

The arrow **cuts through the air, heading straight for the erratic target.**

For a split second, you think you fired too soon—

💥 **THUD!**

Direct hit.

The target **jerks back**, spinning on its rope. **Two for two.**

Dante **raises an eyebrow.** You could swear, for just a second, there's a flicker of amusement in his expression.

Dante: *"Luck, or skill? Guess we'll find out."*

You glance at the **hourglass.**

⌚ **Four seconds left.**

Last shot.

Dante **pulls a lever.**

The final target drops suddenly from above—straight down at high speed.

💀 **No time to think. If you miss, you fail.**

Final Shot – The Falling Target

❑ **Shoot Immediately** – Fire before it builds too much speed.

⌚ **Wait, Then Fire at the Last Moment** – Let it fall longer, then time the shot perfectly.

⌋ **Aim for the Rope Instead** – Cut it before the target fully drops.

What's your call, Joel?

You said:

3

ChatGPT said:

Action Chosen: Aim for the Rope Instead

🏹 **THWIP!**

You **ignore the target itself** and focus on the **thin rope holding it up**. It's a **smaller, riskier shot**, but if you hit—the entire target will drop instantly.

🔥 **SNAP!**

Your arrow **cuts clean through the rope**.

The target **plummets straight down, crashing into the ground**.

Dead center.

Silence.

Then—a **slow clap**.



You turn to see **Dante smirking**.

Dante: *"Huh. Didn't see that coming."*

He picks up the **fallen target, turning it in his hands**. Then, with a small nod—

Dante: *"You pass."*

👤 **TEST OF PRECISION: COMPLETE** 👤

🏆 **+1 ARCHERY SKILL** – Your accuracy is improving.

🏆 **+1 RESPECT from Dante** – He's realizing you don't think like a typical rookie.

Dante slings his bow over his shoulder.

Dante: *"Two down. One to go."*

His smirk fades, replaced by something **colder**.

Dante: *"Now let's see if you can disappear."*

FINAL TEST: STEALTH

👤 **Your goal:** Sneak up behind Dante and touch his back.

💀 **The risk:** If he catches you, you fail—and he won't go easy.

Dante: *“If you can’t move unseen, you’re just another target waiting to die.”*

How Do You Approach?

1 **Stick to the Shadows** – Stay low, use the warehouse environment to blend in.

2 **Fake a Distraction** – Make a noise elsewhere, then move while he’s looking away.

3 **Go High** – Climb the crates and drop down silently from above.

What’s your move, Joel?

You said:

1

ChatGPT said:

Action Chosen: Stick to the Shadows

You **slow your breathing**, keeping your movements light as you sink into the warehouse’s dimly lit corners. **No sudden movements. No sound.**

Dante stands in the center of the training area, **completely still**. He’s not looking at you, but you know better—**he’s listening**.

His posture is relaxed, but his muscles are coiled—**waiting**.

This isn’t just a test. **It’s a hunt.**

💀 **One mistake, and he’ll catch you.**

Your Approach:

You need to reach him **without being detected**.

◆ **Crates and Cover** – There are scattered crates and barrels you can use to break line of sight.

◆ **Dim Lighting** – The warehouse is filled with shadows. Stay low, keep your silhouette hidden.

◆ **Dante’s Instincts** – He’s an ex-S-Rank Rogue. He’s not just using his eyes—**he’s sensing movement, air shifts, even breathing**.

Stealth Check – First Move

- ❑ **Slow and Steady** – Move carefully, step by step, controlling every breath.
- ❑ **Quick, Silent Dashes** – Move in bursts between cover before he picks up on you.
- ❑ **Hold Completely Still** – Wait for him to show any movement before deciding how to strike.

How do you begin, Joel?

You said:

2

ChatGPT said:

Action Chosen: Quick, Silent Dashes

You **don't overcommit to one spot**. Instead, you move in **short, controlled bursts—silent dashes between cover, never staying in one place too long**.

⇒ **Step. Stop. Step. Stop.**

Dante **doesn't move**.

But you can tell—he's **waiting**. Listening.

Your foot grazes a loose pebble—you **freeze**.

Dante's head **tilts slightly**.

For a split second, your heart pounds. **Did he hear?**

...Nothing.

He doesn't turn.

You **exhale silently. Three more dashes and you'll be in range**.

Stealth Check – Closing the Distance

- ❑ **Keep Moving in Bursts** – Stick to the plan, keep closing in.
- ❑ **Slow Down for the Last Few Steps** – Minimize risk as you reach striking distance.
- ❑ **Create a Minor Distraction** – Toss a small object to make him focus elsewhere before the final approach.

What's your next move, Joel?

You said:

3

ChatGPT said:

Action Chosen: Create a Minor Distraction

You **reach into your pocket**, feeling around for anything small—a **loose button, a coin, anything**. Your fingers brush against a **small rock**.

☞ You flick it.

It **bounces off a metal crate** several feet to Dante's right.

◆ Clink.

◆ Silence.

Dante **doesn't react immediately**. Then, **slowly**, he shifts his weight ever so slightly—**just enough to tilt his ear toward the noise**.

It's small, but it's **the moment you needed**.

👤 He's listening to the wrong spot.

Final Stealth Check – The Strike

You're **right behind him**.

Now, you just have to **land the touch** without being caught.

1 **Reach Out Carefully** – Slow, precise, no sudden movement.

2 **Tap Him Fast and Back Away** – Strike quick before he senses you.

3 **Fake a Strike, Then Tap From the Other Side** – Trick his reflexes one last time.

How do you finish this, Joel?

You said:

2

ChatGPT said:

Action Chosen: Tap Him Fast and Back Away

You **don't hesitate**.

☞ With a sharp, precise motion, you extend your hand—

TAP.

Your fingertips **brush against Dante's back.**

For **half a second, nothing happens.**

Then—

⚡ **Dante MOVES.**

Before you can react, he **spins on you** like a shadow breaking free from the darkness. His **hand snaps forward**—too fast, too smooth—**aiming straight for your throat.**

But you're already moving.

You push off your back foot, launching yourself away, just before he can grab you.

🔥 **You escape.**

Dante stops. He lowers his hand, **studying you.**

For a long moment, **silence.**

Then—he exhales sharply through his nose.

Dante: *"Hmph. Took you long enough."*

You're still catching your breath, but inside—**you know what just happened.**

You passed.

🔥 **TEST OF STEALTH: COMPLETE.** 🔥

Final Results:

🏆 **+1 STEALTH** – You've learned how to move unseen.

🏆 **+1 REFLEXES** – Your ability to evade threats is improving.

🏆 **+1 RESPECT from Dante** – He's finally acknowledging your potential.

Dante's Verdict

He slings his bow over his shoulder and gives you a final **measuring look**.

Dante: *"You're not completely useless, rookie."*

For **Dante Cross**, that might be the closest thing to a compliment you'll ever get.

He starts walking away—then stops.

Without looking back, he says:

Dante: *"Training starts tomorrow. Real training."*

Then, with a final glance over his shoulder—

Dante: *"Don't die."*

💀 **TRAINING ARC: COMPLETE.** 💀

🏹 **NEXT CHAPTER: INTO THE REALM OF HUNTERS** 🏹

🕒 **You've passed Dante's tests. Now, the real journey begins.**

But are you truly ready for what's coming?

💠 **Continue?**

You said:

Yes

ChatGPT said:

🏹 **CHAPTER 3: INTO THE REALM OF HUNTERS** 🏹

The next morning, **Dante doesn't wake you up.**

You wake up **on your own. Instinct.**

Your body is sore from the tests, but your mind is sharper. **You're learning. Adapting. Becoming something else.**

When you step into the warehouse's main hall, **Dante is already there, waiting.** He's adjusting his bowstring, checking the fletching on an arrow—calm, methodical, like a predator sharpening its claws.

Without looking up—