

## Chapter 994 Trap

When Liam and Shayla got back to the Hoffman family's residence, they were shocked to discover that it was empty.

The place being empty made them sure of one thing: Leandro was behind all of this.

"I can't believe it was Leandro, that useless fool, who caused all this trouble. I want him dead!" Shayla said, her voice filled with anger.

Liam frowned a bit, realizing that all this chaos had messed up his plans, making him delay the rescue mission for Julie.

Just as they were getting ready to gather their forces and search for Leandro, they noticed a powerful primogem scent nearby.

"Is Leandro still around here, or is he hiding out somewhere on this property?" Shayla said.

They started searching the place right away.

Half an hour into their search, Liam found a hidden door in the back of the kitchen's cold storage, which led to a dungeon.

He hurried to get Shayla, and they both went down the secret path.

They reached the end of the tunnel and found the dungeon.

Their noise made the caged monster go crazy. It slammed

against the iron bars with terrifying strength, but the cage, built with rare metal, stayed strong.

It was obvious that Leandro had purposely skipped the tranquilizer, leaving the monster completely disturbed.

Liam and Shayla were surprised when the monster suddenly appeared in the dungeon. They prepared for a fight.

Suddenly, a barrier made of rare metal sprang up behind them, blocking their way back.

Meanwhile, the dungeon gate holding the monster swung wide open, setting the monster free.

"The monster's escaped! Be careful!" Shayla shouted as the monster, driven by a strong desire for blood and freedom, rushed toward them.

The monster's sudden attack caught Liam and Shayla by surprise, knocking them both to the floor.

Liam noticed right away how strong the monster was. It was as powerful as a Primogem Warrior of the fifth tier, but it didn't fit neatly into any category.

Curious but worried, he wondered the mastermind behind creating such a powerful monster.

When the monster came at them again, Liam realized they couldn't just stand there and fight it head-on.

He quickly pulled Shayla out of the way, dodging another one of its attacks.

With the monster's attack missing them, the monster

stepped into the light, and they could see it better.

Liam suddenly recognized something familiar.

The monster looked a lot like Jaxtyn!

Realization hit him. Liam was sure that this monstrous figure was Jaxtyn!