

Chapter 1: Introduction

There was a battle near Utan's house. Three Mages and five footsoldiers from MageCorps were involved. The Mages were within the same level as power as the footsoldiers.

Utan: Great; these guys had to show up here. What time is it? (looks at his alarm clock.) 3 AM?!! I'd better deal with these idiots, before the MageCorps begin World War IV.

Meet Utan Enhada. His body type was slim and tall and at his late-teens.

The footsoldiers were able to defeat the Mages after they killed two footsoldiers. But one was remaining, she injured her leg.

Footsoldier #1: You have nowhere to run now.

Utan: Hey! Leave her alone and get out of my backyard!

Footsoldier #1: Why won't you get lost? You're interfering with our business.

Utan: Really? Still doing population control against weak Mages? That's just like the commander; you should be targeting stronger mages than her.

Footsoldier #3: Why you - - - let's kill him!

Utan was able to beat them by generating a steel pipe. One of the MageCorps' soldiers were badly injured.

Utan: The next time you come here again this hour, I'll have you plastered for life. Now get out of here.(the footsoldiers leave. he checks to see injured mage was ok.) Are you alright?

Female Mage: I'm fine. Why didn't you go after them?

Utan: I had no reason to. (sees the other mages that were killed.) I'm sorry about what happened to them.

The female Mage walked away after she heals her leg.

Utan: Now, I can rest easy now that these Mages are fighting again. (he heads back into the house to get some sleep.)

The next morning after Utan was able to beat up some members from MageCorps, his alarm went off. Then, he quickly turned it off.

Utan: 7' o clock, huh? Just one more hour of sleep then I'm off to work. (goes back to sleep.)

Then, Michaelis appears outside to come see Utan. He knocks on the door.

Kilitia: Oh, hi Michaelis.

Michaelis: Hello. I was wondering if Utan's here.

Kilitia: Yes. He just fought against some members from MageCorps earlier this morning and he didn't go to sleep until five.

Michaelis: Well, I guess I came at the wrong time.

Kilitia: No, I'll wake him up for you. Despite my mom's income, my brother really needs to be more proactive working with you.

Michaelis: Ok. Does your mom work?

Kilitia: Of course she does. She works as a chef; I really think you should try her food.

Michaelis: Where is she at now?

Kilitia: Shopping for groceries.

Kilitia and Michaelis enters Utan's room.

Kilitia: Ok, Utan. It's time to wake up.

Utan: (feeling upset.) Go away; I got two more hours of sleep to catch up on.

Kilitia: You sure are talking like you're awake; plus, Michaelis is here.

Utan: (wakes up.) He is? You're here early.

Michaelis: My dad wants to speak to you about what happened last night.

Utan: He does. (goes back to sleep.) Let me go on ahead and get my two hours of sleep; I'll deal with him tomorrow about the MageCorps attacks. When is the electronics store going to open?

Michaelis: Ten AM.

Utan: That'll give me plenty of time for me to get a quick bite and go off to work with Nicholas and you. Just stay here for the time being.

Michaelis: I'm sorry, but I have other things I have to do other than wait for you. I'll come back at nine. (leaves.)

Utan: Now you leave, Kilitia.

Kilitia: Why should I? You should be ashamed of yourself for what you just did.

Utan: I don't think so; I'm just doing what I'm supposed to be doing. Not only for the Mage Association, but for the rest of the groups that aren't sided with MageCorps.

Kilitia: Were you with them?

Utan: I was with them. After I was almost got my hand frozen by a member from the Mage Association, I was forced to resign after I beat up Commander Ugoh.

Kilitia: Why aren't the Mage Association after you?

Utan: Rex Navarre pardoned my resignation and got rid of all my records. The Mage Association hardly even knows who I am.

Kilitia:

Utan: If that's all you want to talk about, I'm going to have to go to sleep. I got a long day ahead of me.

Kilitia: Fine. (leaves.)

After a few hours, Utan meets Nicholas and Michaelis at an electronics store and begins their work. On lunch break, Utan and the Rosso Brothers went to Burger King.

Nicholas: So, did you sleep well?

Utan: Of course. Most of the MageCorps attacks recently were against D to C-level mages; so, basically blew those soldiers away from them very easily.

Michaelis: I would be careful if I were you. Even with your ability to generate weapons, you may have problems against mages who specialize in keeping opponents away from you.

Utan: I'm aware. What happened back at Japan was no exception.

(Utan's flashback when he was with MageCorps, a year before he resigned.) Commander Ugoh ordered Utan to target Rin Toshaka, a fourteen year old member of the Mage Association. On top of the balcony, Utan and his squad were able to spot her heading back home after a long day at school.

Utan: (looks at the picture of Rin.) Is that her, Michaelis?

Michaelis: Looks like it.

Duodon: Ok. Let's mow her down.

Utan: Hold on. We can't just go in on her without find out how powerful she is. (looks at some of the footsoldiers. they were scared.) And I definitely do not like sacrificing any of my soldiers.

Nicholas: We don't mind. Dudley, trace her power level.

Dudley: (he was shocked to see that her level was hidden.) I'm having a difficult time tracking it.

Utan: Figures. I guessing I'm going to have to make a move on her.

Michaelis: Utan, are you serious? From the looks of this, she may be a high level mage.

Utan: And I'm supposed to be scared? Besides, this is a perfect opportunity to put MageCorps on the map.

Utan goes downstairs and waits for a perfect time to ambush her.

Utan: (thinking silently.) This is so fucking sweet!! At this rate if I'm able to beat her, I'm going to get me a HUGE promotion!!! General Utan, I like the sound of that!!

As soon as Rin passed the building Utan was hiding in, Utan generated a crescent-moon boomerang and threw it at her. Somehow, she was able to dodge his attack.

Utan: Great. (He gets out a wakusashi out of his jacket.)

Dudley was able to feel some magical energy flowing from Rin. But, Utan was unable to feel that from her.

Dudley: (sweating heavily.) This is bad; Utan doesn't stand a chance versus her.

Nicholas: What's wrong?

Dudley: I'm picking up B - - - no, an A-level energy from her.

Utan: So this is what it's like fighting a Mage? I'm impressed. (feels something was a bit off on Rin.) What is this strange battle aura I'm sensing?

Rin: Who are you? Why did you attack me?

Utan: That's none of your concern, Lynn. Anyway, I'm here to defeat you; I've been receiving reports about a mage killing off some of our members stationed here. From the looks of things, you must be that mage I'm after.

Rin: Ok. I don't know what you are after, but I suggest you leave here immediately.

Utan: Make me!!

Utan rushed straight to with his weapon but he missed. He attacked her again but as she dodged, the right sleeve on her shirt, got cut off.

Utan: I got you now.

As Utan tried to attack Rin, she was able to dodge his attack and fire an ice projectile at him. But his weapon was knocked off his right hand as he tried to cut through it.

Michaelis: Was that my attack?

Dudley: No. That attack was too powerful; look at Utan's right hand.

Michaelis: It's starting to become a lot worse.

Nicholas: Starting to?! That's an understatement; we have to get him out of there.

Utan's right hand was starting to feel numb. Despite using his reinforcement, it wasn't strong enough to withstand her ice attack. (Gandr)

Rin: Are all the mages from your organization that stupid? I doubt you can even use magic.

Utan: Don't get too cocky; you haven't seen anything yet. I guess I'm going to have to generate a longer sword.

Utan generates a kodachi to try to keep up with Rin's elusiveness. Even with a lighter weapon, Rin was able to see where Utan's attacks were heading. But Utan was able to dodge her Gandr; they were both getting tired.

Utan: You really are a high-ranked mage worthy of my skill. However, I refuse to lose to someone like you.

Utan throws his kodachi straight at her, but she was able to dodge that. As he got close to her, he generated another kodachi and attacked her. But as he hit her, the sword broke. The people in Utan's squad were shocked to see that.

Utan: Oh shit.

Rin fires her Gandr straight at Utan. Luckily, he was able to absorb the attack but his hand was frozen. His hand was not frozen to a point where it could fall off thanks to his reinforcement ability. Then, Nicholas and the rest of the group appear to aid Utan.

Nicholas: Hey, Utan. Heads up.

Nicholas throws one of his light scrolls at Rin's line of sight for Michaelis to fire his ice bullet so it could blind her for a few minutes for Utan and his squad to escape. After a few miles away from Rin, Utan was getting frustrated that he was almost killed by someone younger than him.

Utan: Let's go back to headquarters.

Duodon: Hey, but what about killing Rin?

Utan: (stunned.) Killing her? Nevermind, this mission is over. Better yet, I quit doing scouting missions for Uugoh. Any idea who that mage was?

Michaelis: Rin Toshaka. MageCorps classified her as an A-ranked mage.

Utan: Bullshit! How the hell could someone that young be that powerful?!

Dudley: You'll be surprised; weren't you the same way when you were her age?

Utan: I don't remember any of it though.

Duodon: You don't? What the hell have you been doing with your life?

Utan: Anyway, let's return back to headquarters before that girl shows up.

(Back to today.) Utan was holding his right hand as it trembled thinking about his near death experience.

Utan: If it wasn't for you guys, I would have an icicle back there.

Michaelis: Don't worry about it too much, Utan. What do you want to eat?

Utan: Do they have the Italian Chicken Sandwich?

Utan and the others returned back to work after they got through eating at Burger King. After few hours, Utan was stacking the shelves with PS3 games and accessories. Then, a female appears behind Utan.
(Akisora Michiba)

Utan: Oh, it's you.

Akisora: Utan? What are you doing working here?

Utan: Isn't it obvious? I have been relieved from their duties after almost being killed by Rin.

Akisora: Wow. You actually fought against her?

Utan: It wasn't an actual fight, but it was more like me getting trying to get in close range without getting frozen.

Akisora: So were you able get to her?

Utan: Yes, but I was forced to retreat after my hand was about to become frozen by her ice pellet.

Akisora: I see. Fighting against mages like that has been a problem for you.

Utan: Ok, maybe you are right for one thing but ever since I last fought against that girl I've been blowing up the soldiers from MageCorps.

Akisora: But they have yet to release their elites. From what I heard, they were also using some of our meta-human subjects to join their group.

Utan: I did not know that. So, are you with them?

Akisora: Yes, but I'm stationed in Rex Navarre's group.

Utan: That's good.

Akisora: You never did tell me why Commander Ugoh injured his arm.

Utan: It'll be best if you didn't mention his name. So, you want to come to my house to play some video games?

Akisora: Sure. You do have the PlayStation 2, right?

Utan: Yes and I was just about to sell it next week to get the PlayStation 3.

Akisora: I think you should hold onto it until they make better games. Is Madden the only game you have?

Utan: Duh. Is SoulCalibur the only game you got?

Akisora: Anyway, I'll see you at home after get through with work and I'm also bringing SoulCalibur III there as well. (leaves.)

Utan: Hey, I got just an hour left. Oh, fuck. I don't have saved data for that game.

Michaelis: Who was that?

Utan: Just some meta-human from Navarre's group.

Michaelis: I thought you were done with MageCorps.

Utan: I am but I'm only inviting her as a friend not a soldier for MageCorps.

Michaelis: Despite that, she is a soldier from MageCorps.

Utan took his words into account. After a couple of hours, he returned home shocked to see Akisora doing armbar stretches with her sister, Kilitia.

Utan: Hey, Akisora. What are you doing to my sister?

Akisora: I was just teaching her a couple of moves and noteworthy stretches.

Utan: Sure. (feels disgusted that they're wearing shiny tights for their aerobic uniforms.) But why are you two dressed like that? I'm quite positive some idiots may try to show up and try to strip you two of whatever virginity you have.

Kilitia: Now you're just teasing us. This is what I usually wear when I work out.

Akisora: (stops Kilitia.) I'll handle this. I suggest you apologize to us.

Utan: Make me.

Then, Akisora catches Utan in a triangle hold as he tried to punch her. But, he was caught between her

thighs with his right arm being held.

Kilitia: Please don't hurt him.

Akisora: Don't worry; I'm just teaching him a lesson, that's all. (looks at Utan.)

Then, she crossed her legs to increase her grip on Utan. He was in a bind as he tried to break free, noting that his neck was vulnerable if he tried to slam her down into the ground while she's in that state. It was too much of a risk.

Utan: Ok, I surrender.

Utan was breathing heavily as soon as she let him free. Then, Kilitia comes to see if he's alright.

Kilitia: Are you alright?

Utan: What do you think? I keep forgetting that she was a wrestler; despite the fact that I have been learning judo, it's still incomplete.

Akisora: There's no reason for you to feel too bad about that loss.

Utan: You're lucky that my mom was here. So, you want to play me in SoulCalibur III?

Kilitia: You mind if I play?

Utan: (feeling upset.) Yes. But before we get started, change your clothes you two.

Utan gets the PS2 ready and copies the SoulCalibur III data from Nicholas's memory card and practices with Arthur before Kilitia and Akisora could enter his room.

Utan: I'm familiar with playing with this character. (thinking about when he played with him.) It seems like every time I play games like this, I start reminiscing about what happened at Japan.

Then, Akisora and Kilitia enter. But was shocked to see Akisora was wearing tight denim pants.

Akisora: Hi, Utan. How this for you?

Utan: Fair enough. You two can play this game; I just don't feeling playing this game after what happened to me. (leaves.) And I'm hungry.

Kilitia:

Utan heads downstairs to get something to eat.

Maiya: So, how did your day go?

Utan: Other than my tussle with Akisora, my day has been fine so far.

Maiya: Is she a friend you've made when you were in MageCorps?

Utan: I wouldn't say that. (gets out a bottle of sweet tea and a chicken sandwich.) She happens to be a really provocative young woman.

Maiya: Do you like her?

Utan: I doubt that I do. Plus, she's already found someone in Japan.

Maiya: So, what kind of powers she has?

Utan: I couldn't break free from her holds. So I'm guessing she must have super-strength - - - to be honest, I don't know what kind of powers she has or those other meta-humans.

Maiya: Well, you just need to keep a close eye on her. I'm quite positive that the other commander may want to use her as well.

Utan: I know. I know.

After a few hours, Utan was ready to go to sleep after Akisora left.

Utan: This has been a great day. (turns off the light.)

Meanwhile at the seaport, a young female leaves the building to see where she could find her aunt, Maiya Uzuki. (Komane Uzuki)

Komane: (thinking silently.) Hmm, I wonder where I can find my aunt.

???: Hey there, pretty lady. You're looking for something?

Komane: I was wondering where I can find Aunt Maiya.

???: Aunt Maiya? You mean to tell me you're - - -

Komane: Yes, I'm Komane Uzuki.

The guy backs away from her.

Captain: She's not here; she's at Honolulu. I'll take you there immediately.

Komane: Are you her friend?

Captain: Of course. She used to cook food for us before we go to pick up some tourists from Japan.

Komane: I see.