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At that moment, Sasha seemed very calm as she stated, "My grandfather might not be the best person and perhaps he had done something bad. However, as for this, I don't believe that he actually did it."

"You're still denying it..." Borzoi was enraged.

"Listen to me!" Sasha interrupted him and continued, "Assuming that things are as you said, that my grandfather found antiques and wanted to take it for himself."

"But he has countless ways to obtain it. There is no need to kill for this."

"You should know that ten years ago, the net worth of my family was already worth tens of billions. My grandfather also collected numerous rare treasures from all over the world. If he wanted to have that antique, he could just spend money on it."

"Assuming that what you said was true, and my grandfather did indeed go to your country to invest and set up a factory in order to make money. However, just for an antique, he forfeited the factory that was halfway done and even killed for the antique? This is totally not making any sense."

"So, I don't believe that my grandfather would do something like this."

After hearing Sasha's analysis, even Borzoi, who was still angry, couldn't help but pause in shock. Then, he retorted furiously, "This is just your assumption. You are his granddaughter. You will naturally think of your grandfather in a good way."

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"I don't care if your grandfather was good or bad, and I don't care if he had a better way to get the antique. What I know is that your grandfather killed my grandfather. This is a fact."

"You are not being reasonable. I have analyzed it and this is unlikely. If you don't believe it, I..." Sasha glared at Borzoi helplessly.

Borzoi was determined. "Even if I am not being reasonable, I will still avenge my grandfather."

"You..." Sasha didn't know how she was supposed to reason with someone like this.

At that moment, Fade stood up. He stared at Borzoi for a few seconds and then asked, "You keep saying that Fenrir killed your grandfather. How are you so sure that this is true? Did you witness it personally?"

Borzoi paused, then he answered, "Although I didn't see it with my own eyes, many people knew about it. My master and other workers were around at that time. Especially, my master, he was the one who had brought back my grandfather's corpse."

"Your master?" Fade frowned and asked, "How is he as a person? Was he the one who arranged for you to come to Jade City this time?"

"My master is..." Borzoi stopped as he thought of something and turned to Fade in alertness. "What are you trying to do? Are you going to attack my master? I won't allow you to do that. I..."

Fade frowned as he rushed forward and held him in a choke. He looked at him coldly and said, "You have to understand your current situation. I am not here to talk to you. I am interrogating you. If you don't answer me, I will kill you."

After that, Fade proceeded to tighten his grip on Borzoi's neck. Borzoi felt suffocated and breathless, his face paling.

"Tell me, who is your master?" Fade repeated.

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Borzoi's face was flushed red but he was determined. He shook his head and answered, "No, I won't..."

Upon hearing that, Fade's expression fell. He further increased the strength in his fingers, tightening his grip on Borzoi's neck. Borzoi's face was already starting to turn purple.

However, even under such circumstances, Borzoi still shook his head and said with difficulty, "No!"

"Since you refuse to answer, it's useless for me to keep you here. Die!" Fade looked as if he was about to kill Borzoi and squeezed with such a great force that he almost broke Borzoi's neck.

Borzoi knew that he was about to die. He closed his eyes in despair and prepared for his own death.

However, Fade released his hand suddenly. He took a step back and said to Sasha, "Let's go!"

The two of them left the room without saying anything else. The thick iron door slammed shut and was locked again.

Borzoi, who had been awaiting his death, opened his eyes and coughed vigorously. He looked at the iron gate in astonishment, a glint flashing in his eyes as he fell deep into thoughts.

Sasha, who followed Fade, looked at him with a puzzled face and asked, "Mr. Chen, why did you release Borzoi, he..."

"Did you wish for me to kill him?" Fade questioned.

Sasha paused, then she lowered her head and replied, "I don't really care. I'm just curious as to why you didn't."

Fade waved his hand. "Don't be so nervous. I didn't mean to kill him just now."

"Ah, well..." Sasha grew even more confused.

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Fade explained, "I was actually testing him when I wanted him to tell me his master's name. However, if he had confessed immediately, it would prove that he was a coward. Then, his words would not be credible."

"But when I threatened him just now, he still did not betray his master although he was on the verge of death. This shows that his words are most likely to be true."

"But, my grandfather...." Sasha immediately grew anxious and started to defend her grandfather.

Fade waved his hand and said, "What he said might be true, but it doesn't mean that your grandfather had killed someone. There might have been some misunderstanding involved."

Sasha fell into even deeper confusion as she inquired, "Then what should we do next?"

Fade looked at Sasha and answered, "Since Borzoi insists that Fenrir has stolen his grandfather's antique that your grandfather valued very much, we shall look for it."

Sasha replied, "Mr. Chen, you're planning to go to my house."

Fade nodded. "Please make a phone call to ask the elders in your family to gather together and see if we can find what we're looking for."

"Alright!" Sasha nodded and called her family.

Fade drove to the Li family's villa by himself.

As they were on their way, Fade glanced at the rearview mirror and smiled.

Upon their arrival, everyone in the Li family was already prepared.

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Fade and Sasha entered Fenrir's storage room. It was huge, divided into several rooms of nearly 500 square meters. It was also divided into a few areas according to their storage conditions.

Fenrir's storage room was comparable to some of the museums in Long City.

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It was eye-opening when Fade and Sasha saw the collections in the storage room.

Needless to say, there were thousands of them. Moreover, most of them were special collections of Fenrir's and were unique items according to various articles and news.

Their prices were at least 50 or 60 million each. Some were even worth more than hundreds of millions, up to billions.

Fade found that Fenrir seemed to like the Chinese antiques very much since they made up 70% of the collections in the storage room.

Since Borzoi wasn't sure what antique had been dug out at that time, therefore, Fade and Sasha could only follow their instincts.

Taking into consideration that it was from Torteland and also the Old Master's preferences, Fade and Sasha decided to focus on the Chinese antiques. Therefore, they began to search in the storage room.

However, there were too many antiques in there. Fade and Sasha weren't sure which one was the one they were looking for.

In the end, they decided to ask the elders in the Li family to inquire more about the antique since they were uncertain.

However, the elders could not answer them as they had no idea about it at all. They could only tell Fade and Sasha about the Old Master's favorites for their reference.

Despite having this information, Fade and Sasha were still unable to determine what the antique was.

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Time passed and it was already evening.

Sasha went to the storage room and said, "Mr. Chen, it's late now and I have prepared dinner for you. Shall we end here for today and continue tomorrow?"

Fade nodded. He put the antique down and locked the storage room when he left. Then, he went to the dining hall to have dinner with Sasha.

After dinner, she arranged for a ride to send him home.

However, Fade looked at the dimming sky from the window, wiped his mouth and said, "It's getting late. I shall rest here today!"

"Ah!" Sasha looked at Fade in astonishment as she fell speechless.

Fade raised his eyebrows and asked, "Why, I am not welcomed here?"

"No, it's not that." Sasha shook her head quickly as she answered, "Of course you are most welcome here, Mr. Chen. I shall get someone to prepare a room for you. No, I will prepare it myself."

Fade nodded.

Sasha immediately went to prepare the bedroom.

As she was preparing the room, she started to have weird thoughts.

Why would Mr. Chen ask to stay overnight? Did he have something else in mind?

Moreover, Mr. Chen had been very concerned about the incident where Sasha was nearly assassinated. Fade had not only helped to catch Borzoi, but he was also very concerned about the antiques and helped her with everything, even until that

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moment.

Could it be that he...?

Sasha blushed as she thought of something and started to have butterflies in her stomach.

But then she shook her head fiercely and said to herself, "This is impossible, there is too big of a gap between us. Moreover, Mr. Chen seems to be married. His wife, President Lin, is so pretty. They..."

Fade was not aware of Sasha's random thoughts. He was looking out from the villa and whispered to himself, "Will you come tonight?"

After that, Fade and Sasha chatted for a while and went to rest after washing up.

It was midnight and all the lights were turned off. There was only complete silence as everyone was deep in their sleep.

Out of nowhere, a dark shadow snuck into the Li family's villa. He flipped through the three-meter-high wall with ease, avoiding the alarms and entered the compound of the villa.

The dark shadow was getting nearer with the help of the trees and flower beds in the villa that covered him.

Soon, the dark silhouette had reached the villa. He opened a small window and entered it.

His movements became lighter when he entered the villa, as if he was a cat, walking around the villa without making any noises.

Soon, the shadow had reached Fenrir's storage room. He looked around to make sure that no one was around. Then, he took out a tiny device, placed it at the burglar-proof door and quickly activated it.

In less than ten seconds, the device clicked and the burglar-proof door was opened. He kept his device and entered the storage

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room.

Then, he took out a small torch and began his search.

He passed by rows and rows of antiques quickly but gently. He was focused on searching for his target and did not have any second thoughts about the other treasures.

About ten minutes later, he found a simple-looking wooden box in a corner.

He opened the wooden box to check. Then, he took out a black bag to keep the wooden box as he smirked and prepared to leave.

As he was about to leave, suddenly, the lights in the storage room were turned on.

The glaring lights shone onto his face making him unable to see clearly for a moment. However, he was still able to move by his instinct. He rolled over on the ground and hid behind a wooden frame.

While at this moment, the door of the storage room was opened. Fade, Sasha and the members of the Li family entered the room.

Fade smiled and said, "You are finally here."

Then, he looked at the dark shadow who was hiding in the corner, waved his hands and said, "You don't have to hide anymore, we have found you. Let me see, which antique were you looking for?"

At this time, the elders of the Li family scanned the storage room. Soon, they had identified the missing item and said, "That bronze dagger is missing."

"So it's the dagger!" Fade looked at the empty spot and then said in a puzzled tone, "That dagger looks ordinary, nothing special. I

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didn't expect that you were looking for it!"

Sasha demanded, "Put it down and come out to surrender, otherwise don't blame us for being impolite."

The security guards behind Sasha were all prepared to fight.

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The dark silhouette, Tiago who was hiding behind the wooden frame finally revealed himself. He looked at Sasha and the other members of the Li family, holding a green dagger that was about the length of his palm.

"Put down the dagger, hands up. Surrender now," Sasha ordered.

However, Tiago didn't intend to do so. Instead, he laughed as he turned at Sasha, and said, "You are Fenrir's granddaughter. I didn't expect that you are so pretty!"

Tiago was definitely arrogant. He licked his lips as he stared at Sasha lewdly.

He then remarked rudely, "Well, I don't have time now. Otherwise, I would've had my way with you in front of your grandfather's portrait. I wonder how the old man would react when he sees us?"

Sasha frowned. "How dare you. You have already been surrounded. Now, surrender immediately, otherwise, I—"

However, before Sasha could finish speaking, Tiago interrupted her and glanced at the security guards behind her disdainfully. He laughed and mocked, "Do you think you can stop me with those security guards of yours?"

After that, Tiago moved around from the side and quickly rushed towards the exit.

He moved so fast that the security guards couldn't react at all. Soon, he was about to rush out.

However, right then, Fade immediately attacked him. At the last moment, he forced Tiago back into the room with a swing of his

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hand. "You can't leave when I am here."

Tiago rubbed his chest that had been attacked by Fade. He looked at Fade with a grim expression and questioned, "Are you the one who caught Borzoi?"

Fade looked at Tiago and nodded as he replied, "It was me. If I am right, you are his so-called master, right?"

"I am indeed the master of Borzoi," Tiago admitted with a solemn expression as he gritted his teeth. "What a useless disciple! He couldn't even complete the task I gave him, but instead, he sold me out. When I return, I must teach him a good lesson."

Fade shook his head when he heard Tiago, and sighed. "You are so disappointing when compared to Borzoi!"

"What do you mean?" Tiago frowned.

Fade stepped forward with a relaxed expression and answered, "Your disciple did not reveal your identity when he was about to die. But you, his master, had used him as bait to come here and steal. Do you think you are worthy of being his master?"

Tiago froze and snorted, "I taught Borzoi by myself. Haven't you heard that you should treat your masters like your own father? No matter how I treat him, you have no say at all."

"That is indeed correct. But the premise is that you, as his master, must perform your responsibilities well. Do you really think that you have done what a master should?" Fade questioned.

Tiago fell silent as his face fell.

He then waved his hand impatiently and said, "I'm not gonna waste time talking to you. If you want to stop me, then take this!"

Without hesitation, Tiago charged towards Fade, attacking him ferociously.

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As Fade watched Tiago's attacks, his gaze grew cold as he muttered to himself, "It's this feeling! The familiar and disgusting feeling!"

Tiago heard his words. Although slightly puzzled, he didn't really care. He continued to dash towards Fade and yelled, "Get out of my way, or die!"

His violent claws were aimed straight for Fade's throat; he was about to finish Fade off in one deadly blow.

Faced with Tiago's vicious offense, Fade raised his eyebrows and huffed. He took a step back before he blasted a punch on Tiago's claws.

Upon collision, Tiago was immediately knocked back. He staggered backwards as he tried to find his balance.

Surprise and pain flashed across Tiago's face. His right hand was now on his side and was trembling slightly. He had taken Fade's punch directly with one hand, and it was painful.

"Now, will you give up, or will you keep fighting?" Fade inquired, glancing at Tiago.

Tiago's expression grew grim as he gritted his teeth and rushed towards Fade again.

This time, he moved faster than before. He was going to make his attack even more violent.

"Impressive! You're now at the pinnacle of the Black Level. However, it's all the same for me!" Fade commented calmly as he extended another punch once again.

"Thud!" Tiago flew back after taking Fade's punch. He moved backward unsteadily as his body hit the wall. Blood spilled out from the corner of his mouth.

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Tiago was taken aback as he stared at Fade and asked, "Are you at the Earth Level?"

Fade did not respond, but instead questioned him, "Now, are you willing to surrender? I don't want to fight here. If any item is damaged, I need to compensate for it!"

Tiago's expression fell as if he was deep in his own thoughts.

Fade waited for Tiago's answer. Tiago had been hiding his right hand behind his back all the while. Suddenly, he stretched out his hand and attacked Fade with a flow of green energy.

"How dare you! You are digging your own grave!" Irked, Fade shouted coldly, countering Tiago's attack.

Tiago concentrated the green light on his right hand and aimed straight at Fade.

Fade had wanted to knock Tiago out at once. However, at this critical moment, he found that the green light in Tiago's hand turned out to be the antique bronze dagger that Tiago had stolen.

As he thought of this, Fade moved aside and avoided Tiago instead of attacking him directly.

Upon seeing this, Tiago simpered and pounced onto Fade even more fearlessly. This time, Fade could see clearly the green light was aimed straight at him.

Fade was worried about damaging the antique, hence he decided not to confront Tiago head-on.

Tiago saw that Fade had retreated, and instantly, his lips quirked upwards into a prideful grin. He continued to launch a constant wave of attacks at Fade with the antique dagger.

Fade frowned when he saw that Tiago was about to escape. Immediately, he channeled all his energy on his legs as

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he accelerated his movements and bombarded Tiago.

Tiago didn't even have time to fight back, so he could only watch as Fade attacked him.

However, just as Fade was about to succeed, Tiago chuckled and raised his left hand. A red light emitted from his left hand, and it was aimed straight at Fade.

Fade took a closer look and found out that Tiago was also holding a dagger in his left hand. It was very similar to its antique bronze equivalent, except that it was red.

"This—" Fade couldn't help but feel surprised when he saw this.

Tiago tittered in delight as he stated, "These are the Double Daggers. After merging them together, they will become more powerful."

As he guffawed, he added, "Even if you are a master of the Earth Level, you won't be able to block the Double Daggers!"

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As he spoke, Tiago combined the two daggers. Instantly, the red and the green lights intertwined with each other before they emerged as one and shot towards Fade's heart.

Tiago was moving at a rapid speed, so fast that he was able to carry a gust of wind as he sprinted towards Fade. Undeniably, it was going to be hard for Fade to block.

Tiago guffawed and hissed arrogantly, "Soon there will be a master of Earth Level who would die by my hands. When I return and spread this out, my reputation in the world of martial arts will grow even better."

The Double Daggers were aimed straight at Fade, and it seemed like it was impossible for Fade to avoid it.

However, at this critical moment, Fade shook his head calmly and sighed as he counter-attacked Tiago's attack. The Double Daggers were slammed back at Tiago.

Fade had managed to face off with Tiago's lethal attack so easily, even though it was the so-called invincible Double Daggers.

"How did you—" Tiago exclaimed incredulously as he looked at Fade.

Just then, Fade hit Tiago with his palm, and Tiago was knocked out of the storage room.

This time, Fade had exerted more force. As Tiago flew out of the storage room, blood spilled out from his mouth before he landed on the ground with a loud thud. He wailed in pain as he couldn't even stand up.

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Fade walked over to him slowly, and stared down at Tiago.

Tiago looked at Fade in disbelief and asked, "How is it possible? How could you have stopped my attack from the Double Daggers? Not even a master of Earth Level could have avoided this!"

Fade looked at him and replied blandly, "Who told you that I was a master of the Earth Level?"

"You've defeated my disciple Borzoi, but you were not a master of Earth Level. So are you at Black Level? But it's impossible for you to block..." Tiago paused as a realization dawned on him. He then looked at Fade in astonishment and asked, "Could it be that you are at Heaven Level—"

With a wave of his hand, Fade collected both of the daggers from Tiago.

Fade took a closer look as he held the daggers.

Both of the daggers were almost similar, but they were mirrors of each other. They looked quaint, but the blade was exceedingly sharp, especially after being infused with such a strong amount of energy.

The essence of these daggers was that they could be combined together, and unification would render them even more powerful.

"It's a good weapon, nearly reaching the quality of Earth Level. No wonder you came here for them!" Fade examined the daggers and commented aloud.

The weapons, medicines, and other items in the world of martial arts were also classified similarly as martial artists, ranging from Heaven Level, Earth Level, Black Level, and finally Yellow Level.

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The pair of daggers were considered good since they had reached the quality of Earth Level. It was not easy even for many masters of Earth Level to obtain a weapon at their same level. A pair of daggers that could be combined and separated was even more valuable.

Especially for a martial artist who was at the pinnacle of the Black Level, weapons of Earth Level quality were even more precious to them.

When Tiago heard how Fade had immediately recognized the daggers, he grew even more surprised. It had further confirmed his own assumption. "He really is at the Heaven Level..."

Fade handed the daggers to Sasha, then looked at Tiago and asked, "Now I want you to tell me. Why did you ask Borzoi to come here and assassinate Fenrir?"

Upon hearing this, Tiago's face fell.

Fade repeated coldly, "Why the silence? Do you want me to give you another kick?"

Tiago trembled when he heard Fade's words. He shook his head immediately and answered, "No, no, please don't. I'll tell. I'll tell you everything."

"Then do it!" Fade demanded.

Tiago replied, "The actual purpose of me asking Borzoi to assassinate Fenrir was to obtain this dagger. I took advantage of Borzoi's hatred towards the Li family to make him do this, as an act of revenge."

Fade pressed on, "What had happened between Borzoi and the Li family? Did Fenrir kill Borzoi's grandfather, Sakda?"

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Tiago paused when he heard that, and only continued to speak when he met Fade's stern gaze. "N-no, Fenrir did not kill Sakda."

Sasha was thrilled when she heard that. "I told you. My grandfather was not that kind of person."

Fade remained calm as he continued asking, "Then what about these daggers, how did Fenrir bring it back to Jade City?"

Tiago replied in a low tone, "Actually, when Fenrir was investing and establishing the factory, Sakda was responsible for the construction. He found an antique, which were these daggers."

"Fenrir liked these daggers very much, so he wanted to buy them back for collection. As the owner of the land and Fenrir's partner, Sakda agreed immediately and decided to sell it for ten million dollars," added Tiago.

"Originally, the deal should have gone smoothly. But at the critical moment, one of my men told me about the deal."

"I am a tycoon among the martial artists of that land, similar to a local potentate. I wanted to get a share of the deal, so I rushed over and prepared to talk with Sakda and Fenrir." Tiago's eyes lost their gleam as he narrated what had happened.

"But when I saw the daggers, I immediately realized that it was not some ordinary dagger, but a treasure with Earth Level quality. As a martial artist, I was naturally excited and wanted to take the daggers for myself."

"So, I made a purchase request to Sakda. But Fenrir also liked it very much, and his offering price was higher than mine. I couldn't compete with him at all." Tiago let out a sigh at this moment.

"In a blink of an eye, Fenrir was about to return to his country happily with the daggers. Back then, I succumbed to my own greed and before Fenrir left, I secretly rushed over to snatch the pair of daggers from him with force."

"But what I didn't expect was that Fenrir's bodyguards were so powerful. Although they were not as strong as me, they were at a

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similar level as mine. Despite their attack, I managed to grab one of the daggers. His bodyguards protected Fenrir before he was escorted out of the country immediately."

Tiago paused for a while before he continued, "At that time, after fighting violently with Fenrir's bodyguards, I suffered serious injuries and was about to go back to heal myself. But at this moment, Sakda showed up. It turned out that when he came to see Fenrir off, he had seen everything that had happened."

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Upon hearing this, Fade and Sasha had vaguely guessed what would occur next, but they allowed Tiago to continue.

Tiago then said, "After Sakda discovered what had happened, he was furious, asking me to return the dagger and apologize to Fenrir. Of course, I didn't want to."

"Then, Sakda threatened to report me to the local tycoons saying that I broke the rules and that I had crossed the line. He would make me look like a person who attacked his own people and also disturbed the construction of the factory." Tiago clenched his teeth.

"I was a nobody at that time. If he really told them, the local tycoons and the officers who supported the establishment of the factory would definitely not have forgiven me."

"So I killed Sakda and fabricated a lie, telling Chongrak that his grandfather Sakda was killed by Fenrir as Fenrir wanted to get himself the antique dagger." Both Fade and Sasha could see the resentment sparkling in Tiago's eyes.

"Chongrak believed me without any doubt, and hated Fenrir very much."

"I was worried that Fenrir would expose this incident, and at the same time, I wanted to get the dagger back. Therefore, I had accepted Chongrak as my disciple, taught him martial arts, and trained him over these years." At this moment, Tiago raised his head and looked at Fade.

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"Finally, I found a chance to send Chongrak to assassinate Fenrir as revenge for his grandfather and obtain the dagger at the same time."

"This is the whole story. The end." Tiago lowered his head as he finished.

Fade clapped his hands and said, "Let him out!"

Under Tiago and Sasha's shocked gazes, Borzoi, who was supposed to be locked up at the Stealth Team base, appeared in front of them.

Shock and anger were evident on his face. Borzoi glared at Tiago fiercely as he gritted his teeth. "Why did you have to do that? Why did you have to lie to me?"

When Tiago saw Borzoi, whose real name was Chongrak, he was stunned. He quickly tried to defend himself. "Borzoi, about this, —"

"My name is Chongrak, and my grandfather's name is Sakda. I am not Borzoi!" Chongrak yelled. The name Borzoi was given to him after he had learned martial arts from Tiago. He had participated in various fights as ordered by Tiago.

Now, when he learned that the master whom he regarded as his benefactor, was actually the murderer of his grandfather, the resentment and anger he felt made Chongrak not want to have anything to do with the title Borzoi.

Chongrak stared at Tiago and questioned, "Don't try to defend yourself. Answer me, did you kill my grandfather?"

"T-this, I..." Tiago wanted to defend himself. However, he dared not to lie as he stole a glance at Fade. He nodded and admitted, "Yes, I killed him."

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Upon hearing that, Chongrak's face was immediately plastered with red fury. He immediately attacked Tiago. "Since it was you who killed him, then you should pay for it now!"

Tiago tried to dodge, but he could not move at all as he was being held down by Fade. He could only take the hit from Chongrak, which landed straight on his head. His neck broke. And, with a loud crack, Tiago fell onto the floor lifelessly.

With that, the tycoon of Torteland had died in the hands of his own disciple.

After killing Tiago, Chongrak knelt down in front of Fade and Sasha and slapped himself twice. "I was wrong. I didn't figure out the truth and blamed it on you, and even tried to assassinate Miss Sasha."

"I deserve to die. I have avenged my grandfather. So for now, no matter how you two want to punish me, I'm going to willingly take it."

Sasha looked at Fade. It was obvious that she could not make a decision for such a situation.

Fade looked at Chongrak who was kneeling in front of him and noticed his determined gaze. "You are indeed guilty of attempting to assassinate Sasha."

"I deserve to die!" Chongrak lowered his head.

Fade immediately continued, "However, because of your determination, I will spare your life and give you a chance to turn over a new leaf."

"A chance? I..." Chongrak was shocked as he looked at Fade in disbelief, and asked, "Mr. Chen, what do I need to do?"

"You don't have to do anything. What you need to do most now is to return to Torteland immediately and take over your master's

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power, and strive to become the overlord," Fade replied.

"Huh? This..." Chongrak had never expected that Fade would spare him so easily. Fade even asked him to take over Tiago's powers to become an overlord.

Chongrak could not understand Fade's thoughts and asked, "Mr. Chen, I don't know why..."

Fade then interrupted him and responded, "You don't need to know why! Just do as I told you. When I have time, I will visit you in Torteland. By then, I hope you would have met my expectations."

"Yes, I shall work hard to meet your expectations, Mr. Chen," Chongrak stated.

Fade waved his hand and said, "Okay, get up!"

Chongrak stood and bowed gently at Fade. "Mr. Chen, then I will leave immediately to book the flight ticket."

Fade crouched down and took out a piece of paper. He then began to write some notes on it quickly. "Wait a minute!"

Soon, he handed the notes to Chongrak. "Keep this!"

"Mr. Chen, this is..." Chongrak looked at the words on the paper in surprise.

Fade explained, "These are some techniques of martial arts that I have improvised for you. If you continue to practice martial arts in the future, use these."

"Ah, techniques of martial arts. I..." Chongrak was even more astounded.

For a martial artist, or even a clan, the techniques they practiced were incredibly important. After all, mastering a good technique was equivalent to having the capital to survive in the martial arts world.

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People with a certain degree of talent could also use this technique to create a new clan before becoming an overlord in that area.

And now, Fade had just given Chongrak the guidance of different techniques to practice, and it seemed that it was an improved version of his previous method. That also meant that this exercise was definitely better than the one Chongrak had practiced before.

It was natural for Chongrak to be shocked when Fade had given away such a valuable thing.

Fade waved his hand and said, "This is nothing to me. Practice this when you've returned before developing your influence there. After a year, I will see you in Torteland and will give you some tasks. Understand?"

"Understood!" Chongrak nodded and answered loudly.

Fade waved his hand again. "Okay, you may leave now."

Chongrak nodded and thanked Fade before leaving.

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As Chongrak was leaving, Sasha looked at Fade in doubt. Something was bothering her but she chose to bottle it up as Fade seemed to have no intention of explaining further.

Fade also noticed how puzzled Sasha was. However, it wasn't something he could explain to her. It wouldn't do her any good.

In fact, Fade let Chongrak off easy and gave him a set of martial art skills because Fade felt a sense of familiarity when observing the style of martial arts that Chongrak and Tiago practiced.

He sensed the same thing from the two of them with the one in his encounter with the Skull Mob.

Fade's most recent battle with a member of the Skull Mob was in Hamlin City. When Shinnie returned to Bay City, she was poisoned by the Snow Lotus Seed while Quin was poisoned by the Ice Lotus Seed. Fade assumed that it was related to the Skull Mob. However, he had no direct evidence to prove his theory.

Therefore, when Fade noticed Chongrak's energy was similar to the member of the Skull Mob, he was concerned.

Fade arranged for Chongrak to return to Torteland and improved his skills so he could prepare to face the Skull Mob in the future.

However, he could only know how effective his plan was when the time came. After all, Fade didn't put in much thought before he gave Chongrak the notes.

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When Chongrak left, Fade told Sasha while beckoning her, "It's settled, you don't have to worry anymore. Please send someone to clean this storage room."

Sasha nodded. Soon, the servants came to clean the storage room.

Fade was about to leave the Li family as there were no more matters for him to attend to.

Right then, Sasha held the Double Daggers, went to Fade, and asked, "Mr. Chen, what do you want to do with these daggers?"

Fade looked at the daggers and pondered for a while.

The quality of these two daggers was at the Earth Level. Keeping them as antiques would be a waste. However, they were not useful to him either.

Fade was reminded of Lucas. He decided to give them to Lucas since he just advanced to the Earth Level. On top of that, he was new to the position of Martial Soul of Jade City. It would be good as these daggers would help him to strengthen his power.

Hence, Fade took the daggers and said, "I'll have them since I have a use for them."

"Of course, one of the daggers belonged to your grandfather. I won't just take them from you. Tell me what you want in return," Fade asked.

Speaking of which, Sasha's eyes flickered. She waved her hands again and again while saying, "I don't want anything. If it weren't for you, I would not be alive. Besides, my family and I are now your men, and if you would like to have the daggers, we..."

Fade raised his hand and said, "You can drop all the formalities with me. You are not a slave, and I don't want to engage in the bullsh*t of these talks of the aristocracy. You just need to mind your business, and if you don't cross the line, I wouldn't be

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bothered about you."

"So, let me take your daggers and pay you the equivalent price," Fade insisted.

When Sasha heard this, she was touched and a little excited.

After all, it was a wonderful thing for someone of such caliber in Jade City like Fade to make such a promise to her. She was certain that everyone in the entire Jade City would be envious of her.

Sasha had countless thoughts on her mind at the moment. What should she request?

Should she ask to be in charge of the Li family? Or, should she request longevity drugs? Or better still, should she make Fade give his words to protect the Li family?

But Sasha quickly shook off all these ideas as they flashed through her mind.

Regardless of whether Fade would agree to these requests, it would ruin Fade's impression of her. In the end, these requests of hers would only come back and backfire on her.

Quickly discounting these thoughts, Sasha was tongue-tied for a while.

Upon seeing this, Fade swung his hand and said, "If you can't decide what you want right now, you can look for me whenever you have an idea."

With that, Fade was about to leave the Li family.

Upon seeing this, Sasha's heart missed several beats at once. All of a sudden, she didn't want Fade to leave.

Thinking of this, she said immediately, "Mr. Chen, I know what I want."

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Fade stood still, looking at Sasha. "Alright, tell me what your request is. I'll help you as long as it is reasonable."

Sasha patted her clothes with both her hands before she bowed her head slightly, looking a little nervous. She took a deep breath before raising her head. "Mr. Chen, my request is a simple one. I hope you can spend the night resting in the villa and leave tomorrow!"

"Uh, this..." This request was not within Fade's expectations. He glanced at Sasha and asked, "Are you serious about this request? I..."

Sasha nodded firmly and interjected, "Thanks to you, my family and I are still alive. I dare not and cannot request anything more from you, Mr. Chen."

After a pause, she continued, "It's getting late now, Mr. Chen, you have gotten your hands full until now because of my family. I hope that you rest well tonight."

Fade didn't doubt her sincerity, for he realized how genuine Sasha was. He looked at the time again, and it was already midnight. He nodded and responded, "If this is the case, then I will spend the night here and leave first thing tomorrow!"

"After you, Mr. Chen!" Sasha led Fade into the room enthusiastically.

As a result, Fade stayed for a night in the Li family's villa and left the next morning.

After Sasha sent Fade away respectfully, the rest of the Li family couldn't help but gather.

One of them asked, "Sasha, you have lost a golden opportunity! Why didn't you make a proper request from Mr. Chen? Instead of something so trivial!"

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"Yeah, it was indeed a good opportunity, and we could have gotten much more. But all you did was ask him to stay..." another remarked.

"Sasha, I don't understand. What on earth are you thinking?"

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Sasha looked at the person who questioned her, pursed her lips, and snorted. "You are too short-sighted. If we request anything materialistic, no matter what benefits it can bring to us, it will come to an end eventually."

She paused for a while and added, "But the request I made is different."

"What's the difference? Your request does not bring us any benefit. It is better to have something more practical!" someone said, dissatisfied.

Sasha stared at the other person and replied in a low tone, "Think about it. If news about Master Chen sleeping over at our family got out, what do you think will happen?"

Immediately, a realization dawned on everyone in the Li family. Their expressions changed at once.

"Master Chen slept over at our villa. How would people connect the dots..." One of them rose to his feet and paced around the room.

"Try adding the narrative of Master Chen saving Sasha. If people put the two and two together... surely their imaginations would go wild!"

He clapped his hand and exclaimed, "If such news went out, the relationship between Sasha and Master Chen will be..."



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In an instance, there was an uproar in the Li family.

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In the midst of the excitement, someone leaned over and said to Sasha, "Miss Sasha, how about we contact some reporters to release the news, then..."

Sasha glared at him and yelled, "Shut up. Are you trying to ruin my relationship with Master Chen?"

"No, Miss Sasha, I just..." he tried to explain.

Sasha interjected solemnly, "I know what you're thinking, but have you really thought it through? Do you think Master Chen would not find out that you had a reporter to leak the news? If Master Chen gets infuriated after knowing about our little shenanigans, what do you think will happen?"

He immediately nodded his head in agreement. Terrified, he was sweating profusely as he said hastily, "It's wrong of me for not thinking it through."

Sasha immediately looked at everyone in the Li family and declared, "We don't need to deliberately spread this matter. Just let it happen. Someone like Master Chen is not someone to be trifled with. Don't even think about having these thoughts. Otherwise, it will only bring disaster to our family. Understand?"

"Understood!" Everyone nodded, their eyes sparkling with admiration for Sasha.

At this moment in his car, Fade was thinking about why Sasha asked him to spend the night. Suddenly, he thought of something.

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"Seems like Sasha has something up her sleeve!" Thinking of this, Fade whispered to himself, "I can understand that though, but if she ever crosses any lines, I..."

Fade was finally able to take a good rest back at the hotel.

Everything in Jade City finally settled down. Quin and Lily had been taking good care of Fei Enterprises Holdings Inc. The development was going smoothly with the help of the Li family.

As for the Sincere Medicine Centre, it had also been on the right track and had completely stabilized with the support of Otto Clinic and the other experienced Chinese medicine practitioners, such as Otto.

Fade felt at ease now that everything seemed to have fallen into its right place. This was probably his most relaxing time for the past few months in Jade City.

Since Fade had nothing to do, he decided to pay a visit to one of the branch offices of Fei Enterprises Holdings Inc.

Fade arrived at the top floor and was about to enter Quin's office for some 'fun'.

All of a sudden, a shout came from behind, "Fade!"

Fade turned his head and saw that Lily was calling for him, and he couldn't help but smile, "Lily, how are you?"

Lily sized Fade up. He was obviously snooping around. "Fade, what are you doing here? Are you going to disturb Quin again?"

Fade waved his hand immediately and said, "No, of course not. I just come here to have a look. I have nothing to do anyway!"

"Great, since you are free, I would like your help with something." Lily clicked her tongue.

Fade asked, "What's the matter?"

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Lily replied, "Follow me and you'll find out. Let's go. We got to be quick."


Fade was rendered speechless; hence, he could only follow Lily downstairs. He became more uneasy and couldn't help but ask again, "What is it that you need help with? Tell me. I am a little nervous now!"

Lily chuckled as she rolled her eyes before saying, "You are Master Chen, a martial arts expert who everyone admires. It is surprising for you to be afraid."

"No, I am not..."

Right then, Lily opened the door of a room and interjected him, "Here, come in!"

Fade walked into the room and noticed that all the tables, chairs, and benches had already been removed from this originally large conference room. At this moment, it was just a large area of open space.

"What are trying to do here?" Fade was curious. 

Immediately, a burst of laughter rang out from behind them. Then, Fade saw a group of young and lively girls sashaying into the conference room.

They were startled when they saw Fade here. They instantly kept quiet as they timidly looked at Fade.

After all, Fade was the vice president of the company, and he was also the boss of the Sincere Medicine Centre. In a way, he was their superior.

Upon seeing this, Lily giggled and clapped her hands. She said, "No need to be so squeamish. Mr. Chen is here today to rehearse with all of you. He will be your dancing partner."

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"Huh?! President Chen is performing too!" one of them chirruped.

"President Chen is our dancing partner!"

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A tumult of screaming and shouting echoed off the wall. Fade himself was also a little shocked. He looked at Lily and asked, "What is this for?"

Lily winked at Fade and responded with a smile, "We will be celebrating the new year in less than a week. Our company has to prepare for the annual banquet and of course, we need to prepare some performances. The dancing team does not have enough performers so you will join them as well!"

Fade was exasperated upon hearing that. "You're asking me to dance with them? Well, I am fine with singing, doing martial arts stunts, and even dancing alone. But if I were to dance with so many girls, I..."

Lily comforted Fade, "Don't worry, you don't have to worry about Quin. I will explain to her. You just have put on your best performance."

"But, I..." Fade was still hesitating.

At this moment, Lily sighed, "If you don't agree, then I'll escalate this issue to Quin. I will mention that a certain senior member of the company is often absent from work, constantly late, and not doing his job properly. He is trying to find excuses just as the company is about to assign tasks to him..."

Helpless, Fade could only agree to Lily. "Stop. I promise I will perform, okay?"

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Lily chuckled triumphantly. She rubbed her palms together and said, "Well, you and the girls should practice hard then. I don't want to see you embarrassing us when you perform at the annual banquet!"

"Okay!" Fade could only agree before he sent Lily off her way.

Fade greeted the other dancers. Fade was young and amiable in their opinion. Soon, they were no longer nervous being around Fade. Instead, they started to strike a conversation with Fade.

Fade was relaxed too. He felt good that he could contribute to Quin's company this way.

However, he was instantly dumbfounded when the rehearsals started.

This was because it turned out to be a lovely girl group dance.

The girls were in their sailor suits. Truth be told, they did look quite adorable. But for a brawny man like Fade, he seemed out of place.

However, Fade could only practice with them silently. Well, he didn't have a choice, did he?

Soon enough, Lily rented a large venue to gather all the staff members from Fei Enterprises Holdings Inc and the Sincere Medicine Centre on the night of the company's annual banquet.

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The annual banquet was at 7 in the evening. First, the president of the company would give a speech, followed by various performances.

The atmosphere was getting livelier after a series of astonishing performances.

Right then, a staff member came to remind Fade, "Mr. Chen, it's your turn to perform. You should start preparing."

When Fade looked at the girls around him who were in their lovely sailor suits, and he in tight-fitting pink clothes, he wished he could just leave.

He fought for what he wore now. Well, the original plan was for Fade to put on a sailor suit and perform on stage, dressed as a girl.

However, Fade strongly insisted on wearing what he had on now. Although in Fade's opinion, this suit was still rather feminine.

Soon, Fade heard the host introducing them. Fade and the girls went on stage, prepared to perform.

Just when they were on stage, there was a burst of enthusiastic cheers from the audience. After all, a bunch of graceful girls was always a delight to see.

Then, when the host yanked Fade, who was trying to cover himself, on stage, the cheers from the audience turned into sky-shattering yells, almost toppling the entire venue.

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"Mr. Chen, whoa!"

"Dr. Chen, this outfit is beautiful. It suits you so well!" another shouted from the floor.

"Mr. Chen, rock the place! Do a sexy dance!"

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While listening to their screams, Fade's entire being was filled with exasperation.

In particular, Lily and Quin, who were sitting at the front, chortled in elation. Unlike their usual aloof personality, they were clapping their hands at this moment, their cheeks flushed with waves of laughter.

Fade glared at them and was about to shout at them. However, at this moment, the music began.

Fade had no choice but to join the formation and began to dance.

The audience was getting more excited at every passing second. Tumults of applause and shouting filled the air. Many employees were chanting Fade's name as if they were watching a star performing.

When Fade glanced at the audience, he saw Quin and Lily were enjoying themselves, laughing.

Suddenly, as if something struck his head, his lips quirked up into a smirk.

Then, during an interlude, Fade directly jumped off the stage and walked towards Quin and Lily. "President Lin, Manager Wei, come and join me on stage!"

At first, the audience was stunned. But when they saw Fade dragged Quin and Lily onto the stage, they clapped ardently.

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Quin and Lily were flabbergasted. They were enjoying themselves but little did they expect that Fade would drag them into his performance.

"Fade, don't be silly!" Lily whispered.

Quin also scowled at Fade and said, "Focus on your performance. Don't mess around."

Turning a deaf ear to them, Fade screamed at the audience, "Now, I invite President Lin and Manager Wei to come on stage and dance with me. Please give them a round of applause!"

"Whoa!" Fade grabbed their hands and brought them onto the stage.

"President Lin! President Lin!" the audience screamed.

"Manager Wei! Manager Wei!"

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A wave of enthusiastic cheers burst out from the audience.

Fade simpered as he looked at both of them. "President Lin, Manager Wei, everyone is so on fire. You don't want to disappoint them, right?"

Both of them were rendered wordless. All they could do was glower at Fade while they were being brought on stage by Fade.

Fade asked them to stand beside him, and muttered with a smile, "Just follow me and dance."

Lily scowled at Fade mutely. After all, she was in charge of the dance. She had some recollection of the moves and started to follow along.

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Quin, on the other hand, was a little helpless. She wasn't good at singing and dancing. She looked stunned and as stiff as a piece of board. She did not anticipate this to happen at all. Besides, she looked quite tense. Her cheeks were flushed red. She was acting completely different from how she normally was.

Seeing this, Fade tittered and came to Quin. He held her arms and whispered softly, "Follow my lead and dance."

Quin nodded and moved slowly with Fade.

As they swayed to the music, both of them were only inches away, almost gluing themselves to each other. They could feel the body heat from each other there and then.

Such an intimate act caused an even bigger uproar amongst the audience, bringing waves of deafening cheers.

"Wow..." a girl exclaimed.

"President Lin, Mr. Chen, good job."

"Good one! Encore!" another yelled.

"Kiss now!" Not knowing who shouted that, the audience immediately chanted together, "Kiss, kiss, kiss!"

Upon hearing this, Fade held Quin's right hand and hugged her on the waist. He lowered his head and chuckled gently. "Quin, they want us to kiss."

Quin blushed, gave a warning look at Fade, and said, "You better not do that. Otherwise, I'll definitely punish you when we get back."

"Honey, our employees are demanding it. Can you really bear to refuse the crowd of what they want?" Fade asked.

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Quin rolled her eyes at Fade, and said, "It's all because of you. How would this happen if you didn't pull me up on this stage?"

Fade didn't answer her. Without hesitation, he pulled Quin towards him, and at the sway of the music, he dipped her.

Then, Fade leaned down and kissed Quin in front of hundreds of employees.

Immediately, the audience burst into cheers, and the entire hall was reverberating their voices.

After a long, passionate kiss that left Quin breathless, Fade finally let go of her lips. At this moment, Quin's cheeks were scarlet.

She gave Fade a black look while stammering, "Y-y-you..."

Fade grabbed Quin's hand and said, "Honey, the music is over. It's time for us to take a bow."

Immediately, both of them bowed to the audience, walked off the stage, and took their seats together.

Then, the next performance began.

After several performances in a row, the flush on Quin's cheeks finally faded. Yet, she continued to give Fade a death stare. "You can't imagine what I'm going to do to you when we get back to the hotel."

After three hours, the performances finally came to an end. It was now the time to give away the annual bonuses. This particular session had the most attention from the audience.

In this regard, Quin was very generous and gave every employee a whopping bonus. Another 500,000 yuans were also allocated for the raffle. The banquet was once again in an uproar.

Eventually, the banquet came to an end, and everyone went back, contented.

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As leaders, Fade and Quin had to stay back to take care of everything else before leaving.

Once everything was settled, Fade and Quin walked out of the venue together and were ready to drive home.

However, when both of them reached the underground parking lot, Fade raised his hand to stop Quin. Something was not right.

Two figures were seen standing at the entrance, a man and a woman who were about 20 to 30 years old.

Although nothing about them was out of the ordinary, Fade couldn't help but be vigilant towards how imposing their vibes were. Fade's face fell and quickly he protected Quin behind him. "Quin, get in the car, lock the door and start the engine. If something happens, drive away immediately."

"But, you..." Quin also noticed something was off and couldn't help but feel nervous and worried.

Fade smiled at Quin and mumbled, "I'll be fine. Trust my abilities. I am Master Chen, and not many are my match."

"But..." Quin was still worried. She wanted to dissuade Fade from facing them alone but it was out of her character to do so. She eventually got into the car, locked the door, and started the engine. "Stay safe."

Fade showed an assuring smile to Quin before he strode towards both of them. "You are..."

Just as Fade was about to ask their identity, the woman with a slightly petite built suddenly emanated a violent force and charged towards Fade ferociously.

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"Take this!" She was very agile. Her moves were fierce and precise. She was definitely no stranger to combat.

Upon seeing this, Fade squinted his eyes, and whispered to himself, "This woman is definitely no ordinary person. I am afraid she has reached the Earth Level."

Who was she? Was she sent by one of his local enemies from Jade City? Was she a member of the Skull Mob, or someone else?

However, as Fade was thinking about it, the woman, Lucille Lin was already in front of Fade, ready to throw a punch at him.

Lucille aimed a swift kick at Fade. Frozen for a brief second, Fade immediately extended his right hand to block her calf.

With the right timing, angle, and little use of force, Fade was able to be free of Lucille's attack.

"Looks like you have some skill!" Lucille seemed to be a little shocked at Fade's skill and cried out in surprise.

However, just as she spoke, she launched another attack. Both of her hands were like claws, aiming straight at Fade's heart and neck.

Fade narrowed his eyes, and snorted, "Your skill is not a match for me."

After finishing speaking, Fade stepped forward and radiated a strong force from his body. He punched the woman hard with both of his fists.

Two heavy punches landed on both of Lucille's claws.

Although she had skills and was powerful, she was just a woman. She had no chance of winning against someone as skillful as Fade.

In the collision, Lucille couldn't withstand Fade's force from the heavy impact of his fists. She was knocked back onto the

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ground. She rose to her feet again, albeit staggering this time.

Fade continued to attack Lucille. His right foot stomped on the ground, and the rebounding force sprung Fade up into the air before he used the momentum to push himself towards Lucille and kick her in the lower abdomen.

Fade's kick was rather powerful. Her Dantian abdomen would surely either disintegrate or suffer a heavy injury.

Lucille knew how deadly Fade's move was. Startled and frightened, she cried out immediately, "No!"

However, Fade wasn't moved by her cry. He wasn't going to show her any mercy.

At this moment, the man standing behind Lucille rushed out immediately and blocked Fade. He yelled, "Mr. Chen, we are not your enemies. Please have mercy."

Fade didn't believe him and maintained his offense.

When the man saw this, he pulled out his identification card hurriedly, showed it to Fade, and shouted, "Mr. Chen, we are from the Stealth."

Fade couldn't help but be surprised as he looked at the identification.

Nonetheless, Fade's foot landed on the man, even though it was with half the strength.

Even so, the man was thrown away and ended up landing on the ground hard. He hit the ground with a loud thud, looking exceedingly miserable.

Upon seeing this, Lucille hurriedly got up and came to the man. She held onto him and asked with concern, "Hollace, are you okay?"

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"I'm okay." Hollace Lin shook his head and looked at Fade who was approaching them. "Mr. Chen, we really didn't come with bad intentions, but..."

At this moment, Lucille raised her head and glared at Fade, pouting. "We only wanted to test you out. Why do you have to be so ruthless?"

Fade frowned when he heard her. He looked at Lucille, and said coldly, "Test me out? Do you do this to everyone? How about I test you instead?"

"What's wrong with you? We are just..." Lucille continued.

"Lucille, there's no need to explain. This was definitely our fault." Hollace quickly stopped Lucille, got up from the floor, and spoke, "Mr. Chen, we came to you for a very important matter."

"What matters?" Fade was a little surprised. "Spit it out already."

Before Hollace could answer Fade, Lucille said displeasely, "Well, we have come all the way to find you for your help. But look at how you are treating us. You are so..."

Hollace glared at Lucille and hissed, "Don't be rude to Mr. Chen."

Upon seeing this, Fade rolled his eyes and said, "There is a cafe outside, let's talk there."

Hollace nodded and then stood up from the ground.

Fade went back to Quin and reminded her to be careful before letting her go home first. After all, Fade didn't want Quin to risk being exposed to anything dangerous when dealing with the Stealth.

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Quin nodded and asked him to stay safe before driving back home.

Fade arrived at the cafe with Hollace and Lucille. As it was getting late, there were not many people in the cafe, which was perfect for them to discuss such matters.

After sitting down and ordering some drinks, Fade looked at both of them sternly and spoke, "You can tell me now what's going on."

"Your attitude is really..." Lucille muttered displeasingly. But Hollace immediately darted her a glare to signal her to shut up before she could finish.

Hollace took out both their IDs and showed them to Fade. He then introduced themselves, "Mr. Chen, my name is Hollace Lin and this is Lucille Lin."

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"We are from the headquarters of the Stealth in Capital City, and we are also part of another organization known as the Martial Arts League," Hollace explained.

"Martial Arts League?" Fade frowned in confusion.

Hollace explained immediately, "The Martial Arts League is a special organization formed by our official martial arts personnel and partnered with famous martial artists from the civil society. We conduct coordination with various martial artists, including its ranking and so on."

Fade roughly understood what kind of organization this Martial Arts League was. He nodded and asked, "Why did you come looking for me?"

Hollace took out a document, handed it to Fade, and said, "Mr. Chen, we are here for the release of the latest edition of the Martial Dragon List."

"Martial Dragon List?" Fade frowned. He was vaguely familiar with it but could not remember what it was.

Hollace continued to explain, "The Martial Dragon List is a ranking of young martial artists under the age of 36 created by the Martial Arts League. The ranking is based on your skills and potential. It is used as a reference for determining the level of different martial artists in the martial arts realm. It is also used to evaluate some martial arts activities."

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"I see," Fade nodded and said indifferently.

Lucille couldn't help but curl her lips. "I wonder if you really are a martial artist. You didn't have the slightest idea of what the Martial Dragon List is."

Fade glanced at Lucille and ignored her.

Hollace apologized immediately, "Mr. Chen, I'm sorry. Lucille is young and ignorant. Please don't take it to heart."

Fade couldn't be bothered and said to Hollace, "What does the Martial Dragon List have to do with me?"

Hollace opened the file and showed him a ranking while pointing at the name in the first row. He then said to Fade, "Mr. Chen, look. You are ranked first by the Martial Arts League in the current issue of Dragon List."

"I see." Fade nodded nonchalantly as if the ranking did not matter to him.

Hollace was surprised at Fade's response.

Lucille's brows became tightly knitted as she became more displeased. She hissed, "Well, just continue to pretend like you don't care. Everyone from the martial arts realm would love to have their name on the Dragon List."

She crossed her arms and continued, "The top twenty martial artists are free to roam the entire country. They were admired and invited by countless clans and commercial companies."

"The No. 1 on the Dragon List is the best of the bests. Both his clan and wealth are also the cream of the crop. More importantly, he can become the disciple of the top masters on the Divine Dragon List."

She took a sip of coffee and added, "I know you are exhilarating right now and already planning to find who on the Divine Dragon

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List as your master. Stop pretending. We all know how you actually feel." Lucille looked as though she could see through Fade.

Hollace also chimed in, "The Divine Dragon List is the ranking of martial artists outside the limits of the Dragon List. If the Dragon List is the ranking for the younger generation of martial artists, whereas the Divine Dragon List is the ranking of the top martial artists in the country."

Hollace closed the file and continued, "The general of our army, General Jaguar Xu, and the guardians of the four clans are all in the top ten of Divine Dragon List."

Fade nodded and understood the significance of this Divine Dragon List. "I see."

Lucille curled her lips into a smirk. Then, she took out a document and handed it to Fade, saying, "This is an invitation from my master. He would like to have you as his disciple. This is a great opportunity. Just sign it!"

Fade looked at the invitation and was slightly astonished. He shook his head and said, "I'm sorry, I already have a master. I won't be looking for another one!"

When Lucille heard this, her face turned sulky at once. "Do you know who my master is? He is Galeno Zhu, ranked 16th on the Divine Dragon List. Do you know how many have begged him to teach them, but he rejected all of them. Now, my master is extending this opportunity to you, and you don't even know to appreciate it. You..."

Fade glimpsed at Lucille, and retorted, "No matter who your master is, as I have said, I already have a master. I'm not looking for another one."

"Besides, I don't think your master is qualified to train me." Fade's tone was indifferent but both of them could hear a tinge of confidence in his voice.

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Lucille was positively irate; she slammed at the table and bellowed, "You are way too arrogant. My master is really blind for actually liking you and wanting to accept you as his disciple. I..."

Fade interjected calmly, "I never beg him to accept me as his disciple."

"You..." Lucille waved her fists. She wanted to plant a punch on his face. Fury was smoldering like a fire inside her at this moment.

Fade glanced at her and said insouciantly, "Are you sure you are going to make this into a fight? This time, I won't show any mercy."

Hearing this, Lucille's face darkened. Although enraged, she knew she was no match for Fade. She could only let Hollace take over the discussion.

Hollace immediately apologized to Fade, "Mr. Chen, I'm really sorry. Lucille has a bad temper. I will let my master know about this when I get back."

"Sure!" Fade nodded and asked, "Anything else?"

Lucille almost burst out in anger at Fade's tone. He sounded as though he was trying to turn them away. She barked, "We have traveled all the way to convey this news to you, and this is how you treat us?!"

"I didn't ask you to come," Fade replied indifferently. Lucille's rage was growing inside her like a tumor at this moment.

Hollace, on the other hand, was rather patient. He hurriedly calmed Lucille down before explaining to Fade with a smile, "Mr. Chen, forgive me. The purpose of us coming here is mainly to convey this news to you, and at the same time, asking about your thoughts on discipleship on behalf of our master."

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He paused for a while and continued, "Truth be told, it's because of you defeating Titan and killing Song Khan that you've earned a name for yourself in Jade City. Immediately, you became the number one martial artist on the Dragon List."

"It's a shame to say we are also on the Dragon List. I am at the twelfth place, and Lucille is at the eighteenth." He lowered his head while shaking it.

"We wanted to see what you are about but did not expect you to be this skilled. Lucille was a little impatient and wanted to challenge you. Please forgive us whatever happened earlier."

Fade immediately understood where they were coming from. Lucille was spoiled but she did have some skills. When she saw that he was ranked the first, she was dissatisfied and decided to come to challenge him.

"I understand!" Fade nodded and said, "Since we're both from the Stealth, I will forgive her."

"But if there ever is a second time, I won't show any mercy," Fade warned, his voice as flat as a stove lid.

Hollace put his hand on his chest immediately and promised, "Mr. Chen, rest assured, there won't be a next time."