Synopsis and Backstory Sanguine Soul

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**NOTE:** Throughout the document the protagonist name shall be “Maleun” and the antagonist “Noor” until names for these characters have been implemented.

**Synopsis**

The game is set in a desert medieval world populated only by the protagonist Maleun, the antagonist Noor, and several demons summoned by Maleun. The player takes the role of Maleun as he wanders this desert in search of Noor. Noor has stripped Maleun of his powers and attempted to murder Maleun in the hopes that with Maleun dead the area would prosper and return to the lively place it was before. However, Noor thought that if a spell was cast on Maleun weakening his powers he would not be able to revive himself after being stabbed. Noor was wrong and Maleun wakes up in a dungeon deep within a cave. Upon waking up Maleun is very close to death and in a weakened state, he realizes he can drain himself of his magical energy to heal himself back to a healthy state. Filled with anger Maleun decides he must track down Noor to kill her, this being the only way to truly regain his powers. Upon trying to leave this dungeon demons he summoned to torment, hurt, and torture the townspeople of this once thriving town start to attack him. When summoning these demons, he also trapped them in this realm, unable to return home they lash out in anger. Since draining himself of his magical essence he also realizes that he can also drain himself of his life force to replenish his magical essence. With his magical force replenished he strikes down the demons and continues his rage filled quest realizing that to survive and get his revenge he must balance his health and magical essence. Upon leaving the dungeon he stumbles into the abandoned bazaar surrounded by barren farmlands. Sensing Noor, he knows he is getting closer, battling his way through demons he sees a large building in the distance. Maleun knows within this building lies Noor, but without a key the door will not open. Eventually throughout exploring the bazaar and farmlands the key is found after battles with several demons. Inside this building are more demons and puzzles that Maleun must solve to enter the courtyard for his final confrontation with Noor. Upon entering the courtyard Maleun is attacked by Noor who is shocked he survived. During the fight Noor tries to reason with Maleun telling him though she didn’t think he would survive but she hoped he saw the destruction he caused, but instead was only blinded by his rage sees nothing but revenge. Maleun strikes down Noor killing her regaining his power and vows to make the world pay for ever trying to kill him.

**Backstory**

Long before his downfall, Maleun was a powerful wizard who ruled over his land with an iron fist. Many people feared him but tried to make a living on the prosperous lands surrounding his kingdom. Many times, the villagers came to him begging for mercy, and asking for help to make ends meet. To instead of using his powers for evil and tyranny to enhance these lands. So all crops could grow eternally without consequence and bring in much more money and citizens to this land. The citizens stated he could build an empire with just the flick of his wrist. Unwilling to listen he casted them out stating he has no time to worry about the citizens of this land, but instead of luring in the people with the promise of wealth, he would take other lands by force after he became more powerful. This training of dark magic had an adverse effect on the surrounding lands making the land less and less fertile. Starting to starve the townspeople formed an army and tried to take down Maleun, but to no avail. As punishment Maleun summoned demons to the land to torture the people who decided to rebel. All the fields then started dying and this once thriving city was no more. While people were leaving their town, they prayed to the heavens for salvation. A week later Noor appeared, she cast a spell upon Maleun drastically limiting his magical powers, and stabbing Maleun killing him. Noor then started to rebuild the once great city.