

Chapter 65 - It's finally begun.

Two days passed, and I continued to kill as many monsters as possible and turned them into my familiars. During this time, Kumoko leveled up a few times.

Unfortunately, there aren't many strong monsters for her to kill to evolve faster.

And about her evolution. She needs a specific skill to become an "Arachne".

I need to increase my [Editing] level to give her this ability.

If I remember correctly, she needs the [Pride] skill to evolve into Arachne. The big problem is that I've already bought this skill. I hope I can give her the skill.

If it doesn't, she won't be able to evolve into Arachne, which will be a problem.

'But if I can't, I'll think of something else.'

'What?'

'I was thinking about your next evolution. It's close, isn't it?'

'I'm still at level 16. I have to get to level 20... It will take a while.'

'Are you tired? We can rest for a while.'

'Don't worry about me, I'm fine. My SP recovery skill has improved, so it's regenerating quickly. The big problem is my hunger. I keep getting hungry.'

'Fortunately, I don't have that problem.'

'That's right, you still haven't told me about it. Why don't you need to eat?'

'I don't feel hungry, so there's no need. Besides, I can't store food like you do.'

'I see. It would be great not to feel hungry and not need food because most of the monsters in this place taste awful. We should go back and get some more of those fish.'

'It's a long way from here. There's no way.'

'You can't teleport there, can you?'

'Really...?' I stared at Kumoko for a few seconds.

The passage to the lava rivers is a long way from here.

We'd been walking for a long time, and behind me was a small army of monsters. I was doing it like this: I kill them, turn them into my familiars, edit their statuses, and then have them follow me.

And when the number of monsters gets too high, I ask them to disperse to kill monsters.

I'm curious if they can evolve like the spiders. Many of the spiders I turned into familiars returned much stronger. Some of them had a status of over 1,000.

I consider this strong.

It can't compare to my strength, but it's a very high status compared to the average.

Oh, and about Liu, he's following us. He's no longer tied in my web, and his mouth isn't covered, but he refuses to say anything.

He's getting worse and worse. Liu will die soon.

'What? Don't you want your best friend to eat something tasty?' Kumoko looked at me like a puppy.

'Well, I have nothing to do right now. I'm going back there. I'll be back in a few minutes.'

'Yeey!!!' Kumoko shouted happily, and I teleported.

My vision changed, and now I'm looking at a giant lake of lava. However, there was something strange—many monster bodies around.

Most of the flesh on their bodies had been eaten away by something.

'One, two... six, seven...' How many? More than 15 of them?

They were all monsters that lived in the lava; someone killed them, threw them out, and devoured them. Who did it? 'Could another change have taken place, and another dragon has appeared? Perhaps a powerful fire dragon?'

No, but a fire dragon wouldn't do that. They wouldn't eat the bodies of all the monsters like this.

The bites are small and very irregular. It's as if giant rats had eaten the monsters' bodies bit by bit.

'Hmmm... Well, whatever.'

I'll ignore this, as it has nothing to do with me. I'm strong now, so I'm not worried about the monsters inside the labyrinth. Even the dragon that lives in the depths doesn't scare me.

'Unless God had his status changed like Ariel's status...'

I searched for the fish and killed them. Then I stored everything with [Spatial Magic] and teleported back to where Kumoko was. When I arrived, her eyes began to shine.

Liu, who saw me suddenly appear, widened his eyes and leaned against the rocks. He looks exhausted.

Well, whatever.

I took out the meat and cooked it for Kumoko with my fire magic.

While she ate, I decided to have a bite too. Even though I wasn't hungry, I longed for something tasty, so I ate. It's tasty, but it lacks spice.

Liu, who was standing nearby, was drooling.

'I wonder if he's eaten this kind of monster before.'

I picked up the meat and threw it to him to eat. He took the meat without thinking and began to eat in silence. 'I don't remember if this meat is poisonous, but I don't think so. But if it is poisonous meat, I'll make you my familiar.'

Come to think of it, shouldn't I have done that already?

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Another day has passed, and the number of monsters in my army is enormous; I think it's time to start my plan to cause the famous "monster rebellion". Besides, Kumoko is ready to evolve.

However, she is still a long way from reaching her peak.

Her next evolution is Zoa Ele.

'I don't know if there were any requirements for this evolution, but she got it.'

It's getting closer to her becoming an Arachne.

Also, I haven't moved up a single level all this time.

And then, suddenly.

["Urednik pajka LV3 (Phase 2)" became "Urednik pajka LV4 (Phase 2)"]

'Huh?'

["Urednik pajka LV4 (Phase 2)" became "Urednik pajka LV5 (Phase 2)"]

'Wait a second... It's finally started?!'