really didn't mind Nock "killing" Taotie. If he had the ability to kill a holy beast... He could give it a try. Maybe if he was lucky, he could slowly melt in Taotie's stomach.

However...

The brainwashing had yet to succeed, so Taotie's identity could not be exposed for the time being.

Shen Yanxiao rolled her big eyes and immediately had an idea. She looked at Nock and smilingly said, "Yes, this human being must die."

As soon as Shen Yanxiao's words came out, the faces of the members of the Flaming Red Squad immediately turned extremely ugly. All their courage and strength were hollowed out by Shen Yanxiao's words.

They did not expect that even the mentor they had always respected would want to kill the little foodie.

Compared with the sadness of the members of the Flaming Red Squad, Nock's face showed a little satisfaction.

"Very well. Give him to me and I will deal with him myself." Nock appreciated Shen Yanxiao's adaptability. A young woman who knew how to hide her strength would not be too stupid.

Shen Yanxiao smiled and said, "I'm afraid not."

Nock's face immediately darkened.

Seeing that Shen Yanxiao was about to offend Nock, Luoqiu immediately beamed with joy.

"Yan Di! How dare you disobey Master Nock!" The fire of provocation in Luoqiu's chest burned again!

Shen Yanxiao looked at the excited Luoqiu. She had never heard of Master Nock, but looking at this guy's complacent appearance, she estimated that his background was not small.

"Of course not. Master Nock only said that he wanted to kill this human being, which I agree with very much. But there is a reason I cannot hand this human to Master Nock. In fact, this human being is not our prey. He was given to us by Mentor Kehr." Shen Yanxiao's deceiving skills were fully activated.

"Kehr?" When Nock heard Kehr's name, there was a trace of surprise in his eyes.

The status of the commander of the undead army in the Howling Abyss could be imagined.

"That's right." Shen Yanxiao smiled and continued to persuade him. "I believe Master Nock also knows that there has been no trace of other races in the Howling Abyss for a long time. We are merely a mentor and students of an academy. How can we have the ability to find a human child?"

## Chapter 2002: The Biggest Lie in History (2)

Nock frowned and said nothing. In his opinion, what Shen Yanxiao said made sense. He had been wondering how a group of undead teenagers could find a human being.

It had to be known that since the war between gods and devils, the Howling Abyss had been completely isolated from the outside world. Other than undeads and undead creatures, there was nothing else. Even the merpeople would avoid this place because the sea near the Howling Abyss was covered by death energy, making it inhabitable.

How could a human child inexplicably appear in the Howling Abyss?

Looking at the child's age, he looked to be around five to six years old. It was impossible for him to come to the Howling Abyss alone from the Brilliance Continent where humans lived. His appearance here was indeed strange.

Seeing that Nock had been brought into her rhythm, Shen Yanxiao secretly laughed in her heart, but on the surface, she said sincerely, "In fact, this child was discovered by Mentor Kehr. This time, my students are fortunate enough to represent Deathfire Academy in the selection competition, so I am bringing them out here to train. This child was also given to me by Mentor Kehr before he left, wanting the students to use him for some training. Then after the training is over, I will bring him back to Deathfire Academy and hand him over to Mentor Kehr for him to kill."

Nock had been fooled by Shen Yanxiao so much that the world was spinning around him. In his heart, he had already accepted this explanation.

After all, Kehr's identity and status were different from that of an ordinary undead. It was not impossible for him to find human beings. As the commander-in-chief of the Howling Abyss, he controlled every part of the army here. If human ships were found in the coastal areas, it was not impossible for a human to be found. This child was probably one of the human beings Kehr had found.

"In addition to this child, are there other human beings in Kehr's place?" Nock had completely believed Shen Yanxiao's words. He did not think that Shen Yanxiao and this group of undead teenagers could find human beings.

Shen Yanxiao smiled and said, "I'm not sure about that. Mentor Kehr is very cautious about this after all, and I have no right to ask too much."

Nock also thought her words made sense.

Seeing that Shen Yanxiao was about to convince Nock, how could Luoqiu let things go on like this?

"Yan Di, don't talk nonsense here! How long has it been since I left Deathfire Academy? I never knew that Mentor Kehr had humans in his hands. Don't lie to us!"

Shen Yanxiao sighed and looked sadly at Luoqiu.

"Mentor Luoqiu, what is your relationship with Mentor Kehr? Is there anything he needs to tell you? You should know that I entered Deathfire Academy with the personal recommendation of Mentor Kehr. Think about it, Mentor Kehr is very clear about my strength, but he allowed me to hide my strength and stay in Deathfire Academy. This is obviously something you can not ask about."

Shen Yanxiao had an 'who do you think you are, get lost' expression on her face, which made Luoqiu want to die.

Nock asked, "Luoqiu, is what she said true?"

Luoqiu clenched his fist. He wanted to deny it, but all the students and mentors in the whole school knew that Kehr recommended Shen Yanxiao to enter Deathfire Academy. As long as Nock asked a few more questions, he could easily find the truth. Although he hated Shen Yanxiao to the bones and couldn't wait for Shen Yanxiao and Nock to fall out, he did not have the courage to lie to Nock.

"What she said... is true." Luoqiu squeezed these words out of his teeth.

Nock understood. Although Kehr was a mentor of Deathfire Academy, his identity was very similar to his own. In fact, they both had their own real identities.

## Chapter 2003: The Biggest Lie in History (3)

Nock was a royal teacher, and Kehr was the commander-in-chief.

Outside their identities as honorary mentors, they had other unknown things to do, which Nock knew very well.

Even though Luoqiu had a high status in Deathfire Academy, he was not qualified to ask about Kehr's matter.

But this undead girl named Yan Di definitely had an interesting origin.

To be able to get Kehr to personally recommend her to join Deathfire Academy, and also give her a place in the selection competition of Deathfire Academy, the relationship between Shen Yanxiao and Kehr could be imagined.

Nock carefully observed Shen Yanxiao and found that although she looked no different from ordinary purebred undead, her posture was clearly the standard posture of the soldiers in the undead army! Although she had deliberately restrained herself, Nock still found some signs.

Nock had already imagined a lot about Shen Yanxiao's background, such as Kehr's trusted subordinates, or maybe soldiers secretly trained by the army?

Nock had already categorized Shen Yanxiao as Kehr's subordinate.

As such, Shen Yanxiao's words were quite believable.

In fact, Nock was really thinking too much!

Kehr had nothing to do with Shen Yanxiao. At most, it was the scout and the talent.

As for having the standard posture of a soldier in the undead army or whatnot...

Shen Yanxiao had only seen Sal's men in the Hidden Dragon Continent, but this was enough for her to show the little details of an undead soldier, which misled Nock into the road of no return.

Luoqiu tried to say something else, but Nock no longer intended to let him speak.

"Forget it. Since it's Kehr's wishes, I won't interfere much. I believe in Kehr's ability to do things." Nock and Kehr belonged to two different systems and never interfered with each other. Nock just wanted to kill the human child, and it didn't matter to him who killed the human child. He believed that Kehr, like him, would make such a choice. Kehr must have had his own plans for letting this human child live until now.

Thus, Nock decided not to intervene.

Seeing that Shen Yanxiao had successfully persuaded Nock, Luoqiu's heart fell to the bottom of the cliff.

"Thank you for your understanding, Master Nock," Shen Yanxiao smilingly said.

"Well, you can continue to train. Since it's a team selected by Kehr, I don't think it will be too bad. I'm looking forward to the meeting of your team and the Royal Academy team in the selection competition." With that said, Nock turned around and left. Luoqiu had to follow him. But before leaving, he gave Shen Yanxiao a fierce glare.

Fengling and the other Royal Academy teenagers also looked at Zhanye and others before leaving.

After leaving the camp of the Flaming Red Squad, the expression on Nock's face suddenly changed.

"Luoqiu."

"Yes." Luogiu answered.

"Do you hate Yan Di very much?"

"Yes."

"Don't worry, I will fulfill your wish. It's just not the right time yet."

"Master Nock!" Luoqiu's heart jumped.

"Sal has returned, and the undead army can only have one commander. Kehr... it's time for him to give up his position." Nock's eyes narrowed slightly. Kehr's men, right? Very well, in the selection competition, he would make this girl named Yan Di the first step of Kehr's abdication.

"General Sal is the best soldier in the Howling Abyss!" Luoqiu's eyes brightened. How could he forget that Sal and Kehr were arch-enemies, and General Sal's mentor was Master Nock!

## Chapter 2004: The Biggest Lie in History (4)

In the camp, the members of the Flaming Red Squad looked at Shen Yanxiao with extremely tangled expressions.

"Mentor Yan Di... Did Mentor Kehr ask you to bring this little fellow here?" Zhanye's expression became as tangled as a bunch of knots. Shen Yanxiao's words just now had really shocked them. They simply could not imagine that Taotie was actually brought here by Shen Yanxiao. Although they felt that all this was like a dream, thinking carefully, a human child suddenly appearing in the Forest of Death was already a very unreasonable thing in itself, so Shen Yanxiao's explanation was the most likely scenario.

Not only Zhanye, but the other members of the Flaming Red Squad also had the same idea.

Shen Yanxiao glanced at Zhanye and then at the other eager teenagers.

"What do you think?"

Zhanye opened his mouth and turned to look at Taotie with an even more tangled expression.

"Mentor Yan Di, does he... have to die?" Zhanye wanted to cry. He really didn't want this to happen.

Shen Yanxiao rolled her eyes. The lie she used to fool Nock was so convincing that even Zhanye and others believed it. Should she laugh or cry?

"You don't want him to die?" Shen Yanxiao asked.

The members of the Flaming Red Squad nodded in unison. They really didn't want the little foodie to die. Although they could resurrect the little foodie as an undead in the future, it was hard for them to accept that such a fresh life had fallen in front of them.

Moreover, their hearts were filled with sadness at the thought that such a soft little fellow would become a cold undead in the future.

The human body was so warm and soft.

However, resurrected undeads were undeads without any body heat. They could not grow up and their bodies would be stiff. No matter how one looked at it, nothing about them related to the word 'vitality'.

Undeads did not have any special pursuit for food. Eating just meant tasting something new.

For the past few days, they had been watching the little foodie eat non-stop. That happy little appearance made them very satisfied. If they could not see it in the future, they would be deeply saddened.

The whole camp was covered with a depressing atmosphere. The members of the Flaming Red Squad seemed to be sad about the fate of Taotie in the future.

Shen Yanxiao chuckled and waved at Taotie.

Shile, who was holding Taotie, hesitated for a moment before putting him down. Without any hesitation, Taotie ran to Shen Yanxiao's side and rubbed against her slender waist like a spoiled child.

Shile sniffled. The little guy actually liked their mentor so much, but he still had to die, right?

Shen Yanxiao pinched Taotie's little face and looked up at the members of the Flaming Red Squad.

"Mentor Kehr doesn't know of his existence. He was discovered by you. Whether he lives or dies is up to you." Alas, it was not good to be too good at deceiving people. Look at how these naughty brats were stimulated to the extent they were about to cry.

Shen Yanxiao's words made the members of the Flaming Red Squad widen their eyes. They stared at Shen Yanxiao in disbelief.

"Mentor Yan Di... You... You mean..." Zhanye's mind was completely confused. In his nervousness, he stuttered again.

Shen Yanxiao said, "Look at how nervous you are. If I hadn't said those words, wouldn't that Nock have executed this little guy on the spot? But you group of idiots actually believed it."

The members of the Flaming Red Squad were innocent. It was not that they were easy to fool, but what Mentor Yan Di said was just too convincing!

# Chapter 2005: Successful Brainwashing (1)

She had even mentioned Kehr and made it sound so convincing that no one would doubt Shen Yanxiao's words.

But in fact, this fellow was just simply making things up!

Shen Yanxiao, who had gone all out in her deception skills, could even fool God, let alone these innocent and inexperienced teenagers.

The 100 undead teenagers were completely speechless. For the first time, they saw that their seemingly pure and honest mentor had such a black-bellied and shameless side!

She actually dared to fool Master Nock!

Shen Yanxiao was probably the only one in the entire Howling Abyss who dared to lie to Master Nock.

"Mentor Yan Di, aren't you afraid that Master Nock will ask Mentor Kehr?" Zhanye was no longer worried about the safety of Taotie. Instead, he was more worried about the safety of Shen Yanxiao!

Deceiving the royal teacher was a crime punishable by death.

Shen Yanxiao smiled and said, "Not to mention that I don't know who this Nock is, so what if he asks Mentor Kehr? Even if the sky falls, I will hold it up for you. You don't want this human being to be hurt, do you?" What was there to be afraid of? At most, she would just pack up and leave. She would summon Taotie into her body. Even if Kehr mobilized the entire undead army to dig three feet down, he would not be able to find her.

She was not an undead. At most, she would hide. Once the seal was completely undone, she would transform into a dragon and fly away from the Howling Abyss.

Barefoot people were not afraid of wearing shoes. Shen Yanxiao was famous for her boldness.

When she was a human, she dared to extort the rulers of the four countries. When she was an elf, she dared to abduct the mythical beast, Taotie. There was nothing she did not dare to do in this world.

Shen Yanxiao's boldness completely convinced the Flaming Red Squad.

Zhanye and others were moved to tears.

Just because they did not want the little foodie to be hurt, Mentor Yan Di dared to take such a huge risk and deceive the royal teacher!

"Mentor Yan Di, we... we will never let you down! We must win this selection competition! As long as we win, we can protect the little fellow with our own identity." Zhanye wiped the tears hanging in the corners of his eyes. As long as they won this selection competition, they could become the personal guards of the Undead Lord. Their whole team would ascend to an unprecedented height. At that time, they would no longer be teenagers at the mercy of others, but imperial guards recognized by the Undead Lord. With such status, it was not impossible for them to keep a human being. At that time, they would have the ability to protect Mentor Yan Di and stop her from risking her life for them.

Shen Yanxiao's image had become more and more lofty. These undead teenagers had already regarded her as their idol. These undead teenagers had already made up their minds to make themselves stronger to prevent Shen Yanxiao from being held accountable after the matter was exposed.

Shen Yanxiao blinked her eyes. She really did not expect things to develop to this point. The Flaming Red Squad, from top to bottom, seemed to have been injected with chicken blood, and their fighting spirit soared to the highest point. The reason for their enthusiasm was that Shen Yanxiao had lied to hide her holy beast...

What a godly development!

Shen Yanxiao looked up at the sky in silence. Her brainwashing plan seemed to be progressing in a crazy direction.

These teenagers were not hostile to humans. Instead, they were protective of them. Besides...

Their protectiveness of her had also reached a peak!

Shen Yanxiao could not help but sigh. As expected, she did not dote on these brats for nothing!

### Chapter 2006: Successful Brainwashing (2)

"Winning the selection competition is for your own good, so you have to work hard." Shen Yanxiao sighed at the success of her education and at the same time, at the heart of these naughty brats.

"We will work hard!"

The enthusiasm to train from the Flaming Red Squad was burning.

However, Zhanye was still worried about Shen Yanxiao.

"Mentor Yan Di, you said you didn't know Master Nock..." He seemed to have overlooked a very important problem!

"Yes." Shen Yanxiao nodded.

Zhanye was suddenly speechless. Shile opened his mouth and quickly explained Nock's origin to Shen Yanxiao.

Shen Yanxiao listened quietly, but she did not have much of a reaction.

It was as if it had nothing to do with her.

Zhanye and others once again knelt under Shen Yanxiao's show of calmness...

In fact...

If they knew Shen Yanxiao's real identity, they would not have felt as such.

In Shen Yanxiao's eyes, a mere royal teacher was not even considered trash. She could even casually toy with the rulers of the four countries, let alone a royal teacher. Someone of this level was not qualified to show their status in front of her. Shen Yanxiao could casually pull out an identity she had in the Brilliance Continent and it could instantly kill Nock from thousands of miles away.

Of course, Shen Yanxiao was calm. Even the Undead Prince, Mingye, was thrown around like a spring roll by her, enslaved and whatnot. What was a royal teacher?

If Nock were the Undead Lord, Shen Yanxiao's heart might still have a little wave.

As for a royal teacher... he better wait in a corner and grow mushrooms!

The teenagers in the Flaming Red Squad had no idea that their dear mentor was the most powerful figure they had ever seen, the representative of all humankind, the fiancée of the War God, the Demon Lord...

Her status was even more honorable than the Undead Lord.

Thus, it was just hilarious if Nock wanted to flaunt his status in front of Shen Yanxiao. Looking at the world, only the rulers of the major races had the same status as Shen Yanxiao.

Nock, who had an extremely high status in the eyes of Zhanye and others, was not even qualified to talk to Shen Yanxiao in an official setting.

Any advanced-ranked demon under Shen Yanxiao's command could whip Nock around.

"By the way, why are you so protective of this human brat?" Shen Yanxiao did not intend to waste time on a minion. She was more curious about the progress of her brainwashing plan.

The teenagers of the Flaming Red Squad lowered their heads shyly. They also found that as undeads, it was unimaginable for them to be so protective of a human being.

"Mentor Yan Di, we know that our actions may be strange, but we really don't think there's anything wrong with this little foodie. He is very well-behaved and has never attacked us. Do we have to kill him just because he is of a different race?" Zhanye looked tangled.

Shen Yanxiao smiled.

"Your actions are not strange. Perhaps your actions are even correct. No one has ever stipulated that undeads and other races must be mortal enemies. The war between gods and devils has indeed happened, but that is the past. Outside of the war, there are still many races that look forward to peace. It is not necessary to fight to the death. Every race has the right to survive..."

Shen Yanxiao knew that it was time to give these teenagers a summary.

#### Chapter 2007: Successful Brainwashing (3)

In the beginning, the Undead race was also created by the Lord God, but for some reason, the God race abandoned them. This made the Undead race despair and stand on the same front as the Devil race. They were forced to stand on the opposite side against other races.

But from the Flaming Red Squad, Shen Yanxiao felt that undeads yearned for peace. Perhaps this time, they did not have to stand on opposing sides again.

"We are enemies of other races because other races do not accept our existence, and the main reason they resist us is the ability of us purebred undeads to resurrect the dead. Death is a major occurrence, and the fall of a life would also end the history of that existence. However, it is precisely because there will be a day of death that every day of our lives is very precious to us. For other races, there is only one life, so they respect the greatness of life. To resurrect the dead and change their race without the permission of the dead is a blasphemy to them." Shen Yanxiao analyzed her understanding of undead history to this group of teenagers. Undeads having the ability to resurrect the dead distorted the original intention of death.

Forced resurrection of other races into an undead not only changed the race of the deceased, but also completely transformed their thoughts after resurrection, which was equivalent to using the body of the deceased to resurrect another undead soul that had never existed.

This was different from Shen Yanxiao's rebirth. She was glad that she was alive with her own will and not controlled by others.

As for the resurrected undead, from the moment they arrived, they were destined to become slaves of the purebred undead.

This was fundamentally different from a real resurrection.

If the undead resurrected the dead with their own souls, then not only would they not be ostracized by other races, but they could even become one of the most popular races.

However, when their loved ones died and were resurrected into a walking corpse by undeads, obeying the orders of undead, it was basically a kind of mental abuse to the relatives of the deceased.

How many races had fought with their former relatives on the battlefield? The struggle and pain in their hearts could not be described in words. Perhaps it was their father, perhaps it was their mother, or perhaps it was their siblings. On the battlefield, the other party did not know them at all and just waved their knives expressionlessly. This was simply unacceptable.

Therefore, the other races were furious because no race could accept the desecration of the dead and the abuse of their spirits.

Except for devils...

Shen Yanxiao's words made the members of the Flaming Red Squad fall into deep thought. If it were them, they would probably hate the other party to death in the face of such a situation.

"Mentor Yan Di, we... we don't want this..." The teenagers' hearts were in pain. They were simple-minded and yearned for the beauty of life. They didn't want to do these cruel things.

"There's still a chance for a turnaround. Your future is in your own hands." Shen Yanxiao smiled. She knew that her plan had succeeded. Perhaps in the future, undeads would still go to the battlefield and become enemies with humans, but Shen Yanxiao believed that the members of the Flaming Red Squad would never be among them.

That was enough.

If you could change what you could change, even if it was only a little, don't give up easily.

Shen Yanxiao did not realize that her efforts today had changed the future of the Undead race bit by bit.

## Chapter 2008: Successful Brainwashing (4)

Things had progressed to this point. The members of the Flaming Red Squad no longer had to worry about the problem of the little foodie being discovered by Shen Yanxiao. Every day at the end of training, the Flaming Red Squad had an extra activity.

"Hey, hey, put the fruit here. The few of you, go and look around."

"Let's go to the east. Don't be in a hurry to feed the little foodie. Wait for us to come back."

The group of teenagers was busy with Taotie's food. Taotie's appetite was not concealed in the slightest. With his appetite opened, his fighting strength was off the charts.

When the Flaming Red Squad returned from training every day, the first thing they did was to look for food everywhere in the Forest of Death.

These days, Shen Yanxiao had gradually relaxed her patrol around the surrounding area. Thus, Zhanye and others had been in contact with many undead creatures. Starting from low-level undead creatures to intermediate-level undead creatures, their achievements were remarkable. They even carried back the bodies of those undead creatures as food reserves for Taotie.

In addition to the Flaming Red Squad led by Shen Yanxiao, the Royal Academy students were also in the Forest of Death, but both sides had a tacit understanding not to come into contact with each other.

As time passed, their time in the Forest of Death was about to end.

On the last day, the members of the Flaming Red Squad were all ready to go. The only one who gave them a headache was Taotie.

Deathfire Academy was not the Forest of Death, where there were little undeads. How many students and mentors would be willing to accept a living human being?

Every scenario they thought of would lead to a bad end.

However, they were also worried about leaving Taotie in the Forest of Death. Wouldn't he die if he encountered any undead creatures?

Helpless, Zhanye and others could only ask Shen Yanxiao for help again.

Shen Yanxiao only gave them four words.

"Take him away directly."

Then, she brought Taotie back to her tent.

When Shen Yanxiao came out with Taotie, the fair and tender little foodie had gray skin and looked no different from an undead.

The members of the Flaming Red Squad were horrified!

Did Mentor Yan Di kill him just to bring the little foodie away?

"I disguised him." Shen Yanxiao looked at the group of shocked youths and knew what they were thinking.

Shen Yanxiao's attempt to brainwash her students was so successful that it was impossible for her to suddenly summon Taotie back. If there was no reasonable explanation, wouldn't these guys go crazy?

In any case, Shen Yanxiao had Taotie transform into the appearance of an undead. In any case, the dark aura on his body was similar to death energy. If he casually disguised himself, no undeads would be able to detect him.

Knowing that Taotie was still fine, the members of the Flaming Red Squad breathed a sigh of relief. Their original nervousness was replaced by curiosity. They surrounded Taotie, who had been disguised as an undead, and looked at him again and again.

"Mentor Yan Di, your disguise skills are really good! What kind of skin is this? Why does it look so natural?" Shile touched Taotie's little face and found nothing unusual. He wet his fingers with water and touched them.

It did not lose its color!

"This aura, it really smells like an undead."

A group of teenagers surrounded Taotie like a group of puppies, sniffing all over.

Shen Yanxiao laughed secretly. What disguise? This was the transformation ability of a holy beast. It would be strange if it could be washed off.

"Alright. It's time to go back."

"Yes!"

### Chapter 2009: Successful Brainwashing (5)

In Deathfire Academy, the dean looked at Shen Yanxiao standing opposite him with a smile in his eyes.

"Very well, you're back on time." Early this morning, Shen Yanxiao returned safely with all the members of the Flaming Red Squad. The dean once looked at the returning teenagers. Although there was not much difference, he had vaguely found that the death energy of those teenagers had become stronger.

The training was not in vain.

"I will naturally keep my promise," Shen Yanxiao smiled and said.

"Kehr will tell you the details of the selection competition later. Seven days later, he will take you to the city where the competition will be held. I hope you can earn honor for Deathfire Academy this time," the dean said with great expectations.

"In that case, if there's nothing else, I'll go back first," Shen Yanxiao said.

"Well, I heard that you picked up a purebred undead child on the way?" The dean noticed that there was a little one in Shen Yanxiao's team. He had also heard Kehr mention that it was a little kid Shen Yanxiao had met in the Forest of Death. The little kid seemed to have been separated from his parents.

"Yes." The identity Shen Yanxiao arranged for Taotie was that of an undead brat lost in the Forest of Death. And she just happened to meet him and brought him back.

"Do you need my help?" The dean asked.

Shen Yanxiao shook her head.

"He has a good relationship with the members of the Flaming Red Squad. The members of the Flaming Red Squad want to find his parents for him personally after the selection competition." Taotie was her holy beast. Where could she find his parents in the Howling Abyss? This secret must not be exposed.

"Alright." The dean no longer forced her.

Shen Yanxiao left the dean's room. The teenagers who had just returned to Deathfire Academy had returned to their dormitory to rest, while the foodie Taotie was carried to her dormitory by Shen Yanxiao.

Lying on the bed, Taotie was exceptionally excited.

"What's wrong?" Shen Yanxiao looked at the little guy who was rolling around on the bed and asked with a smile.

"I have a feeling." Taotie suddenly looked at Shen Yanxiao in all seriousness.

"What premonition?"

"I will be able to see Vermilion Bird soon!" A smile blossomed on Taotie's adorable face. He and Vermilion Bird were both Shen Yanxiao's contracted magical beast. Because of Shen Yanxiao, some spiritual links had been established between him and Vermilion Bird. After Shen Yanxiao became an undead, Vermilion Bird could not stay in Shen Yanxiao's body due to his attributes. Thus, Taotie had not felt Vermilion Bird's spiritual body for a long time, but for some reason, he felt that familiar feeling returning today.

Even though it was weak, he could already sense it.

Hearing this, Shen Yanxiao was stunned.

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On the east coast of the Howling Abyss, a huge ball of light slowly fell to the ground from the fog. However, the undeads on the coast did not seem to notice the approaching light as they continued to swim numbly on the shore.

An aura that made undeads uneasy shrouded the surroundings, and all the undead subconsciously looked up.

However, above their head was the blue sky, and there was nothing unusual.

There was only a huge ball of light in the sky that they could not see.

"They don't seem to be able to see us." In the ball of light, a little child in red opened his scarlet eyes and looked at the dull undeads on the ground with interest.

"If this group of undead could see through the boundary of the God race, how could we survive?" the dragon that reflected seven-colored light said in a deep voice.

**Chapter 2010: Selection Competition (1)** 

In the Howling Abyss, the selection competition of the various academies was finally about to begin. Nearly a thousand academies set off at the last moment and brought their teams to the largest city in the Howling Abyss, Hidden Dream City.

Hidden Dream City was the central city of the Howling Abyss, covering more than ten times the area of other large cities. The ruler of the Undead race, the Undead Lord, resided in Hidden Dream City.

The selection competition was held directly in Hidden Dream City, which showed the Undead Lord attached great importance to this competition.

All the elites of the various academies had come out. All the contestants were 120% attentive, ready for the upcoming battle.

Kehr was responsible for the affairs of the team from Deathfire Academy. Shen Yanxiao followed Kehr to Hidden Dream City with the Flaming Red Squad. The undead guards in the city had prepared accommodation for the members of Deathfire Academy.

As the commander-in-chief of the undead army in the Howling Abyss, Kehr had used some of his power to improve the accommodation for the team from Deathfire Academy and directly checked into the largest inn in Hidden Dream City.

During the selection competition, all the inns in Hidden Dream City would be provided for the participants to stay.

Coincidentally, as soon as the Flaming Red Squad arrived at the inn, they met an acquaintance...

Fengling, dressed in black, stood on the first floor of the inn with his companions. The Flaming Red Squad led by Shen Yanxiao directly bumped into him.

When Fengling saw Shen Yanxiao and the others, a trace of surprise flashed in his eyes.

Their encounter in the Forest of Death had left a deep impression on both sides.

Fengling frowned slightly, looked at Kehr, and then left with his companions in silence.

"Mentor Kehr, the Royal Academy team also lives here?" Shile asked in surprise after Fengling left.

Kehr smiled and said, "Yes, the Royal Academy team is very strong. They are your strongest opponents. You have to be careful."

Kehr did not know that the Flaming Red Squad and the Royal Academy team had met in the Forest of Death, and that they had already fought. He was just casually making a joke.

Shile's mouth twitched slightly.

"Strongest opponents... more like mortal enemies," Shile whispered.

"Hmm?" Kehr glanced at Shile, who immediately bowed his head.

Kehr soon helped the Flaming Red Squad with the accommodation procedures. In this selection competition, Kehr and Sal would be responsible for the safety of the whole competition, so after settling the members of the Flaming Red Squad, he left.

As soon as Kehr left, the Flaming Red Squad was not so reserved in front of Shen Yanxiao.

"Boss, are we really going to live here?" Shile looked at Shen Yanxiao with a sad face.

After returning from the Forest of Death, the way these brats addressed Shen Yanxiao changed from Mentor to... Boss.

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Shen Yanxiao was speechless by this change. She suddenly had the illusion that she had become a bandit leader.

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"Otherwise?" Shen Yanxiao asked.

"But... aren't you afraid that we will fight with those guys?" Shile looked at Shen Yanxiao. It was impossible for the members of their Flaming Red Squad and those guys from the Royal Academy to coexist in harmony. In the Forest of Death, they almost fell into Fengling's hands. They had long wanted to get back at them!

Who knew that it would be such a coincidence? They were staying in the same inn as the Royal Academy students!

If they were to see each other frequently, wouldn't they start fighting at any moment?