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They seemed to come here with some ulterior motives, but the master seemed to know them.

After that, the master flew to the flying house and discussed something with them.

We didn't know anything about the content of their discussion. We only knew that the master discussed with them for a long time.

After that, the flying house took the master along and dived into the sea.

During that night, we were unable to fall asleep, so we could only look after the corpse of the goddess.

The nine of us took turns guarding the goddess until past midnight.

However, at this time, something suddenly occurred. Something that changed my entire life.

Because the goddess came back alive!

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She actually appeared in front of the nine of us.

Her face was very pale and she glared at us coldly.

She asked us where we were bringing her, and we told her the truth.

She looked very angry. I remembered vividly that she said, 'Even now you're planning to bring trouble to me! Luckily I woke up!'

Then she threw a fit and started attacking us.

S-She was very terrifying!

She killed six people at once, in just her first attack.

I wanted to run, but she threw her long sleeves around me and strangled my neck. Then, I was thrown high up in the sky. When I fell, I would definitely be crushed to a pulp!

But luckily, I was supported by a tree

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branch for a while. I only broke my leg when I fell and sank into a half-coma.

At that time I started thinking in panic—everything didn't make sense. The goddess was still in the coffin. Who was the mad, beautiful woman?

I had no idea what happened to my mates back there.

They were probably all murdered by her.

Fortunately, the bronze house rose from the sea like a big explosion.

Due to the intense vibrations, I fainted.

When I woke up, I was already at a kind-hearted fisherman's house. I then knew that there were eight deaths in total last night. The rest of the people were rescued by the master, and I'm the sole survivor.

It was because of this incident, I suffered some disabilities—I couldn't stand the sea breeze. I then stayed permanently at Mo Island. However, the master left a lot of money behind.

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The epitaph then talked about how the survivor took the money to start a business and got rich in just a few years. He then became one of the novelties on the island.

His descendants carved this story on his epitaph.

“People from the olden days were like this, especially those who were successful. They like to add some abnormal stories on their tombstone, such as the story of how Liu Bang started Dynasty Han by killing a snake. However, I was rather impressed by their imaginations back then. The flying bronze house that he mentioned—could it be a spaceship from sci-fi movies? Ha-ha!” Yang Tianhua laughed.

“Yeah, the story is indeed absurd, but this highlights its uniqueness!” Gu Yuxiao said.

Chen Hao, however, kept quiet.

After chatting with Yang Tianhua for a while, Chen Hao asked his men to send him back after he understood most of the story.

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“I’m going back to my room first. Remember to rest early too. We’re planning to set sail tomorrow,” Chen Hao said matter-of-factly.

Gu Yuxiao stopped Chen Hao. “Wait. Why were you quiet just now? You didn’t express your opinions either. Is something up?” Gu Yuxiao asked. She was actually a very caring and attentive girl. “When Mr. Yang was talking about the flying house, I noticed your eyelids twitch. You must have felt something!”

“You’re quite smart. If I told you that everything the survivor described might not be a folklore—it might be true. Would you believe me?” Chen Hao asked.

“For real?” Gu Yuxiao was stunned.

“Yes, it’s very real. And things seemed to be more troublesome than what I imagined!” After finishing his sentence, Chen Hao went back to his room.

Gu Yuxiao, however, stood rooted to the ground.

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In the middle of the night, while listening to the howling of the sea, Chen Hao was meditating on his bed, thinking of the new discoveries that night.

According to the survivor, an extremely skilled woman appeared and killed the eight people out of rage.

Who could she be? What was she talking about when she mentioned about 'waking up'?

From her tone, her resentment seemed to be very strong.

Apart from that, the screams and howls in the flying house left a deep impression in this man's mind. Could it be possible that the people who were caught by the League of the Sun were within the house?

Could Tongxin and Uncle Yuxing be in there too? Chen Hao was appalled.

As for the lady in white, she should be subdued by the mysterious old beggar in the end.

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Chen Hao knew the rest of the story after that—the old beggar and his group went on their journey smoothly. After killing a huge, wounded dragon, they buried it along with the goddess and returned back safely.

“The Sea Palace!” Chen Hao muttered these three words with a blazing look of determination in his eyes.

The sea had stopped howling, but the wind was still very strong.

Looking out to the horizon, huge waves crashed one after another. The vast ocean with no borders sent chills down one’s spine.

It was the second day that Chen Hao took the Chen Family’s crew out to the sea.

Two days ago, Chen Hao specially sent bodyguards to escort Fang Jiannan and the rest to Sea City so that they could find Yang Wei to contact someone from the Fang Family to pick them up.

Chen Hao was completely reassured after seeing that Fang Jiannan and the others

were safe.

Initially, Fang Jiannan wanted to follow Chen Hao, but it was too dangerous.

This wasn't an expedition, nor a travel tour. Moreover, there were even more unknowns and dangers now. After leaving, even Chen Hao, with such strength, could not ensure that everyone would be safe.

"Mr. Chen, the estimated distance to the Sea Castle is not far away!"

It was already midday. Just then, Tie Cheng came to the deck and stood behind Chen Hao before informing him in a respectful tone.

"Noted. Back then, the spot where you rowed the boat and drifted there should be somewhere near here too," Chen Hao said.

"That's right. At that time, I followed the direction of the wind, so the boat was going quite fast. I then drifted for around ten days, but my dry provisions only lasted for three days. I almost starved to death for the remaining seven days! According to

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the sea calculations, the spot should be around here.” Tie Cheng looked around and estimated.

“After putting together all the clues and information that we found yesterday, I suspect the goddess whom you saw might be the person we’re looking for. Do you think so?” Chen Hao was quietly forming a plan in his mind.

“I think when we enter the Sea Palace, you’ll be able to get the answer that you desire!” Tie Cheng said.

“Yeah, I hope so!” Chen Hao looked into the distance.

They were trying to find their location according to the map of the Sea Palace.

“Hmph? Mr. Chen, what’s that? It looks like... a boat?” Just then, Tie Cheng pointed to a certain direction.

Chen Hao raised his head and looked in the direction he was pointing. Indeed, there was a boat. Not just that, it was a big, wooden boat, and the paddles of the

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boat seemed to be still.

However, the boat was traveling against the current, speeding up toward Chen Hao.

“What’s wrong?” Gu Yuxiao also walked out to the deck and asked.

When she saw the incoming boat, she was stunned for a second.

“Inner Energy?” Chen Hao looked at the boat, distinguishing the power reflected by the boat.

He froze and said coldly, “Turn our boat away from it. I’m going to their boat to have a look.”



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While both of them were still stunned, Chen Hao leaped and landed on the wooden boat in the blink of an eye.

When Chen Hao stepped forcefully on the boat, huge waves tossed and turned around the wooden boat and ceased after a short while.

It was an average-sized boat. Looking at the aesthetics, it seemed to have a history of its own. The cabin could accommodate around forty to fifty people.

There was an old curtain outside of the cabin. Even though it was a bright and sunny day outside, the interior of the cabin was quite dark.

Chen Hao focused and sensed the surroundings around him. This is weird. The Inner Energy that I felt just now disappeared.

Chen Hao opened the curtains slowly and walked into the cabin.

The insides of the cabin were made up of a few partitions, with a corridor in the

middle and two small guest rooms at each side.

Tap...tap...tap!

Just then, the sound of some faint footsteps traveled from the control room, which was at the bottom of the boat, to the cabin.

Someone was walking to the cabin from the lower cabin.

Chen Hao stood still and looked intently at the approaching figure.

It was a hunched-back, old lady with grey hair, swaying her body sideways as she walked up to the cabin.

The clothes that she wore were old, and she had messy hair.

Her face, especially, was covered with scars. In the dark surroundings, she looked extremely eerie.

“May I know who you are?” Chen Hao asked.

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“Spirit Flower!” She smiled faintly.

However, the combination of her smile and her scarred face sent shivers down Chen Hao’s spine.

“What is Spirit Flower? Is that your name?” Chen Hao asked.

“Spirit Flower—it blooms in two petals, and each petal represents a world!” the old lady continued in a sinister tone.

She seems to be talking about some peculiar plant. Blooms in two petals? Hmph, why does the flower sound familiar to me? Have I seen it somewhere?

After all, it was very rare for a plant to bloom in just two petals.

The more Chen Hao looked at her, the more he found her strange.

“Mr. Chen! Mr. Chen!” Just then, Tie Cheng and Gu Yuxiao boarded the boat.

“Why are you guys here?” Chen Hao asked, shocked.

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“You left for quite a while without any feedback. We were worried!” Tie Cheng explained.

Together with Gu Yuxiao, Tie Cheng then appraised the old lady at the end of the corridor.

Tie Cheng frowned, while Gu Yuxiao raised her hands and smoothed her hair, breathing raggedly at the same time.

“Don’t worry about me. You guys go back first,” Chen Hao ordered.

The old lady was extremely creepy, and even Chen Hao couldn’t figure out her true identity. He was worried that Gu Yuxiao and Tie Cheng would be in danger if they stayed here.

Suddenly, the old lady chortled coldly.

Her laughter was like a raven squawking. It was extremely unsettling.

As goosebumps appeared on Chen Hao’s skin, the corridor was suddenly full of purple flowers floating around. The flowers

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were very eerie-looking as they only had two petals, with each of them looking like a human's face.

Looking at the petals, Chen Hao suddenly remembered where he had seen these flowers.

It was at the Soul Palace!

On his grandfather's island, there was a big garden where these flowers were specifically planted. He found it peculiar at that time, and he even asked Uncle Wen about it.

Uncle Wen explained that the flowers were known as Nameless Flowers. The seeds were the remnants of the history left behind in the ancient Western Region. In the end, they even managed to survive and bloom.

His grandfather planted them as a piece of art because this breed of Nameless Flowers only had two petals.

So its name is actually 'Spirit Flower'.

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Suddenly, tiny pollen particles leaked from the top of the Spirit Flowers, followed by a unique aroma spreading in the room.

After breathing in the fragrance, Gu Yuxiao and Tie Cheng became dizzy and fainted on the ground instantly.

“The pollen is poisonous!” Chen Hao was shocked and braced himself to attack the old lady.

However, he then felt his limbs becoming weak and his mind getting light-headed.

“How is this possible? I’m already immune to all poisons in the world!” Chen Hao hesitated as he kneeled on the ground with one knee.

His dizziness was getting stronger.

The old lady, however, walked slowly toward Chen Hao with a sinister smile on her face.

“It’s obvious that your physique is different from the ordinary person, but the Spirit Flower itself is also out of the ordinary. It’s

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the perfect weapon against you!” the old lady laughed.

Chen Hao knew he couldn't hold out any longer as he was about to faint.

He then focused all his willpower and shouted 'Breaching Army! Breaching Army!' in his head.

In an instant, Breaching Army flew from his sleeves and left with a streak of white flash.

Puff!

The old lady had never expected that Chen Hao still had a trump card up his sleeves.

When she recovered herself, it was too late for her to avoid it. Breaching Army scratch one of her arms and pinned her down to the ground.

As she hit the ground, the strong queasiness that the pollen brought Chen Hao suddenly disappeared.

I-It's not a poison after all!

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Chen Hao finally regained his strength and returned to his senses.

It seemed like a form of psychological attack, with the pollen acting as the medium.

He realized that his mind was controlled by the old lady just now.

Surprised, the old lady crawled straight to the nearest window in the room and slammed into it.

The window broke, then she jumped into the sea.

When Chen Hao chased after her, she was nowhere to be found.

Tie Cheng and Gu Yuxiao then stirred and slowly regained their consciousness.

The bodyguards of the Chen Family boarded the boat as well.

“Bring Tie Cheng and Gu Yuxiao away from here. Also, search the sea beds and look for the old lady’s whereabouts. She’s

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injured, so she will definitely leave some trails behind!" Chen Hao said with a pale face as he had suffered from a psychological attack recently.

The bodyguards took his commands and immediately started the investigation.

Looking at the sea, Chen Hao thought, Who is that woman? It seems like she is waiting for us again near the Sea Palace!

But I can confirm that she wants to stop everyone from entering the Sea Palace.

Or, should I say that she wants to stop me from entering the Sea Palace?

Apart from that, she actually used flowers as her weapons.

When I saw the flowers at grandfather's place, I thought they were just a special plant. I never would have thought that they have such effects on us!

Suddenly, the alarm rang in the cabin of the Chen Family's boat.

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A few dozen of huge ships of the Chen Family were searching for her on the sea.

Finally, they found the whereabouts of the old lady.

“Young Master Chen, the old lady dived to the bottom of the sea, and our sonar system detected a huge metal building at the deepest part of the sea! It looks like the old lady is heading toward the huge building,” one of Chen Hao’s bodyguards ran up to him and reported excitedly.

“If there’re no further mistakes, it should be the Sea Palace! You guys are in charge of the interception on the surface on the sea, while we head toward the bottom of the sea. By the way, are you two alright?” Chen Hao looked at Gu Yuxiao and Tie Cheng.

“We’re fine!” Tie Cheng said.

“Good. Put the Water Elusive Stone in your mouths. We’re going down now. Both of you, stay right behind me and follow me!”

The three of them plunged into the sea

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and swam toward the bottom of the sea.

As they brought top-notch scientific equipment with them, the data that were transmitted showed the location of the old lady and the location of the Sea Palace accurately.

Hence, it wasn't difficult for Chen Hao to find them.

With the help of the Water Elusive Stone, their speed was very fast.

Not long after, a pitch-black cave entrance, which was only at half a human's height, appeared in front of them.



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Chen Hao, along with Tie Cheng and Gu Yuxiao, swam into the entrance.

Even though the opening of the cave was very small, it was shaped like a gourd.

After swimming into the hole, they then found out that there was another world within it.

When Chen Hao and the others reached another entrance in the cave, Chen Hao was surprised to find the Spirit Flowers grew all over the entrance with its pollen scattering around.

“Hold your breath and focus!” Chen Hao told them.

Chen Hao looked at the dial of his equipment. It was shown that the old lady’s figure had disappeared right here.

She must be inside the cave.

She was also very cunning. If they were just slightly careless, they would be attacked by her.

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Just then, Gu Yuxiao and Tie Cheng suddenly felt uneasy at the same time.

The pollens were comparatively much denser at the entrance of the cave.

Even Chen Hao, who tried his best to control himself, could hardly take the psychological attacks brought by the Spirit Flowers.

It must have been the old lady who is behind all this!

Soon, Tie Cheng and Gu Yuxiao became unconscious.

Buzz!

Facing the strong psychological impact, Chen Hao couldn't hold it much longer. He felt the space around him becoming distorted.

Before he lost his consciousness, he saw a peculiar and ugly face appear in front of him.

In the dark, unconsciousness took over.

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Without any idea how long it had been, Chen Hao slowly woke up.

The stimulation to the brain was no different to the time when Chen Hao entered the God's memory to learn martial arts skills. This, however, brought more agony.

As they were still under the sea, they would have drowned if it weren't for the Water Elusive Stone.

As for Tie Cheng, he was still in a deep coma with an ashen face.

Enduring a headache, Chen Hao went to look for Gu Yuxiao.

Only then he realized that Gu Yuxiao was missing.

What happened?

Chen Hao carried Tie Cheng on his back and became more alert.

He quickly paced back and forth in the tunnel, but there was no trace of Gu Yuxiao

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at all!

Could it be possible that something happened to her? Chen Hao blamed himself.

However, he had no time for hesitation because he was still alive, and the Sea Palace was right in front of him. Perhaps Gu Yuxiao had entered the small tunnel in front of them?

Hoping that this was the case, Chen Hao woke Tie Cheng up, and then both of them continued moving forward.

Bam!

They had no idea how long they had been swimming in the tunnel. Suddenly, the waves around them behaved vigorously, as if there was a force that wanted to draw Chen Hao deeper inside.

Tie Cheng looked at Chen Hao, indicating that it was the undercurrent of the sea. However, the pressure was too big to withstand.

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Even though Chen Hao was agile under water, and he used his Inner Energy to resist the force, it was futile.

Both of them were rapidly heading toward a hole that was getting smaller.

“Use the Bone Shrinking Technique!” Chen Hao reminded Tie Cheng.

The space around them was shrinking—initially, it had the height of a normal human, but now it had shrunk to the height of a four-five-year-old toddler and the hole was getting smaller and smaller.

Both of them used the Bone Shrinking Technique at the same time to adapt to the surroundings.

If not, even Chen Hao, who had a strong physique, would become a pulp after being squeezed by the tunnel.

Bam!

Finally, the suction force reached its end.

Both men were thrown into the empty

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space in front of them by inertia.

What surprised Chen Hao was the fact that there wasn't any sea water around the space. It was an entirely dry space.

As Tie Cheng suffered from serious injuries, Chen Hao helped him up.

"Mr. Chen, I'm useless!" Tie Cheng said weakly.

"Don't worry, because we... seemed to reach the Sea Palace!"

Chen Hao patted his shoulder. Then, his eyes froze in surprise as he looked at everything in front of him.

Tie Cheng also turned his torso and looked around the space. His jaw dropped at once.

Because in front of them stood a glamorous palace, like the Sea Palace of Dragons.

Chen Hao was stunned by what he saw.

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In the middle of the Palace, there was a tall platform, and around six meters above the platform, a crystal coffin was floating.

It's the Longevity Coffin! Chen Hao was stupefied.

It turned out that after bidding farewell with the God, the lady in white was buried here in a Longevity Coffin.

They were separated at both ends of the world and could never meet each other again.

What did the old beggar want then?

"Mr. Chen, there are drawings around us. Seems like there's an explanation describing what has happened!"

Just then, Tie Cheng pointed at the drawings around them.

Chen Hao glanced at the Longevity Coffin of the lady in white, and then looked at the drawings on the walls around him.

Similar to the Palace in the Sands, this

palace was full of drawings as well.

Chen Hao looked at them briefly. It was indeed about the burial ceremony of the lady in white.

As for the drawings at the back, they could not be classified as drawings anymore. They were all complex and artistic writings.

However, Chen Hao did not recognize the characters as they were different from the characters that he had previously seen.

The drawings were mostly elaborating on the burial ceremony and the origin of the female corpse.

Chen Hao understood all of that.

“The Gaeml Writing?”

After browsing through the drawings on the walls, Tie Cheng came to the stone walls at the back.

“What’s the Gaeml Writing?” Chen Hao looked at Tie Cheng.

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“Mr. Chen, the Gaems are an ancient tribe, and this is their writings. Our family had collected a Gaeml scroll made from animal hide. When I was young, my grandmother forced me to learn the meaning of these characters,” Tie Cheng explained.

Chen Hao’s eyebrows arched involuntarily. “So, can you read it?”

Tie Cheng scanned through the writings. “I could decipher around fifty to sixty percent of the text at most. I’ll have to guess the rest though!” He scratched his head.

“At least that’s better than me, who understood nothing. Can you take a look at the words and explain what they’re talking about?” Chen Hao patted his shoulder.

Tie Chen then looked at the writings intently.

After ten minutes, he then said, “The contents of the writings are too mysterious and peculiar. It was like a prophecy... and they mentioned a sentence multiple times...”

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Tie Cheng scratched his head and pointed to the few words in front of him and read them character by character, "This sentence was talking about a flower that blooms in two petals. Each petal is a different world, and the answer that you're seeking lies in one of them."

"It blooms in two petals, and each petal represents a world?" Chen Hao asked.

"Yes, that's right, Mr. Chen. That's exactly what it meant!" Tie Cheng nodded vehemently.

It was the same phrase spoken by the creepy old lady. When Chen Hao was scanning the area using his mind, the old lady wasn't even there anymore.

Could it be possible that she left when we were unconscious?

No, it doesn't make any sense. The suction force is so strong outside. Even I could not go against the current to escape, let alone her.

Well, this is not the main issue here.

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'It blooms in two petals, and each petal represents a world'. Is this about the Spirit Flower? How do I understand this phrase?

Chen Hao frowned. "What else is written here? From which part do you see it's a prophecy?"

"Mr. Chen, because the writings are saying that after ten thousand years, someone will come here and bring the goddess away to reconcile with her lover whom she was apart for almost ten thousand years. At the same time, the person will also find the answer that he's seeking. Even though the answer might seem far away, it's actually nearby."

Tie Cheng told him that this was the majority of what he was able to make out. Obviously, it was quite difficult for him to translate as well.

But he then continued, "Because he has the... key of the Longevity Coffin, so he is the only person who can open the Longevity Coffin."

"Key?"

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“Yes, the meaning of these few words is something like a key,” Tie Cheng explained.

Chen Hao thought for a moment. “Could it be this?”



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“What’s that?” Tie Cheng asked curiously.

Chen Hao took a cubic shaped wooden box out of his pockets carefully.

The wooden box was given by Yang Wei. Eight hundred years ago, another old beggar handed it to Yang Wei’s ancestors.

The beggar predicted that Chen Hao would look for the Sea Palace and asked his people to wait until Chen Hao appeared.

Could it be possible that the old beggar predicted the events that would happen after ten thousand years—that I would come to this place and bring the Longevity Coffin and the lady in white away, so she could reunite with another me?

Or, could it be possible that the old beggar from ten thousand years ago and the one from eight hundred years ago are actually the same person?

Chen Hao shuddered as he was afraid to think about it; if he started thinking deep into it, he would have goosebumps.

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But Chen Hao actually understood one thing. According to him, as long as I could make the lady in white reunite with another me, then I could get the answer that I want. Does this mean that the mystery of the League of the Sun would be solved too?

“What more did he say? Tie Cheng, try your best to understand most of the writings!” Chen Hao said after thinking for a while.

“He also said here that something bad will happen to this world, something that many people will lose their lives because of this... and it can't be stopped! The prophecies on himself will also come true one after another—this is his fate! As for the rest, Mr. Chen, I'm sorry, I-I really can't understand anymore,” Tie Cheng sighed.

Many people will die? Prophecy?

Could something bad will be happening?

No matter how he looked, Chen Hao felt that the writings on the wall were all about him.

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Although he couldn't understand it now, it didn't mean that he couldn't understand it in the future.

Chen Hao forcefully took notes on the writings on the wall and then brought Tie Cheng to the drawings.

The last drawing on the wall described that if one could obtain the key to the door, he could find the way out.

And the mentioned key was shown in the drawing as well—it was really the sign of the Golden Fish Tail in the wooden box.

After taking down notes about everything there, Chen Hao then walked toward the Longevity Coffin with Tie Cheng behind him.

He had always heard Shen Lan describing how elegant the lady in white in her dreams, but Chen Hao had never once seen her.

Now that he was here, he wanted to take a good look at how this beautiful lady—who came from the heavens—looked like.

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When the coffin cover was half opened, a breeze of cold air greeted them.

After the cold air subsided, the lady in the coffin appeared in front of them.

“The Goddess!” Tie Cheng was surprised and delighted. Excitement could be seen all over his face.

It seemed like Chen Hao had guessed correctly—the woman who saved Tie Cheng was this lady in white. But how did she become alive?

It was undeniable that a beautiful dead lady was lying in the coffin, wearing plain white clothes which didn't have a flick of dust on them.

Chen Hao admitted to himself that it was true that she might be the most beautiful woman in the world.

Even though she looked very peaceful right now, her goddess abilities could not be obscured.

It was as if her goddess abilities would

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heal any of her flaws automatically, if she even had any.

Chen Hao froze when he saw her.

She's really gorgeous! he thought.

"It's such a pity. No matter how beautiful you look, you belong to the person who looks exactly like me. As for me, I only want my Tongxin and Uncle Yuxing back, so that our family can reunite. Of course, I can help you reunite with him first. If I successfully did that, I hope you can help me out too. Even if you only give me the slightest hint, that'll be fine too—as long as I can find them!" Chen Hao told the lady in white who was laying in the coffin.

After that, Chen Hao retracted his glance and closed the lid of the coffin.

Chen Hao tugged Tie Cheng as both of them jumped down together from mid-air. He then walked around the area.

Finally, he saw a trough in the middle of the platform.

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Its shape corresponded perfectly to the Golden Fish Tail in his hand.

Seems like we can find the exit of this palace after I put the Golden Fish Tail in it, Chen Hao thought.

When he was about to place it, Tie Cheng suddenly let out a shrill scream.

“Mr. Chen, look! There’s another coffin there!” Tie Cheng pointed to a corner which was glowing in the dark.

After checking it out, it was true that a black coffin which was binded by thick chains was lying quietly in the corner.

The thick chains looked as if they were trying to stop a creature from escaping from the coffin.

It was quite unnerving.

No wonder Tie Cheng was shocked.

“This is odd. Why didn’t the drawings show the origin and history of this coffin?” Chen Hao wondered.

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There were a few points which were rather questionable as well. For example, the small coffin that fell from the boat was not found here. The huge dragon which was said to be buried together here was not here as well. Those two items couldn't be seen here.

“Let's not care about those for now. Stand further away, Tie Cheng. When the exit opens later, a large amount of sea water will enter this space. I have to take care of the Longevity Coffin, so you make sure you stay right behind me,” Chen Hao instructed.

Tie Cheng nodded heavily.

For now, Chen Hao only had one goal—the lady in white. He didn't have any more energy left to look for other things.

He then put the Golden Fish Tail on top of the trough. A golden light flashed immediately.

Roar!

Right after that, the entire palace started

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shaking violently. The vibrations were like the ground sinking and the skies splitting apart.

The crystal coffin was gradually descending and supported by Chen Hao single-handedly.

Bam!

However, the expected door did not open.

The Longevity Coffin, however, started vibrating.

Not just that, but the chained coffin in the dark corner also started shaking.

Then, a peculiar scene happened—the metal chains around the coffin broke and the crystal coffin seemed as though it wanted to fly outside.

Spirit Flowers had also started growing at a visible speed on all parts of the wall.

“T-These—” Tie Cheng was scared stiff.
“These flowers again!”

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The Spirit Flowers completely bloomed and filled the walls in a short time with their pollen spreading in copious amounts.

At the same time, a strong dizziness overpowered them once more.

Bam!

The walls of the palace broke, followed by the sea water gushing into the room rapidly.

Chen Hao was in such pain that his entire body trembled, but he still held onto the Longevity Coffin tightly.

Bam!

The stone pillar collapsed and scattered on the ground.

Chen Hao's knees gave in as he kneeled.

"Mr. Chen!"

Tie Cheng was hit by a huge pillar, but he still tried to crawl toward Chen Hao—who was powerless after being stimulated by

the Spirit Flowers—to support him.

Gush!

Until all the sea water broke through the entire Sea Palace, Chen Hao could not withstand the impact that the Spirit Flowers gave him anymore. His vision turned black as he was about to faint.

Right before he fainted, he clearly saw that the chains of the pitch-black coffin in the corner were completely broken, and its lid flew aside.

A thick, black light shone through the coffin.

On the other hand, the Chen Family crew on the boats.

It was already midnight. Suddenly, lightning flashed, thunder roared, and the waves were turbulent.

Even their big boats were unstable on the sea.

The strong wind wailed, as if it wanted to

destroy all the boats on the sea.

Then, a tsunami occurred.

“What should we do now? Young Master Chen is still in the sea! This tsunami is more like a vigorous undercurrent in the sea. Are we able to detect what is happening below us?” the bodyguards of the Chen Family said frantically.

“There are no signals on every boat here, as our radar signal is interfered!” someone yelled.

Just then, a streak of black light suddenly emerged from the sea and shot straight up to the sky.

“What’s that?”

Like a meteor, the black light shot across the sky and headed toward a certain direction.

All the bodyguards of the Chen Family witnessed this peculiar scene as they stood on the deck.

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“Did we see anything wrongly?” someone asked in surprise.

“How is it possible?”

“Alright, we’re receiving some signals now. And we’re reconnected to Young Master Chen!” the bodyguards said excitedly.

The sea wind, however, was getting stronger.

Chen Hao’s brain became blank due to the strong stimulation.

He could not control his body. However, he only had one remaining thought—to hold the Longevity Coffin tightly in his hands.

He had no idea how long he had been unconscious. When Chen Hao woke up again, he found himself lying in a room.

“I-I’m not dead?” he muttered to himself.

“Hao, you are finally up!” Fang Jiannan was sitting by Chen Hao’s side all this while. When she saw him wake up, she was so excited that she almost burst into tears.

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Shortly after, Old Master Fang, Zuo Zhongtao, and a few other main bodyguards rushed into the room.

“Young Master Chen, you’re finally awake!” they exclaimed excitedly.

Chen Hao twisted his neck and asked, “How long have I been out?”

“Young Master Chen, you were unconscious for a month and a half!” a few bodyguards said worriedly.

“What? A month and a half?” Chen Hao widened his eyes.

“By the way, where’s my Longevity Coffin?” Chen Hao asked in shock.

The bodyguard then said hastily, “Young Master Chen, about the Longevity Coffin, you did bring it back, but... Anyway, please go over quickly to have a look yourself!”

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After hearing his bodyguards recount the incident, Chen Hao thought, I've actually been unconscious for a month and a half! The impact that the Spirit Flowers brings is much more powerful than I thought.

It's a different type of damage compared to the attacks from skilled masters like Mo Canglong.

The Spirit Flowers acted like a medium to inflict heavy damage to the human's mind.

Even though Chen Hao's body had been trained and refined until a high level, his state of mind had not nearly reached the physique of his body. Hence, he was nearly incapacitated by the Spirit Flowers this time around.

However, before he fell into unconsciousness, he still remembered the scene he saw at the Sea Palace clearly.

The black coffin seemed to spring open, and a ray of black light emerged from it, but he was holding the Longevity Coffin tightly at that time.

Since the Longevity Coffin is still here, what could go wrong?

Chen Hao sat up and walked to a room in the backyard which was heavily guarded by the bodyguards.

When he opened the door, he saw the Longevity Coffin was placed right in the middle of the room.

After he opened the lid of the coffin, he realized that it was empty. The lady in white had disappeared!

“Young Master Chen, when we were trying to pull you out of the water, the Longevity Coffin was just next to you, and we brought it back with us as well. At that time, the lady in white was still there. However, something happened seven days ago—she disappeared overnight! She seemed to evaporate from the world, and only left this coffin behind. It’s rather unconceivable,” a bodyguard explained after walking to Chen Hao.

Old Master Fang was there as well.

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Before they came here, they went to the Sea City and made sure that everything was in order.

Just when they were about to leave for the Southwest Region, a bodyguard suddenly came looking for Zhuo Zhongtao, informing them that Chen Hao was injured and landed in a serious coma.

Hence, they didn't leave and went straight to Mo Island to visit Chen Hao.

Even Old Master Fang—who was almost a century old—couldn't believe the incident that unfolded right in front of his eyes.

Chen Hao was also surprised. Perhaps the person who attended the funeral procession was speaking the truth? The lady dressed in white laying in the coffin might become alive again?

Chen Hao examined the Longevity Coffin in detail.

A Spirit Flower, placed in the center of the coffin, attracted his attention.

Looking at the contraption, Chen Hao took a step back involuntarily. He was traumatized by the flower that hurt him so much.

It was neatly placed, as if someone deliberately left it there.

“Yes, Young Master Chen, only a Nameless Flower was left behind,” the bodyguard said guiltily.

Chen Hao froze and looked at him. “Wait, you recognize the Nameless Flower?”

The flower was very rare. Chen Hao’s first encounter with the flower was at his grandfather’s island. At that time, he thought it was just a flower without thinking much about it.

Chen Hao had never given any thoughts to the flower.

Hence, when the bodyguard from his family—he was not from the Soul Palace—recognized it, Chen Hao was shocked.

“Old Master Fang told me about it!”

“Hmph? Old Master Fang, do you recognize this?” Chen Hao looked at Fang Butong.

“Of course I do. When I was younger—around nineteen- or twenty years old—I was very close with your grandfather. At that time, we were comrades-in-arms. He showed this flower to me and told me something like it was only found exclusively in your Chen Family. I asked him about the name of the flower, and he told me it’s called the Nameless Flower—a mysterious and mystical flower. He also mentioned that it was a motif-type flower which belonged to a unique country in the Western Region in the beginning,” Fang Butong explained.

“At that time, my grandfather had the flower, and also knew about its mysterious power?”

Upon hearing that, Chen Hao was shocked because he was at the island before he came here, and Uncle Wen’s explanation was that after his grandfather founded the Soul Palace, he went to the Northwest Region and he got the seeds of the flower

there coincidentally. Then, he planted the flowers as a part of an art collection without knowing the actual use of the flowers.

But according to Fang Butong's explanation, the timeline was shifted a few decades earlier, and the flowers were found exclusively in the Chen Family.

Those were two completely different versions.

“Of course, the Nameless Flower—‘it blooms in two petals, and each petal represents a world’ was what your grandfather told me back then. I was really confused by this saying!” Fang Butong shook his head and laughed wryly.

“This again!” Chen Hao exclaimed. Why was grandfather's words exactly the same as the creepy old lady?

Chen Hao then listened to Fang Butong's explanation attentively.

“I asked him about the meaning of the phrase ‘each petal represents a world’. He

told me that it meant any space could split into two identical spaces according to the patterns of the Nameless Flower.

Regardless of the space that you enter, what you see, hear, and feel will be the same. However, both the spaces are different. Hence the saying ‘it blooms in two petals, and each petal represents a world!’”

“But Grandfather, why do two identical yet different spaces exist?” Fang Jiannan, who stood beside him, couldn’t help asking.

“Yeah, I asked him about this too. He then gave me an example—take the room we’re in right now, the Nameless Flower has a unique ability—to modify human’s senses and sensory organs. The Nameless Flower could use its unique mind-controlling power to make you think that the differences are actually the same. For example, what you see right now is this room. But when you are standing in another room, the Nameless Flower is able to make you feel that the other room is the same as this room. I guess you guys would understand from this example. I didn’t understand it at that time though. I

even joked and criticized Diancang about this!”

Fang Butong shook his head and laughed dryly, reminiscing about the past. Now, he had almost reached the age to be placed in a coffin and buried.

However, after he finished talking, both Fang Butong and Fang Jiannan noticed that Chen Hao’s face had suddenly become ashen.

He seemed to look worse than he was unconscious.

“Hao, what had happened to you?” Fang Butong and Fang Jiannan asked in unison.

Chen Hao furrowed his eyebrows.

“Now only I know the real meaning behind the phrase ‘each petal represents a world’. At that time, the old lady had definitely entered the cave, but she didn’t have the Golden Fish Tail. There was no reason that she could escape from the other side of the Sea Palace, for I’ve sealed off her exit from the cave.”

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When he woke up the second time after he fainted, Tie Cheng and Chen Hao entered the Sea Palace, but there was no trace of the old lady in there.

In fact, there was an additional big, black, coffin.

At that time, he felt strange that he hadn't seen the bones of the huge dragon, and that coffin wasn't described in the drawings at all.

Everything felt odd to Chen Hao, but he was only thinking about bringing the lady in white and the Longevity Coffin away.

However, when he followed the procedures to open the gate of the coffin, everything collapsed.

This was different from the drawings as well.

Why didn't I stay calm? It feels like there's a force using my weak points to make everything flow quicker, Chen Hao thought.

Of course, this was not the main point yet.

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Chen Hao was worried and panicking about the most deadly part right now.

What if, the place where I entered wasn't the real Sea Palace, and the woman I met wasn't the real lady in white?

If each petal really represents a world, and I entered another world, then... who is the person whom I saved?



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