

Chapter 33

18 hours of 【Pseudo-Peace】 left.

I enter the significant information I heard from Kanon into the memo app of my smartphone.

- The experience necessary for a Demon King to level up once is: Enemies with the same level x current level value x 20.

(Example) To level up from 3 to 4, I have to defeat 60 level 3 enemies (3 x 20)

- The experience necessary for everyone besides Demon Kings to level up once is: Enemies with the same level x current level value x 5.

- The experience gained from an enemy that is lower leveled than yourself is: 50% less for each level.

(Example) I will assume my level is 3. The experience necessary to level up is 60. I can gain 1 experience point per killed level 3 enemy. The experience I gain when killing a level 2 enemy is 0.5 (1 x 50%). The experience I gain when killing a level 1 enemy is 0.25 (0.5 x 50%).

- The experience gained from an enemy that is higher leveled than yourself is: 110% more per level. The experience when killing a Demon King will be multiplied by 1000%.
- Monsters have levels, too. The rough estimate is: F rank is level 1~2, E rank is level 3~5, D rank is level 6~9, C rank is level 10~19, B rank is level 20~49, and A rank is level 50+.
- In case an enemy was killed in a party, the experience will be assigned in proportion to the party members' contribution.
- The experience when an enemy was killed by a subordinate is: 10% will be allotted to the creator, if inside the Domain. 5% will be allotted to the creator, if outside the Domain.
- The experience of an enemy that was killed by a trap will be fully allotted to its creator.

This is all about levels and experience points which interested me the most.

I think it's a well-thought-out specification. Even if you oppose those that are weaker than you, the gained experience will just keep decreasing. You can call it a system to stagnate level growth if humans and Demon Kings don't grow at the same time.

...Is it really like that? A devilish thought crosses my mind. But, that though is full of many holes, too. I decided to forget about it since it seemed impossible to implement.

In short, to quickly raise my level, I guess I have no choice but to fight enemies myself or set effective traps... Learning that the outside leveling of my bloodkin isn't all that effective delivered the biggest mental damage to me personally.

Next, the assorted information.

- Once a Demon King becomes level 5, they acquire 《Separation》. 《Separation》 is the act of

splitting the Domain and selecting a temporary Domain Master from the subordinates. To go with an image, I guess it's the delegation in simulation games. The temporary Domain Master can't create subordinates, and they seem to have various regulations, so it was hard to call it useful.

- Once a Demon King becomes level 10, they evolve. Moreover, they acquire 《Reign》. 《Reign》 is the act of transforming human land into a part of the Domain. Various troublesome procedures are necessary, but well, that's still a long way off, isn't it?
- Goblins and kobolds have 4 evolution stages. Dark elves have 2. Lycanthropes have 4. By the way, the one with the most are slimes at 10 evolution stages.
- Some humans, dwarves and elves are able to use alchemy. Dark elves are not.

The rest I will omit as there was a lot of trivia knowledge such as the goblins' favorite food. Having obtained a certain extent of information from Kanon, I encountered a certain difficult situation.



"Sorry. Somehow, because of me..." (Kanon)

Kanon, who was also the main cause of that difficult situation, apologized deeply.

"Well, you didn't know that it would turn out like that, did you?" (Shion)

The knowledge I obtained from Kanon was extremely useful. Even though I could have forced her to tell me if I had ordered her, I don't desire a bad relationship with her. I answer back, trying to follow up on her.

"No, I knew about it as knowledge, but...I didn't put any attention to that matter." (Kanon)

Seemingly quite devastated by my expression from not long ago, Kanon was still discouraged. I operate the smartphone and check the condition of **【Domain】** once again.

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Demon King Shion's Domain

DP: 284/294

Domain Size: 12 km²

Population: 0

Type: Dungeon

Floors: 3

Established Facilities:

– Small Room x 35

– Forest x 1

– Rock x 68

- Entrance x 2
- Treasure Chest x 14
- Rest Area x 4
- Stairway x 4

Set-up Traps:

- Wooden Arrow x 12
- Poisoned Arrow x 4
- Tumbling Boulder x 3
- Pitfall x 4
- Alarm x 1
- Poison Swamp x 1

Special Restrictions: Number of Humans: 12 * 2

Special Effects: Pseudo-Peace (18 hours left)

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The difficult situation caused by Kanon is the increase in entrances — which accompanied the expansion of my Domain.

An increase in entrances meant an increase in the number of places that have to be defended. At the time I established my personal principles, I always simulated possible results carefully. Why was I, who had been an ordinary university student to begin with, capable of simulating? The courses I studied at university were mostly centered around economy. Not something like military strategy. Having been born in peaceful Japan, I had absolutely no experience in having participated in wars or disputes.

What someone like me used as base for his delusions — simulations was the knowledge and experience I obtained through games and creative works such as books, movies and anime. Because I was omnivorous in my isolation, I read a large number of creative works in various genres, and meddled with a great variety of games.

Of course killing one's enemy with an absolute power like the protagonist in some book, or annihilating a thousand people by yourself like in a certain action game is impossible. However, there was very much applicable information, too. In reality I don't know what's useful since I have survived by capitalizing on that experience.

If I apply my knowledge to the current situation, it would be the simulation game where you aim to unify the whole country with the Warring States period of China and Japan as theme. This kind of game has several turning points where the degree of difficulty rises sharply. One of those is the time when the dominated area (castle) increased at the opening.

Depending on the circumstances when you increase your dominated area, you will be blessed by an increase in national power. If I apply that to my current situation, I guess it's the increase of DP. Due to the expansion of the Domain through 《Surrender》, the maximum amount of DP grew by 50. Also, as it became possible to set up further rest areas, the maximum DP value has grown even further.

If possible, I'd like the CP value to grow alongside DP...I strongly wish that it happens.

Ugh, I strayed off-topic. In contrast, the demerit is the decentralization of my combat forces. Furthermore, what I'm facing is not a game, but reality. It's not like the enemy will wait for me while I'm thinking. Since there's also a limit to checking everything with a bird-like view, my focus will be decentralized as well.

If I establish 2 entrances next to each other...at the moment that idea popped up in my mind, I instinctively praised myself with "Am I a genius?", but if entrances don't have a certain distance from each other, they can't be established.

A dungeon creation of 12 km² x 3 floors is far too troublesome... Isn't there anything like an

Intermediate Demon King Pack?

"I wonder, has it been found out by the humans that I rule Kanon's Domain?" (Shion)

"Yeah, that's for sure. Even in the net it's a hot topic." (Kanon)

"Thought so..." (Shion)

Kanon's Domain apparently used the Beginner Demon King Pack (Hybrid Version). It was a Domain that combined vast forests and ruins. On the other hand, my Domain is a dungeon type. It's an unrelated story, but if you expand the hybrid pack, the inner structures of buildings that can be established will apparently expand as well.

As result of me accepting Kanon's 《Surrender》, Kanon's Domain was fused with mine or was absorbed without keeping its shape...all facilities disappeared, it was changed into a dungeon type and combined with my Domain.

If you look at a dungeon type Domain from outside, it's a huge monolith. As image, you can imagine it to be close to Ayers Rock.

In other words, if one had watched this time's uproar from the outset...they would have seen the forest that formed Kanon's Domain disappearing and a huge rock, which grew out of the ground alongside a rumbling, combining with the huge rock that formed the exterior of my Domain.

"If you had at least been level 5 or could have come to steal the 【True Core】 directly, my Domain wouldn't have changed its shape..." (Kanon)

Eh? What's with that? It's my fault?

"Ah!? No, it's not your fault or anything like that, Shion-san...umm, that is, in other words...the one at fault is me!" (Kanon)

Did my feeling of pushing the guilt on Kanon appear on my face? Kanon explains in panic. Kanon - sometimes she's quite unable to read the mood, isn't she? It might be because her aptitude is 【Chaos】 like me, and because she has the same attribute as I have, loner = communication disorder.

"Well, whatever. By the way, what would have happened if I had been beyond level 5?" (Shion)

"Since you would have been able to use 《Separation》 at level 5 and above, it looks like you could have done the takeover without any change to my Domain if you had immediately selected a temporary Domain Master." (Kanon)

"There are really many complicated and puzzling specifications..." (Shion)

"I'm sorry..." (Kanon)

It's not specifications decided by Kanon, but for some reason she apologized.

"Wait... Moving the 【True Core】 was possible, right?" (Shion)

Having expanded my Domain, I possessed two 【True Cores】. It's troublesome since there are two

of them that I have to protect. It would be the best to put them together in one place.

"It's possible, but..." (Kanon)

"As long as you don't take it out of the Domain, it's possible to use creation or alchemy, isn't it?" (Shion)

"No, to be precise, it's outside the Territory [efn_note]Written in English, so capitalizing to make a distinction[/efn_note] ." (Kanon)

Kanon replies with an apologetic whisper.

"Territory?" (Shion)

"Yes. Shion-san, the Territory of your **【True Core】** is this room." (Kanon)

Now that she mentions it, I never took the **【True Core】** out of this room, or to be more accurate, out of the freezer.

"You're saying I won't be able to use creation and alchemy if I take it out of the Territory?" (Shion)

"No, given that you own two **【True Cores】**, you will be able to use creation and alchemy even if you move one of the **【True Cores】** outside the Territory. However..." (Kanon)

"However?" (Shion)

"In that case your maximum CP value will be reduced by half, Shion-san." (Kanon)

"Eh? Does CP possibly increase if the number of possessed **【True Cores】** grows?" (Shion)

"Yes. Didn't I tell you?" (Kanon)

"You didn't." (Shion)

There were too many things to consider and thus I didn't check the status of my CP. Since I alchemized the Mithril Spear, I didn't pay any attention to my CP as I had 10 hours for the CP to recover to its maximum.

Or rather, 10 hours have passed already, haven't they?

Aaaaaaaahh! Shit! There's too much I have to do!

I tore hair off my head out of stress.