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However, facing his imposing aura, Lin Wenjing was not afraid at all. Instead, he shook his head and said, "You're not worthy to be my opponent. Perhaps there is still a chance if both of you team up."

Hearing his words, his opponent frowned, and anger flashed in his eyes. "Such insolence!" he yelled before launching his attacks at Lin Wenjing, trying to punch him.

Lin Wenjing shook his head and let go of the name tag. Before it fell to the ground, their fight had already started.

This was the first opponent from the Heavenly Realm whom Lin Wenjing encountered since he entered the Heavenly Realm. His fighting spirit immediately sparked, and he started to face the attacks head-on.

Bang! When they started exchanging attacks, Lin Wenjing stood firmly on the ground, but his opponent took two steps back; this already showed the difference between them.



Without losing even a second, they launched their attacks again immediately.

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As the masters of the Heavenly Realm, the damage caused to the surroundings by their fight was great. In less than half a minute, they had knocked down no less than ten trees, causing a commotion that was so great that everyone within a two-kilometer radius was shocked.

"What's going on? Why is there a commotion in the south? Is there a fight between skilled masters?"

"This is impossible. No one is this powerful. I think there might have been some kind of explosion!"

"Let's just go and take a look..."

When one reached the Heavenly Realm, there would be a mythical connection between the person and nature. They would become more sensitive toward nature, as if they had returned to the ancient times.

Compared with the Pinnacle Realm, there was an obvious difference in the Heavenly Realm—the physical strength of those in the Heavenly Realm was extremely terrifying. If they didn't engage in fights that were beyond their limits, they would hardly exhaust their physical strength. They could even exercise



continuously for three full days without resting.

This was the main reason why Lin Wenjing dared to fight the middle-aged man even though he knew that he was about to fight Gu Ze to death.

After all, the man was not even close to Lin Wenjing's level.

Apart from that, fighting someone in the Heavenly Realm would be helpful for his fight with Gu Ze.

# Bam! Bam!

They were constantly exchanging attacks and shifting positions, clashing against each other violently and destroying the surroundings. After a while, the land around them had become barren.

At the beginning, the middle-aged man was able to fight Lin Wenjing as equals, and it was difficult to tell who was better. But as time went on, Lin Wenjing's attacks had more vigor in them, and he became even more energetic, and soon, the middle-aged man could no longer take Lin Wenjing's attacks.



With a last kick, Lin Wenjing kicked the middle-aged man's chest and slammed him hard against a tree behind him that was one meter wide.

Crack! The force was so powerful that the big tree split into two and fell down!

The group of people who rushed to the scene were shocked when they saw this. Fortunately, they were also martial arts practitioners, so they had quick reflexes; otherwise, they would have been implicated.

The middle-aged man spat a mouthful of blood, and even his clothes were torn. He immediately stood up and stretched, making cracking sounds, looking as if he was not injured.

Then he looked at Lin Wenjing in horror, unable to suppress his surprise. "How did you become so powerful?"

Lin Wenjing had already recovered his physical strength by just taking in a breath. He did not continue to attack his opponent because he knew that he was not an enemy—he just wanted to practise with Lin Wenjing.



"I took a grade-S Soul Cleansing Pill. So it's not a surprise that my skills are stronger than yours," Lin Wenjing explained.

Of course, his opponent didn't believe this easily. He had already been in the Heavenly Realm for two years, so he knew that it was not just the grade-S Soul Cleansing Pill that enabled Lin Wenjing, who just entered the Heavenly Realm recently, to possess such strength. There must be some other hidden secrets in him!

As for the silver-haired Caucasian woman, horror also flashed in her eyes. The strength that Lin Wenjing displayed just now was too terrifying—even if the two of them attacked together, they might not be able to take him down!

She couldn't understand how Lin Wenjing was able to reach this level—it defied all scientific rules.

She also walked over and looked at Lin Wenjing. "No wonder you dare to provoke Gu Ze. It turns out that your skills have reached this level. However, Gu Ze is even more powerful, and if your skills are just what you've shown just now, you can't defeat him."



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Lin Wenjing smiled. "You don't need to worry about this."

With that, he walked back to pick up his name tag on the ground and prepared to leave.

At this time, a swooshing sound came from behind him, but he didn't turn his head around. Instead, he moved his hands and caught dozens of name tags which were thrown over by the middle-aged man and the Caucasian woman.

"We admit defeat and are handing over our name tags. I hope you can defeat Gu Ze." The middle-aged man looked at Lin Wenjing intently. "This day should have arrived long ago!"he said meaningfully.

Lin Wenjing hesitated for a while before nodding gently. "I will."

Afterward, he put their name tags into his pockets and mounted the Siberian tiger again. He then started his journey to reach the center of the forest.



After he left, the middle-aged man spat out another mouthful of blood as his face became much paler.

The Caucasian woman was surprised to see that. "Li, you actually suffered such severe injuries?"

The middle-aged man wiped the blood from the corner of his mouth and took a deep breath as he looked in the direction that Lin Wenjing left with a look of awe on his face. "This man—Lin Wenjing—is a prodigy. I can't believe he has reached this far in just two months after breaking through to the Heavenly Realm. In my opinion, if he continues to practice hard, he may even reach the Immortal Realm!"

After hearing his words, the Caucasian woman was even more astounded. "The Immortal Realm? Is he really that talented?"

"Yes. But it depends on whether he can defeat Gu Ze," the middle-aged man uttered with a smile. "I'm so glad that we came to the Reaping Tournament because we now stand a chance to witness the fight between such skilled fighters. Ruth, let's hurry and chase up to him. I have a feeling that Lin Wenjing will meet Gu Ze soon, and we cannot miss this legendary battle."



Ruth had a wild look in her eyes as well. She nodded vigorously, and then both of them

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rushed to a big tree nearby and disappeared from everyone's sight.

At this moment, people started coming here one after another. When they saw the destruction in front of them, they looked extremely shocked—it was as if the trees were crushed by a tractor.

"What has actually happened here?"

"Was this place bombed by planes?"

"It looks like a demolition team came by and destroyed it."

Many people expressed their confusion at the scene in front of them.

Someone stood up to clarify the confusion. "You've all guessed wrong. This is the damage caused by Lin Wenjing fighting with another master in the Heavenly Realm. Luckily, I found a safe spot to hide just now, or else I would have been hit by a tree! The masters of the Heavenly Realm are so powerful—their strength is inhuman!"



Everyone was shocked when they heard his words. But looking at the scene in front of them, they were aghast. They knew that the

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masters in the Heavenly Realm were powerful, but they had never seen them fight. A chill ran down their spines when they saw the aftermath in front of them, created by the fight between two masters from the Heavenly Realm.

Someone immediately realized something and yelled sharply, "Let's follow him! Lin Wenjing should meet Gu Ze soon. This is the battle of the century! I'm sure it will be very exciting, so we must not miss it!"

Upon his reminder, many people nodded and hurried in the direction where Lin Wenjing had disappeared.



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When the other beasts saw Lin Wenjing riding a Siberian tiger, they retreated and ran away quickly.

His battle with the middle-aged man from the Heavenly Realm just now did not cause any damage—it only consumed a part of his strength. Since then, he had quickly recovered.

Lin Wenjing had more than 70 name tags with him now. Seeing the number of the name tags, he hoped to become the champion of the Reaping Tournament. However, the amount of name tags he had now could be meaningless, because they would be taken away by Gu Ze if he lost to him, and vice versa.

The rule of the Reaping Tournament was that the strongest person would win the first place, and this was definitely not dependent on luck.

This strongest person should be either Gu Ze or Lin Wenjing.



Lin Wenjing found a cave and rested for a night to regain his energy. When he came out the next morning, he looked rejuvenated. Throughout the night, the Siberian tiger lay

at the entrance of the cave, and when it felt Lin Wenjing's majestic aura in the morning, it quickly lay on the ground, waiting for his master to ride on him.

Now, Lin Wenjing's abilities had improved after fighting with the middle-aged man from the Heavenly Realm yesterday as he understood this realm even more.

"It's time to find Gu Ze," Lin Wenjing murmured while looking in a certain direction. Then he rode on the Siberian tiger and began to move in that direction.

At the direction where Lin Wenjing was headed, Gu Ze seemed to have sensed him—he suddenly opened his eyes and looked in his direction with a look of vigilance in his eyes. "Lin Wenjing, have you prepared to die in my hands?"

It was the last day of the Reaping Tournament, so most of the people had lost their qualifications. Most of the name tags were with Gu Ze right now.



At this moment, Gu Ze already had more than 300 name tags in his hand, and there were more than 200 people following him, forming a large troop.

They obviously had lost their qualifications to participate in the tournament, so they should have left. But they were reluctant to do so because they had not seen the battle of the century between Gu Ze and Lin Wenjing.

Suddenly, it was drizzling. The sound of rain falling on the leaves was quite peaceful, full of the earthly vibes of nature. Usually, people would slowly relax in such weather.

However, none of the many people present was relaxed. On the contrary, they were even more tense, and they all looked in a certain direction with wide eyes.

In their sight, they saw two tiny figures—a man and a tiger—walking slowly toward them.

"It's Lin Wenjing! He's here!"

Someone recognized him and let out a loud exclamation.



His words caught everyone's attention in an instant, and the already-tense mood became even more tense at this moment as everyone held their breaths.

Soon, they saw that Lin Wenjing was riding a huge Siberian tiger, which was meandering slowly to them in the rain, looking like a god. This scene left a deep impression on everyone.

Indeed, at this moment, Lin Wenjing did not look like a human; instead, he looked like a god!

Gu Ze narrowed his eyes and looked at Lin Wenjing intently. He discovered that Lin Wenjing's body contained a huge, powerful energy that could lash out and cause destruction whenever he allowed it to.

"It's happening! The battle of the century is about to begin! It's so exciting!"

"Lin Wenjing looks pretty powerful! He actually came here riding a Siberian tiger—how cool is that? On top of that, it looks like it weighs hundreds of kilograms. I can't believe that it's been tamed by him. What a powerful person!"



"Of course! Lin Wenjing is a master of the Heavenly Realm. His physical abilities have almost reached the limit of the human body, so of course he is able to subdue a tiger without any effort."

"This is so cool. How good would it be if I had such powers and skills? The world would be under my fingertips then!"

"You? Look at yourself in the mirror! In the world, the number of masters of the Heavenly Realm are less than three digits; they are even rarer than billionaires!"

"That's true..."

"No matter what, we've made the correct decision by coming to this Reaping Tournament, because we are now able to witness the fight between two Heavenly Realm masters. I wonder who will survive."

"That's a no-brainer! Of course it will be Gu Ze!"

With the arrival of Lin Wenjing, many people in the audience began to discuss enthusiastically, and the atmosphere reached its boiling point at this moment. It was especially lively and exciting.

Around 70 of Lin Wenjing's name tags were hung around the Siberian tiger's neck. They knocked against each other, sounding like a bell ringing as the tiger walked, looking very imposing.

From far away, Lin Wenjing and Gu Ze had met each other's eyes, forming virtual sparks in midair.

When Lin Wenjing walked to a distance of fifty meters before Gu Ze, everyone was afraid to speak, and many of them even controlled their breathing, fearing that they might make too much noise and distract Gu Ze and Lin Wenjing.

Gu Ze was the first to speak. "Lin Wenjing, you're brave for still daring to come and fight me." He then stood up from the stone and shook his body. Initially, his clothes were wet due to the rain, but after shaking it off, some water droplets and mist came out from him, and the clothes that were soaked earlier had already become bone-dry. It was quite magical.

Also, after Gu Ze stopped shaking, the drizzle suddenly stopped at this moment, looking as if the rain and nature was controlled by him. This made everyone in the crowd look at Gu Ze with fear and reverence.



At this moment, they thought Gu Ze was not a human being, but a god!

Lin Wenjing smiled. "Gu Ze, your son has

created so much trouble for you throughout your entire life. As the vice president of Bei Tian Society, you are going down here, today."

Gu Ze snorted derisively. He was already over fifty years old this year, but he looked like he was a middle-aged man in his thirties, and his energy level was even better than many twenty-year-olds.

At this age, he was still in his prime; even after twenty years, he could still fight.

This was the power and charm of the Heavenly Realm.

"Lin Wenjing, I admit that you are a genius. At only twenty-eight years old, you have crossed the boundaries of mortals and stepped into the Heavenly Realm. This is unprecedented." Gu Ze then suddenly changed his tone. "Unfortunately, you should have never ever provoked my family and broken my only son's manhood. It is an atrocity, and it is unforgivable! You shall die here today!"

His last sentence sounded very oppressive, and it even caused lightning and thunder to flash and clap in the sky, as if this had really

incurred the wrath of nature. This had everyone stunned to the core.

When the others heard that, some of them blanched and sank to the ground.

When they looked at Gu Ze, their eyes were full of reverence and shock as they muttered, "He's a god", over and over again.

Only gods could have such power.

However, Lin Wenjing, who was the person involved, smiled contemptuously. "Such overblown tricks!"

Following that, Lin Wenjing got off the Siberian tiger and patted its head. It then retreated obediently while looking at him with fear and respect.

Everyone also focused on Lin Wenjing to see how he would respond.

Lin Wenjing showed a smile, and in the next moment, he let out a loud and long roar, and his aura gradually became more impressive with that.



After that, everyone saw that Lin Wenjing who had the height of an average person—

suddenly grew taller and became a onehundred-meter-tall giant. It was mindblowing.

When Gu Ze saw this, his expression finally became serious. And just when he wanted to speak, he saw Lin Wenjing move. With a step of his right foot and another flick of his left foot, Lin Wenjing stood before him. His palm was so big that it obscured the sun, as if his palm was as big as the entire sky. The land immediately fell into darkness, like it was the beginning of time!



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It was obvious that Lin Wenjing's palm was aiming at Gu Ze, but the two hundred people present there felt as if it was going to hit them, and it scared them until their minds went blank. Everything in front of them turned dark, and they felt as if they were going to be slapped by Lin Wenjing into a pulp.

This was not a fantasy; instead, Lin Wenjing's power was so strong that it had caused others to have hallucinations.

The human body had unlimited potential and endless possibilities. In the current era, no matter how advanced technology was, it was still impossible to create a cell from scratch, while the human body was composed of countless cells.

Life itself was the most advanced technology, and it was the result of evolution after millions of years.

This also meant that the potential of human beings was endless. Now, Lin Wenjing was way ahead of many people, and he had unlocked a new part of the potential of the human body.



Millions of years ago, the average life





expectancy of apes was less than ten years, while the average life expectancy of humans was only forty to fifty years. But now, the average life expectancy of human beings had reached seventy to eighty years. In a few hundred years, the Heavenly Realm might become a normal realm that everyone could reach.

Even the Immortal Realm might not be uncommon by then.

Society and civilization were constantly evolving, and Lin Wenjing was just a pioneer; he had always thought so.

In an instant, Lin Wenjing had already arrived in front of Gu Ze and was about to slap him. His slap made Gu Ze feel as if Mount Everest was pressing on him; this made such a skilled master like himself feel tremendous pressure.

At this moment, he looked extremely serious, and his contempt for Lin Wenjing had disappeared. For the first time, he treated Lin Wenjing as a worthy opponent.



Giving a derisive snort, he backed away and did not take Lin Wenjing's attack head on because he knew that once he took it, a third

of his body would definitely be submerged into the ground after being hit by such a powerful force. If that happened, he would be at a disadvantage as his actions would be temporarily obstructed. Then he would be easily injured by Lin Wenjing.

Hence, the best way was to avoid the attack first.

Hence, Gu Ze retreated more than ten meters with extremely fast speed. Out of nothing, a strong wind formed and blew away the dead twigs and leaves, forming a clean path.

However, Lin Wenjing did not continue to attack. He merely stood there and looked at Gu Ze with a smile, and all his earlier oppressiveness was gone. Now, he had returned to the size of an ordinary person, looking both energetic and guiet at the same time.

With that, many people were shocked to see this situation, and they even felt dizzy. It was because in their minds, they expected Lin Wenjing and Gu Ze to start a life-or-death battle, but Lin Wenjing stopped after just an attack.



It wasn't just them; even Gu Ze was surprised. He had already accumulated his strength and prepared himself to fight, and he was just waiting for Lin Wenjing to come over and start the battle. However, Lin Wenjing stopped so abruptly.

But, because of this, he looked at Lin Wenjing with an even more serious expression.

The fact that Lin Wenjing could simply stop attacking like this was not something easy to accomplish.

"Gu Ze, I will give you some time to pull yourself together, so don't say that I'm bullying an old man like you," Lin Wenjing sneered, full of contempt.

"Such insolence!"

Gu Ze was infuriated as Lin Wenjing's actions were so arrogant, and he didn't treat him with respect at all.



"Lin Wenjing, I initially just planned to break your limbs and spare you your life. Now, it seems that there is no need for this!" After taking a breath, Gu Ze adjusted himself to reach his best form before he opened his eyes wide. Then a fierce and terrifying expression flashed in his eyes, and in the next moment, he yelled out loud, "Die!"

With that, his body began to move, and soon, the distance of ten meters between them disappeared. With another loud roar of thunder in the sky that made him look very impressive, Gu Ze launched his attacks on Lin Wenjing mercilessly.

Lin Wenjing narrowed his eyes, and his clothes were swaying in the breeze created by Gu Ze. At this moment, he also felt a huge oppression. Gu Ze had released his terrifying power as a person in the mid-level of the Heavenly Realm.

Everyone who was there took a step back to give them a spacious area, fearing that they would be implicated in the fight.

"This is so exciting! They really have started fighting!"

"Two masters of the Heavenly Realm fighting to death—I believe only a few people will ever get to see this in their lives!"

"Of course! Among the six billion people in the world, how many masters in the



Heavenly Realm do you think there are? Let me tell you—less than a hundred! They are even more precious than pandas."

"Fortunately, I've turned down all my work and dates to participate in this Reaping Tournament; otherwise, I would have missed this legendary battle."

"Who do you think will win? I think Lin Wenjing is quite something as well."

"Nonsense! It must be Gu Ze without a doubt!"

While they were discussing enthusiastically, Lin Wenjing and Gu Ze had already exchanged attacks.

Their strength and speed were at an insane level. Every collision brought about a huge impact and destruction that was several times stronger than the fight between Lin Wenjing and the middle-aged man two days ago!



# Bang! Boom!

It sounded as if bombs exploded continuously from their bodies, making it a terrifying experience just to witness their







battle.

On top of that, they were moving at an extremely fast speed. To the bystanders, the two of them were like two big balls that were constantly moving fast and bouncing up and down, wielding an extremely destructive power.

All the enormous trees and roots they had landed on were severely damaged, as if a few large tractors had destroyed them.

"I-Is this really what humans are capable of?"

"Are they still humans? This is too terrifying!"

One of them was so excited while watching that he kicked a big tree next to him. However, the tree didn't move at all, and the pain made him groan as his leg swelled.

Lin Wenjing and Gu Ze fought a close match —each couldn't defeat the other.

However, the difference was that Lin Wenjing became more excited as the fight continued, while Gu Ze became more frightened.

Initially, Gu Ze thought that Lin Wenjing was

just someone insignificant who was on the same level as his son, Gu Hanxing, so he had never seen him as a threat. Even though Lin Wenjing had already entered the Heavenly Realm, he still didn't take him too seriously. After all, he had absolute confidence in defeating Lin Wenjing if it came to a fight.

This sentence rang in his mind—no matter how capable a genius was, he wouldn't be called a genius if he was dead.

Even in the Reaping Tournament, Gu Ze didn't treat Lin Wenjing seriously; but at this moment, he was really shocked at the fact that Lin Wenjing was actually a master who was as skilled as him!

How could that be? Didn't Lin Wenjing just enter Heavenly Realm for less than two months? How could he have such profound skills?

Was the grade-S Soul Cleansing Pill that strong?



When he had used 90% of his strength but still couldn't defeat Lin Wenjing, he knew he was in trouble.





Fortunately, as an experienced master of the Heavenly Realm, he had his own ultimate killing strategy. If necessary, though he would be injured himself, he would use that on Lin Wenjing!



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The battle had attracted the attention of many other people, not just the hundreds of people in the Reaping Tournament.

Outside of the Reaping Tournament, there were actually many pairs of eyes watching.

Wang Yunqian and Han Kunpeng were among the people who cared about this battle the most.

Their benefits and interests were closely tied to Lin Wenjing. If he won, they would be proud; if he lost, they would suffer from losses too. If Lin Wenjing was killed by Gu Ze, then their good days would come to an end as Gu Ze would definitely make their lives difficult. When that time came, the best that they could do was to use a lot of money to protect themselves.

Hence, they were looking forward to Lin Wenjing's victory over Gu Ze, even though they knew the possibility of that was slim. The more they understood Gu Ze, the more they felt that Lin Wenjing would lose.

If Lin Wenjing really defeated Gu Ze, the situation would be different, and both of them would enjoy a life of abundance.

Hence, they secretly prayed to God, hoping to hear the news of Lin Wenjing's victory.

In fact, they were all prepared for the consequences if Lin Wenjing was defeated. If worse came to worst, they would give up everything they had now and go live in another country.

Apart from them, the Ouyang family had been paying attention to the battle as well.

They had already placed their bets on Lin Wenjing. If he was killed by Gu Ze, their investment would be wasted, and Gu Ze would bear grudges against them.

Fortunately, they were a renowned family, so they were not afraid of Gu Ze. However, they felt that it was a shame if Lin Wenjing really died.

"Dad, today is the last day of the Reaping Tournament, so technically, the fight between Lin Wenjing and Gu Ze has already started. What is the situation now? Could Lin Wenjing really defeat Gu Ze?" Ouyang Xuehai asked in a worried tone. He was in Hua City right now, looking in the direction where the Reaping Tournament was held.



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Ouyang Feng answered, "The odds are not particularly promising. Gu Ze is an experienced master of the Heavenly Realm, so his skills and capabilities are formidable and unexpected. No matter how talented Lin Wenjing is, he is only a newcomer who has reached the Heavenly Realm less than two months ago, so it is immensely difficult for him to defeat Gu Ze."

When Ouyang Xuehai heard this, his frown became even deeper. "If that's the case, our bets on Lin Wenjing will be wasted, and we will offend Gu Ze at the same time. We have taken the wrong move!"

Ouyang Feng also sighed and uttered helplessly, "Yes, looking at it now, it was indeed a mistake. I never imagined that Lin Wenjing would go to the Reaping Tournament, giving Gu Ze the opportunity to kill him. Logically speaking, if Lin Wenjing had been more cautious, Gu Ze, even as the vice president of Bei Tian Society, would not dare to do anything to him in broad daylight. After some time, with Lin Wenjing's talents, he would have definitely been able to fight with Gu Ze as equals. It's such a pity..."



Ouyang Xuehai heaved a long sigh with a look of great regret on his face. "Yes, it's a

pity!"

Meanwhile, Chu Ling and the Guo family didn't even know about this, so they weren't worried about him. However, she suddenly felt restless today, and her right eye twitched several times.

The people who were most worried right now included Tao Sanniang.

She was also among the crowd, constantly observing the fight between Lin Wenjing and Gu Ze. At this moment, she was extremely anxious as she prayed silently and relentlessly, hoping that Lin Wenjing could survive!

What she said to Lin Wenjing that night was sincere—she had really fallen in love with him, and she didn't even know when that had happened.

Now, she just hoped that Lin Wenjing could survive.

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Meanwhile, Gu Ze and Lin Wenjing's fight had become more intense.

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At this moment, they were both looking disheveled—their clothes were torn apart, and the shoes on their feet had long been destroyed. Even though they were barefooted, it did not affect their speed at all; in fact, they moved even faster.

Boom! With another attack, Gu Ze kicked down a tree that was decades old. He was so powerful that he was like a Tyrannosaurus in human form.

Lin Wenjing was no weaker than him as well. He broke off a small tree next to him that was about ten centimeters wide and grabbed its trunk, which he flung at Gu Ze with full force. It was so powerful that even a wall would have collapsed upon the impact.

However, Gu Ze was not afraid at all. With just a kick, the small tree splintered into pieces.

At this moment, he was very annoyed. Since he had entered the martial arts world, this was the first time he was this disheveled! His clothes were ripped apart, and his hair was full of dust. If this was known by others, people in his circle would mock him, the vice president of Bei Tian Society, of not being



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able to defeat a young man.

Now, his eyes were full of anger when he stared at Lin Wenjing, as if there were two fireballs in his eyes. It was quite terrifying.

He couldn't hold on anymore. Just now, he had tried his best without any more reservations, but even with that, he still couldn't defeat Lin Wenjing. Instead, Lin Wenjing had learned a lot from him and even used his techniques against him! This had angered him. He knew that it would not be good for him if this fight continued for too long, for Lin Wenjing's learning curve was so steep that it was abnormal. Hence, he must resolve the battle as quickly as possible.

Suddenly, his aura changed. He was initially very fierce and domineering, but he suddenly retracted his fierceness back. In Lin Wenjing's recognition, Gu Ze seemed to have disappeared. No, a better way to put it was that Gu Ze had condensed all his aura to one point.

The next moment, Gu Ze turned around and ran away from Lin Wenjing, making him unconsciously chase after Gu Ze. But immediately, Lin Wenjing realized that something was wrong.

"Now!"

Seeing that Lin Wenjing had been fooled and came to chase him, a wave of pleasure surged through Gu Ze. Almost instantly, he launched an attack back at Lin Wenjing.

The technique was indeed very well done, as he did it without any warnings or movements before the strike. Everything seemed very natural, and his movements were very exquisite. Lin Wenjing was the one who fell for it and ran into his range of attack.

At this moment, Lin Wenjing felt an unprecedented danger. A chill ran down his spine, and the muscles of his whole body were tense at this moment.

He knew that he was doomed, because Gu Ze's sudden retaliation was perfect. It was something carefully designed by him, and he simply waited for Lin Wenjing to rush over and enter the trap.

A sneer appeared at the corners of Gu Ze's lips. This sudden attack was his ultimate technique. He hadn't used it for many years, so Lin Wenjing didn't even know that he had this trick up his sleeves.

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He could already foresee Lin Wenjing's chest being broken by his punch. He would be severely injured, and his strength would be greatly reduced. Finally, the image in his head froze at where he tortured Lin Wenjing to death.

Indeed, Lin Wenjing couldn't dodge this punch—his chest was going to be hit in the next second!

Am I really going to die?

At that intense moment, Lin Wenjing's mind raced as many thoughts flashed through his mind

He was extremely unsatisfied and unwilling for things to end in this way!

At this moment, his potential was suddenly ignited. The extremely quick motions in front of him were suddenly slowed down, as if they were in a slow-motion video.

He could clearly see Gu Ze's expression. The smirk on the corner of his mouth was particularly obvious.



Lin Wenjing could even see every single pore on Gu Ze's face clearly.

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Just as Gu Ze's punch was about to hit him, Lin Wenjing took a deep breath. In an instant, there was a deafening sound, as if an enormous python was inhaling, trying to inhale the universe into him!

Gu Ze could clearly feel the air around him sucked in by Lin Wenjing, causing him to have no air to breathe, and he actually felt a little suffocated.

When he experienced this, his movements slowed down slightly for less than a tenth of a second.

However, during this short interval, Lin Wenjing caught the opportunity. Through vigorous inhalation, his chest contracted by an inch, and he was able to dodge Gu Ze's powerful punch. His punch then fell on his clothes hard, making them burst into powder.

At this moment, Lin Wenjing finally had an opportunity to retaliate. Using his palms, he hit Gu Ze's neck violently. With acrack, Gu Ze's neck was immediately broken!



An incredulous look flashed in Gu Ze eyes before he fell to the ground limply.

After the long fight, they had reached the depths of the forest. The other people had been chasing after them, wanting to witness this legendary battle of the century.

However, both Lin Wenjing and Gu Ze moved so fast that most of them couldn't catch up. Only the masters in the Pinnacle Realm were able to catch up to them, albeit quite hardly.

They could only follow the fight based on the great vibrations and tremors, which suddenly disappeared and stopped abruptly.

Everyone was stunned, and they stopped involuntarily.

"What's going on? Why did everything suddenly stop?"

"Yeah, wasn't it quite intense just now? Why is it completely quiet now?"

"Could it be that the battle is over?"

"That's possible. Lin Wenjing must have been defeated by Gu Ze."

"I have to say that Lin Wenjing is really amazing. He has reached this level even before he is thirty years old. This is so

terrifying! I wonder how powerful he will become in the future!"

"So what if he has the potential to be super powerful? He's now killed by Gu Ze. Through this battle, Gu Ze's reputation has become even stronger. If he becomes the president of Bei Tian Society, who would dare to provoke him in the future?"

Most people thought that Lin Wenjing had been killed, and the winner was Gu Ze.

Looking back at the damage caused by the two of them along the fight, the crowd couldn't help but feel terrified. The aftermath was disastrous.

Soon, Tao Sanniang waited for the people from Grand Skylight Pavilion to catch up to them. Hearing the discussion of the crowd, her heart sank. She felt a lump in her throat, and tears started flowing down her cheeks.

She staggered backward. If it weren't for a companion next to her who held her, she would have fallen down by now.



To her, she seemed to have lost one of her most important treasures after hearing Lin Wenjing's death, feeling incredibly upset.

"Sigh, Sanniang, you should forget about him. It's impossible that he could defeat Gu Ze."

Tao Sanniang bit her lips tightly, not willing to believe it.

Old Master Fan also heaved a heavy sigh. "At just twenty-eight years old, he was already a master of the Heavenly Realm. What a prodigy! If Lin Wenjing were given another three years, he could have definitely defeated Gu Ze. Unfortunately, he was too anxious!"

He looked at Tao Sanniang. whose face was pale, and shook his head helplessly, feeling very sorry.

There were different reactions from the others. Some of them felt sorry and some gloated, while others merely watched the fight for entertainment purposes.

The rain that had stopped for a while had continued falling, making the entire ground damp.

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Lin Wenjing gasped for breath as his lungs

were burning fiercely at this moment. The breath he had just taken had exceeded his limit, damaging his lungs. Fortunately, the injuries were within his limits, so as long as he was given some time, he would be able to return to normal.

Gu Ze's sudden attack just now was really close. Lin Wenjing was just inches away from being killed by him!

At this moment, he heard Gu Ze's voice coming from the ground; he was begging for mercy in a hoarse voice weakly. "Please let me go... Please don't kill me..."

It was Gu Ze.

His neck was broken by Lin Wenjing's palm, but he hadn't died yet, which showed how strong his life force was. If he were just a normal person, he would have been dead by now.

Indeed, one of the reasons why the masters of the Heavenly Realm were terrifying was that their vitality was extremely strong.



Now, Gu Ze no longer had the arrogance and oppressive manner he had earlier. His face was full of panic as he begged for mercy

while looking at Lin Wenjing, hoping he would let him go.

Lin Wenjing returned to his senses and squatted down. He then looked at Gu Ze and uttered, "Gu Ze, your era is over."

A strong regret flashed in Gu Ze's eyes. He had underestimated Lin Wenjing way too much. If he were given another chance, he definitely wouldn't have picked a fight with Lin Wenjing!

At this moment, however, it was useless to say anything. He was defeated, and his neck was broken. There was no place for him in the martial arts world in the future, and his only hope was that Lin Wenjing be magnanimous enough to let him go.

"Chairman Lin, please let me go. I am willing to give all my properties and assets to you," Gu Ze continued to implore.

Lin Wenjing shot him a glance before saying, "Gu Ze, do you know why you've lost? It's because you don't have the will to move forward. You have been a prominent figure for too long; you have been attached to your superior position and think that you are very strong. In fact, it's been a long time since



you last had any improvements."

When Gu Ze heard this, there was a flicker in his eyes. Finally, his eyes slowly dimmed as he agreed with what Lin Wenjing had said.

However, he just wanted to survive for now.

"Chairman Lin, please let me go. I promise I won't go against you ever again! Everyone in the Gu family will be your most faithful servant in the future!" Gu Ze begged frantically, completely abandoning his dignity now. The only thing he could think of was how to survive from Lin Wenjing's hands. "Chairman Lin, I know many martial arts skills that are long lost. As long as you let me go, I am willing to teach you without any reservation! I also privately own many beautiful women, and—"

Lin Wenjing shook his head and interrupted, "Gu Ze, you have disappointed me. You are someone prominent, yet you are begging for my mercy without dignity."

Feeling Lin Wenjing's murderous intent, Gu Ze panicked even more. He quickly wanted to beg him to let him go, but Lin Wenjing no longer gave him this opportunity. He slapped Gu Ze on the back of his head, and he died



after letting out a groan.

Five minutes later.

Someone couldn't help it anymore and wanted to get closer to see what was going on. They wanted to see whether Lin Wenjing's body had already gone cold.

At this moment, from the depths of the forest, footsteps could be heard. Someone was stepping on twigs, making crunching sounds.

Then, within everyone's field of sight, a figure walked out slowly while holding a person.

When everyone made out who this person was, they were all stunned as they showed an incredulous expression.

The figure who was reflected in their eyes and appeared in front of them was Lin Wenjing, not Gu Ze!

Lin Wenjing's clothes were torn, and he was only wearing shorts. There was a lot of dust and blood on his body, and he was barefooted with a person in his left hand. It actually was not a person—it was Gu Ze's corpse. Then he walked out of the forest



step by step.

This scene had shocked countless people, and everyone was dumbfounded when they saw this.

They didn't expect that the one who survived would be Lin Wenjing, not Gu Ze!

"This..."

"I'm not mistaken, am I? Lin Wenjing won, and Gu Ze died?"

"My god! Everything is going to change now!"

"Lin Wenjing, Lin Wenjing... How could there be such a strong person..."

Tao Sanniang and the people from Grand Skylight Pavilion also arrived and saw the man who walked out of the forest, and they immediately had a dumbfounded and disbelieving expression on their faces. Tao Sanniang widened her eyes and covered her mouth tightly. At this moment, she burst into tears.



"Can someone lend me some clothes to wear?"

Lin Wenjing walked out and stood in front of the crowd, showing a bright smile. After throwing Gu Ze's corpse down, he asked them in a polite manner.

However, no one answered him, as everyone was stunned. They merely looked at Lin Wenjing as if they had seen a ghost.

At this moment, they finally realized that Lin Wenjing had won, while Gu Ze had lost and was even killed by Lin Wenjing.

This was something they'd never thought would happen!

After all, Gu Ze was the vice president of Bei Tian Society. He was definitely a prominent figure in his circle, and many famous masters were defeated by him. A slight movement from him could cause ripples as big as an earthquake.

Now, such a powerful man was actually killed by Lin Wenjing.

More importantly, Lin Wenjing was someone who had just emerged in the past six

months, and most people didn't know him before.

Looking at Gu Ze, whose neck had been broken and formed a ninety degree angle, their hair stood on ends, and their limbs became cold.

Those who had mocked Lin Wenjing were now even more terrified.

The three other masters of the Heavenly Realm who were present also had a horrorstruck expression on their faces. As masters of the Heavenly Realm, they knew better than anyone how terrifyingly capable Gu Ze was, and none of them could fight him on an equal footing. If a fight happened between them, they would have definitely lost to him without a doubt!

However, Gu Ze had died in the hands of Lin Wenjing.

What was even more terrifying was that they couldn't see any injuries on Lin Wenjing. The fight didn't consume his energy at all, and he was still unbelievably energetic.



Seeing everyone's reaction, he was actually a little proud.

But he was topless right now, and he only wore a pair of shorts, looking really indecent. He pointed directly to a man in his thirties not far away from him and ordered, "You there, come here."

Being called out by Lin Wenjing, the man immediately looked miserable. With trembling legs, he walked over to Lin Wenjing shakily. Then he stammered and asked in a sobbing tone, "C-C-Chairman Lin, w-what did you call me for?"

Lin Wenjing felt speechless, seeing that the person was so terrified of him. *Am I so terrifying?* 

"Take your shirt off and give it to me."

"What?" The man was stunned.

Lin Wenjing's face darkened. "What do you mean, what? Are you unwilling to do that?"

The man's body jolted in shock, then he shook his head frantically. "No, please don't get me wrong, Chairman Lin. I will take it off for you right now!"



Then he took off his shirt with the fastest speed in his life and handed it to Lin

Wenjing.

Lin Wenjing nodded in satisfaction and shook the shirt before putting it on. He then patted the man's shoulder. "Thank you. When you come to Hua City, just hit me up, and I'll buy you a meal."

The man froze for a while before showing a delirious expression, and he nodded vigorously.

When the others saw this, a look of envy was shown on their faces.

Lin Wenjing stood among the crowd and looked at everyone in the crowd before saying, "Gu Ze was killed by me, and his name tags are all with me. If there aren't any other unexpected events, I should be the one with the most name tags in this Reaping Tournament. There is still some time before the tournament is over, and I'm willing to fight anyone who wants to take them away from me."

No one responded to his words at all!

What was he even talking about? Even someone so powerful like Gu Ze was killed by Lin Wenjing, so who were they to pick a

# fight with him?

All of them shook their heads quickly, expressing that they didn't have such intentions as they feared that Lin Wenjing would misunderstand them.

Even the three masters of the Heavenly Realm did not dare to provoke Lin Wenjing and tried to get as far away from him as possible.

At this moment, there were more than four hundred name tags in Lin Wenjing's hands, and they were all in a big bag. He was the person who had the most name tags in this Reaping Tournament, and undoubtedly, he would become the winner.

As for the reward for being the winner this time, it was still unknown.

Lin Wenjing then walked to Tao Sanniang and smiled at her. "See, I didn't lie to you. I won."

Tao Sanniang was biting so hard on her lips that they almost bled. She was now looking at Lin Wenjing intently with excitement, affection, joy, and relief on her face.

Then she leaned forward and wrapped her arms around Lin Wenjing's neck before kissing him passionately.

Lin Wenjing widened his eyes immediately. Damn, I let my guard down, and Tao Sanniang, this vixen, actually kissed me forcefully. Sh\*t!

However, her kiss was really sweet.

Lin Wenjing tried to push Tao Sanniang away, but she held him so tightly that he couldn't even push her away.

Hence, it was better to just acquiesce to her kiss.

As humans were not made of stones, Lin Wenjing was not emotionless, after all. Seeing Tao Sanniang's reaction, he knew that she had really fallen in love with him, and he knew how it felt to love someone. In this case, there was no need to push her away mercilessly.

There were around three hundred people present, and their eyes widened when they looked at two of them, full of envy.

The men envied Lin Wenjing, while the



women were jealous of Tao Sanniang.

As for the people from Grand Skylight
Pavilion, their eyes were now shining
blazingly, feeling particularly excited and
agitated. Now, the relationship between Lin
Wenjing and Grand Skylight Pavilion had
become even closer!

Old Master Fan was also very excited. The way he looked at Lin Wenjing right now was as if he was looking at his son-in-law, and he even wished that Tao Sanniang and Lin Wenjing would tie the knot on the spot so their relationship would be stabilized.

Lin Wenjing was a shy person, and so he was extremely embarrassed to be kissing in front of so many people. After a while, he patted Tao Sanniang's arm and said, "That's enough. Many people are watching."

Tao Sanniang's beautiful face also turned red now, and she looked very attractive, making people want to take a bite of her.

Truth be told, as a woman, Tao Sanniang was really one of the best. When Lin Wenjing looked at her, it was difficult for him to remain unmoved.

"I'll be with you for the rest of my life, so don't you try to escape from me," Tao Sanniang leaned into Lin Wenjing's ear and whispered.

Lin Wenjing was troubled yet happy after hearing that.

Old Master Fan walked over and rubbed his hands, smiling. "Wenjing, I knew you would definitely defeat Gu Ze. As expected, he was really defeated by you. This is great!"

Lin Wenjing said meaningfully, "Old Master Fan, you didn't really think so before, did you? I think you were quite confident about Gu Ze winning. Now that he was killed by me, you must be disappointed."

Old Master Fan was taken aback by Lin Wenjing's words. Then he quickly explained, "No, no! There is absolutely no such thing! Chairman Lin, please don't get me wrong! I have always been looking forward to your victory."

Lin Wenjing smiled again. He just wanted to joke around with Old Master Fan, yet he didn't expect him to be so scared. He patted him on the shoulder and uttered, "Old Master Fan, relax. I was just joking."

Old Master Fan smiled awkwardly when he realized that Lin Wenjing was joking with him.

Next, Lin Wenjing took out the name tags to be counted. Unsurprisingly, he was the winner this time.



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