

Towers 301

Chapter 301: The Rules of the Tower's Level Six

Liu Yan was thinking about the choice of attribute pillars when the voice of the Tower sounded once again.

[The rules of level five of the Tower are very simple. After you choose the attribute pillars to build your camp, you must collect 10,000 fragments from the gold, silver, copper, iron, and tin treasure chests scattered in the five regions to form a complete "Lord's token"!]

[The 10,000 fragments are scattered throughout the five regions. You have to search through every region to form a Lord's token.]

[After collecting 10,000 fragments and forming a complete Lord's token, only then will you be able to head to level 6.]

[In addition, the first team that forms a Lord's token will receive a gold Lord's token and thus be blessed by the Heavenly Dao. As a result, the initial territory will expand, the population limit of the territory will increase, and the resources of the territory will increase. There will be all sorts of benefits!]

[The second team that synthesizes the Lord's token will also obtain some benefits, but it will be much less than the first team. The third team will have no rewards at all.]

[The fourth or fifth team will be directly eliminated and won't be able to head to the Tower's level 6.]

[These are the general rules. If you have any questions, please ask.]

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Hearing this, the students of the five teams were all eager to give it a try.

The rules were already roughly clear. They would choose an attribute pillar, establish a temporary camp, then collect fragments.

Although there were a lot of fragments to collect, it would be done by a team. It was a mission that the many team members would carry out together.

They just wondered if collecting the fragments would be difficult and what they would encounter in the process.

The final reward, however, made everyone look forward to it.

If they could be the first to synthesize a Lord's token and obtain the golden Lord's token, they would receive the Heavenly Dao's blessing, as well as many other benefits. It was simply too tempting. This would simply be of great help to everyone's future adventures in the Tower and their strength improvement.

Even if they were the second to synthesize the Lord's token, they would also receive some benefits. Although it was a little less, it was better than nothing.

The third team to synthesize the Lord's token wouldn't get any additional rewards. They would only pass the trial on this level and successfully enter level 6 of the Tower.

As for the fourth and fifth teams to synthesize the Lord's token, not only would there be no rewards, but there would also be a penalty. They would be eliminated and wouldn't be able to go to level 6.

At this time, a student couldn't help but ask, "After choosing the attribute pillar to establish a temporary camp, can I go to the territory of other teams?"

When the other students heard this, they were also curious. They were curious about what would happen if they went to the territory of the other teams.

At this moment, the voice of the Tower sounded once again.

[Of course you can, but this will also be considered as "a declaration of war". Both parties must take out a considerable stake before they can officially fight. As for the determination of victory in the war, it will depend on the final status of their respective guardian beasts. If either side's guardian beast falls first, it will be considered as losing the war and the stake!]

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[Apart from the state of "declaration of war", there are two other statuses, "alliance" and "neutral"!]

["Neutral" is simple. There is no declaration of war or alliance, and both sides do not have any grudges.]

["Alliance" means that both sides can choose to form an alliance and help each other. However, they can not share their territories.]

[Furthermore, under the alliance state, all the materials collected by both parties will be automatically divided equally between the two parties!]

"..."

When everyone heard this, they immediately became clearer about the rules. They discussed the rules with each other.

After that, no one asked any more questions.

Soon, the time arrived. The voice of the Tower sounded.

[The time has arrived. The trial on level 5 of the Tower has begun!]

The Tower's voice resounded throughout the world. At the same time, it signified the start of this trial.

Many students had just figured out the rules. Before they could figure out the rest, they were immediately rushed to start the trial.

The members of Liu Yan's team were currently discussing the choice of attributes.

Metal, wood, water, fire, and earth. Each attribute had its characteristics, as well as its strengths and weaknesses.

At this moment, quite several students were having a hard time deciding.

“The metal attribute is not bad, very domineering.”

“The wood attribute is not bad either, with healing. Although it’s more gentle, it has more tolerance for mistakes.”

“The fire attribute is fiercer, full of fire.”

“The water attribute is also more gentle. It can be considered to be the style of using softness to overcome hardness.”

“The earth attribute has a stronger defense. It can tolerate many mistakes, so it’s the safest.”

“Which attribute should we choose? It feels like each of them has its unique characteristics.”

“...”

The students of Gifted Academy and Lighthouse Academy discussed this among themselves. For a moment, they were rather anxious.

Liu Yan looked into the distance. The members of the other four teams were also discussing. They had not decided yet and had not started making their choices as well.

However, Liu Yan was clear that it would not be long before the other teams would start making their choices.

It was obvious that the first team to choose had the advantage since they could choose the attribute that they liked.

The later the team chose, the more limited their options would be. This would bring certain limitations. The last team to choose would have no choice but to choose what was left.

Fortunately, Liu Yan had realized this in advance, so he had already thought it through in his heart. There was no need to waste time now.

Thinking of this, Liu Yan turned his head to look at the many members who were in a dilemma, he said frankly, “I have already thought about it in advance. Let’s choose the fire attribute. It is the most domineering and proactive. In this trial on level 5 of the Tower, we should press forward and be aggressive. We don’t need to consider other attributes!”

Hearing this, everyone looked at each other and soon felt that Liu Yan’s choice was not bad.

The domineering nature of the fire attribute was unquestionable. At the same time, it was also full of strength and proactive.

In addition, they were all from the Land of Origin. Many of them were proficient in the fire attribute.

Choosing the fire attribute pillar and a temporary camp was undoubtedly a very good choice for everyone.

“The fire attribute is not bad. Let’s choose the fire attribute then.”

“I also agree. I am of the fire attribute. Choosing the fire attribute pillar will definitely be more beneficial to us.”

“We’ll listen to captain.”

“Yes, we’ll listen to captain. Captain’s choice is very correct.”

“...”

Many respected and idolized Liu Yan, to begin with. Now that they heard the reason behind his choice, they also felt that it was very reasonable. Naturally, they agreed, and soon, the wave of agreement washed over.

Seeing that everyone agreed and there were no objections, Liu Yan immediately turned around and headed towards the pillar.

At this moment, he could clearly see that the team from New Continent had made their choice as well. They seemed to be heading towards the fire attribute pillar too.

Seeing this, Liu Yan immediately quickened his pace and arrived under the fire attribute pillar first. He went forward and took the fire attribute gem!

Chapter 302: The Fire Attribute’s Guardian Beast

When the captain of the New Continent’s team saw that Liu Yan had chosen the fire attribute gem that he had set his eyes on, he looked at the latter with slight dissatisfaction.

However, he did not say anything and turned to walk toward the metal attribute gem.

Soon, four teams all chose their respective attributes.

The last team had no choice but to choose the remaining water attribute.

And the moment the five teams finished choosing their attributes, the Tower’s resounding voice rang out once again.

[All attributes have been chosen. The match has officially begun!]

As the Tower’s voice fell, it also meant that the match had officially begun.

The members of the five teams were inexplicably nervous and expectant.

The members of the five teams were top existences representing the top combat strength of their respective continents.

According to the rules, two of the five teams were destined to be eliminated, and only one team could receive a rich reward.

The rules could be said to be extremely cruel.

Those who could pass the previous trials to reach level 5 of the Tower were all outstanding. There were no weaklings.

However, as long as they were not as strong as the other party, they were destined to be eliminated.

Moreover, the rules of level 5 of the Tower were based on a team system.

Perhaps one was very strong, much stronger than the other party.

However, it was still possible for the final result to be that the other party advances and entered level 6 of the Tower, while one would be eliminated because of the team's failure.

The rules of this round attached some importance to individual ability, but at the same time, it undoubtedly emphasized the division of labor and cooperation of the team. The role of the team was undoubtedly crucial.

Seeing that the competition had already begun, Liu Yan did not waste any time. He immediately led the team from the Land of Origin and rushed in the direction of the fire attribute pillar.

The huge fire attribute pillar seemed to be very close, but in reality, it was very far away.

Liu Yan and the others were not weak, so their speed was naturally not slow. Even so, they still took half a day to arrive.

On the way, Liu Yan was also thinking about their next movements.

The rules of level 5 of the Tower were team-based. The results of the team would determine the elimination of an individual. Undoubtedly, the requirements for the team were very high, especially for the leader of the team.

As the captain, Liu Yan was naturally bearing a heavy responsibility.

Not only did he have to be himself and display his strength, but he also had to make the right choice as much as possible. He had to display the strength of every member of the team and gather as many fragments of the Lord's token as possible. Only then could he successfully pass the trial on level 5 of the Tower. He might even be able to obtain a rich reward.

If he failed, not only would it mean that he would be eliminated, but the team formed from two great academies that were being led by him, the hope of the Land of Origin, would also be eliminated this year.

This included Murong Xue and the other two girls, who were Liu Yan's good friends, as well as the former alumni of Lighthouse Academy and the outstanding students of Gifted Academy.

Luo Qingcheng, who was following at the side, seemed to be able to see the pressure on Liu Yan. She comforted him in a low voice, "It's alright, Liu Yan. You don't have to feel so much pressure. Believe in your abilities. We will try our best to assist you during the process."

"That's right. Isn't it just collecting fragments of the Lord's token? What's there to be afraid of?" Murong Xue said indifferently.

Hearing this, Liu Yan felt a little relieved in his heart.

The students of these two academies were not weak and were worthy of trust.

Luo Qingcheng and the other girls would also help him, especially Luo Qingcheng, who was a genius student of Command School.

She might not be good at fighting and did not have much combat strength, but she had a wealth of knowledge in the field of command.

With the help of Luo Qingcheng, the pressure would be much less.

Liu Yan thought about the next plan as he led everyone towards the fire attribute pillar.

After traveling for half a day, they finally arrived at the edge of the fire attribute pillar's domain.

Further ahead was the fire attribute pillar's domain, which was also the territory of Liu Yan and the others.

The entire territory was surrounded by a haze of fog, so it was impossible to see the current situation clearly.

The fire attribute pillar was located in the center of the huge territory, which was still a certain distance away.

On the road just now, Liu Yan had decided on what the team would do today.

The first thing was to set up the temporary camp. Relying on the fire attribute gem, they could set up a temporary camp at any place within their territory. This way, the team members would have a place to gather and rest, which would also form a gathering place that would be convenient for the team to communicate and split up.

After all, in the Tower, all communication methods were ineffective. They could not contact each other through the smart wristband. Only by forming a gathering place could the entire team meet up regularly and thus form a preliminary command system.

Apart from that, they had to quickly gather the Lord's token fragments.

After all, the entire trial on level 5 of the Tower was mainly to collect fragments of the Lord's token.

Only after collecting 10,000 Lord's token fragments could one form a Lord's token and complete the trial on level 5.

On top of that, only the first three teams to synthesize the Lord's token could pass the trial on level 5 and successfully go to level 6.

Especially the first team to form a Lord's token would obtain the generous reward of a gold Lord's token and gain the upper hand in the trial on level 6 and beyond.

At this moment, the team formed from the two academies looked at the white fog before them. They couldn't see anything clearly and started to discuss.

"I can't see anything in the fog. It's a little scary."

"The rules are very clear. The fog will disappear once we explore the area. We'll be able to see the whole place clearly in the future."

"Looks like we have to explore it. I wonder if there is any danger inside."

“The fire attribute region looks so big. We have less than a hundred people, and it feels like we won’t be able to explore it in a few days.”

“The rules mentioned just now that this round is a team competition. There are no fierce beasts, so there shouldn’t be any danger in the fog.”

“It’s fine as long as there aren’t any fierce beasts. I’m relieved.”

“...”

While everyone was discussing, a deafening phoenix cry suddenly sounded. Flames lit up in front of everyone’s eyes.

Soon after, a huge figure appeared in the sky not far in front of everyone.

It was a phoenix that was bathed in red flames.

Everyone was shocked when they saw this.

“Damn, what fierce beast is this? It looks so powerful.”

“Is it a Phoenix? This is the first time I’ve seen such a legendary fierce beast.”

“Are you guys kidding me? This should be our guardian beast, not a fierce beast.”

“Oh, our guardian beast, so it’s on our side.”

“I was scared to death. I thought it was our enemy. So It’s the guardian beast. It’s fine then.”

“...”

At this moment, Liu Yan, who was holding the fire attribute gem, felt that the guardian beast was staring at him from not far away.

He looked at the fire attribute gem in his hand and immediately understood.

As the guardian beast of the fire attribute, it naturally recognized Liu Yan, who had the fire attribute gem, as its master.

Chapter 303: The Captain’s Responsibility

Liu Yan hurriedly checked the information of the guardian beast in front of him.

[Undying Fire Phoenix]

[Potential: SS]

[Level: 60]

[Others: ...]

Its grade was too high, so he could not see its specific information. He could only learn that the guardian beast was a level 60 Undying Fire Phoenix with potential as high as the SS grade.

Although Liu Yan had defeated an SS-grade Earth Dragon before, that beast had only been at level 40. It was on a completely different level from the Undying Fire Phoenix of level 80. The difference in combat strength would be like Heaven and Earth.

Liu Yan thus had a rough understanding of the guardian beast's strength.

He estimated that although there were some differences in the guardian beasts of each attribute territory, their levels should be about the same. They would only each have their strengths according to their attributes.

In terms of the Undying Fire Phoenix with the fire attribute, its combat strength was obviously extraordinary.

At this moment, the Undying Fire Phoenix was also staring at Liu Yan, as if it was waiting for his order.

Seeing this, Liu Yan gave an order based on common sense, "Patrol and rest in the territory, for now. I'll call you if I have an order."

Hearing this, the Undying Fire Phoenix immediately cried out, then flapped its wings and left.

When Liu Yan saw that his order was indeed effective, it immediately confirmed his previous guess. It seemed that it was indeed the case that with the fire attribute gem, he could temporarily become the owner of the fire attribute guardian beast, the Undying Fire Phoenix.

However, there was still a clear difference between being such an "owner" and being the owner of a beast with soul contact.

For example, Liu Yan had a telepathic connection with the Treasure Pangolin and the Shadow Wolf. He didn't need to say the order. He could just give the order in his heart.

Giving orders was naturally not as convenient with the Undying Fire Phoenix. It was undoubtedly more troublesome to give the order verbally, especially at crucial moments in battle. There was a clear difference.

That being said, the guardian beast was also the key to this competition. He still had to pay more attention to this aspect in the future.

When the surrounding team members saw this, they were filled with envy.

Only the captain, Liu Yan, who possessed the fire attribute gem, could be so awe-inspiring and easily command such a powerful guardian beast.

However, after experiencing the events on level 4 of the Tower, everyone witnessed Liu Yan's strength in many aspects. Most of them respected his abilities and leadership. As such, although they were envious, they were not jealous.

Liu Yan watched the Undying Fire Phoenix leave and turned to look at his team members. He said, "This is the first day. We are new here, so I plan to set up the temporary camp first. Although it is only a temporary camp, it is also very important. We need to choose a good place."

Hearing that, everyone looked at each other and felt that what Liu Yan said made sense.

The temporary camp was undoubtedly extremely important. The location choice was extremely important.

"It makes sense. Liu Yan is right."

"I just don't know how to choose the specific location for the temporary camp."

"If I were you, I would set it up in the center of the territory. That would be the most convenient. We would be close to wherever we want to go."

"I don't think so. The territory is so big. It might not be useful to build it in the middle."

"Yeah, we still have to consider other aspects."

"..."

Everyone suddenly had their own opinions and ideas.

Seeing this, Liu Yan continued, "Although the location of the temporary camp is important, it is not as important as collecting the Lord's token fragments. This is the most important thing. Moreover, the temporary camp can be stored back into the fire attribute gem at any time and deployed in a new place. How about this, Luo Qingcheng and I will choose the location while you guys familiarize yourselves with the territory and explore the fog. At the same time, try to collect as many Lord's token fragments as possible. The territory is relatively big but there isn't much danger, so let's split up. In the end, I will let the Undying Fire Phoenix cry from higher grounds to let you know the location of the temporary camp so that you can regroup. During the process, remember not to leave the territory. Otherwise, there might be danger."

When the team members heard that Liu Yan's orders were all well-organized and orderly, as well as the most suitable at the moment, they looked at him with surprise.

They had all witnessed his terrifying strength before and knew that he was a heaven-defying genius.

However, they didn't expect that Liu Yan's commanding ability was also so formidable. He was undoubtedly the most suitable to be the team's commander.

"That makes sense. I think the captain's arrangement is very appropriate. That's what we'll do then."

"That's right. Captain Liu's command is too perfect. I didn't think of so much."

"That's right. We'll familiarize ourselves with the territory and explore the fog. Collecting the Lord's token fragments is the most important thing at the moment. The captain has also thought of a way for us to gather. It's simply foolproof."

"That's good then. Let's quickly split up and see if the Lord's token fragment is easy to collect."

"..."

The members of the team were all outstanding students from Lighthouse Academy and Gifted Academy.

After what had happened on level 4 of the Tower, everyone had witnessed Liu Yan's prowess and had long been convinced of his abilities.

At this moment, hearing Liu Yan's perfect commands, they were instantly even more respectful of him.

As one of the genius students from Gifted Academy, Xu Han could not help but agree, "Liu Yan, your command is really good. It's much more detailed than we thought. Let's move out now, haha!"

Although he was also a genius, Xu Han could not help but have some trust in Liu Yan at this moment.

Even Allen Smith couldn't help but take a glance at Liu Yan. He was a little surprised that the latter's command was so considerate.

Soon, all the members scattered and went to work separately.

Liu Yan left Luo Qingcheng behind with him to consider the temporary campsite with him.

"Big brother Liu Yan, we'll see you later," Chu Long said goodbye to Liu Yan.

As for Murong Xue, she dived into the fog eagerly without saying a word.

Murong Xue had been holding back for a long time on level three and a half and level 4 of the Tower. She couldn't wait any longer.

Now that she had finally arrived at level 5 of the Tower and started the real trial, she was already very excited.

Soon, the crowd dispersed, leaving only Liu Yan and Luo Qingcheng on the spot.

Luo Qingcheng looked at Liu Yan with some surprise. She couldn't help but smile, "I was worried that you would feel pressure as the captain, but now it seems that my worries were completely unnecessary. Your commands just now could be said to be perfect, even I admire them."

Hearing this, Liu Yan smiled helplessly, "What pressure is there? Besides, it's not like I haven't learned how to command before."

Hearing this, Luo Qingcheng recalled that Liu Yan had also studied in Command School.

Although he had only read a few books, he had still learned a little.

In addition, the Vice Principal of Command School had a very high evaluation of Liu Yan, clearly pointing out that he also had an amazing talent for commanding.

At that time, Luo Qingcheng had not taken it seriously, but now it seemed that it was true.

Liu Yan had only read a few basic books in Command School. Now, it was his first time being the captain, yet he was able to methodically take on his responsibilities and issue a series of near-perfect commands. Even a genius of Command School like Luo Qingcheng was full of admiration for him.

Chapter 304: Establishing the Temporary Camp

In the huge fire attribute territory, Liu Yan and Luo Qingcheng wandered around, thinking about the choice of location for the temporary camp.

Liu Yan released the Purple Wind Falcon, letting it soar in the sky.

Although the Purple Wind Falcon was only a B-grade fierce beast of a low level and almost had no combat strength, it was a good choice of a beast to observe the surrounding terrain. Through the Purple Wind Falcon, Liu Yan could quickly understand the situation of the fire attribute territory.

After releasing the Purple Wind Falcon, Liu Yan understood the situation of the fire attribute territory through it.

Currently, the entire fire attribute territory was still shrouded by fog.

There was only a very small area where the fog had disappeared after the exploration of the team members. The situation of the terrain there could gradually be seen clearly.

The fire attribute territory was mostly a desert. The land seemed to have been burned by a fire and the temperature was higher. It was quite hot.

At this time, Liu Yan and Luo Qingcheng were discussing the choice of the location for the temporary camp.

Luo Qingcheng helped Liu Yan analyze the situation, "Considerations that should be taken into account for the choice of location for the temporary camp is nothing more than several aspects. The first one is that it should be convenient to gather, so it should probably be in the center of the territory, just as someone mentioned just now. This way, it would be more convenient for everyone to travel and gather, and the team members can be better spread throughout the entire territory."

"As for the second aspect, we have to consider other factors, such as offense and defense. After all, we have a clear understanding of the rules. There are no other fierce beasts on level 5 of the Tower, so there won't be any danger. It is more of a competition between teams. Therefore, it is possible for other teams to arrive in our territory. The choice of location for the temporary camp will have to be considered in conjunction with these factors. Other than that, the other factors are not too important. For example, living suitability and comfort level."

Luo Qingcheng was, after all, a genius student from Command School. Her knowledge in all aspects was very complete.

With Luo Qingcheng's reminder, Liu Yan gained a direction to think in and started to ponder.

After thinking for a while, he spoke, "I don't think the first factor is very important. The territory is huge, to begin with, so it's very difficult to cover the entire territory. Moreover, many of the team members aren't slow. Later on, we can divide them into smaller teams to head to different areas according to their speed. With this, they can still cover a larger area to collect the Lord's token fragments."

Luo Qingcheng heard this and nodded. It was indeed so.

Establishing the temporary camp in the central area of the territory would not bring much convenience. After all, the territory was huge and it would still not be very convenient to go back and forth. They still needed to rely on the speed of the team members to make up for this.

If the camp was established in other places, even if it was not in the central area, it would not affect the exploration and gathering of the team members too much.

Even if there were some disadvantages brought about by this, it could be made up for through the arrangement of the team members. Therefore, it was not very important.

Then, Liu Yan continued, "As such, we should consider the location of the temporary camp according to the second factor. To be honest, the competition on level 5 of the Tower is mainly between the teams. The content of the trial seems to be to collect the Lord's token fragments, but in fact, the essence is still the competition between us and the other teams. The temporary camp should be relatively close to the entrance of the territory, but at the same time, there must be a certain buffer zone. This way, not only will it be convenient for us to leave the territory but also for us to defend."

Upon hearing this, Luo Qingcheng nodded thoughtfully.

Liu Yan's intention was very clear. He was considering the establishment of the temporary territory by treating the other teams as opponents and enemies.

The land distribution of level 5 of the Tower was that the five attribute territories formed a huge circle with the place they had set off from just now in the center.

The place from where they had just entered was undoubtedly the entrance of the territory. At the same time, it was also the closest to the other territories.

If the temporary camp was built near the entrance to the territory, it would be more convenient to leave the territory and go to other territories.

At the same time, they could not set the camp right at the entrance of the territory. They needed to have some buffer zones.

This way, if the people from other territories invaded their territory, there would be some time to gather the team members and organize the defense in time.

"That makes sense. Since that's the case, there are not many places to choose. It's around where we're at now," Luo Qingcheng nodded her head in agreement.

At this moment, only then did she realize that Liu Yan was not bringing her to wander around casually just now.

It was obvious that he had thought it through and was intentionally bringing her to wander around and observe the area, looking for a suitable location.

"That's right," Liu Yan nodded.

Following that, the two began to wander around the area to search for a suitable location.

In the fire attribute territory, most of the land was a desert. The terrain was not too complicated. Instead, it was quite simple.

Soon, when Liu Yan and Luo Qingcheng passed by a small hill, both of them stopped in their tracks.

"You think that this place is good too?" Luo Qingcheng looked at Liu Yan with some surprise. She didn't expect that the two of them would have the same thoughts.

Liu Yan nodded slightly and went forward to inspect the small hill. He said, "This place is good. We will set up a temporary camp on the back of the hill. This way, if other teams invade, we can use the hill to defend. At the same time, with the hill, we can arrange for the team members to take turns to stand guard and observe the situation in the distance. In addition, this hill is right at the entrance. As long as there are other teams coming, we will be able to notice them in time."

Luo Qingcheng was thinking the same thing, but she did not expect Liu Yan to think of it as well.

"Very good, then let's set it up here," Luo Qingcheng agreed.

Since the location had been chosen, Liu Yan directly set up the temporary camp.

After coming to the back of the hill, he took out the fire attribute gem.

The fire attribute gem was emitting a fiery red light. It was extremely dazzling and at the same time full of heat. Holding it in his hand, he could feel that it was boiling.

Liu Yan followed the rules that he had learned before and injected power into the fire attribute gem, activating the gem.

With that, the fire attribute gem suddenly shone with a brilliant light, and at the same time, it rose from Liu Yan's hand.

Liu Yan and Luo Qingcheng retreated to the side and watched the process of the fire attribute gem unfolding.

Under the gaze of the two, the fire attribute gem underwent a complicated unfolding process. The process was filled with a sense of power and technology, which made the eyes of the two shine.

It didn't take long for the fire attribute gem to be fully unfolded.

The fire attribute gem disappeared and was replaced by a simple temporary camp.

The camp was mainly made up of tents and a bonfire, which could meet the needs of temporary accommodation and rest.

Liu Yan and Luo Qingcheng went up to take a look and found that although this temporary camp looked simple and crude, it was, in fact, not simple.

First of all, the tents were made of special materials.

In the extremely hot fire attribute territory, it could block the heat and allow the team members to have a better rest.

Secondly, the bonfires could be lit and extinguished at any time. This way, even if night came, whether cooking food or lighting would still be very convenient.

Chapter 305: Black Iron Treasure Chest

Luo Qingcheng looked around the temporary camp and roughly understood the situation.

“It’s quite shabby, but it can meet the basic living needs,” She said.

Liu Yan nodded.

This temporary camp was indeed quite shabby. After all, there were only tents and bonfires, nothing else.

That being said, the main purpose of the competition on level five of the Tower was to collect the Lord’s token fragments, not to live and rest. It didn’t matter if the temporary camp was shabby and crude.

After setting up the temporary camp, Liu Yan and Luo Qingcheng were temporarily free.

Liu Yan looked at the Undying Fire Phoenix that flew in the sky from time to time, protecting all the members of the territory.

He called it down and told it to fly around the temporary camp for now and not to leave. This way, it would be convenient for all the members to know the location of the temporary camp and gather later.

The Undying Fire Phoenix screeched after hearing Liu Yan’s, seemingly agreeing to it.

Following that, the two left, heading towards the fog to explore.

After all, there was still some time before the sky would turn dark and time could not be wasted.

As for the Purple Wind Falcon, until now, it was still soaring in the sky of the fire attribute territory.

After all, the Purple Wind Falcon’s mind was connected to Liu Yan, allowing it to convey the situation it saw to him.

Through the Purple Wind Falcon, Liu Yan gained a rough understanding of the surroundings. Therefore, there was no need to explore aimlessly. He headed straight towards the foggy area that no team members had explored yet.

Luo Qingcheng split up with Liu Yan.

The fog gradually dissipated with the arrival of Liu Yan, revealing the terrain of the place.

It was the same as the other places, a desert.

This was, after all, the fire attribute territory. It was filled with fire attribute elements, so it could even be said that not a single blade of grass grew here.

Liu Yan activated his A grade perception skill, Omniscient Insight. His detection range instantly reached a radius of 100 meters.

In the fog, one would not be able to see anything clearly in the distance.

However, Liu Yan could use Omniscient Insight to sense the situation in the fog.

He could sense everything within a radius of 100 meters clearly.

After activating Omniscient Insight, it became much more convenient for him.

Following that, based on what he had learned from the Purple Wind Falcon, Liu Yan head towards the areas shrouded with fog that no team members had explored before. He explored while avoiding the crowd.

This way, the efficiency of the exploration was highly increased.

After all, from what he had learned from the Purple Wind Falcon, although the nearly hundred team members had split up, many explored the areas that the other team members had already explored. It was a complete waste of time and they did not achieve any substantive exploration at all.

Of course, Liu Yan also knew that they could not be blamed for this. The main reason was that they did not have a corresponding perception skill, nor did they have a fierce beast like the Purple Wind Falcon that could soar and help them understand the situation on the ground.

As such, it was perfectly normal for them to explore where others had already tread.

Liu Yan explored for almost half a day. The areas were almost all the same desert terrain. The land that had been burned by the fire element was barren and there was nothing.

It was not until the afternoon that Liu Yan found something.

According to his Omniscient Insight, there was a treasure chest dozens of meters ahead.

Liu Yan knew that it should be a treasure chest that contained some items or even a Lord's token fragment.

If one wanted to collect the Lord's token fragments in one's territory, one could only get them from the various treasure chests.

Liu Yan hurriedly went forward and quickly arrived at the location.

It was a black iron chest that was half the size of a person.

Seeing that it was a black iron treasure chest, Liu Yan was slightly disappointed.

Treasure chests were divided into many grades. From low to high, there were tin, black iron, silver, golden, platinum, and diamond treasure chests.

There were more treasure chests of a higher grade above these grades, but the Tower did not tell the participants about them. Instead, it made them explore themselves.

Although the black-iron treasure chest in front of Liu Yan was not of the lowest grade, it was almost the same. It was only slightly better than the tin treasure chest.

That being said, he could not care less at this moment. He hurriedly went forward and opened the black-iron treasure chest to examine the items inside.

Inside the black-iron treasure chest were two pieces of equipment and five Lord's token fragments.

Liu Yan took a brief look at the equipment. They were all grade C equipment.

Let alone Liu Yan, who was wearing a full set of high-grade equipment, even ordinary members would not be interested in these pieces of C-grade equipment.

Liu Yan casually threw the two pieces of equipment into his storage ring without a care, then he immediately turned his gaze to the Lord's token fragment.

The Lord's token fragment looked extremely mystical. A fragment was only the size of a finger, but it was emitting a five-colored light.

Liu Yan could feel terrifying power from it.

So this was a Lord's token fragment?

Liu Yan was quite surprised. To think such a small Lord's token fragment contained such terrifying power.

If he collected 10,000 Lord's token fragments and synthesized them into a Lord's token, how terrifying would the power of the Lord's token be?

Moreover, the synthesized Lord's token would only be an ordinary one. If his team could be the first to synthesize it, they would be rewarded with a gold Lord's token, which would be even more terrifying.

Liu Yan hurriedly put away the five Lord's token fragments. This was his biggest harvest today.

However, he couldn't help but feel a little disappointed. After all, after exploring for half a day, he had only found one black iron treasure chest.

In this black iron treasure chest, there were only five Lord's token fragments.

It was undoubtedly going to be difficult to collect 10,000 Lord's token fragments.

Liu Yan shook his head helplessly. Seeing that it was almost time, he returned to the temporary camp. He could only wait and see how the rest of his team members had done.

This was a team competition, after all. Collecting the Lord's token fragments did not depend on Liu Yan alone. There were still dozens of team members working together.

Soon, he returned to the temporary camp.

At this time, it was dusk. The team members followed the Undying Fire Phoenix's figure and arrived at the temporary camp.

Many were curious and happy when they saw the temporary camp.

Although the temporary camp looked shabby, with only tents and bonfires, the tents weren't ordinary tents. The material was more special and safer, allowing the team members to rest with relative ease.

Some had already entered the tents and quickly made some other discoveries.

"What material are these tents made of? It feels so special."

"Yeah, it provides a certain level of security."

"When we explored the Tower previously, although there were tents, we didn't dare to rest in them. It was too dangerous."

"I didn't expect that we could finally sleep in tents on level five of the Tower. I'm satisfied, haha."

“The material of the tents is indeed special. Even my attacks can’t pierce through them. It’s relatively safe.”

“Yeah, we can finally rest well.”

“...”

The group discussed with each other, their faces filled with joy.

Chapter 306: Luck Is Greater Than Strength?

In the temporary camp, night gradually fell. All the scattered exploration members had gathered here.

Many of the team members chatted about the areas of the territory they had explored today.

“Why does it feel like there’s nothing in our territory?”

“Yeah, it’s empty. Maybe it’s because it’s the fire attribute territory.”

“There’s nothing in the fog.”

“Indeed, there’s not a single fierce beast, but there’s also nothing else. It’s just a desert.”

“Where can we find the Lord’s token fragment? Why didn’t I see anything?”

“I did find a tin treasure chest, but there was only a pair of worn-out shoes and a Lord’s token fragment inside.”

“Hehe, I was lucky enough to obtain two Lord’s token fragments.”

“...”

At this moment, Liu Yan came to the front.

The group quieted down and looked at him.

Although Liu Yan had just become their captain, after witnessing his strength, most of the team members respected him.

At this moment, Liu Yan looked at the group and said calmly, “First, everyone should hand in the Lord’s token fragment that you obtained today. The rest of the harvest belongs to you. The Lord’s token fragments will be under unified management.”

Hearing this, the team members consisting of students from the two academies didn’t have any objections.

After all, level five of the Tower was based on a team system. They wouldn’t gain anything from keeping the Lord’s token fragments.

They needed the entire team to collect enough Lord’s token fragments. They could only pass if they gathered 10,000 fragments.

Soon, the team members who had obtained the Lord's token fragments all went forward to hand them in.

However, only a few members went forward.

Furthermore, the total number of Lord's token fragments they handed in was very little.

Seeing this, Liu Yan frowned slightly as he looked at the members below and asked doubtfully, "Are there any more that hasn't been handed in yet?"

The members looked at each other and shook their heads in confusion.

"I didn't see any treasure chests at all, nor do I see any Lord's token fragments."

"Yeah, we didn't see any Lord's token fragments at all."

"Isn't this Lord's token fragment too difficult to collect? I've searched for a day and only found one."

"Yeah, I didn't expect the territory to be so big, but with so few Lord's token fragments."

"..."

Liu Yan couldn't help but be surprised when he heard this.

The Lord's token fragments that the team members had handed in just now were extremely few.

Among those that came forward, they had each only handed in one or two pieces.

Not every team member had come forward. Only a small portion of them had obtained something.

Most did not even see the shadow of a treasure chest, let alone the Lord's token fragments.

Among the team members who had obtained something, only a small portion of them was able to obtain many Lord's token fragments.

Liu Yan noticed that Luo Qingcheng had obtained three Lord's token fragments, Murong Xue had obtained two, Allen Smith had obtained five, and Xu Han had obtained six.

In addition, Liu Yan himself had obtained three, while the rest of the team members who had gained something had mostly gotten one.

For the entire day, the outstanding students of the two academies, the team from the Land of Origin with a total of nearly a hundred members, had only obtained 32 Lord's token fragments.

After a hard day of exploration, the entire team had only obtained 32 Lord's token fragments. This was undoubtedly too little.

The target was a total of 10,000 fragments. The difference was huge.

Liu Yan had not expected that the Lord's token fragments would be so difficult to find. To think they could only collect so many in a day.

He looked at everyone with a somewhat grim expression and said, "Everyone, the situation doesn't seem too optimistic for us. In a day, we've only collected 32 Lord's token fragments. This is too little."

When the team members heard this, they were in an uproar.

“What? Only 32 in one day?”

“I had expected that it would be very little, but I didn’t expect it to be so little.”

“Yeah, I’ve been working hard for a whole day to explore and collect the fragments. My legs are sore from running, but I’ve only found one Lord’s token fragment.”

“32 Lord’s token fragments in one day. Wouldn’t that take us 300 days to gather 10,000 Lord’s token fragments? That’s forever.”

“If this goes on, we won’t be able to pass this trial.”

“...”

The team members were all filled with worry.

They didn’t expect that after working hard for a day, the final harvest was so meager. To think there were only 32 Lord’s token fragments.

If this went on, they wouldn’t be able to pass this trial.

Luo Qingcheng, who was at the side, analyzed and said, “Previously, I tried to dissect the rules. If we rely on ourselves to collect the Lord’s token fragments, we can only get them from the treasure chests. The higher the grade of the treasure chest, the more Lord’s token fragments there will be. However, the spawning mechanism of the treasure chests is completely random. Now it seems that our luck is not very good. Today, the fire attribute territory did not spawn many treasure chests. Moreover, among the treasure chests that spawned, there was not a single one of a higher grade. They were mostly either tin treasure chests or black iron treasure chests. Let alone a high-grade treasure chest, we did not even see a silver chest.”

Hearing this, everyone agreed. It seemed that it was true. Their luck was quite bad.

The fire attribute territory was huge, but it only spawned a few treasure chests, and there wasn’t a single high-grade treasure chest. That was why they had worked so hard for a day and only obtained 32 Lord’s token fragments.

“So it depends on luck? Then what should we do?”

“That’s right, we can’t display our strength at all if it all depends on luck.”

“I wonder if our luck will be better tomorrow. Will more treasure chests be spawned in our territory, and even find high-grade treasure chests?”

“But that will be very unstable. If it all depends on luck, we’ll have no way to change the outcome.”

“Could it be that whether we can pass the trial on level five of the Tower depends entirely on luck?”

“...”

The team members discussed this amongst themselves. They were all stumped and did not have any good ideas.

At this moment, the voice of the Tower resounded throughout the world.

[Now, the latest news will be reported!]

[The European Federation and New Continent have decided to form Alliance Number 1!]

[The Red Star Empire and Pan-ocean Community have decided to form Alliance Number 2!]

[During the alliance, both teams will be on the same side. They can cooperate, but they can not share their territories. The two teams will share the gains equally!]

When everyone heard the Tower's report, they were in an uproar.

The situation here was not good, to begin with. In just one day, they had only managed to collect 32 Lord's token fragments.

At this time, the other teams actually chose to form alliances.

Coincidentally, the other four teams had all formed alliances.

As a result, the team from the Land of Origin was alone.

Of the other four teams, they formed alliances in pairs and would thus work together. Only the team from the Land of Origin had to rely on themselves and didn't have any allies.

All of a sudden, the team members started to panic.

Chapter 307: The Only Way

"Damn, why are they all in an alliance? We're alone all of a sudden."

"We're already quite slow in collecting the Lord's token fragments, and now they've formed alliances. We don't have a chance."

"Why does it feel like our team is being targeted?"

"Yeah, they formed alliances but didn't contact us at all."

"It's over, it's over, we're going to be eliminated."

"..."

Everyone was discussing fervently, feeling rather flustered. They felt that they were not fated to pass the trial on level 5 of the Tower and were probably going to be unable to head to level 6.

At this moment, Zheng Tainan suggested, "Everyone, don't panic. Why don't we also ally with the other teams? It's not like only two teams can form an alliance. Three teams can also ally."

Everyone was stunned when they heard Zheng Tainan's words, but they immediately felt that it made sense.

According to the rules, there was indeed no limit that only two teams could ally. Three teams could also form an alliance together.

They could just look for one of the alliances and joined them.

This way, their situation would instantly improve.

Then, everyone began to discuss.

“It’s a good idea. It seems to be the only way now.”

“Yeah, if we are left alone without an alliance, we are doomed to be eliminated. We can only wait for failure.”

“Then, the question is, which side should we ally with?”

“I feel that the European Federation is not bad. The European Federation and the New Continent are more advanced in science and technology. There will be more benefits if we cooperate with them.”

“But the Awakened from Red Star Empire and Pan-ocean Community are generally stronger. Wouldn’t it be better to cooperate with them?”

“The European Federation is a federation, so it will be more inclusive. The Red Star Empire is, after all, an empire, so it should be more difficult to integrate with them.”

“However, the Red Star Empire has always treated its allies well. Perhaps it is a good choice.”

“...”

There were many different opinions and they even started to quarrel in the middle of the discussions. Everyone had their opinions, and all of them believed that it would be better to ally with the side they chose.

Liu Yan, who had been pondering all this time, said at this moment, “Enough, stop arguing.”

When everyone heard this, they all stopped and looked at Liu Yan.

Liu Yan was, after all, their captain. Moreover, the two principals had clearly stated that they were to listen to Liu Yan, giving him a lot of power.

At this moment, everyone looked at Liu Yan curiously to see if he had any good ideas.

Liu Yan spoke, “For the four teams to form alliances so quickly on the first day, it is obvious that they had already discussed it. Thinking about it, it makes sense. The European Federation and New Continent are closer, while the Red Star Empire and Pan-ocean Community are closer and have always had a good relationship. They should have long agreed on forming alliances in pairs.”

Everyone carefully thought about it and realized that it seemed that this was indeed the case.

Otherwise, the other teams couldn’t possibly form alliances so quickly on the first day of entering the Tower. It was obvious that they had discussed this beforehand. Only then would they tacitly agree and cooperate straight away.

At this moment, everyone’s expressions were awkward. Since that was the case, even if they approached to join the alliances, it was very likely that they would not be accepted by either.

Zheng Tainan spoke at this moment, "But even so, it doesn't mean that they will not accept us. Perhaps they will still accept us. We should at least give it a try, right? This seems to be the only way at the moment."

When everyone heard this, they all felt that it made sense and looked at Liu Yan.

Liu Yan's expression was still calm as he continued, "You guys have to pay more attention to the rules. After forming an alliance, all the spoils of war will be automatically divided equally. They only chose to ally because they have a good relationship with each other. If we join them now, we will naturally get a share of their spoils of war. Do you guys think that they will be willing to share with us?"

They did not even need to think about it to know the answer, which was obviously negative.

After all, according to the information they had obtained, although the other four teams had some bad luck, the Lord's token fragments they had collected were not as few as the fire attribute territory. Rather, they had even obtained more.

Choosing to accept them into the alliance now would mean that they had to share the spoils, so the other two alliances would naturally be unwilling.

After all, if this happened, it was very likely that the alliance formed from three teams would not be as fast as the other alliance in terms of Lord's token fragment collection speed. The alliance that accepted them would probably be dragged down by the team from the Land of Origin.

Therefore, in general, the two alliances would not choose to form an alliance with the Land of Origin.

"What should we do then? We're alone, and they won't accept us. What should we do?"

"If we rely solely on ourselves, based on today's speed, it's impossible for us to pass the trial on level 5 of the tower."

"If we can only get a little over 30 Lord's token fragments in a day, based on this speed, it will take us at least 300 days to gather 10,000 Lord's token fragments. It's really too slow."

"We have to think of a way. We can't just continue collecting like this."

"That's right. If we continue like this, we're simply waiting for our doom. We're just waiting for death!"

"..."

Everyone discussed animatedly, but they couldn't think of a suitable solution.

After all, the rule of the trial on level 5 of the Tower was such that they could only collect the Lord's token fragments in their respective territories.

And now, the other four teams had formed alliances in pairs, leaving them all alone. In addition, their luck wasn't too good either. The treasure chests that were spawned in their territories weren't of high grades. Clearly, they wouldn't be able to catch up to the other four teams.

According to the rules of level 5 of the tower, putting aside the rewards of being the first two in synthesizing the Lord's token, they had to at least gather 10,000 Lord's token fragments to be the third

team to form the token. Otherwise, they wouldn't be able to pass the trial on level 5 of the tower and thus wouldn't be able to make it to level 6 of the tower.

To be able to reach this stage, any of them was outstanding. They possessed decent talents and strength, and during the process, they had put in an unimaginable amount of effort.

In addition, as students from Lighthouse and Gifted Academy, the team from the Land of Origin represented the glory of the two academies and the entire Land of Origin.

Everyone was extremely unwilling to just fail on level 5 of the tower like this.

Luo Qingcheng was pondering and seemed to have thought of a solution. However, she had a hesitant look on her face as if her thoughts were not easy for her to say out loud.

Xu Han and Allen Smith were also discussing the solution in a low voice.

On the stage, Liu Yan who had been thinking and not saying a word suddenly said, "In the current situation, we have no chance to ally with others. No party will sacrifice their interests to accept us. If we stay neutral, we will just be sitting and waiting for our doom. We will have no chance at all. Then, the only method left is..."

Everyone thought of something when they heard this. They looked at Liu Yan in disbelief.

Liu Yan's expression was cold as he slowly said, "We can only declare war!"

Chapter 308: Dilemma

In the temporary camp, When everyone heard Liu Yan's words, they were all stunned.

The atmosphere was quiet.

Everyone looked at Liu Yan in disbelief and immediately exclaimed.

"What? Declare war? For real? Isn't this too crazy?"

"The teams from other continents are not weak at all. Isn't it too risky to declare war with them?"

"This idea is too crazy. Captain Liu Yan, do you really intend to do this?"

"Yes, this is too risky."

"..."

Everyone was in an uproar, most of them had a look of disbelief on their faces.

Luo Qingcheng looked at Liu Yan with some surprise. She had just thought of this as well.

However, after thinking about it carefully, she felt that it was too risky, so she did not mention it.

She didn't expect Liu Yan to think of this and bring it up himself.

At this moment, Liu Yan's face was calm. He looked at the crowd and slowly explained, "Everyone, don't be anxious. You may think that this choice is too crazy, but in fact, it is the only way for us to win this

competition. After all, we don't have enough time to collect the Lord's token fragments in our territory. The other four teams have also allied in pairs. If we stay neutral, we are just waiting for death."

The majority of the team members naturally understood this logic and felt that what Liu Yan said was right. This was indeed their current situation that was a dilemma.

Everyone looked at Liu Yan, waiting for him to continue.

Some people still had faces of disbelief, feeling that it was too crazy.

However, some noticed how calm Liu Yan was. They felt that he wasn't recklessly thinking to advance. Perhaps there was indeed a chance, so they all looked at Liu Yan with anticipation.

At this moment, Liu Yan continued to explain, "Currently, our only choice is to declare war. Declaring war seems to be risky. After all, the other teams are not weak. They are all outstanding students from the four continents. Their strength might not be weaker than ours. In fact, they have even formed alliances. As long as we make a move against one of them, their ally will definitely join in."

"However, it's not like we don't have a chance. It's precisely because everyone thinks that we can't possibly declare war that we have to do so. We should do something out of their expectations and launch a surprise attack. Then, we will have a chance! Overall, it's considered high risk with high reward, but it's also our only choice. We can only do so."

After everyone heard Liu Yan's explanation, they looked at each other. Everyone had their thoughts.

Zheng Tainan was the first to object, "I don't agree. The logic stands, but it's too risky. Those are the teams from the other continents. They're not weak, they're elites. They've even allied in pairs. If we make a move against one of them, we'll definitely be retaliated against by the other. At that time, we'll be eliminated."

"That's right," Liu Qing echoed, "If we remain neutral now, perhaps we'll be lucky enough to farm more treasure chests in the territory later on. Maybe we'll even get high-grade treasure chests! When that time comes, won't we have a chance to pass the trial on level 5 of the Tower?"

"I also think it's too dangerous. It's best if we don't court death and declare war, right? It's too risky," Liu Ning also nodded.

Quite a few held the same opinion. They stood on Zheng Tainan's side and questioned Liu Yan's choice.

"Yes, Captain Liu Yan. We respect that you're our captain, but this choice is too risky."

"Captain Liu Yan, you'd better think about it. This is just too risky."

"Either way, I wouldn't dare to declare war. I don't have the strength either."

"Liu Yan, we know that you are strong, but this is a team system. It's useless if you are strong alone. Both alliances have many experts. How can we be a match for them?"

"It's better not to declare war."

"..."

Luo Qingcheng, who had been silent all this while, opened her mouth and said, "Everyone, I think this is a good choice."

Hearing Luo Qingcheng's words, everyone looked at her.

Although Luo Qingcheng could not be compared to top-notch geniuses like Liu Yan, Allen Smith, and Xu Han, she was still one of the influential people in the two academies. Everyone knew that she was a genius student from Command School and had very high attainments in the field of command.

At this moment, seeing that Luo Qingcheng had something to say, everyone was looking forward to hearing her opinion.

Luo Qingcheng said frankly, "I agree with Liu Yan's suggestion. Whatever he just said is indeed the truth. Everyone knows very well that if we remain neutral, it is equivalent to sitting on our hands and awaiting our doom. It is almost certain that we will be eliminated. Even if we are extremely lucky and many high-grade treasure chests are spawned in the territory later, allowing us to increase the speed of Lord's token fragments collection and thus collect enough in advance, what if those two alliances target us and declare war on us then?"

When everyone heard this, they were stunned.

Thinking about it carefully, that was indeed the case.

To remain neutral was equivalent to waiting for one's doom. There would be no other opportunities.

If they remained neutral, they could only wait to be lucky enough to obtain a pile of treasure chests in their territory. They would have to pray to their lucky stars that there were many high-grade treasure chests among the spawned chests. Only then would they have a chance to complete the trial on level 5 of the tower.

However, if that did happen, they would be targeted by the other two alliances. At that time, the other party would still declare war and plunder them.

After all, the strong preyed on the weak. Survival of the fittest was the rule of the Tower.

Even though they were all humans of the Blue Planet, they represented different continents that affected their respective interests.

When it involved interests, it was without a doubt that those people would not be merciful.

Seeing that everyone was silent, Luo Qingcheng smiled and continued, "Everyone should be able to think clearly. You know very well that even if we don't declare war now, when the time comes, they will declare war on us. Instead of waiting for our doom, we should take the initiative to attack and declare war on them. Although it's risky, as long as we grasp the opportunity and display our strength well, there will be many opportunities. Especially now, the four teams have just formed alliances. The relationships between the allies are not close yet, and they are not on guard either. Isn't this the best opportunity for us?"

Hearing this, everyone agreed with Luo Qingcheng's words. They all felt that it was very reasonable.

However, it was one thing to feel that it was reasonable, but another to implement it.

After all, the opponents were teams from the other four continents. They were all elites and had great strength.

Now that they had allied in pairs, declaring war on them would undoubtedly require a great deal of courage.

Moreover, everyone could predict that if they failed after declaring war, it would mean that they would have no chance of passing the trial on level 5 of the tower. They would be eliminated.

Even if they succeeded in declaring war, they would suffer the revenge of the other teams later on.

It seems that the Land of Origin team would be in an extremely awkward position either way.

Chapter 309: Make a Prompt Decision

The group was hesitant and did not know what to do.

On one hand, if they chose to be neutral, they would basically be waiting for their doom. It was very difficult for them to have any good opportunities. It would all depend on luck.

On the other hand, if they chose to declare war, it had high risks but yielded high rewards. If they succeeded, the rewards would naturally be great.

However, there was also a high possibility of failure. If they failed, all their previous efforts would be wasted and they would be eliminated. There would be no more chances in the future.

At this moment, quite a number of students from Gifted Academy looked toward Allen Smith and Xu Han.

Both of them were influential figures in Gifted Academy, and they were also top-notch geniuses.

Although Liu Yan was the captain, these two top-notch geniuses were from Gifted Academy, after all, so it gave them a sense of closeness. At this moment, they were more interested in hearing the opinions of these two.

“Allen Smith, what do you think?”

“Xu Han, what do you think too? We’re all from Gifted Academy, so you two have to give us some ideas.”

“Yeah, at this critical moment of life and death, you two have to stand up and express your opinions.”

“If you two agree with Liu Yan’s choice, then we won’t think too much about it. We’ll definitely cooperate!”

“...”

Some of the students from Gifted Academy voiced their questions one after another.

The rest of the students from Lighthouse Academy also looked toward Allen Smith and Xu Han.

Although the two weren't from Lighthouse Academy, they were still top-notch geniuses from the Land of Origin.

The students from Lighthouse Academy also wanted to hear Allen Smith and Xu Han's views.

Allen Smith and Xu Han looked at each other when they heard that.

Xu Han smiled and said, "I think your analyses are quite reasonable. Both choices have their pros and cons. I'll remain neutral and continue to listen to your discussions and opinions."

When everyone heard that, they could not help but feel a little disappointed.

Xu Han's meaning was very clear. He was not in favor of declaring war, nor was he against declaring war. Instead, he wanted to see what everyone thought.

In the end, he was just saying a bunch of nonsense. It would not be of much help to the current situation.

Everyone then looked at Allen Smith.

However, Allen Smith simply said coldly, "I'm also neutral."

These simple words were enough to explain Allen Smith's opinion.

When everyone heard this, they felt helpless. For a moment, they still did not know what to do.

The team members could only continue to discuss.

"If the declaration of war is successful, the benefits will be great, but the risks are too great. If we fail, we won't have a chance at all."

"That's right. Although the chances of succeeding if we remain neutral are slim, we can at least continue to wait and see if there's a chance."

"I still feel that it's better to be safe. We can't be eliminated here."

"I think we can take the risk. After all, the current situation is worrying."

"..."

Everyone discussed it among themselves, but they still couldn't come up with a result. They didn't know what to do.

At this moment, Liu Yan couldn't be bothered to wait for the result of everyone's discussion. After all, this was an opportunity that couldn't be missed.

The four teams had just formed an alliance. Tonight would be their most relaxed moment, so tonight was the best opportunity.

Liu Yan naturally did not want to miss such a good opportunity, and there was not much time left for them to slowly consider.

He simply said frankly, "No matter what you choose, I will lead a small team tonight to break through the wood attribute territory where the Pan-ocean Community is located!"

After saying this, he went to the side and lit a bonfire, starting to prepare food and rest for the operation at night.

When everyone heard this, they were in an uproar. They did not expect Liu Yan to be so determined. Not only was he determined to declare war, but he even wanted to take action tonight.

“Isn’t this too risky?”

“Although Pan-ocean Community is weaker in comparison, they formed an alliance with the Red Star Empire. The Red Star Empire’s team is extremely powerful.”

“Why is he taking action so quickly? Aren’t we going to discuss a plan properly?”

“It seems he’s going to start a lightning war. I think it’s feasible.”

“Isn’t Captain Liu Yan’s choice a little too risky?”

“...”

Everyone was discussing in astonishment.

Meanwhile, Allen Smith and Xu Han, who were in the corner, exchanged glances. Both of them had satisfaction in their eyes.

In fact, when Liu Yan first proposed to declare war, they had already agreed with him.

It was just that they doubted whether he had any concrete plans.

From the looks of it now, other than his strength, Liu Yan’s commanding ability wasn’t weak at all. It seemed that he had a perfect plan.

The reason why they had remained neutral earlier was that they didn’t want to lead the situation.

After all, the two of them were the top geniuses of Gifted Academy. In the end, the students of Gifted Academy would still idolize and trust them more. They would also feel a sense of closeness towards them.

If the two had expressed their stance just now, regardless of whether they were against or in agreement with Liu Yan, the outcome was fixed. The students of Gifted Academy would immediately choose the same option.

In this way, it was equivalent to the two of them being able to influence the decision of their captain, Liu Yan.

At the same time, it also meant that the students of Gifted Academy had lost their ability to think.

Such an outcome was naturally not what Allen Smith and Xu Han wanted to see.

Before coming to level 5 of the tower, Principal Murakami had specially instructed them that since the captain was Liu Yan, they naturally had to follow the captain’s orders.

As long as it did not involve the issue of principles, all actions should follow Liu Yan’s instructions.

Allen Smith and Xu Han were extremely respectful toward Mr. Murakami, so they naturally remembered his instructions by heart.

They did not know Liu Yan well, nor did they understand why Murakami was so supportive of him becoming the captain.

However, Allen Smith and Xu Han believed that Murakami definitely had his reasons for doing so.

They believed in Murakami and would just act according to his wishes.

On the other side, Liu Yan had just sat down by the bonfire when Luo Qingcheng, Murong Xue, and Chu Long came over.

Murong Xue couldn't wait to say, "We're going to act tonight, right? You have to bring me! Just watch me break through Pan-ocean Community. Everyone says that they are strong, but I don't think so."

Murong Xue had been holding back for a long time and was eager to have an intense battle.

She naturally wouldn't miss such a good opportunity.

As for the discussion of whether to declare war between the team members just now, Murong Xue didn't think much about it with her one-track-minded personality

She did not hesitate to choose to stand on the side of Liu Yan, whom she was more familiar with. Moreover, there was even a battle to fight, so Murong Xue was very happy.

Chu Long also said, "Big brother Liu Yan, if there is anything that you need my help with, I can go with you. Now that my healing and support abilities are already very strong, I can bring a lot of help to you."

When Liu Yan heard this, he nodded and said, "Let me think about the matter of the squad list tonight. It will be announced later. Don't be anxious."

"I don't care, I must be there," Murong Xue insisted.

Seeing this, Luo Qingcheng shook her head with a helpless smile. She said, "The other teams consist of the elites of their respective continents. They are not weak. We must not let our guard down."

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"I know, so what? Let's see who's the fiercest. It'll be over with just a clash," Murong Xue said with a face full of anticipation.

Luo Qingcheng smiled and didn't say anything more.

After spending time with Murong Xue, Luo Qingcheng had a better understanding of her personality.

She had simple thoughts and was more belligerent. However, she was not someone who would underestimate the enemy, so she did not need to worry too much.

Luo Qingcheng looked at the team members who were still discussing and even quarreling with each other not far away. She said to Liu Yan helplessly, "We have just arrived on level five of the tower, so

they still don't take you as a captain very seriously. In their hearts, they haven't really acknowledged you yet. This is the norm. You don't need to feel defeated."

Luo Qingcheng was clear that since Liu Yan was the captain, logically speaking, his words should be the order. These people could at most express their opinions, but they didn't have the qualifications to question, nor did they have the right to influence his decision.

In reality, these people hadn't really acknowledged Liu Yan in their hearts.

Luo Qingcheng was worried that Liu Yan would feel defeated because of this, so she came to comfort him.

Hearing this, Liu Yan shook his head indifferently, "It's okay, just take it slow."

He had already expected such a situation.

Even the students of Lighthouse Academy had not fully acknowledged him, let alone the students from Gifted Academy. Such a situation was very normal. They only needed to get used to each other for some time.

At this moment, the voice of Tower sounded once again.

[Due to the fact that some have formed an alliance, the cross-server chat is now activated!]

[All members on level 5 of the tower can chat publicly. Everyone can see the chat content. The private chat has not been opened yet!]

The voice of the Tower resounded throughout the world.

In the temporary camp, the members of Land of Origin's team heard this and stopped quarreling. Some were surprised that the cross-server chat had been opened.

Very quickly, many used their smart wristbands to open the chat interface.

When Liu Yan heard this, he was also surprised and curious. Together with Murong Xue and the other girls, they opened the chat interface.

At this moment, in the chat interface, quite a number of people were already chatting.

Most of them were just chatting about things that were not important.

However, at this moment, a chat message caught Liu Yan's attention, and at the same time, it also caught the attention of the rest of the people.

He Yang: "I'm the captain of Pan-ocean Community's team, He Yang. Are the captains of the teams from the European Federation and New Continent here? I have something important to discuss with the two captains of Alliance Number 1."

As only the cross-server chat system where they could chat publicly had been opened, they could not chat in private. They could only chat in public, in front of everyone.

Otherwise, they could only meet up in private and chat face-to-face.

However, they were in different territories, so it was not realistic to chat in person. They could only endure being seen by everyone else and chat on the public chat channel.

When Liu Yan's team members saw the words of Pan-ocean Community's captain, He Yang, they gathered and watched curiously.

"As the captain of the Pan-ocean Community team, why isn't he talking to the captain of the Red Star Empire team? Why is he looking for the two captains of the other alliance?"

"Yeah, I remember that the two alliances have similar overall strength. They are evenly matched, but they are also at loggerheads with each other. There have been all kinds of conflicts between both parties."

"These two alliances usually have a lot of conflicts. Why are they discussing important matters now?"

"I don't understand what He Yang is up to."

"..."

While everyone was discussing, the captain of the European Union team, Hans Wilson, and the captain of the New Continent team, Jin Cheng, both replied.

Hans Wilson: "Captain He, what business do you have with Alliance Number 1?"

Jin Cheng: "You were lucky enough to draw with us last time. Are you asking for a beating again?"

He Yang: "Haha, what do you mean by lucky? You were clearly the one who couldn't do anything to me, and now you're acting smug?"

He Yang: "Alright, alright. Let's not talk about these things for now. I want to talk to you guys about something important."

Ye Yifan: "There is indeed something important to talk about. It will benefit us both."

Ye Yifan was the captain of the Red Star Empire's team. Currently, they had formed Alliance Number 2 with the Pan-ocean Community that He Yang was in.

When Liu Yan saw Ye Yifan come out to talk, he immediately had a bad feeling.

These four captains knew each other. Before entering the Tower, these four people were all famous geniuses on their respective continents.

Therefore, before entering the Tower, these four people had many interactions, as well as frictions and friendships.

However, Liu Yan was different from them.

On one hand, Liu Yan had only grown after entering the Tower. Before this, he was just an ordinary otaku. Naturally, no one knew him.

On the other hand, the geographical location of the Land of Origin was quite special. It was quite far away from the other four continents. Therefore, they rarely interacted with each other. There was no

friendship or friction between them and the other continents. It was simply an existence that they didn't know at all.

As a result, the four captains of the five teams on level 5 of the tower knew each other, while Liu Yan was the one who was completely alone.

Seeing that they were discussing important matters while being clearly hostile alliances, Liu Yan had an inexplicable bad feeling.

However, most of the team members didn't have this kind of feeling. They all looked like they were watching a show curiously.

"Hey, what do you guys think these two captains of Alliance Number 2 are planning? What are they trying to do?"

"I don't understand. These two alliances have had a lot of friction in the past. There were all kinds of conflicts. Now that it involves interests, there should've been more conflicts."

"Yeah, why are these two alliances still talking about important matters and cooperation?"

"In my opinion, Alliance Number Two probably has malicious intentions and wants to set up the number one alliance."

"I think so too. They are definitely enemies with Alliance Number One. Who knows, they might even start fighting."

"Haha, it's even better if they start fighting. Then, we can fish in troubled waters. Ultimately, three teams will be able to advance. We don't expect to be the top two teams with rewards. It'll be enough if we can be in third place and advance without any rewards."

"..."

For a moment, everyone felt that it made sense.

As long as these two alliances fought, given that the strength of both parties was evenly matched, both sides would probably suffer huge losses.

This way, the team from the Land of Origin would be able to reap the benefits as an onlooker. It was truly wonderful.

At this moment, Murong Xue, who was beside Liu Yan, saw the chat interface. She also came over and said with some doubt, "I've seen these four people before afar during the exchange meeting. The conflict between them is huge. It's already good enough if they're not at each other's throats. Why would they discuss cooperation?"