

For this reason, the injury he caused Lukas was not enough to kill him. Even though Lukas' armor was of poor quality, the boy's strength was not high enough to penetrate it and still penetrate deep into Lukas's flesh.

Lukas would be dead now if his strength were at Rank C.

"It seems you had a hidden skill. What is it? A Body strengthening skill or something? I didn't think an assassin would have something like that."

"..."

"I also have a skill like that to increase my agility, but unfortunately, it's unusable now. Oops, should I have told you that?" The boy stared into Lukas' eyes for a few seconds before attacking again.

Lukas expected his attack, so he had bought a skill.

[ Body Strengthening ]

Effect - Increases the user's Status by 30% for 5 minutes

Rank - B

Value - 3.800

It was the same skill the boy was using, but Lukas didn't know that.

And with the rings and legendary necklace, Lukas had significantly raised his Status. He could fight Rank C players at the moment. He didn't know the boy's rank, but he believed he could fight on equal terms.

Lukas activated the skill when the boy "teleported" close to him. His speed was still higher than Lukas', but it was easier to keep up after Lukas activated the [Body Strengthening] skill.

The boy, who noticed the change in Lukas' speed and the mana circulating his body, raised his eyebrows.

'What is this guy? Did he have this ability before? Is he just playing with me?' The boy began to worry a little. How many more skills did that masked man have?

Then an intense exchange of attacks began.

The boy was still faster than Lukas, but the fight was very close. Their blades clashed fiercely, and sparks flew through the air. The noise of the blades clashing hurt Lukas' ears.

'Damn.' Lukas was taking it the worst, even with his new skill active.

Cuts began to appear on his body, and several times, he narrowly escaped death. The boy was trying to hit his throat, which was unprotected. But, fortunately, he couldn't.

"Looks like you are reaching your limit." Lukas noticed the sweat dripping down the silverhaired boy's forehead. He had activated his ability earlier, so Lukas believed its effect was ending.

But Lukas's skill would not last long either.

Lukas was also beginning to feel a little tired; his mana was being drained quickly. In addition, his muscles that had been damaged before were "screaming" for help.

He could end his body if he weren't careful.

The two continued to exchange blows, and the boy's expression began to twitch because of the side effects of his skill that were ending. Then his five minutes were up.

As soon as the skill was deactivated, a sharp pain hit every muscle in his body. He gritted his teeth but did not weaken in front of Lukas. He raised his daggers and was ready to receive Lukas' attack.

Lukas, who still had his skill activated, advanced toward the boy.

Even without his ability and with his body at its limits, the boy still reacted well to Lukas' attacks. But it didn't last long. Soon, wounds began to appear all over his body.

Lukas didn't want to kill him, so he didn't target the boy's vital points. But his arms and legs began to be covered with blood, and he could no longer hold his two daggers.

His daggers fell to the ground, and the boy began his escape.

"I won't let you escape." However, Lukas went after them. With his detection magic activated, he followed the boy through the dungeon's corridors. But Lukas's [Body Strengthening] skill was also deactivated at the beginning of the chase.

He felt an intense pain all over his body and lost his concentration. His detection skill was also deactivated.

By the time he recovered, the boy had fled far away, and his detection skill could no longer find him. Frustrated, Lukas gritted his teeth and kicked the dungeon wall.

"That son of a bitch."