

1 Still leaving?

Ye Wan Wan opened her eyes.

She was faced with a pair of eyes that sent chills down her spine and made her soul quiver.

“Ah——”

Her pale fingers tightly twisted the duvet.

Again, she had to endure the pain of her body being torn apart.

Could this be hell?

Why is it that I’m obviously dead but had to come back here, next to this devil?

Her mind was muddled due to this man’s scorching temperature and out of instinct, she resisted, “Don’t touch me!”

With one fluid movement, it was as if she was touched by ice. His ghostly, bloodthirsty expression clouded and his ice-cold lips bit down on her ruthlessly, as if wanting to swallow her whole.

Ye Wan Wan was in such pain that she couldn’t think straight. She muttered subconsciously, “Why... Why me... Si Ye Han... Why must it be me...?”

“Because it has to be you.”

Hearing his deep and hoarse voice was like a shackle of chains that imprisoned her soul.

Upon hearing the same answer he’d given her in her previous life, Ye Wan Wan fell into a coma.

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When she opened her eyes again, the darkness of the night sky had turned into daylight.

A floral scent filled the air and the warm glow of the sun filtered in, momentarily dissipating her uneasiness.

Yet, in the next second, Ye Wan Wan tensed up again.

A strong sense of distress spread in her as the man awakened.

His arm around her waist tightened. She was akin to a pillow, being held in his arms.

“Still leaving?”

Next to her ears whispered the voice that gave her the creeps.

Out of her survival instincts, Ye Wan Wan shook her head.

She was unsure whether he believed her. He glanced at her for a moment and then looked down, giving her little kisses on her lips, chin and neck...

The heavy, hot breath buried in her neck gave her warning signs all over her body.

She was like a deer who'd been bitten by a predator. She didn't dare move an inch.

After what seemed like forever, he finally let her loose.

In the next second, a surprisingly pleasant sight fell into Ye Wan Wan's view.

He left the bed half-naked, the backlight outlining his slender stature and tapered waist.

However, this view lasted only for a moment as he swiftly picked up his clothes by the bed and buttoned his shirt all the way to the top meticulously.

It was only a while ago that he'd been as ferocious as a beast, but in this moment, his handsome face was cold without a trace of humanity.

It wasn't until she heard the sound of the door shutting that Ye Wan Wan allowed her nerves to relax.

She could finally reflect on her current situation.

She slowly glanced at the furnishings around her, and also at her own reflection in the vanity mirror opposite.

The black lips of the girl in the mirror had been gnawed at till there was only a faint colour left and the makeup on her face had been completely smeared by tears and sweat. On her body

filled with bruises and hickeys was a horrific and bloody tattoo.

She couldn't believe this was how she looked at only 20 years old!

At that time, in order to distance herself from Si Ye Han, she purposely made herself look ugly and disgusting.

Now she'd actually been... reborn...

Suddenly, an overwhelming sense of fear and despair caused her to choke.

Why.. .

Why have I returned to 7 years in the past?!

I'd rather die than return here, back by this devil's side.

She clearly remembered that this was where she and Si Ye Han first had sex, and she'd been tormented thoroughly for countless nights afterwards.

She'd lost her lover, her family, even her dignity and freedom. She'd lost everything.

Must I go through all of it again?

No. Since God's given me a chance to live again, I have to change it all!

2 He could tolerate it all

Oh...

But how am I going to change?

To Si Ye Han, crushing her was easier than crushing an ant. He got whatever he wanted.

Ye Wan Wan took a deep breath, forcing the fear of that man out of her.

There must be a way!

At least she was no longer the same stupid, mindless and impulsive teenager.

“Oh my god! Wan Wan...” She heard a sudden exclamation.

Hearing this familiar voice, Ye Wan Wan stiffened and turned to look at the door.

Immediately, she saw the face of a person she'd never forget.

A pretty face that people would never suspect——

It was her best friend from her previous life!

“Wan Wan, how could Mr. Si do this to you?!” Shen Meng Qi rushed over and held her hand. She looked at the messy bed and Wan Wan's bruised body in astonishment.

Ye Wan Wan lowered her eyes, looking at her hand clenched in pain from Shen Meng Qi's tight grip. This time, she didn't miss Shen Meng Qi's clumsily hidden feelings of jealousy.

“Wan Wan, are you alright? Are you okay? Wan Wan, don't scare me!” Shen Meng Qi fretted anxiously. She saw that Wan Wan's gaze was strange and wondered if she was traumatized.

Ye Wan Wan maintained her composure and drew her hands back. She shook her head and replied, “I'm fine.”

In her past life, the reason why she'd been tormented so relentlessly by Si Ye Han was due in part to Shen Meng Qi.

She had many fights with Si Ye Han and didn't dare tell anyone other than Shen Meng Qi, her most trusted friend. Who would've known...

Shen Meng Qi actually had feelings for Si Ye Han; she long coveted the title of "Mrs Si". On the surface, she was helping Wan Wan, but she was actually using her to get closer to Si Ye Han. She even tried to drive a wedge between them countless times and led Wan Wan to be tortured by the wrath of Si Ye Han each time.

Wan Wan hadn't noticed her level of deception before. She even felt deeply grateful to Shen Meng Qi for being her wing woman.

Staring at her own reflection in the mirror, Ye Wan Wan couldn't help but smile wryly.

Actually, this hideous disguise was Shen Meng Qi's idea, and she actually agreed.

No matter how others saw her, as long as Si Ye Han loathed her, it'd be worth it.

But what she hadn't anticipated was that despite her revolting appearance, Si Ye Han could tolerate all of it.

"How are alright when you look like this?! Wan Wan, don't worry, I'll help you!" Shen Meng Qi said, with a look of kindness.

Ye Wan Wan sneered in her heart. Oh, sure .

The Shen Meng Qi from her previous life had also been like this, generously offering to help her escape and asking for Gu Yue Ze's help.

In the end, Shen Meng Qi betrayed her and told Si Ye Han that she was "eloping" with Gu Yue Ze.

This had intensified her conflict with Si Ye Han. From that point onwards, Si Ye Han's temperament became cranky and unpredictable. His possessiveness towards her became intolerable.

Facing Si Ye Han head-on was like courting death.

Why had she been so foolishly stubborn before? She'd even listened to Shen Meng Qi and obeyed her, hurting herself again and again.

The Ye family hadn't exacted their revenge yet. Her parents were still waiting for her at home and she still had to guide her older brother onto the right path. She had so much to do.

She needed to pacify Si Ye Han first; she couldn't do anything that would provoke him again. She set herself up against a terrifying enemy.

"Wan Wan, wait for me! I'll come back for you!" Shen Meng Qi, only caring for herself, spoke words devoid of meaning. She then left.

Once Shen Meng Qi left, Ye Wan Wan's helpless and fragile expression turned cold and numb.

Shen Meng Qi's countless attempts to encourage her to escape hadn't succeeded. The last time, she was accused of having an affair. It was like Shen Meng Qi was determined to the death to ruin her life.

So let's find out...

Who will die this time.

3 Ex-Fiance

In the blink of an eye, three days passed.

In those three days, Ye Wan Wan spent her time mostly sleeping and reflecting on her memory of her previous life.

Si Ye Han was no different from the past. For three whole days, he didn't appear at all. The servants at the house were all buried in their work and rarely spoke to her. They didn't even dare to make any eye contact.

Such an enormous house but it was like a crypt.

Ye Wan Wan changed into her pyjamas and looked at the time. She immediately walked towards the yard.

The moonlight was beautiful with a gentle breeze, easing her fear of the terrifying memories of the cage she was trapped in.

This garden actually had a nice view. After all, it had been designed by Si Ye Han himself. He hired the world's top group of architects and it took five full years to finish building it in the top location in Imperial City.

It was such a pity that in her previous life, she hadn't appreciated it. She abhorred this cage that imprisoned her and only wanted to destroy it.

In plain sight, she could see a large, burnt patch of grass, an intentionally cut flowerbed and a murky pond... these were all her "masterpieces".

"Wan Wan——"

Then, a familiar voice abruptly resounded in the evening wind.

Ye Wan Wan looked up from a withered rose in the direction of the voice.

Under the dim light, she could see a man dressed in an expensive and luxurious suit. He was charming and... classy.

She had to admit, Gu Yue Ze did in fact captivate her.

Si Ye Han, that devil, paled in comparison with him.

Gu Yue Ze stood a few steps away from her and frowned.

Ye Wan Wan noticed his subtle reaction, so she took a look at her clothes.

At that moment, she was still in her heavy metal clothes, with a thick mess of makeup on her face.

As her wardrobe didn't have any regular clothes, she thought she might as well maintain her old image. She also didn't want to arouse suspicion by changing drastically in such a short period of time.

Gu Yue Ze stared at her coldly, his expression filled with disappointment, "Wan Wan! How could you degrade yourself like this?"

Degrade myself?

Ye Wan Wan tasted these words, mocking her.

In her previous life, she'd given him her entire heart. In order to prove her loyalty to him, she'd made herself dress so strangely and repulsively.

But in the end, all she got in return was him saying that she degraded herself.

She knew that Shen Meng Qi spoke ill of her in front of Gu Yue Ze, but if this man had the slightest affection for her, he wouldn't believe anything Shen Meng Qi said.

Since Shen Meng Qi was her best friend, she came over often to keep her company. Thus, she could come in and out as she pleased. She even allowed Gu Yue Ze in secretly.

Just as Ye Wan Wan was about to speak, a chill went up her spine.

Si Ye Han...

He's here!

She was instinctively aware of that man's presence.

In her previous life, she didn't realize Shen Meng Qi betrayed her. Si Ye Han watched her in the dark the whole time she

cheated on him, marking the beginning of her nightmare...

Ye Wan Wan sighed gently, forcing herself to ignore the presence of Si Ye Han. She looked at Gu Yue Ze indifferently, chuckled and asked, "I wonder which perspective you're questioning me from? That of my ex-fiance? Or... my brother-in-law?"

Gu Yue Ze's expression turned heavy at Ye Wan Wan's sarcasm, "Wan Wan, I know you blame me, but I was also helpless. Whatever happened, I'm responsible for what you've become today. Leave with me now and I'll take you out of Imperial City!"

4 Dying under a peony

In her previous life, Ye Wan Wan felt that she lost herself and let Gu Yue Ze down. She didn't even fight back when he said all those nasty words to her. She was moved when he said she was forgiven and was touched that he wanted to bring her home, thinking she was still in his heart.

She had simply been dumb.

Who knew he was just acting out of pride?

In any case, she was once Gu Yue Ze's fiancée, but now she'd become Si Ye Han's lover. If people found out, wouldn't he lose all his pride?

Just as Gu Yue Ze appealed for her to leave with him, Ye Wan Wan felt a drastic drop in the temperature of the surrounding air.

In the darkness only a few steps away from Ye Wan Wan:

The man's expression was as dark as the night. His hostility raged uncontrollably, as if he could crush a man and engulf him whole, not leaving a single trace behind.

Si Ye Han's assistant, Xu Yi, was sweating buckets and both legs were trembling.

What a life I have to witness the boss' woman eloping with another man late at night!

Ever since this woman Ye Wan Wan had appeared, the servants hadn't had an easy day. Once the boss went into a rage, they all suffered.

And this woman's forte was provoking Si Ye Han.

This time, boss' anger would certainly be enough to burn the entirety of Imperial City to ashes!

Xu Yi closed his eyes in despair. He knew even without looking what was coming.

Seeing that Ye Wan Wan wasn't moving, Gu Yue Ze got impatient. He reached out to grab her arm, wanting to pull her away.

But Ye Wan Wan quickly took a step back, avoiding his touch.

“Wan Wan?” Gu Yue Ze frowned.

Ye Wan Wan replied coldly, “Gu Yue Ze, did I say I wanted to leave with you?”

Gu Yue Ze gave her a pitiful gaze, “Wan Wan, Si Ye Han is toying with you. Why must you humiliate yourself just to get back at me?”

The Ye Wan Wan he knew was head-over-heels for him and always did his bidding. Thus, Gu Yue Ze thought she was just trying to seek his attention.

“Humiliate myself?”

Ye Wan Wan laughed like she just heard a joke. She sneered, “Si Ye Han is richer than you, more powerful than you, of a higher class than you, and has a better body than you. Sleeping with him once is better than being with you for a lifetime! How do you have the confidence to say such things?”

“You...” Gu Yue Ze never imagined that Ye Wan Wan would say those words. His mood darkened.

At the same time, the man in the darkness with rage like a beast suddenly calmed down.

Xu Yi was surprised and looked in Ye Wan Wan's direction.

Why is Miss Ye acting so strangely today?

This is out of character—isn't she deeply in love with Gu Yue Ze?

She should be happy to elope with him!

Maybe she's playing hard to get?

This time, Gu Yue Ze was really angry. He warned her, “Wan Wan, stop throwing a tantrum. Si Ye Han is a vicious, violent and bloodthirsty man. Do you know how many have died in

his hands? Staying with a man like him... don't you care for your life?"

In response to Gu Yue Ze's harsh warning, Ye Wan Wan yawned lazily. She glanced at him sideways and replied faintly, "So what? Dying under a peony flower such as Si Ye Han, you'd be happy even as a ghost~"

5 An acquired taste

Xu Yi in hiding: “!!!”

Peo... Peony Flower!!!

Damn! This woman is so different today, is she under a spell?”

How can she compare our boss to a peony?!

Boss is handsome, even speaking as a guy. But even though he’s really good looking, anyone who knows him well enough, knows how violent he is.

Xu Yi discreetly sneaked glances at his boss, but unfortunately couldn’t make out his emotions from those dark eyes.

Is boss... angry or not?

At this moment, Gu Yue Ze looked at the girl who stood in front of him. A girl who was filled with hatred and spoke so viciously. He warned her with the last bit of his patience, “Fine... fine! Since you won’t come to your senses, next time you have regrets, don’t blame me for not coming to you today! Ye Wan Wan, I’ve done my best to help you!”

Ye Wan Wan relaxed a little when Gu Yue Ze finally stormed off.

If she had been in her previous life, she’d have to face the wrath of Si Ye Han. However, she managed to change the course of her life this time since Gu Yue Ze had left while Si Ye Han...

Hmm, she wasn’t sure when his presence had disappeared.

Did I pass the test?

Si Ye Han’s temperament was treacherous and unpredictable so Ye Wan Wan didn’t dare let her guard down. After easing her mood, she walked back into the house.

Once she stepped into the living room, that familiar voice penetrated into every pore of her body.

“Come here.”

On the sofa, the man’s open gaze was like a net, spread wide for her.

Ye Wan Wan stood rooted to the ground.

Even though she’d been reborn, her fear for this man was still buried deep in her bones and would never go away.

But, if she wanted to change her fate, she had to overcome this fear.

Ye Wan Wan dug her nails into her palms to maintain her composure and slowly walked towards him...

As she came closer, she was swept onto the man’s lap in a swift second, followed by a sudden pain on her lips——

The thin cold lips pressed down hard against hers and nibbled, not missing an inch...

Ye Wan Wan didn’t move. She forced herself not to resist in order to prevent infuriating him.

She couldn’t help but think that the lipstick that she’d put on today was wilder than before; she looked as if she’d been poisoned. Didn’t the colour hurt his eyes? How could he kiss her so passionately?

She met Si Ye Han when she was 18. For two whole years, she disguised herself with many different personas, thinking that there must be one that would be revolting to him.

She wouldn’t have tortured herself to look like this if she’d known better.

After that thought, Ye Wan Wan suddenly came around.

She was actually daydreaming in the arms of Si Ye Han?

Once she came around, she was surprised to feel a weight on her neck. Si Ye Han was hugging her like a pillow and resting his head on her neck. His breath was hot against her neck, coming in long and steady rhythms.

He fell asleep...

How could that be!?

Ye Wan Wan didn't dare make a sound until half an hour later when Si Ye Han was still without movement. She whispered, "Si Ye Han...?"

He didn't react.

He was really asleep!

Not far off, the worried Xu Yi stood by the gate. He witnessed what had happened and was surprised too. His eyes were wide open like he'd seen something unbelievable.

Ye Wan Wan was astonished as well.

She clearly remembered that Si Ye Han had a serious case of insomnia. His body was also more resistant to drugs than ordinary people, so meds weren't effective on him. Each time he wanted to go to bed, he needed a professional psychologist to perform hypnotism.

Worst of all, aside from being abnormal, he had a strong psychological barrier too. So, it was extremely hard for him to be hypnotized. When he was in a bad mood, hypnotism was totally useless.

The Si family hired an innumerable number of well-known doctors for him, but there was no cure.

6 Be herself again

Ye Wan Wan saw Xu Yi's look of surprise.

She opened her mouth to talk but Xu Yi quickly put a finger to his lips to silence her. He then put his palms together to plead her and mouthed: "The 9th Master hasn't slept for 3 days!"

Hadn't slept for 3 days?

Could this be because of her running away?

In the past 2 years, she hadn't given up on running away. This time had been her closest to freedom—just a little more and she would've been able to get on that overseas cruise...

But there was a high price to pay.

Before, although Si Ye Han forced her to stay by his side, he had never touched her. The first time he did was three days ago.

This was why she had believed her disguise to be effective all along.

Just when Xu Yi heaved a sigh of relief, a thunderous ring from the phone resounded throughout the living room, disturbing the silence.

Xu Yi was scared out of his wits and nearly tossed the phone away. He quickly turned it off.

But it was too late.

The devil had been awoken. It slowly opened its eyes, not showing a trace of humanity. It looked towards him with eyes that shot daggers and the colour in Xu Yi's body drained.

Ye Wan Wan was also in a state of shock!

Si Ye Han had a horrendous temper whenever he woke up. If he was disturbed during his sleep, that was akin to the end of the world.

Panicking, Ye Wan Wan stretched out her hands. She covered Si Ye Han's eyes with one hand and tugged his head against her shoulders with the other, whilst caressing his soft hair with her fingers, "It's okay... Go to sleep..."

One second went by...

Two seconds went by...

Three seconds went by...

Si Ye Han did not move.

A while later, Ye Wan Wan carefully removed the hand covering Si Ye Han's eyes. The man had shut his eyes quietly and had fallen into a deep sleep again.

Xu Yi's blood finally started flowing; he had nearly collapsed just now. He looked at Ye Wan Wan with eyes of gratitude.

Ye Wan Wan stayed in the same position the entire night.

Unsure of when she fell asleep, when she awoke, it was already morning. She was lying on the big bed in the master bedroom, with no sign of Si Ye Han in the house.

Ye Wan Wan rubbed her eyes and sat up. The hand she rubbed her eyes with was smeared with eyeliner, fake eyelashes, and glitter eyeshadow.

Every girl wants to look beautiful and would know that sleeping with makeup on damages the skin. But for these past 2 years, she never dared to remove her makeup even before going to bed.

Conversely, now that she knew that her disguise wasn't working, she felt a little freer.

She could finally be herself again...

Ever since she was 18, a flower blossoming age for girls, she had never met anyone without her disguise. She had almost forgotten how she looked like without it.

Firstly, would be the big, bloody, horrific tattoos on her body.

Fortunately, she was afraid of pain so she didn't listen to Shen Meng Qi's advice to get permanent tattoos—the ones on her

body could be washed off with soap.

Ye Wan Wan searched high and low and finally found the soap in a box filled with various other things. She brought the detergent, makeup remover, cotton pads and a pack of facial masks that Si Ye Han had given her previously in the bathroom.

She first removed the numerous ear studs and heavy gold earrings, then the dog chain around her neck. Next, she removed her make up. Finally, she poured the soap into the bathtub and soaked her entire body in it..

7 What did you do last night?

With the help of the soap, the tattoos on her body started to slowly dissolve away.

Ye Wan Wan soaked herself in the warm water, placed a facial mask over her face and shut her eyes for a bit.

When she opened them again, the water in the bathtub had turned black and muddy.

As for her body...

Without the masking effect of the tattoos, her body revealed its original state.

The kind of temporary tattoos she had gotten hadn't damaged her skin. Other than the red crescent-shaped birthmark, her entire body was flawless, just like a piece of jade. Moist and delicate. It was also like snow under the moonlight, white and clear.

Before being reborn, she even went to get a permanent tattoo on impulse. This tattoo stuck with her for 7 whole years. So for these 7 years, she had no clue how her body looked like underneath.

Now that she had seen its original state, even she herself was shocked at how good her skin was.

In addition, she was currently only 20 years old, the age where a girl's complexion is at its best.

After peeling the mask off her face, Ye Wan Wan drained the murky water in the bathtub and washed her body again.

She then changed into a bathrobe and sat in front of the dresser.

The girl in the mirror had ashy brows, a high nose, and delicate lips in a nice natural shade just like beautiful cherry blossoms in March. The most amazing feature was her pair of eyes, just like an autumn lake, shimmering like stars.

Due to her long-term heavy use of makeup, her skin was dry and damaged. But the moisturizing facial mask helped her regain skin as youthful as her body.

However, Ye Wan Wan knew that this was only temporary. Just like all the other beauty procedures, the facial mask could only maintain the skin's condition for a short period, especially those emergency-type facial masks that don't cure the root of the problem but rather offer a temporary solution.

For the skin on her face to completely recover, it still needed more care.

The outrageous hairdo she did at the hair salon also returned to its original state after washing. Her long hair that reached her waist was as black as ink and was let down loosely.

Previously, she snipped off her long hair that was so precious to her, but now that she had it all back...

Ye Wan Wan was so glad she gained back what she had lost. Slowly, she took the wooden comb and combed through the hair she adored.

After drying her hair, Ye Wan Wan looked at the wardrobe filled with strange clothes and began worrying again.

Forget it, I'll head to the cloakroom at level 3 and get a set. It's such a rare chance to be reborn, so why should I make myself uncomfortable?

The entire 3rd storey was a cloakroom. Inside, there were people that Si Ye Han had hired to help her with her wardrobe, accessories, and bags. Although she had never touched any of these items, for 7 years, the items in that cloakroom were always on trend.

Downstairs.

In front of the dining table, Si Ye Han was sipping his coffee leisurely.

Due to the lack of sleep, the dark eye circles around the man's eyes were a lot darker. His flawless face looked as if he had sucked the essence of a demon, just lacking the light emitting out of his body.

“Ah Si, hot hot hot...” Lin Que was stunned at what he saw and got scalded by the hot piping coffee.

Si Ye Han’s turned to look sceptically at his good friend sitting opposite, who was obviously astonished.

Lin Que still felt that even when this guy made sarcastic remarks at him, he was still very good looking!

Lin Que slammed the coffee he was holding onto the table, “Curses! 9th Si! Be truthful! What did you do last night? Were you reducing yin and nourishing yang?”

8 Stepped over by her

Si Ye Han seemed to be in a good mood since he didn't turn hostile after what Lin Que said.

Lin Que cast an eye at his brother with a look that could split the heavens. With an expression of bitter hatred and resentment, he said, "9th brother, with your status, stature, looks and body, have you thought about what kind of woman you want? Why must you degrade yourself like that?"

Ye Wan Wan heard the words of Lin Que while making her way down.

Why did what Lin Que said sound so familiar?

"It's fine if you're curious and want to have a taste of something different. But it has been 2 years. As your brother, I can't tolerate it anymore..."

Lin Que was still nagging at his brother when the listless and inattentive Si Ye Han suddenly tilted his head slightly and directed his gaze upstairs.

Lin Que subconsciously followed Si Ye Han's gaze and looked over.

Immediately, their eyes sparkled with astonishment.

They could see a girl standing upstairs. A girl in a pure white dress, with a slim body. She had long hair reaching her waist, her glances were enticing and her lips were like peaches. She was a real beauty with flesh of ice and bones of jade. Her beauty was out of this world.

This girl was really... unbelievably gorgeous...

The light could not be shielded even from a beast like Si Ye Han.

Lin Que was still dumbfounded by the time Ye Wan Wan walked over to the dining table.

Ye Wan Wan scanned the dining table. Normally, she always sat in the seat furthest away from Si Ye Han. This time, she thought carefully and took the seat next to him instead.

Seeing that the girl had actually sat next to him, Si Ye Han looked at her with a twinkle in his eyes.

Abiding by the principle of ‘the lesser you talk, the lesser mistakes you will make’, Ye Wan Wan sat down and started eating her breakfast silently.

From the moment she woke up, she had received stares.

She was also quite uncomfortable with the sudden transformation back to her usual self. She wondered what Si Ye Han thought about it.

Anyway, since he didn’t even mind her horrendous appearance, why not doll up and make herself feel good?

Ye Wan Wan thought to herself and ate her porridge at ease.

All of a sudden, a slender finger reached towards her face.

Ye Wan Wan tensed up and her whole body froze.

Then, that finger gathered a wisp of hair that nearly fell into the porridge and swept it behind her ear.

Now, Si Ye Han leaned on the chair lazily. Once he was done re-arranging the girl’s hair, he slowly retracted his arm with his gaze fixed on her. With a curious and unperceivable passion, his eyes slowly inspected every inch of the girl’s skin and expression.

Ye Wan Wan heaved a sigh of relief and quickly used a hand to hold up her hair, preventing it from falling again.

At this moment, Lin Que finally came around and gasped excitedly, “9th brother! You have finally thought it through! You should have found someone like that before! Why would you allow that woman to step over you?”

Ye Wan Wan, “...Step over...”

Lin Que also said, “Oh right, where is that ugly woman? Have you chased her out?”

Ye Wan Wan, "...Ugly woman..."

Lin Que said, "Although that Ye Wan Wan didn't look so bad 2 years ago when you guys just started, she was fat! She was at least 150 pounds!"

Ye Wan Wan, "...!!! Nonsense! I was obviously 140! Even though I was greedy and gained tremendous weight during my teens, my weight has never exceeded 150 okay?"

Lin Que, "9th brother, I didn't understand what you saw in her, why would you fall in love with a fatty?"

Ye Wan Wan, "...Fatty..."

Ye Wan Wan couldn't take it anymore!

No woman can tolerate being called fat!

Smack——

Ye Wan Wan suddenly slammed down the chopsticks that were in her hand, her eyes sending daggers across to Lin Que

"Lin! Que! So what if I was 150 pounds! So what if I'm fat! It's not like I've eaten your rice!!"

9 You're a fool!

Hearing this familiar voice, Lin Que's face looked like he saw a ghost. He stood up quickly and knocked his chair over.

“Uwaaagh! Ye... Ye Wan Wan!!!”

“How could it be?”

“You got plastic surgery!?” Lin Que gaped at her in surprise.

But, that's not right either, how could the procedure be so quick? She still looked horrendous when he last saw her a few days back.

Ye Wan Wan exploded in anger, “You're the one that went for plastic surgery! I have always looked this way! Also, tell me clearly how am I fat!”

A trance-like look appeared on Si Ye Han's listless face.

The girl looked as if there was a fire in her eyes—a long time since they were so intense.

The raging Ye Wan Wan suddenly felt a cool palm stroking her head, like someone trying to tame an angry beast.

At the same time, a warm voice went through her ears, “You're not fat.”

Ye Wan Wan was taken aback and looked at Si Ye Han.

Had she lost her mind? How could she find Si Ye Han... gentle...?

Ye Wan Wan stopped her train of thought and realized that she was overly agitated. “I'm not fat at all now...” she said, embarrassed.

Si Ye Han said, “You weren't fat before either.”

Lin Que turned serious, “9th brother, say that again with your conscience!”

Ye Wan Wan gritted her teeth in rage.

Si Ye Han turned to look at Lin Que slowly, “I have given that piece of land in Cheng Dong to Xie Zhe Zhi.”

Lin Que was suddenly dumbfounded, “What? Don’t joke about this, 9th brother! Didn’t you promise to give it to me? Have you already given it to Xie Zhe Zhi or did you just decide to give it to Xie Zhe Zhi in that one second?”

Si Ye Han: “I just decided.”

Lin Que: “...!!!”

Damn! Just because I called Ye Wan Wan fat just now?

“You’re... You’re a fool!” Lin Que retorted.

Not only did Si Ye Han not refute, he enjoyed this title. With an expressionless face, he said, “You’re in the way, you should leave now.”

Not only was he foolish, he’s even biased towards his lover and finds his own brother a nuisance.

Lin Que’s heart broke and he ran off in tears.

After Lin Que left, Ye Wan Wan and Si Ye Han were left alone in the dining room.

With Lin Que around, Ye Wan Wan breathed easy but once he left, she tensed up again. The presence of the man was instantly magnified.

“Eat more.”

Her plate had another Xiao Long Bao from her favourite breakfast store.

Ye Wan Wan had conflicting emotions.

Ever since she appeared, Si Ye Han did not have any special reaction to her change in appearance at all.

It was more normal to react like Lin Que right?

Ye Wan Wan couldn’t hold it in and asked, “Si Ye Han, don’t you find anything different about me today?”

Si Ye Han placed a prawn dumpling on her plate, “What?”

Ye Wan Wan: “My looks!”

Si Ye Han furrowed his brows, “What’s the difference?”

Ye Wan Wan was stunned, “...”

Is this man blind?

He looked at her unbelievable expression and gave a little laugh. He cupped her delicate chin, ran his finger over her lips and said in a deep romantic voice, “Still look as delicious.”

Ye Wan Wan:”...”

Look as delicious?!

He actually finds my previous horrendous look delicious? And it isn’t any different from how I look now?

Ye Wan Wan was in shock by his perverted taste...

10 Make up for the ugliness

So to speak, she had tormented herself all these years for nothing?

Ye Wan Wan felt like dying!

Thankfully this time, she found out sooner rather than later or she would have to be ugly again her whole life.

Starting today, she wanted to doll herself up as pretty as possible to make up for the ugliness in her previous life!

“Why? Is there a problem?”

“No!” Ye Wan Wan replied, aggrieved.

“Oh...” the man chuckled.

Ye Wan Wan looked at the man, fearful.

The unusual spark on his face was neither ghastly, violent nor detached... Si Ye Han was actually laughing.

She realised just now that this man seemed to be in a very good mood today.

Was it because he had a good sleep last night?

Actually, Si Ye Han's hot-tempered temperament was closely related to his insomnia; nobody is able to tolerate such a long-term sleeping disorder.

As she thought about it, Ye Wan Wan's mind started to wander.

Should I take this chance to bring up that issue, since he's in a good mood today?

When she was downstairs, she received a message from the class monitor asking her to go to school. If she continued to miss school, she might be punished or expelled.

Due to her bad results, she had already been held back 2 years and would be 20 years old by senior year.

She remembered that during her previous life, she was only concerned about one thing every day, which was Gu Yue Ze.

Before meeting Si Ye Han, she was obsessed with Gu Yue Ze. After meeting Si Ye Han, she kept thinking about escaping back to Gu Yue Ze's side. She was totally disinterested in learning.

Soon after, she didn't bother attending school and didn't make it for the college entrance exam. Her studies were completely delayed.

This time, she wouldn't allow herself to destroy her life like she did before.

This time, although she was grounded due to her escape attempt like her previous life, this time she didn't leave with Gu Yue Ze. Thus her relationship with Si Ye Han was still redeemable and there was still room for mitigation.

Ye Wan Wan took a deep breath and asked hesitantly, "May I... go to school... tomorrow?"

As soon as her voice died down, the pressure in the house lowered and the man regained his indifferent expression.

Ye Wan Wan could hear her own heartbeat. I'm still not allowed to go to school?

Even though she expected it not to be that easy, Ye Wan Wan couldn't help but feel disappointed. Her face turned grim as she looked at her favourite bun with no appetite and muttered softly, "If it's not possible then forget it."

But Si Ye Han's face didn't look any happier, instead, he looked more sullen.

Ye Wan Wan didn't want to aggravate him right after their relationship improved so she quickly said, "I was just casually asking. I'm not going anymore."

Si Ye Han kept silent and looked at the girl's dull eyes with a panicked expression on her face. Looking at the girl's expression reminded him how it was last time, and an uncontrollable temper rose in him.

Ye Wan Wan put on a face of innocence— this man's too hard to please. I already said that I'm not going to go, so why does he still look as if he wants to murder someone?

11 Did I scare all of you?

The atmosphere in the house slowly chilled. The relationship between Si Ye Han and herself seemed to return to the way it was before she was reborn.

The fear for the person in front of her started creeping back into her body.

Fortunately, at this moment, a pair of footsteps broke the deadlock.

Xu Yi brought with him a group of gardeners, florists, and builders into the dining hall and spoke, “9th master, the repair works in the garden... um...”

Xu Yi broke off mid-sentence and saw a girl sitting on the left of Si Ye Han. He paused momentarily while the workers behind him gave each other puzzled looks.

He wasn’t just surprised because of this girl’s beautiful appearance but everyone knew that the master had a serious case of OCD and was disgusted with women. There was only one woman in the world that the master could tolerate and that was none other than Ye Wan Wan.

So who exactly was this woman?

Ye Wan Wan looked at Xu Yi and the workers. She took a bite of the prawn dumpling and said apologetically, “Uh, I forgot to put on my make up today, did I scare all of you?”

Ye... Ye Wan Wan!!!

Upon hearing this familiar voice, everybody including Xu Yi was flabbergasted.

That ugly creature looked appalling but had a great voice, like a clear stream in Jiang Nan, crystalline and bright.

Yet this beautiful voice caused all of them to have a reflexive reaction of revulsion. After all, ever since this woman entered Jin garden, all these people had suffered as well.

The girl that appeared beside the master now, as pretty as a lotus flower that rose from beneath the water, was actually Ye Wan Wan?

Seeing everyone's reaction, Ye Wan Wan thought seriously, "Surely I look better than before right? I remember all of you were most surprised when I dyed my hair green! Maybe I should change it back tomorrow?"

They weren't surprised; they were obviously horrified!

Xu Yi finally came around and shook his head fervently, "No no, Miss, you look really good like that!"

Little did he expect that Ye Wan Wan looked like this without makeup.

So all along this Miss Ye didn't have issues with coordinating colours, but actually, had mental issues?

Master's eyes must be really sharp. How is it possible that he was able to see her natural state through her makeup that's as thick as a wall?

If Ye Wan Wan knew what was running through Xu Yi's mind, she would definitely tell him that his master didn't need to see through the "wall", instead, his master had a fondness for the "wall"!

"Are all of you here to discuss the repair works of the garden?" Ye Wan Wan asked.

Xu Yi nodded instinctively, "Yes."

Ye Wan Wan then probed, "May I give you some suggestions?"

Considering that I'm going to live here for some time, why not make myself comfortable according to my liking?

I'm not allowed to go to school, but this should be fine right?

She remembered that aside from leaving, Si Ye Han would give in to any requests of hers.

But hearing Ye Wan Wan's request, Xu Yi felt like killing himself. He immediately turned to Si Ye Han for help, hoping that he could decide for himself.

9th master! Please, I beg you! Do not let her destroy the garden anymore!

Si Ye Han replied Ye Wan Wan with three words, “Up to you.”

Xu Yi: “...”

Fine, I already knew it would be like that.

Xu Yi could only accept his fate miserably and asked, “Miss, what requests do you have?”

Ye Wan Wan thought carefully, “I don’t like the roses and lavender, could you change that plot to sunflowers instead?”

Xu Yi was speechless for a moment. He asked instinctively, “Miss, you like sunflowers?”

Compared to “Burn those flowers” or “Pull all of them out” type of requests, Ye Wan Wan’s current request was too normal.

Ye Wan Wan thought for a moment and replied, “They’re so-so.”

Xu Yi didn’t understand, “Then why...”

Ye Wan Wan’s eyes brightened, “So in the future, the seeds can be fried and eaten!”

Xu Yi: “Er...”

Si Ye Han: “...”

Ye Wan Wan then pointed to the far side, “Also, that pond over there, don’t keep those dead expensive Kois anymore. They are so weak and inedible. Put in some grass carps, silver carps, little sea shrimps... Change the rose pergola to grape pergola... Actually, you can grow some sweet potatoes too...”

12 Did I starve you?

“Also, the lawn in the east is burnt anyway, so why don’t we plough it to grow some cabbage since the soil is fertilized?”

Ca... Cabbage...

Xu Yi was speechless and Si Ye Han’s expression was also unreadable. Ye Wan Wan lowered her voice and asked meekly, “What’s the problem?”

Si Ye Han tapped the white porcelain mug and looked up, “Am I starving you here?”

Ye Wan Wan choked, “Um... No...”

Ever since she was little, she didn’t lack for clothes or food. At Si Ye Han’s place, this was also true. The chefs at Jin garden always came up with different creative foods daily just to get her to eat more because if she ate less than the benchmark Si Ye Han had set for her, those chefs would be fired.

But she didn’t know what was wrong with herself either—she had a habit of hoarding food like a hamster. The more food surrounding her, the more secure she felt.

In her previous life, due to Si Ye Han’s constant monitoring, she felt dejected and slowly lost her appetite.

With such a rare chance to be reborn, aside from dolling herself up, she wanted to have good meals, otherwise it would be a waste of this second chance.

After a long time, Si Ye Han looked at Xu Yi, “Make the changes accordingly.”

Xu Yi replied with an ashen face, “Yes...”

He was simply too gullible, thinking that this woman had really changed.

She wants to change the prestigious private Jin garden into a vegetable farm, this is insane...

Ye Wan Wan jumped for joy when Si Ye Han agreed to it. She squealed excitedly, “Great! This way, we can have good food when autumn comes!”

When autumn comes...

Hearing these 3 words, Si Ye Han’s expression changed slightly, his eyes as well.

The Ye Wan Wan from before only thought of running away from him, since when did she think about the future?

For the whole day, Ye Wan Wan discussed in detail the crops to grow in each area with Xu Yi and assigned jobs to the servants.

When evening came, the Jin garden that Ye Wan Wan destroyed looked completely brand new again.

Cabbage in the east, sunflowers in the west, the walls had newly-built grape shelves, those expensive plantations had been replaced by vegetables and fruit, the water in the pond had been changed and the beautiful carp and live prawns were swimming inside happily...

Every flower and plant in the old Jin garden was rare and so priceless that even the workers had to be wary of every step they took. Otherwise, they could accidentally kill a plant worth hundreds and thousands of dollars. Now, although it had become a vegetable plantation, any accident would still be frowned upon.

Maybe she had done too much physical work that day, but Ye Wan Wan’s appetite was back and she ate heartily during dinner.

After filling herself up and fueling herself with energy, she reflected on what happened that day.

There wasn’t only the issue of going back to school but the problematic relationship and situation between her and Si Ye Han too.

To create change, she had to have a talk with him.

Si Ye Han’s room was on the top floor, the room that she would never go near previously.

“Dong dong dong—”

Ye Wan Wan stood nervously in front of the door, took a deep breath and knocked.

Squeak the door opened and a pair of cold, deep eyes greeted her.

“Hey, I have something to discuss with you. Is this a convenient time?”

The man seemed to have expected her arrival. Without a look of surprise, he turned and walked back into the house silently, indicating his approval.

Ye Wan Wan quickly kept up with him.

I must settle this by tonight no matter what!

13 Eating Sweet Melons

This was the first time Ye Wan Wan entered Si Ye Han's bedroom.

She took a step in and immediately felt a kind of overwhelming oppression.

The room had a depressing colour scheme and in her field of view was a superior audio system playing soothing music in the background. The curtains were drawn completely and the whole room felt shut in.

There was a great abundance of alcohol in the room—a row of various hard liquors was neatly lined in a huge alcohol cabinet.

Other than Si Ye Han, there was someone else in the room.

Si Ye Han's hypnotist.

From the looks of it, Si Yi Han was preparing for bed.

Well, so much fuss just to go to bed...

Seeing that he slept quite soundly last night, it was probably due to the lack of sleep for the past 3 nights?

As Ye Wan Wan entered, the hypnotist left.

Under the warm glow of light above her head, Si Ye Han walked over to the bar, sat down and poured himself a glass of red wine, "Go on."

Ye Wan Wan had already prepared a script earlier so she didn't hesitate and went straight to the point, "I wish to talk about our relationship."

"Our relationship?" The man raised his brows, expressing interest in the topic.

Ye Wan Wan nodded and said in a serious tone, "Yes. Si Ye Han, what do you think about our current relationship?"

Si Ye Han: "You belong to me."

Ye Wan Wan: "..."

Ye Wan Wan indicated that she couldn't continue this conversation that had just started.

It was like the question she asked him before about why that person must be her and to that he replied: "Because it has to be you".

She couldn't comprehend any of his answers.

Ye Wan Wan forced herself to ignore the man's reply and continued, "Si Ye Han, all this time, I didn't understand why you fancied me. With your status, you're able to get any girl you want. Even if you like someone that is fat or weird, there are countless girls who would be willing to cater to your taste.

No matter what the original reason was, since we can't change that at this point, why don't we try changing our relationship?

You've always been so angry that I kept running away, but that was only because nobody could tolerate being monitored, controlled and having their freedom taken away. The more you try to control and force me, the more I try to escape. As the saying goes, a melon forced off its vine is not sweet. I am sure you know this principle!"

The man listened silently until she finished speaking. He was resting his head on his hand lazily and had another hand swirling the wine glass. He replied, "Whoever said that I liked sweet melons?"

Ye Wan Wan: "..."

There is no way to have a reasonable conversation with this guy!

She understood what Si Ye Han meant. As long as she was his "property", nothing else mattered, including the wishes of this "property".

Since the conversation had reached this point, there was no way of continuing.

Time went by slowly...

Unsure how long they were silent for, Ye Wan Wan suddenly stood up and walked towards him.

Si Ye Han didn't say a word and his face remained indifferent as he watched her approaching.

Finally, Ye Wan Wan stood in front of the man. She leaned towards him all of a sudden and her soft lips landed on the man's slightly chilled lips——

“You... Sure?”

The girl's tactfully soft voice stuck to his lips. She asked with an innocence that was alluring, “Are you sure... You don't like sweet melons?”

14 Rotten Melons

Si Ye Han's pupils constricted the moment the girl's soft lips touched his.

His eyes became darker than usual as if to suck her soul in.

This voluntary kiss that had never happened before... was so beautifully sweet that his heart started to palpitate...

"That's all?" The man's voice was a little hoarse with an edge of danger, obviously unsatisfied.

Ye Wan Wan coughed lightly, "This was just a preview, I can't give you any more since I haven't grown into a sweet melon!"

"Oh..." The man gave a chuckle.

Ye Wan Wan retreated a safe distance away from the man's searing stare. Pushing on, she continued, "Actually... All I want is to be a normal girl and learn to fall in love...

I promise I'll never run away again. You also shouldn't make me do what I don't want to do and be angry and scary all the time alright?

That Gu Yue Ze—before, my brain was clamped by an obsession with that man, but I understand now.

I feel that with 9th master's status, as long as we regain a normal relationship, I can definitely grow to become a sweet melon with time!"

Ye Wan Wan spoke till her tongue was parched. "Actually... Sweet melons are quite delicious, I think you should give them a try. How would you know whether you like them or not if you haven't tried them, right?" She waited anxiously for his reply.

Si Ye Han smiled vaguely at the "little melon seedling" trying so hard to promote herself. He asked faintly, "What if it becomes rotten?"

The corners of Ye Wan Wan's lips lifted upwards. She wiped off her sweat and said, "It won't happen, it won't happen! I'll work hard and grow! I'll definitely become a beautiful sweet melon!"

A moments passed in silence, and just as Ye Wan Wan was about to give up, the man finally relented, "Fine."

Ye Wan Wan was stunned for a while before responding to Si Ye Han's agreement. Her face was filled with joy, "You agree? So I'm allowed to go back to school? Can I stay in the school's dormitory like the other students? Can I do whatever I want to do...?"

Then... Then I am off to pack my things! I'll move into the school's dormitory tomorrow! But I'll come back and visit the vegetable garden whenever I'm free!"

After finishing her sentence, she skipped away happily and quickly, in case Si Ye Han changed his mind.

Looking at how eagerly the girl left, Si Ye Han's expression turned gloomy, as if he regretted his decision immediately.

But when his fingers touched the remnants of her soft kiss on his lips, the gloominess in his eyes dissipated.

Wan Wan, this is the last time I am trusting you.

And it is also your final chance.

If you betray me...

Back in the room:

Ye Wan Wan hurriedly packed all her textbooks and luggage.

That actually worked, this feels like a dream!

Then, her cell phone started ringing. It was an incoming call from Shen Meng Qi.

Ye Wan Wan lips turned into a scowl and answered the call, "Hello?"

Once the call was connected, Shen Meng Qi's exasperated voice came through the receiver, "Wan Wan, I kept calling you, why didn't you answer? Are you alright? Why didn't you

leave with young master Gu? Did you know how much effort I had to put in to convince young master Gu?!”

“I can’t explain it properly over the phone, we’ll talk about it in school tomorrow!”

“Wha... What? Mr Si didn’t ground you? He’s even allowing you to go to school?” Shen Meng Qi’s tone changed.

After seeing that Ye Wan Wan wanted to elope with Gu Yue Ze, how could Si Ye Han let it go so easily?

Or... has Si Ye Han started to dislike her... So he doesn’t want her to live in the Jin garden anymore?

Ye Wan Wan refused to go into the details and simply replied, “Yup, I’ll be moving back to the dormitory tomorrow.”

Shen Meng Qi asked anxiously, “Was it because Mr. Si saw you and Gu Yue Ze together and misunderstood, so he’s chasing you out?”

Ye Wan Wan smirked and took her time to reply, “How’d you know Si Ye Han saw me and Gu Yue Ze together? He wasn’t home those few days, don’t you know that?”

“I... I was guessing... Anyway, tell me more when you come back to school!”

15 Insomnia

“Sure,” Ye Wan Wan sneered and hung up.

She wanted to get even with Shen Meng Qi in this life, but she might hurt someone in the process—her useless brother was still under her spell. If she acted on Shen Meng Qi now, it would only worsen her relationship with her brother.

Thus, she could only wait for the right opportunity.

Inside the master’s bedroom at the top level:

After Ye Wan Wan left, the hypnotist came back into the room and prepared for treatment again.

“9th master, can we start now?”

Si Ye Han seemed to be preoccupied with thoughts and appeared to not hear what the hypnotist said. He just casually raised his arm.

So, the hypnotist played music, lighted special incense and started the psychological session...

Half an hour later...

An hour later...

Two hours later...

Hypnosis failed.

He, Mo Xuan, had cured numerous complicated cases and was also hired by the world’s No. 1 mercenary group “Gods of Dusk” as a top counsellor and psychologist. But now, he began to question his abilities for the millionth time.

Each time he treated Si Ye Han, he felt like a quack...

Ever since Si Ye Han got together with that woman Ye Wan Wan, every time she ran away or went against him, it made his insomnia more severe.

But didn’t Xu Yi say that that woman had thought it through and became meeker recently?

Just now when he saw her, he was shocked. Not only had her appearance changed, her disposition was different as well—not as sombre as before.

Since that woman hadn't aggravated Si Ye Han, why did the hypnosis fail this time?

At this moment, Si Ye Han was lying in bed with dark eye circles slowly building. The green veins on his forehead were bulging and his expression was grim, obviously trying to endure the suffering.

It was like a scary beast lived inside him. The loss of control, the manic and destructive behaviour were eroding his spirit now.

Si Ye Han's condition worsened and Mo Xuan's glum face became more serious. He asked anxiously, "9th master, did you have any problems today? What did Miss Ye say to you just now?"

Si Ye Han's eyes that were tightly shut quickly opened up, his pupils cold.

Strong coercion caused Mo Xuan to stop asking.

If Si Ye Han was willing to share his emotions with people, his illness wouldn't have been so serious.

His psychological barrier was too strong—he didn't allow anyone to enter his territory.

There was nothing a psychologist could do, no matter how skilled, if the patient didn't cooperate.

Thinking about Ye Wan Wan, Mo Xuan's emotions became a bit complicated.

There was nothing wrong with Si Ye Han's body and his sleeping disorder could be traced to a psychological issue, but this woman may be related to the knot in Si Ye Han's heart.

Otherwise, it was too difficult to explain why a person who discriminated against women the way Si Ye Han did was so determined to be with this ordinary girl. Furthermore, based on what he'd observed, Ye Wan Wan could easily manipulate Si Ye Han's moods.

However, he could no longer get an answer from Si Ye Han and couldn't get any useful information from Ye Wan Wan either.

The Ye family was in the entertainment business. Ye Wan Wan's 2nd uncle was currently the head of the Ye family and owned most of the businesses in the entertainment group. But compared to the long history and deep background of the old and well-known Si family, the Ye family was just an average family.

Be it Ye Wan Wan or her family, it wasn't possible to have any relation with Si Ye Han, the family heir of the Si family—the family that ruled all the countries' old and well-known families. Therefore, Si Ye Han's special treatment towards Ye Wan Wan was simply puzzling.

16 Won't this prick your conscience?

The morning of the second day:

Ye Wan Wan slept all the way through and woke up slowly.

Then, she considered her makeup for the day.

Although her previous horrendous makeup had caused her to suffer quite a bit, it was her shield—it helped her escape from her problems. Without it, she was afraid that she couldn't go to school anymore. It was, after all, the first awakening of love for teenage boys and girls in high school. If she showed her true self and a guy confessed his love for her, it would be over for her.

Furthermore, the most important thing for her now was to please Si Ye Han. Since Si Ye Han liked how she looked before, she didn't mind making a sacrifice to keep him happy.

With such a rare chance to be reborn, even if she couldn't wait to be herself again, she knew that until she was strong enough, things like this didn't matter.

Ye Wan Wan then put on her usual makeup and wore a shiny green wig.

When Ye Wan Wan went downstairs, she didn't see Si Ye Han around, but the Lin Que fellow was there again.

He was speaking to someone excitedly when he raised his eyes and saw her. He immediately spat out his coffee——

“Uwaaagh! My eyes!!!”

Ye Wan Wan rolled her eyes at him, that was nothing to be surprised about.

Her eyes swept around the room downstairs and realized that not only was Lin Que around but Si Ye Han's good friend, Xie Zhe Zhi, was there as well.

Xie Zhe Zhi's glittering peach blossom eyes looked up at Ye Wan Wan, focusing on her hair. He was stunned, obviously shocked by her, "Lin 2nd, this is why you woke me up at 5 in the morning to rush to the Jin garden to see... a surprise? Well, it's quite a surprise indeed. Little Ye's style is getting more and more creative I see!"

"No! No, yesterday she was... Yesterday she didn't have any makeup on and was really beautiful. I was speechless..." Lin Que explained.

Xie Zhe Zhi laughed so hard, "Yes yes yes, I can see that she's really beautiful. Don't worry, you can also find yourself someone with this style like 9th brother did."

Lin Que had no way of explaining himself and just stared at Ye Wan Wan.

Ye Wan Wan raised her brows, "Why're you looking at me? Putting on makeup is a girl's most basic form of respect for others, don't you know?"

The corners of Lin Que's mouth twitched, "You are so respectful..."

At this moment, there was the sound of footsteps above them—Si Ye Han was awake.

He looked downstairs and when his gaze fell upon Ye Wan Wan, he didn't show any reaction.

He was, if anything, the one with the strongest mentality—he did not even bat an eyelid when he saw her like that.

Ye Wan Wan didn't forget that it was utterly important to please and show her sincerity to Si Ye Han so that he would trust her and be assured. So she skipped towards Si Ye Han to fish for compliments, "9th master 9th master, do I look good today?"

Since Si Ye Han had an acquired taste, her current look should please him, right?

Si Ye Han looked at the sparkling eyes in front of him begging for compliments and the radiant expression on her face. He

was gloomy the entire night because of her leaving but seeing this cheered him up a bit, “Yep.”

Ye Wan Wan was elated, she was right!

Lin Que could not bear to look. 9th brother, doesn't this prick your conscience?

Looking at how Ye Wan Wan and Si Ye Han were getting along so well, Xie Zhe Zhi was a little taken aback as he raised his brows and his fingers lightly tapped his chin. Behind his dashing face was a man deep in thought.

17 Stop teasing me or you'll regret it!

Shortly, breakfast was served by the servants. The four of them sat down and started eating.

Ye Wan Wan looked at Si Ye Han sitting next to her and then turned to Lin Que and Xie Zhe Zhi sitting opposite.

She felt like she was in a fantasy, being able to dine on the same table with these 3 big shots.

Afterall, these 3 gentlemen here would all become important and influential people in the future.

Needless to say for Si Ye Han, he would have control over the whole Si family.

As for Lin Que, he may look quite powerless now but in reality, he was born into a military-political aristocratic family. His grandfather was one of the founding fathers, Lin Zheng Rong, General Lin. The Lin Que 7 years later was also all-powerful and ruthless in the political scene.

However, due to the fact that the Ye family was in the entertainment business, Ye Wan Wan paid the most attention to the actor Xie Zhe Zhi.

He must've felt Ye Wan Wan sneaking glances at him. Xie Zhe Zhi tilted his head, blinked at her with his seductive peach blossom eyes and asked, "Little Ye, do you want an autograph?"

Damn! He caught me with just that one glance!

This guy was exactly like a male fox—no wonder he stole the hearts of all the girls in Z country.

An autograph?! Of course I want one!

Xie Zhe Zhi's going to be an Oscar award-winning actor in the future! Z country's very first male actor with an Oscar award! This autograph would be worth quite a lot if I sold it!

Even now, Xie Zhe Zhi received numerous big awards and was the most popular guy in the entertainment scene—the male actor that every teenage girl in Z country was crazy for.

Aside from his autograph, just any telephone booth that featured his public photo became a popular attraction that many fangirls would swarm to take pictures of.

But considering the possessiveness of that pervert Si Ye Han, Ye Wan Wan eventually shook her head to herself.

How could I dare to keep another man's autograph? There's no way unless I'm tired of living!

Seeing that Ye Wan Wan obviously wanted his autograph but painfully rejected it after peeking at Ye Si Han, Xie Zhe Zhi laughed, "Little Ye is really cute."

Ye Wan Wan: "..."

Stop this, Movie god Xie! Stop teasing me or I will fall out with you! Can't you see the mushroom cloud of anger forming on top of your buddy's head?

Lin Que shot a look at Xie Zhe Zhi and curled his lips in disapproval, "Xie the third, where are your standards? You're teasing even someone like Ye Wan Wan..."

Xie Zhe Zhi's fingers lightly stroked the dewy petals of the rose in the vase and said softly, "All the girls in the world are flowers; they should all be treasured and loved."

His words spoke right to Ye Wan Wan's heart. Ye Wan Wan immediately glared at Lin Que and said, "Heard that? Learn something from that, you single dog!"

Lin Que flared up, "Damn! Who're you calling a single dog? You're the single dog!"

Ye Wan Wan tilted her head towards Si Ye Han next to her, "Darling, Lin junior called me a single dog! What does he mean by that, is he cursing us to break up?"

Hearing Ye Wan Wan call him "Darling" was like having sweet streams flowing through his damaged brain but having heard the end of that sentence, he turned to stare coldly at Lin Que.

Lin Que immediately curled into a ball cowardly, “9th brother, I was wrong *sob sob sob*...”

Ye Wan Wan, you crook!

Xie Zhe Zhi looked at Si Ye Han with his head tilted, who was fixated on the woman sitting opposite with heavy makeup and a green wig, “Hey buddy, I haven’t seen you for a few days and this little girl of yours seems to have become a different person entirely?”

Si Ye Han looked at her.

Become a different person?

Her only change was that she became slightly smarter and decided to change her strategy of running away from me.

As he saw Si Ye Han’s eyes turn dark, Xie Zhe Zhi raised his brows with a mischievous grin on his face, “Tsk, since you already know her motive, why do you still give in to her? This is so unlike you!”

“I’m full! Heading to school now!”

At this moment, Ye Wan Wan had finished her breakfast, picked up her school bag and luggage, and waved goodbye to Si Ye Han.

Just as she was about to leave, she turned back and skipped towards Si Ye Han. Carrying her school bag, she hugged Si Ye Han’s neck and kissed him on the lips, “Don’t forget to miss me!”

After she’d said her piece, she left the 3 speechless men and skipped away happily.

After a long while, Si Ye Han lounged lazily on his seat and looked at his friends indifferently, “Because I found out that, I actually... like having sweet melons better.”

18 Study hard

Qing He High School:

A renowned school known to have the best teaching standards and highest enrollment rate in Imperial City.

Ye Wan Wan studied overseas and returned at the age of 16. She didn't take the entrance exam and shouldn't technically have been able to enter Qing He.

She was only able to enter due to the fact that her dad was the acting chairman of Ye Holdings at the time, allowing her to enter through the back door, so to speak.

She had already been in high school for 4 years, from the ages of 16 to 20, yet she had yet to graduate.

Initially, she didn't do well in school because she had fallen in love. Her teenage heart was with Gu Yue Ze, who was tall and handsome. She spent all day thinking of how to please him, wrote him hundreds of love letters and even folded a thousand paper cranes.

After all that, her grades suffered due to this boy.

The morning glow from the sun shone brightly on her green wig. Ye Wan Wan stood in front of the gates of Qing He High School and looked at the four enormous words "Qing He High School" overhead. She made a commitment to herself in her heart——

No matter what, this time nobody is going to stop me from studying hard!

She entered the familiar yet unfamiliar school grounds, with two paths lined with big old trees and air filled with a crisp scent of grass. Further up was a row of vintage, red-tiled buildings, with the speakers broadcasting melodious music and groups of students carrying their schoolbags engrossed in chatter while making their way to class...

After so many days of being reborn, this was the first time that Ye Wan Wan actually felt alive again.

Glancing at the azure blue sky above her, she almost had the urge to cry.

She didn't even care about the strange looks and whispers around her.

Compared to what she had gone through in her previous life, school gossip didn't hurt her one bit.

"Whoa! Who is that! She gave me such a shock that I nearly knocked into a tree!" a boy swerved away from a big tree with a face filled with shock.

The girl at the side replied in a high-pitched voice, "You don't know her? She's Ye Wan Wan from F class!"

"Damn! SHE is Ye Wan Wan? Really, seeing her for myself is better than hearing about her a hundred times from other people."

Another girl said with disgust on her face, "Never mind that she puts on such heavy makeup and dresses weirdly, but her grades are atrocious as well. It's been 4 years and she still hasn't graduated. I heard she has quite an indecent personal life, always skipping classes to fool around. Why is a person like this not expelled yet? She's a disgrace to Qing He High!"

One of the students interrupted, "Maybe they couldn't expel her! Apparently, she comes from a wealthy family. Didn't she enter through the back door?"

The girl scoffed, "Oh please! Shen Meng Qi said that Ye Wan Wan's father embezzled money and was fired. He's even in a buttload of debt with the loan sharks!"

Apparently her days are numbered here. I heard the school decided to convince her to drop out. After all, the top management leader will be coming to observe today and if he finds out that our school has this kind of student, then our decades-long prestige will be destroyed!"

The few onlookers around them rejoiced, "Finally we don't have to be in the same school as a girl like this!"

19 My rightful place

Ye Wan Wan listened to the gossip around her with interest and overheard some things she wanted to forget while strolling to the door of F class.

The moment she reached the door, a weird hush fell over the room and immediately after came the crazy pounding of desks and whistleblowing.

Everybody was trying to stir up trouble.

To put it plainly, she was a clown for these students' amusement whenever they were bored.

And Ye Wan Wan never let them down.

"Hahaha wow! Ye Wan Wan, your hair is awesome!"

"Yes yes yes, better than your explosive hair the other day!"

The guys were having a great laugh at her expense while the girls looked at her with disapproval and disgust.

"Why is it so noisy?! Silence, all of you! Didn't you hear the bell ring?" came the raging voice of their teacher from the door.

"Ye Wan Wan, it's you again! You... Have you looked at yourself in the mirror? Hurry back to your seat!" The form teacher looked at Ye Wan Wan's green wig and was so angry that her lungs nearly exploded—she wanted to continue scolding Ye Wan Wan for a second but instead retreated back to her desk, which was unprecedented.

This student will soon be dropping out anyway—there's no need to waste my breath.

Ye Wan Wan scanned the classroom. She didn't need to try to recall where her spot was—she knew exactly where it was.

As the seats in every class were arranged according to their class ranking, she had always been the first from the back, meaning that she sat in the last row.

In the seat in the last row next to the window was a boy lying down.

The boy had messy and unkempt hair with earphones playing and was lying on the desk taking a nap. The sun's glow filtered in and danced on the teenager's delicate face, allowing him to look like a model right out of a fashion magazine.

Si Xia, Qing He High School's hunk.

Smoking, fighting, skipping class—he was well versed in all of them. His grades were also awful but because of his good looks and wealthy family, he secured the title of the school's hunk.

Hearing footsteps coming towards him, the teenager opened his eyes in annoyance and yelled, "Get lost!"

The other students in the class, especially the girls, smirked at her misfortune.

The girls had been admiring the face of His Royal Highness sleeping but were interrupted by this ugly woman.

On what basis is that ugly woman allowed to share a table with Si Xia?!

But this hunk looks so, so, so dashing even when he's in a rage and scolding people!

Before her rebirth, although Ye Wan Wan put on heavy makeup on the outside, inside she was actually a simple girl. She had low self-esteem and a gloomy personality.

Before, after being shouted at by Si Xia, Ye Wan Wan would've obediently taken a seat at the broken chair next to the garbage can.

But this time, after facing the wrath of the boy, Ye Wan Wan stood her ground. She gave him a faint smile, looked at him and planted her bum on the seat next to him like she hadn't heard anything.

The boy's face contorted in anger, "Do you want to die? Get lost!"

Ye Wan Wan placed her schoolbag under the table casually, took out her books and pencil case, and met the boy's eyes, "My ranking is the first from the back and this is my rightful place. Who are you to ask me to leave?"

Si Xia: "..."

All the students in class: "..."

Even the teacher's face turned black.

20 Expulsion

Soon, the classroom was filled with surprised whispers.

“What! Has Ye Wan Wan lost her mind? How dare she offend Si Xia!”

“She’s obviously taking the chance to get close to Si Xia! It’s such a good opportunity after all!”

“Damn! Won’t she take a good look at herself?! How dare a scum like her try to hit on our hunk?”

The young female form teacher was so angry that her face was literally black, “Ye Wan Wan! You are going to be expelled soon, why are you still here making trouble?! Do you think ranking last in class is something admirable? How could I have taught such a shameless student like you?!”

Immediately, all the girls were delighted hearing the teacher’s words.

“Haha, I almost forgot that Ye Wan Wan is about to be expelled!”

“So the news is true!”

“That’s fantastic! Let’s see how cocky she’s going to be after that.”

Her form teacher was initially planning to tolerate her till the notice of expulsion was issued formally, but she couldn’t take it any longer and scolded her in front of everybody, “Go look at yourself in the mirror and see how atrocious you look, always dressing up as neither human nor ghost. Your grades are horrible as well, always coming in last in our class—the reputation of F class has been destroyed by scum like you! Garbage like you has dragged the entire class down and you still show no remorse for what you’ve done! You, get out of here, now!”

Seeing that Ye Wan Wan would be chased out, the girls were ecstatic.

That ugly freak even wanted to dominate Your Highness!

This is her payback!

“Get out, get out!”

“Hurry and leave!”

Facing the jeers of the students, Ye Wan Wan remained unfazed and looked at the podium with cold eyes, “Get out of school? I wonder who gave Miss Liang the authority to chase me out?”

Seeing that Ye Wan Wan dared to question her authority, Liang Li Hua’s face turned ugly in an instant and said sternly, “Through the school leaders’ unanimous decision, you have been expelled!”

Hearing her words, Ye Wan Wan had a look of heavy scepticism.

Oh, what unanimous decision by the school leaders? Even though I’ve broken a few school rules, they were all minor offences like putting on makeup, not wearing the school uniform and skipping class. According to school regulations, you’ll be expelled only if you are charged with 3 big offences.

She would be expelled completely because Liang Li Hua had denigrated her in front of the school leaders.

Typically speaking, as a teacher there was no need to make life difficult for a student. However, Ye Wan Wan counted herself “too lucky” to have accidentally bumped into Liang Li Hua having an affair with a certain married school leader previously.

Naturally, Liang Li Hua would try every way possible to get rid of this thorn in her side!

It had been the same in her previous life. She made life difficult for Ye Wan Wan daily, ridiculing her in front of the whole class, thus providing entertainment for the students.

“Why are you in such a daze, leave now!” Liang Li Hua snapped and pointed outside the classroom, looking very eager.

Ye Wan Wan laughed coldly, “Oh, there isn’t even a notice of expulsion and I am supposedly expelled just based on Miss Liang’s words? Are you in control of the school?”

Liang Li Hua’s face changed drastically, slamming her fists on the podium and shouted, “Ye Wan Wan! Such disrespect! Is this the way you talk to a teacher? How did your parents raise you?!”

Liang Li Hua scowled and looked at her in disdain, “But this was expected—like parents, like daughter! With a father that embezzles and is deep in debt, what good can come out of his family?”

Liang Li Hua exposed Ye Wan Wan’s private family affairs with a face full of loathing and mockery in front of all the students.

Immediately, there was a circulation of whispers and all the students looked repulsed.

Ye Wan Wan stood in silence rooted at the same spot, expressionless.

Only Si Xia who was closest to her could see that after hearing Liang Li Hua’s words about her father, Ye Wan Wan’s numb eyes shattered like ice, revealing an extremely scary chill.

The boy’s brows twitched and doubt flashed before his eyes, was that an illusion?

21 Her ability to remember everything

There was silence for a moment, then Ye Wan Wan said casually, “I see, like parents like daughter... Then can I say like teacher, like student? F-class is the school’s worst class. How do you feel about that, Miss Liang?”

“You... You unruly kid!” Liang Li Hua was so angry that her voice broke.

This stupid girl, how dare she insult my teaching standards!

With F-class having the worst results among the other classes, this had always been a source of agony for her.

All the students in the classroom were speechless.

Damn...

This Ye Wan Wan actually has the audacity to talk back to the form teacher...

Is this the same Ye Wan Wan who didn’t dare to make a sound whenever she got yelled at?

Liang Li Hua laughed coldly, “Ye Wan Wan, did you really think I couldn’t handle you? I’ll force you to walk through Qing He High School’s main gate!”

Ye Wan Wan gave a faint laugh and looked at Liang Li Hua, “What’s stopping you, Miss Liang? You’re so powerful, of course you can handle a student like me.”

Ye Wan Wan purposely added emphasis to “You’re so powerful”, obviously hinting about Liang Li Hua and the school leader’s illicit relationship.

As expected, Liang Li Hua’s expression changed.

Although Ye Wan Wan didn’t have any proof, nor would people believe anything she said, if she merely spread the rumours around, that would be enough. There’d definitely be

people who'd investigate—especially since the school leader's wife was a school teacher as well.

This stupid girl, how dare she threaten her!

“Ring——”

The official bell rang, indicating the start of lessons and broke the stalemate.

Liang Li Hua's face darkened and said angrily, “There is only one more week left until exams. Thanks to you, lessons were interrupted! I'll deal with you later!”

Forget it, this stupid girl will be leaving in a couple of days. There is no need to blow up the matter now.

“Everybody, please turn to page 72 of your textbook!”

The students sighed in disappointment, seeing that the drama had ended.

Senior year classes were spent completing numerous major and minor exams. The exam this time was considered more important and the seats would be reallocated based on the results.

Ye Wan Wan swept through the contents of the textbook and closed her eyes.

Within the next second, the contents of the textbook were imprinted clearly within her mind.

It was known to very little people that she had the ability to remember everything she read.

Once she read the information in the textbook, she would be able to pen everything down, even without going through her brain.

How well she performed was totally dependent on how well she wanted to perform.

Unfortunately, results and scores to the Ye Wan Wan of the past didn't mean anything—her heart was never focused on her studies.

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Although it was a little rushed with a week left to study, it was sufficient for her.

22 A slacker has no right to complain

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Ye Wan Wan stopped her thoughts and started studying the textbook intently.

The boy that was lying on the desk next to her awoke to the sound of pages flipping, furrowed his brows and looked beside him.

Once he raised his head, his eyes fell upon Ye Wan Wan reading.

This girl... decided to change after being traumatized?

He was still thinking about it until he realised what Ye Wan Wan was doing. His expression turned gloomy.

Ye Wan Wan was flipping through the pages faster than she flipped out in class today.

How is this reading?

But if she's not reading, what is she doing? Is she so bored that she's flipping through the pages for fun?

"Noisy." The boy's handsome face was filled with annoyance.

Ye Wan Wan's expression turned slightly darker, this bastard is still full of energy, huh!

Believe it or not, I will use my seniority to crush you!

According to seniority, he's supposed to respectfully call me 9th aunt!

In her previous life, she only found out later that the hunk of Qing He was actually the nephew of Si Ye Han.

Ye Wan Wan raised her brows, “Oh, you find me noisy? If you’re so smart then do well on the exam and move to the front then! The weak will always fall prey to the strong and the strongest will get the most respect. Slackers don’t have the right to complain!”

“...” The boy was dumbfounded after being told off.

Did he just get mocked by the lousiest student in school?

Oh, very well.

For this exam, he would let her know exactly what it meant for the weak to fall prey to the strong!

The day went by quickly as the final school bell rang.

Skipping class was always fun while studying felt like being in a crematorium.

For the whole day, Ye Wan Wan looked at people with double vision, with words floating around in her vision.

In the coming week, there would be no classes so everyone could focus on studying for the coming exams.

Qing He High School used the enclosed teaching method—except for special circumstances, every student had to live on school grounds.

After school, the students filed back into their hostels. Ye Wan Wan also brought her luggage and followed them towards the hostel building.

Each dormitory was occupied by 4 people. However, her roommates jointly excluded her so she had one room to herself.

In addition, nobody knew about her relationship with Si Ye Han so in fact, living alone was ideal for her.

Her fair and delicate fingers gently pushed the door open and a familiar scent immediately came over her.

The room was not big but it was enough for her. Compared to the enormous Jin garden, this gave her a sense of security.

Furthermore, Qing He had always been funded by rich business owners and school associates so the hostel was quite decent. Other than air conditioning, each room had its own ensuite bathroom as well.

Ye Wan Wan put her luggage down and tidied up.

Once she was done, she was about to take a seat and start studying until a knock on the door interrupted her.

When she opened the door, Shen Meng Qi was standing there in a light pink lace dress.

Tears started rolling once the girl saw Ye Wan Wan, “Wan Wan! You’re finally in school! I was so worried! It’s so great to see that you’re fine!”

Looking at Shen Meng Qi’s extremely concerned reaction, Ye Wan Wan could not help but feel touched. With such a display of her acting skills, it would be difficult to alter Shen Meng Qi’s course in the entertainment business.

Ye Wan Wan sat down in front of her desk, annoyed that she was disturbed, “Is there a problem? Whatever it is, please come back in a week, I don’t have time now.”

Shen Meng Qi assumed she had fought with Gu Yue Ze and was in a bad mood and cooed, “I think Mr Gu misunderstood your relationship with Si Ye Han but he loves you deeply and has a strong sense of responsibility. You’re still in his heart—otherwise, he wouldn’t have helped you! As long as you go and explain the misunderstanding to him, everything will be fine!”

Ye Wan Wan didn’t have time to entertain this actress and was already engrossed in her book at this point.

Shen Meng Qi saw that Ye Wan Wan didn’t stop flipping through pages in annoyance and guessed that she wasn’t calming down and decided to stop trying to convince her.

“Then Wan Wan, I’m leaving first since exams are coming and I have to study. My dad will give me a new phone if I stay in the top 3 in class. Come find me if you have a problem!”

“Got it.” Ye Wan Wan didn’t even lift her head.

Shen Meng Qi furrowed her brows a little, not being used to Ye Wan Wan's cold attitude.

Just as she was about to leave, she caught a glimpse of a nicely-decorated paper—a love letter.

23 A love letter to Si Yehan

Shen Meng Qi sneered inside.

I thought that Ye Wan Wan had a bit of integrity this time!

Turns out she's still the same miserable wretch!

Why would she change anyway?

In a flash, Shen Meng Qi went behind Ye Wan Wan's back, took out her phone sneakily to take a photo in Ye Wan Wan's direction and then left the room silently.

Back in her hostel, Shen Meng Qi obviously did not study but instead, immediately sent a message to Si Ye Han.

Si Ye Han finally dumped that garbage Ye Wan Wan, and now, it was her perfect chance!

Si Ye Han is the successor of the Si family, which is Z country's first blue blood and so he was unattainable to commoners.

As for her, not only did she have Si Ye Han's personal number but she could also enter the so-called Imperial City's little palace, Jin garden.

She thought about how one day she would become the hostess of Jin garden with everybody talking about her relationship with Si Ye Han and she shivered in delight.

If even Ye Wan Wan, that bag of straw, can get Si Ye Han, how is it possible that I can't?

After all, he treats me so differently. Not only can I walk in and out of Jin garden, I get so many expensive gifts too. If I encounter any problems, I can bring it up to him and he'll always send people to help .

Shen Meng Qi's cheeks turned scarlet red, her whole face filled with sweetness and confidence. She just needed to work a little harder and this man would be hers sooner or later!

[Mr. Si, I heard that you and Ye Wan Wan fought, are you okay? Don't you worry about Wan Wan, I just went to see her, she's doing quite well.]

There was an image attached to this message, the one she secretly took of Ye Wan Wan with the love letter in plain sight.

With Si Ye Han's observant skills, he would definitely spot the love letter written to Gu Yue Ze!

He would know that after Ye Wan Wan left him, she was feeling great and even aggressively chasing after Gu Yue Ze.

She had to fan the flames now and make Si Ye Han hate Ye Wan Wan without any possibility of changing his mind.

At this moment, Ye Wan Wan was in her hostel.

After Shen Meng Qi left, Ye Wan Wan continued reading but she had the nagging feeling that something was off.

She looked at the corner of her desk subconsciously.

Sure enough, there was a draft of a love letter on the corner. It was written for Gu Yue Ze but she hadn't finished writing it so it hadn't been mailed out.

Tsk, almost forgot about this!

In her previous life, Si Ye Han grounded her and she naturally resisted. Only when she threatened to kill herself did she manage to successfully go back to school. Since Shen Meng Qi kept making trouble, she was unable to attend school for long and her reputation was destroyed.

And the first time Shen Meng Qi made trouble between her and Si Ye Han was by using this love letter.

Even though things were a little different in this life, according to her understanding of Shen Meng Qi, she would never let go of a chance to smear her name even if she broke up with Si Ye Han.

Ye Wan Wan picked up that love letter, spun the pencil in her hand and the corners of her mouth turned up slowly.

Thank goodness this love letter was just a draft and hadn't been addressed to anybody yet.

So, why can't it be written for Si Ye Han?

Ye Wan Wan grabbed her phone, took a picture of the love letter and quickly sent it to Si Ye Han, with a heart-shaped emoticon.

24 Mushy to death

After sending the text message, Ye Wan Wan left the love letter in its place and seized every second to study.

But at this very moment in Jin garden, everything was being turned upside down in chaos.

The man on the sofa became crazy and reckless, his black pupils dark like the winter night. His fingers were dripping blood from smashing the cup and the coffee table was overturned on the floor. There was a strong oppressive atmosphere raging throughout the big room.

All the servants in the house were shaking in fear and hiding in a corner, none of them even dared to breathe.

Xu Yi's back was drenched in sweat. He straightened his back and stood next to the man. He eyed the broken phone on the floor, face full of despair.

It was a good quality phone and even with the screen cracked, it clearly showed an image of a love letter.

Damn, I knew this would happen!

That woman was devoted to the man by the surname Gu; she didn't care about being dumped or left at the altar and still stuck to him. How was it possible that she'd suddenly change her mind and decide to live happily with the master?

Isn't this lying to the master on one hand and immediately chasing Gu Yue Ze on the other?

She even wrote such a mushy love letter!

She is simply shameless!

There was a poem on the love letter—it roughly meant that she was willing to be the collar on his clothes to feel his fragrance, willing to be the belt on his coat to hug his waist, willing to be the oil on his hair to moisten his black hair...

Totally obscene love song!

No wonder master's so mad!

She was just a woman and a disobedient one at that. Why must he spoil her? Treating her like a pet would be good enough.

Master must be out of his mind; he actually got fooled by that woman's words.

At this moment, the man's face turned gloomy. The wild beast had unleashed from its cage, licking its claws, emitting blood-thirsty breath in the air.

Wan Wan...

I have said this before...

This was your last chance...

The last time I trust you...

"Get her back," from the sofa came the hoarse and low voice of the man.

Xu Yi was frightened by the man's dark cold expression and he quickly responded, "Yes! I'll send my people after her this instance!"

In a flash, a row of black cars left Jin garden silently and entered the darkness.

In the living room, all the servants were as silent as cicadas in the winter, their hearts filled with discontent.

Ever since that woman entered Jin garden, they didn't have a single day of peace. She had fouled the whole atmosphere of Jin garden.

Xu Yi looked out the window at the thick dark night, his heart glum as well. What was waiting for them next may be another storm...

I wonder what that woman will do after she gets dragged back here!

When that time came, the ones that would suffer the most would be the servants...

"Ding——"

Just then, the broken phone on the floor rang and the screen brightened at the same time.

Xu Yi picked the phone up to take a look and furrowed his brows together the next second.

Why is it this love letter again?

Moreover, this time it was only the picture of the love letter.

Xu Yi was still confused until he saw the sender and was flabbergasted. This message was not sent by Shen Meng Qi... it was Ye Wan Wan!!!

What... What does this mean?

Could it be that the mushy love letter was not written for Gu Yue Ze, but Ye Wan Wan wrote it... for master!?

Damn!!!

25 Food for thought

How... How could this be?!

Xu Yi stared at the text, his expression aghast.

On his mind were those disgustingly mushy phrases in the poem.

“This...” Xu Yi was speechless.

This was unbelievable!

Ye Wan Wan’s love letter wasn’t addressed to someone else, but written for his master?

Xu Yi’s strange expression attracted Si Ye Han’s attention. The man’s hoarse and deep voice said, “Bring it over.”

With Si Ye Han’s cold eyes aimed in his direction, Xu Yi didn’t hesitate and quickly fetched the phone for him obediently.

The man tightened his grip on the phone, paused slightly and finally scanned over the text message on the cracked screen.

It was a picture message which featured the love letter that had caused his insides to be burnt to ashes just now.

The man squinted his eyes dangerously and in the next moment, he chanced upon the sender’s name—— Wan Wan!

Wan... Wan...

Having seen the name in the sender column clearly, the man’s dark cold expression immediately froze on his face and turned to astonishment.

This message...

Was sent by Ye Wan Wan?

His fingers scrolled down and realized it was not just a love letter. Below the letter was a sweet heart-shaped emoticon.

That letter of evidence announcing her betrayal to him once again, that love letter written to Gu Yue Ze...

Was... For him!

Willing to be the collar on your clothes to feel your fragrance, willing to be the belt on your coat to hug your waist, willing to be the oil on your hair to moisten your black hair...

While the man's expression was still blank, another text came in—— [9th master, 9th master~ Why haven't you replied? Did you like my poem?~ I want compliments, rewards and kisses~]

The servants who had been trembling in the corner gazed at each other in confusion. They didn't understand why their master who was raging mad like a lion and destroying everything a moment before had become so quiet in the next second. He was also staring at his phone with fluctuating emotions as if he was trying to decipher something.

Xu Yi, also uncertain about Si Ye Han's attitude, opened his mouth slowly and carefully, "9th master, you..."

Si Ye Han: "Be quiet."

Xu Yi shut his mouth instantly.

Si Ye Han continued staring at his phone with a serious face while his slender fingers tapped the screen.

The man furrowed his brows slightly, since the screen was no longer fully functional due to the cracks.

Xu Yi was beyond curious. Unable to hold himself back, he stole a glance.

Then, his eyes nearly went blind...

Ye Wan Wan had sent another message that was sweet enough to make a man blind and his master was typing out his reply: [Good] .

At the end of his reply, he even added an earnest "kissing" emoticon.

Xu Yi stared speechlessly at that kiss, "..."

He was completely unable to imagine his master sending that emoticon...

As he watched on in horror, he heard the man's lazy voice,
"Tell them to come back."

His tone was not only lazy but full of contentment. He kept re-reading the words of the poem over and over, obviously in a good mood.

"Er... Yes!" Xu Yi quickly responded and called his men on their way to capture Ye Wan Wan to come back.

A crazy storm was simply eradicated like that!?

26 Eternal kisses

At the dormitory.

[9th master, 9th master~ Why haven't you replied? Did you like my poem?~ I want compliments, rewards and kisses~]

There was no reply from the other end after Ye Wan Wan sent that text. To play it safe, she had decided to send this to supplement the previous message.

Actually, she felt a little uneasy as she was unsure whether this would work on Si Ye Han.

Also, that poem was supposed to be written by guys for their sweethearts.

That guy wouldn't be offended at being treated like a woman and receiving such a mushy confession, would he?

In her previous life, she had been dragged back in the middle of the night by Si Ye Han's men. The chaos provoked much discussion in school with all sorts of rumours spreading around. Some said that she had a sugar daddy and was caught because she ran away, some said that her family was deep in debt with loan sharks and they caught her to sell her body...

Although the rumours were baseless, all these gossips could destroy a person.

Thinking back on the past, Ye Wan Wan felt a chill...

Then, the phone in her palm suddenly vibrated.

Ye Wan Wan paused for a moment and slowly looked at the new text message...

Si Ye Han had replied her with a single word "Good" and even added a "kissing" emoticon.

Ye Wan Wan stared at that "kiss", completely stunned, "..."

Could you imagine a ferocious and vicious monster sending you a "kissing" emoticon?

At the same time, the chill that had pervaded her body dissipated due to that unbelievable emoticon.

Si Ye Han... seemed to be different... from the guy she had known in her previous life...

In addition, she had also found out something incredible!

Ye Wan Wan cupped her chin, lightly tapped her cheeks and composed another text message to send over: [Eternal kisses~ Just one more week until exams~ I will be focusing on my revision so for now, I won't be able to text you anymore. You must remember to miss me every day~]

After Ye Wan Wan sent the text, the opposite party replied within seconds, [Yeah.]

Staring at that incredibly simple "Yeah", Ye Wan Wan blinked in astonishment.

That... that actually worked?

I just said that I wouldn't be contacting him for a week! He's fine with that?

She couldn't have guessed that... just some casual flirting would be so useful...

Ye Wan Wan remained motionless for 3 seconds, then banged her head on her desk, wishing to kill herself. If she had known that Si Ye Han was so easy to please, she wouldn't have suffered so much in her previous life!

Fine, discovering the secret weapon to deal with that monster is definitely a good thing.

After dealing with Si Ye Han, Ye Wan Wan had no more distractions. She could bury her head in her books and put her heart and soul into her studies.

7 days went by in a blink of an eye.

In these 7 days, Ye Wan Wan slept only 3 to 4 hours a day. Finally, she managed to cover all the material from Senior years 1 to 3.

Now that she realized how painful it was to not have enough sleep, she would sleep from dawn to dusk once exams were

over.

On the first day of exams was the comprehensive liberal arts and language exam. Ye Wan Wan drifted into the classroom like a wandering ghost.

Initially, there was some noisy chatter but the moment Ye Wan Wan appeared, it was like the stereo had been turned down and there was immediate silence.

Ye Wan Wan didn't wear her green wig today and her makeup was also very light. However, she had stayed up for 7 days so her dark circles looked scarier than her smokey eye makeup and her messy waist length hair was just as horrifying as her green wig...

The boy sleeping on the desk as usual heard the shuffling of tables and chairs and opened his eyes in annoyance.

The next second, the boy was so shocked that his whole body jerked back. The chair shrieked against the floor, letting out a piercing screech.

The boy stared at the "Sadako" next to him, beads of sweat forming on his forehead. His face darkened and he cursed softly, "S, h, i, t!!!"

27 Oh, math...

This damned woman, that face of hers was scary enough but she just had to dress in white today huh?! She can really scare the living daylights out of people!

Ye Wan Wan was in a good mood after seeing Si Xia's reaction.

She had been going blind from studying in the dormitory for 7 days and nights.

All other things aside, this guy had inherited the Si family's genetically good looks which were quite pleasing to the eyes.

Ye Wan Wan grinned at him, "I didn't think that our school's hunk was afraid of ghosts?"

She looks scarier when she smiles...

Si Xia took a deep breath. He couldn't bear the sight of her so he turned away and scoffed, "At least you're aware that you look like a ghost."

No matter what, he had to do well this time and move to a seat far far away!

He couldn't stand another day of being here!

The bell rang and the invigilator started giving out the exam booklets.

The comprehensive liberal arts exam was held on the morning of the first day. Ye Wan Wan looked through the entire paper before starting to answer the questions.

Si Xia had a glimmer of amazement in his eyes when he realized that the Ye Wan Wan seated next to him actually picked up a pen to start writing.

Everybody knew that Ye Wan Wan handed in blank booklet every time.

While he was in shock, he saw how Ye Wan Wan answered the questions and his mouth started twitching.

How is she answering the questions? She's clearly filling in the blanks blindly.

She's filling up the booklet so fast, randomly selecting ABCD, probably not even reading questions and relying on luck.

The boy called her an idiot mockingly in his heart.

If you want to rely on luck, why not fill in B for every question? There's a higher chance of getting them right, rather than filling them up randomly which could potentially get you all the wrong answers.

The boy stopped paying attention to the moron next to him and started concentrating on the exam.

The duration of the comprehensive liberal arts exam was 150 minutes, taking up the entire morning. The English exam followed in the afternoon.

The Language exam was on the morning of the second day and the last exam was math.

Ye Wan Wan stared at the math questions, looking at them again and again. The functions, algebra and geometry were like a virus causing her brain to break down.

The world around Ye Wan Wan started spinning and she saw stars around her. After being in a frenzy for 3 seconds, she gave up on her answers and started to take a nap.

Why must there be such a scary thing like math in this world?!

Although she had a photographic memory, she barely had enough time to finish reading three years worth of textbooks. It was absolutely impossible to excel in math in such a short time, so she simply chose to give up.

The bell rang and the last exam came to an end.

Si Xia glanced at his neighbour and realized that she was fast asleep on a completely blank math booklet.

Judging by how she did at the beginning, I thought that maybe she wanted to make a change. Sure enough, as the saying goes, you can change mountains and rivers but not a person's nature!

After submitting the exam booklets, all the students looked as if their bodies were depleted.

“Finally, the exams are over! We’re free!”

“Most importantly, our school hunk will finally be able to sit at his usual place! That ugly freak, Ye Wan Wan, is getting uglier and uglier. Si Xia was so miserable to be frightened by her in the morning that his face turned pale!”

“Aren’t you aiming to get that seat first from the back? Let’s see how she’s going to cling onto Si Xia this time!”

“You all are overthinking, she’ll be expelled even before the exam results are out! Before, all the teachers were busy with exams so they didn’t have time to deal with her. Now that exams are over, they’ll definitely sort things out with her.”

“Pity they didn’t kick her out before exams. Our class’ scores will be pulled down by her again this time!”

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28 What if I end up at the top of the class?

After the end of exams, the teachers started the grading process..

As it was a simulation test, the marking process was basically modelled after college entrance exams. The names of the students were sealed and the teachers didn't mark the exams of their own classes. After they finished marking, the teachers would then unseal the names to tabulate the scores and rankings.

That night was destined to be a sleepless night, as everyone was comparing their answers nervously and guessing their results.

As for Ye Wan Wan, she rushed back to the dormitory immediately to make up her sleep debt after submitting her last exam.

The next morning.

Liang Li Hua entered the classroom, beaming.

In the morning, she had visited the Student Affairs office even before looking at the students' results. Ye Wan Wan's letter of expulsion was finally ready.

"Be quiet, students!" she said, "Test scores and rankings are now out! But before I announce the results, I need to deal with one thing first!"

Hearing this, all eyes turned in the direction of the last row excitedly.

Sure enough, Liang Li Hua held a notice out and slapped it on the podium, "I presume many of you knew about this matter. Our classmate, Ye Wan Wan, has violated the school rules and regulations umpteen times. Her behaviour is unbearable, irredeemable and has seriously damaged our Qing He High

School's reputation. The school has come to a decision to expel her!"

Cheers came from below the podium, especially the girls.

"Ha ha ha, I told you so! That ugly freak would be chased out of school even before the results are out!"

"Finally, we don't have to see that terrifying face anymore!"

Liang Li Hua looked with disapproval towards Ye Wan Wan and said impatiently, "The effective date is today so pack your things and get going!"

In the eyes of all the people revelling at her expulsion, Ye Wan Wan remained calm and motionless without the slightest intention to leave. She gently curved the corners of her mouth and glanced lazily at the person on the podium.

Her mocking eyes and calmness looked almost defiant, which immediately made Liang Li Hua burst into a rage, "Ye Wan Wan!" What's your problem now? Didn't you want an official written notice from the school? That notice has been served! Everything was done according to the rules! Don't you dare think about saying I have no authority again!"

Ye Wan Wan's cold eyes narrowed and she slowly stood up and said, "Well, since the teacher's talking about school rules, then I should tell her the school rules too. I seem to remember that there is a clause in the rules that if there is significant contrition shown by the student, it is appropriate to avoid punishment and give the student a chance to be rehabilitated."

Liang Li Hua laughed coldly, "Yes, that's a clause but so what? How is that relevant to you? Look at how horrendous you look, neither ghost nor human. Does it look like you're the least bit contrite?"

Ye Wan Wan frowned and replied with a self-righteous tone, "Yes, I'm ugly. So what? Is it my fault that I was born this way? Is this what a teacher should be doing, mocking a person's appearance? I think that you should take a look at my results first before talking. What if I end up at the top of the class this time?"

Liang Li Hua was stunned at first and then broke out in laughter. The rest of the students also roared with laughter together.

“Hahahahaha wow! What did this ugly freak Ye Wan Wan just say? Top of the class? Who gave her the courage to say such a thing?!”

“She’s an idiot! If she can top the class, I will eat s***!”

“Haha I’m afraid you will have to eat s*** then, because being first from the back is still being first!”

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29 She dared not and could not!

In the midst of the laughter, Liang Li Hua's expression turned gloomy, "Ye Wan Wan, you don't have to talk so thoughtlessly with me here. It's too late now to be afraid and regretful! Qing He is an unparalleled school; everyone who graduated from Qing He has excelled in life and become the pillars of society! You, scum and pest of society, are the disgrace of Qing He!

If you still have half a sense of shame, take your things and leave now, stop being so insolent! Or should I get your estranged parents to take you away?"

When speaking about Ye Wan Wan's parents, Liang Li Hua deliberately exaggerated her tone with her face full of sarcasm and disdain.

Hearing "estranged", Ye Wan Wan's pupils contracted!

This was the issue that she had been running away from ever since her rebirth.

In her past life, she blamed her parents for getting in the way of being with Gu Yue Ze. She kept arguing with them, said insensible words, did countless things to hurt them and finally even forced them to go to the Civil Affairs Bureau to sever relations with her, in order to get rid of the so-called "stain" on their family, just so Gu Yue Ze could give her a chance...

As a matter of fact, in order to hide many truths for her, her parents suffered a lot...

After the rebirth, the people she wanted to see most desperately were her parents and brother!

But she dared not and could not!

Now she had no right to see them!

Seeing that Ye Wan Wan was standing there speechless and motionless, Liang Li Hua slammed the table in fury, "Ye Wan

Wan! Don't test my patience!!!”

Ye Wan Wan broke off from her thoughts, her expression unchanged and insisted, “Teacher, I’m merely making a legitimate request.”

Liang Li Hua took a deep breath, trying to contain her anger. She slammed the stack of exam booklets in her hands. After searching for a long time, she finally managed to find Ye Wan Wan’s name and took her result slip out of the pile, “Good! Look at your grades! I see that you’re the type of person who will not weep until you see the coffin!”

The result slip showed every student’s result for each subject, including the total marks and the marks for each major question. The last page showed the class ranking and school ranking of this student.

The students below were all speechless...

“Is there something wrong with this ugly girl’s brain? Doesn’t she have a sense of how she scored?”

“What a disgrace!”

“Get a sense of decency! Ugly people always make more trouble!”

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When Liang Li Hua flipped to the first page, it was the math results. From the total scores to the 3 main sections of the exam, namely, the multiple choice, fill in the blanks and open-ended questions, they were all a glaring 0 points!

“Math, 0 points! Ye Wan Wan, this was the result you insisted I see? Scores worthy of shooting you to the top of the class?” Liang Li Hua sneered.

“Hahaha, as expected, this ugly girl got 0 again!”

“That was a slap in the face! How do you top the class when you scored 0 for math? You bragged too much!”

“First! Ha, nothing wrong with being first from the back right!”

Ye Wan Wan seemed to not hear the mockery around her. She said expressionlessly, “There’s still language, liberal arts, and English.”

She remembered that language, English, and especially liberal arts exams were very challenging this time. Much uncommon knowledge was tested which could cause the differences in scores to widen. If she could score well on these 3 sections, even with a 0 for math, she wouldn’t be able to top the school but she should be able to secure the first place in class.

30 Class ranking: Number One!

With a stupid student wasting so much time, Liang Li Hua's patience was nearing its limit.

She flipped the report card over to the next page.

However, in the next second, when she saw the language scores, Liang Li Hua was stunned. She muttered in disbelief, "Language... 150 points..."

The students below the podium all looked at each other in confusion after hearing Liang Li Hua's words.

"What did the form teacher say? 150 points what?"

"Did she make a mistake?"

"Uh, 0 points compared to 150 points, which do you think is the mistake?"

Liang Li Hua looked over the sheet repeatedly. The score was absolutely clear; she even tabulated the score again herself and it was indeed full marks.

She thought she had the wrong report card and went to check the cover page but it was still correct, on the cover was Ye Wan Wan's name!

Liang Li Hua furrowed her brows, suspicions high and continued to flip. When she reached the third page, she was even more surprised.

On the third page was the English results— she actually scored a full 150 marks again!

How could this be!?

She taught the English class and this time, she marked class A's exams. Nobody in the entirety of class A attained a full score—even the highest score was merely 148. But Ye Wan

Wan's transcript states that she actually attained a full score for English?

Liang Li Hua continued flipping.

When she turned to the liberal arts page, Liang Li Hua was completely in shock and was speechless...

Ye Wan Wan's scores for liberal arts were: History 100 marks, Politics 100 marks and Geography 100 marks! A full 300 marks!

And on the last page which showed the class position, it stated that—— Ye Wan Wan, class ranking: 1!

"Teacher, you haven't said what my results and ranking are," the girl from the last row spoke up with cold eyes.

Liang Li Hua grasped the report card tightly, face turning more and more gloomy until finally, she burst into a fury, "Ye Wan Wan! You are really something! How dare you cheat!!!"

As if she had expected Liang Li Hua's response, Ye Wan Wan leisurely asked, "Why do you think I cheated?"

Liang Li Hua's expression unpleasant, she snapped, "Ah, you didn't cheat? If you didn't cheat, how could you achieve 150 marks for language?! 150 marks for English! 300 marks for liberal arts! Or ranked first in class!?"

Hearing everything Liang Li Hua said, the whole class was in shock.

"Damn! What? Full marks for language, English, and liberal arts?"

"And topped the class? Ye Wan Wan? You're joking! How is that possible?!!!"

"She definitely cheated!"

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"You said that I cheated, do you have any proof?" Ye Wan Wan replied.

Liang Li Hua laughed coldly, "Do we still need proof?! Ye Wan Wan, do you think we're all fools?"

“Then may I ask if anyone else scored full marks for these subjects? If I’m the only one, please explain how you know I cheated?” Ye Wan Wan continued her line of questioning.

Liang Li Hua replied scornfully, “You maliciously tampered with the score. With a brain like yours, even if you were allowed to copy, you wouldn’t necessarily copy it right!”

The other students nodded along in agreement. If Ye Wan Wan sneaked into the staff room to tamper with the score, everything made sense.

“This ugly girl is so bold!”

“She thinks that tampering with the scores on the transcript would reflect a change in the exam papers as well? What a fool!”

“The truth will come out just by checking her papers! She can tamper with the transcript but not the exam papers!”

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31 Slap their faces with full marks

While the classroom was in heated discussion, the language teacher Feng Rui An happened to walk past with the language papers in hand.

Hearing the commotion from the classroom, Feng Rui An stopped and walked in, “Teacher Liang, what is going on here? What are you raging on about so early in the morning?”

“What else can I do! This student is utterly outrageous!” Liang Li Hua gestured at Ye Wan Wan.

“Ay, Ye Wan Wan, it’s you again...” Feng Rui An looked at the girl in the corner helplessly. Playing the middleman, he said “Teacher Liang, you don’t have to be so angry. This girl is in the wrong but for kids at this age, dressing up unconventionally is understandable.

Seeing that this girl has done well for this exam, you shouldn’t be mad anymore! I’ve just looked through her exam booklet, she got full marks for language! Even the composition! It could almost be a model essay!”

Upon hearing that, Liang Li Hua was suddenly stunned and quickly interrupted Feng Rui An, “What? Teacher Feng, you said you just saw Ye Wan Wan’s paper?”

“That’s right! Look, this is the one...” Feng Rui An eagerly pulled out Ye Wan Wan’s exam booklet from the top.

Liang Li Hua looked through the paper thoroughly from top to bottom; the answers were perfect and exactly like what Feng Rui An said, it could be a model essay.

Liang Li Hua’s face turned stern and in a sinking voice, she said, “Teacher Feng! We have a big problem now! I’m afraid the exam questions this time were leaked!”

Feng Rui An was taken aback, his face was horrified, “Teacher Liang, you can’t say things like this lightly! Our exam

questions have always been kept confidential, how could they be leaked?"

Liang Li Hua sniggered and passed Ye Wan Wan's report card to Feng Rui An, "Teacher Feng, you will understand when you see this!"

Feng Rui An took the report card, quickly looked through and his face was filled with surprise.

Aside from a 0 for math, Ye Wan Wan scored full marks for all the other subjects and was even first in class!

This was unbelievable coming from Ye Wan Wan who was always first from the back for every exam!

Scoring full marks for language was already unbelievable...

"This..." at this moment, Feng Rui An did not dare draw a conclusion as well.

"The notice of expulsion has been issued but she's still causing trouble. With this kind of student continuing in Qing He, she would only cause a foul atmosphere!" Liang Li Hua shot a look at Ye Wan Wan seated in the last row, "Ye Wan Wan! Get over here! Follow me to the Student Affairs office! I'm telling you, it's no longer a matter that can be settled with a light expulsion!"

She would be in deep trouble for using leaked exam questions!

"Damn! I can't believe that this ugly girl actually is so talented! She could even get the exam questions!"

"She kept all the exam questions to herself without sharing! She deserved it!"

"This fool, she should've made some mistakes on purpose so her cheating wasn't so obvious. Was she itching for everyone to find out?"

"This ugly girl is in deep trouble this time!"

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In the corner of the last row, next to the window, the boy took away the book that was covering his face. He frowned and glanced at the girl beside him.

Up until this point, the girl's expression hadn't changed from beginning to end. That expression of indifference was like taking a leisurely stroll and she was even looking straight into the eyes of Liang Li Hua with a hint of sarcasm.

Everybody was saying that Ye Wan Wan was a fool and he felt the same way.

If she had really gotten the exam questions, she wouldn't have been found out if she'd done it more discreetly.

"Idiot! Let's see how you're going to clean up this mess!"

Ye Wan Wan heard the boy beside her snigger. With eyes brighter than the stars, she glanced at him lazily, "Just a re-test, at most... Little missy here will slap their faces with full marks again!"

Si Xia was stupefied by the glow from that pair of eyes. When he realized what she said, he was speechless, "..."

32 You're absolutely delusional!

In the Student Affairs office.

All the subject teachers of F class had been alerted and were now gathered to investigate Ye Wan Wan's exam papers. Many students also gathered outside the door to watch.

One of the teachers said, "Even though the questions on the liberal arts exam were tricky, they were within the scope of the curriculum—they were topics covered beforehand. There are many smart students in Qing He and Ye Wan Wan was not the only one who obtained full marks. But the point is... Was Ye Wan Wan able to produce this result?"

"Also, there is no way to justify the full scores for language right? Even if her composition was satisfying to the marker, how could she not have at least lost points for reading comprehension?" another teacher brought up her suspicions as well.

Language teacher Feng Rui An also expressed his doubts, "Ye Wan Wan, I just looked at your paper carefully and found that your reading comprehension answers matched the answer key exactly, word for word. Could you explain how this happened?"

"I've seen those two questions before and simply memorized the answers. The first question for the reading comprehension came from XX year of province A's 6 Schools Union senior year examination paper and the second question came from XX year of the National 13 Schools senior year second simulation examination." Ye Wan Wan answered quickly.

Hearing Ye Wan Wan cite the sources of the 2 questions, Feng Rui An's eyes glistened, "Not bad, the sources of these 2 questions are indeed correct. Since these two were originally thought to be too difficult, teachers didn't cover them in classes before. However, the topics of these two reading

comprehension questions were quite good, so they were chosen for the exam. You, little girl, have you done even these two sets of questions?”

For reading comprehension, teachers only taught the method to answer questions—they never got students to memorize topics since after all, they would never pick those exact questions for the entrance exams.

In the end, Ye Wan Wan memorized the answers for reading comprehension?

As the teachers discussed amongst themselves, a sleepy man about 30 years old, walked in leisurely in his slippers, “If the test questions were leaked, why did you score 0 for my math?”

The head of student affairs looked at the sloppy appearance of this guy, furrowed her brows and said, “Teacher Zhao, this is a school, please be mindful of your appearance!”

Zhao Xing Zhou yawned, “I don’t have classes in the morning anyway...”

Although the head of student affairs couldn’t stand the sight of him, she didn’t say anything further. This Zhao Xing Zhou may be untidy but since the math results of F class were always top in the school, even the principal turned a blind eye to him.

Liang Li Hua said impatiently, “Maybe she didn’t manage to memorize the math exam answers. Anyway, why would any normal person memorize the reading comprehension answers when they weren’t the questions that teachers asked students to complete? Besides, the problem now is that she cheated; there is no running away from this point now!”

The head of student affairs looked at the girl with a serious expression and interrogated her, “Ye Wan Wan, where did you get the exam questions?”

Ye Wan Wan was expressionless, “I got them when the exam papers were given out.”

Liang Li Hua raged, “Look, everybody, she’s still lying!”

Ye Wan Wan looked coldly at Liang Li Hua, “Teacher Liang, if you claim that I cheated, please provide proof. If you have evidence to prove that I received the exam questions beforehand, then I will leave Qing He immediately! If not, I hope the school will retract the notice of my expulsion.”

Liang Li Hua sneered, “You are absolutely delusional!”

Zhao Xing Zhou looked for a chair, planted his butt down and waved his arms, “After all this, if you want to determine whether this girl’s results are legitimate, why don’t we allow her to retake the test? Isn’t there a second set of papers? Come on, let her retake the test now! “

Retake the test?

All the teachers fell silent upon hearing Zhao Xing Zhou’s words.

If they wanted the truth, this was only this way left since Ye Wan Wan refused to confess.

33 Let us share rain and dew!

“I’m not opposed to that,” the language teacher nodded, curious to whether Ye Wan Wan was telling the truth or not.

Seeing that, all the other teachers looked at each other and finally agreed.

“Ye Wan Wan, because of you, so many people have gathered here and wasted their valuable time! It’s not too late to confess now! Don’t wait till you’ve lost all dignity! You have thoroughly embarrassed F class!” Liang Li Hua said furiously.

Ye Wan Wan laughed, “Ms Liang, you were the one who questioned me and also the one who gathered all the teachers here. Even if everybody’s time has been wasted, you’re to blame!”

“You...”

Before Liang Li Hua opened her mouth to raise hell, Ye Wan Wan looked at the other teachers and said directly, “Teachers, you don’t have to go through all this trouble. If we use the spare exam, Ms. Liang might accuse me of cheating again and I’m afraid that even jumping into the Yellow River wouldn’t clear my name. How about every teacher create 5 questions on the spot? There would be a total of 25 questions and if I make a single mistake, then consider that to mean I cheated!”

Zhao Xing Zhou rubbed his chin, “Ah, Ms Ye, your math is troubling... with language, math, politics, history, and geography, shouldn’t it be 30 questions altogether?”

Ye Wan Wan turned glum, “Math shouldn’t be counted.”

Zhao Xing Zhou raised his brows, “Why shouldn’t math be included?”

Ye Wan Wan replied, expressionless, “Because I hate math.”

Zhao Xing Zhou immediately covered his heart, feigning a fatal shot to the heart with his face full of grief, “Don’t be like that, what’s wrong with math? My lessons are the most interesting...”

Ye Wan Wan gave him a blank stare, “...” more like they’re the most masochistic!

The teachers discussed this for a moment and decided in unison that Ye Wan Wan’s suggestion was the fairest and would save time as well.

The teachers then came up with 5 questions each.

Very quickly, 25 questions were printed and split into 5 small tests.

Zhao Xing Zhou, the math teacher, also persisted and came up with 5 questions, looking at Ye Wan Wan eagerly.

The head of Student Affairs glanced at her watch and declared, “You may start now, is half an hour enough for you?”

“Yes.” Ye Wan Wan didn’t object. She sat down and started answering the questions.

The teachers all sat on the sofa nearby and drank tea while waiting.

Liang Li Hua looked at Ye Wan Wan as she buried her head to complete the test. Her face filled with mockery, she wanted to see how long this wretch could pretend for.

Ye Wan Wan glanced through the questions from top to bottom once and then started writing.

To prevent her from making lucky guesses, there were no multiple choice questions—only fill in the blanks.

In less than 10 minutes, she finished all the questions.

A number of teachers gathered around and quickly graded her work. The final verdict was... a perfect score!

Except for math, for which she still hadn’t attempted a single question.

In order to accurately test Ye Wan Wan's true capabilities, these questions were as difficult as the simulation exam. But in the end, this girl actually got every single question correct again?

After Liang Li Hua finished marking the last question from the English test, her expression changed immediately, "This is impossible! Ye Wan Wan has always been the first from the back! How is it possible that her grades improved so drastically overnight?!"

Ye Wan Wan replied, "Can't it be because I'm a genius?"

"Pfft..." the initially depressed Zhao Xing Zhou laughed after hearing her reply, "This girl probably knew how to do the questions before but deliberately submitted blank exams. Rebellious child, I understand everything now! Now that the truth has been revealed, Qing He has another student with exceptional results. Isn't this something to celebrate?"

He then turned towards Ye Wan Wan with a face full of hurt, "But Ye Wan Wan, it hurts me greatly that you hate math so much! Can we come to an agreement to share rain and dew in future?"

"Sorry teacher, can't do it."

"..."

Ye Wan Wan looked at the head of Student Affairs and brought up the issue that was concerning her the most, "So, in regards to my notice of dismissal?"

The head of Student Affairs looked at the provisional test paper, pondered for a long time and finally said, "According to the school rules, with your excellent test results, the decision of dismissal can be postponed while we monitor your behaviour for some time! If you prove that you have changed for the better, the decision will be withdrawn!"

34 Goodbye my ass!

“How could this be? How could you change a decision that has already been made?” Liang Li Hua pressed on, with urgency.

It had been so tough to get rid of this wretch and her plan had been foiled just like that?

The head of Student Affairs spoke in a grave tone, “Ms Liang, this is according to the school rules. Furthermore, as you know, the graduation rate is of utmost importance to the school. Ye Wan Wan still has a lot of potential, so put in more effort to guide her well!”

Liang Li Hua wasn’t satisfied, but now, all the teachers had witnessed Ye Wan Wan’s exam results were genuine and she also understood the importance of graduation rates to the school.

Damn! She had been 80% sure that she’d be able to chase this wretch away this time!

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While Ye Wan Wan had just ended her re-test, the students hiding outside quickly circulated the news to the class.

After hearing the news, the whole of class F was in an uproar.

The Ye Wan Wan that was always last in class actually topped the class for real?

“We saw it for ourselves, all the teachers at the scene came up with new questions and she got them all correct! Also, the decision to expel her is held back at the moment!”

“Damn! How could this happen?! I thought that we wouldn’t have to see that freak anymore, but now we have to continue to be around this eyesore!”

“She just has slightly better grades! What’s the big deal? If she didn’t have good grades to make up for such an ugly face, then she might as well be better off dead!”

Very soon, Liang Li Hua returned to class with a gloomy face with Ye Wan Wan following behind.

The classroom immediately entered a silence, with all eyes trained on Ye Wan Wan.

After all, it was shocking to have the student who was always ranked last in class to come around and end up top of the class so suddenly.

“Class monitor, come over and give everybody their results back! After receiving your exams, students, please remember to check carefully for mistakes!” Liang Li Hua made these casual remarks with a cold face, without mentioning what had just transpired and without much comment on the students’ results this time.

Otherwise, she would be doing the equivalent of slapping her own face and praise Ye Wan Wan for her drastic improvement right?

Observing Liang Li Hua’s attitude, everybody knew in an instant that the rumours about Ye Wan Wan coming in first in the class were true.

Liang Li Hua, “Now, everybody, please rearrange your seats!”

Hearing that they would have to change their seats, the students started wailing, some happy and others worried.

Finally, with a big problem out of the way, Ye Wan Wan was in a good mood. She waved goodbye to her seat partner, while slowly packing up her things, “Goodbye, classmate Si Xia! Congratulations, finally you don’t have to look at this face of mine anymore!”

The boy grabbed his result slip tightly in his hand with blue veins on his forehead. Goodbye my ass!

About 10 minutes later, everyone quickly hustled to their new seating arrangements.

Then, all eyes stared at the pair of seats in the first row oddly.

On the left-most seat on the first row was Ye Wan Wan.

To the right of her was... Si Xia...

At this moment, the boy next to Ye Wan Wan glanced sideways at the face that'd been giving him nightmares for the past few days in a row and the light in his eyes almost died out.

If he had known this would be the result, he'd rather be last in class than number two.

Ye Wan Wan looked at him sympathetically, "Young man, you have my condolences. You still have a long way to go in life, this small setback is nothing in comparison!"

Si Xua took a deep breath, trying to suppress his raging temper, "Shut up!"

Ye Wan Wan finally stopped aggravating him and laid on the desk to sleep. She'd exerted too much energy just now, so her energy needed to be replenished.

After everyone had settled into their new seats, Liang Li Hua continued, "The exams are over but we have something very important to do next. I believe everybody knows that to initiate the school leaders' inspection, the school has organized an arts performance and requires each class to showcase one performance.

In the previous class meeting, we had agreed that our class would be staging a play "Snow White" and Si Xia was chosen to be the prince. However, we hadn't decided who would be the female lead, Snow White."

35 I. Really. Want. To. Chop. That. Arm. Off!!

Everyone's eyes glistened when Liang Li Hua mentioned the theatrical performance—especially the girls in the class.

For this performance, the girls in the class had been having a catfight for quite some time.

The reason behind why the female lead was still undecided was because some girls fought too hard over it previously.

Many students in the class had families with notable backgrounds, resulting in total chaos. They secretly bought votes, threatened students to vote for them and even almost caused a fight directly in school. It caused Liang Li Hua to be in a terrible position, tossed from side to side. Thus, she'd postponed the decision of female lead until after exams.

After much thought, she decided that drawing lots would be the most effective and the girls wouldn't have to fight anymore.

So Liang Li Hua continued, "To be fair and to ensure that every student has an opportunity to participate, I have decided that we will draw lots to decide on the candidate! Nobody is allowed to disagree!"

"Teacher, I agree!"

"Me too, let's go by drawing lots then!"

All the students agreed with Liang Li Hua's decision.

The girls who had lower chances initially would now have an equal opportunity. Since everybody was on equal grounds now, naturally most students would agree to this.

Only the few girls who had higher chances glared, especially the class beauty, Cheng Xue, who was always teased by the class to pair up with Si Xia.

Liang Li Hua heaved a sigh of relief with the outcome. She instructed the class monitor to write down the names of every girl in the class on small pieces of paper and then placed them into a little box.

“For this title, let’s get Si Xia to draw it!” Liang Li Hua said.

Otherwise, if it was drawn by someone else, those girls would be unhappy again.

All the girls nodded their heads in total agreement.

Wow! The hunk himself is drawing the lot!

The person who’s chosen... must have saved the Milky Way in their previous life!

The class monitor carried the box over, “Si Xia.”

Si Xia was feeling depressed at the moment and was not in the mood. Under the gaze of many eager students, he casually slipped his hand into the box to draw a lot and tossed it to the class monitor without looking at it.

The monitor took that slip of paper and was almost burnt by the glare of the girls’ eyes.

“Oh, the person Si Xia has drawn is...” the monitor opened the small slip of paper carefully while speaking.

Just as he was about to read the name...

The monitor stared at the paper and stood rooted to the ground with his eyes big and mouth gaping wide as if he had been struck by lightning.

Si Xia noticed that the monitor’s expression was odd, so he raised his brows and looked over.

The expression on the monitor’s face gave him a bad feeling...

At this moment, the monitor didn’t dare look in the eyes of Si Xia and was even more afraid to look at the girls’ expressions. At everyone’s insistence, he then swallowed hard and stammered, “The... The one who was drawn is... Ye.. Ye Wan Wan...”

“What did you say?” the boy snatched the paper from the monitor.

On the paper was “Ye Wan Wan”, three words as clear as day.

Ye Wan Wan woke up to the noise next to her, wiped the saliva off the sides of her mouth, opened her eyes in a daze and looked at her partner, “What is it...”

Si Xia looked at the girl’s frightening face with hair as messy as Sadako’s, the way she drooled and her half-opened eyes:
“...”

I. Really. Want. To. Chop. That. Arm. Off!

36 This woman has a boyfriend?!

Once the results were out, the entire class protested.

“Ye Wan Wan? Snow White? You’ve got to be joking!”

“What’s wrong with you, class monitor! How on earth did you draw that lot?”

The class monitor faced the girls’ criticism with a speechless expression, “It.. It wasn’t drawn by me!”

Whatever the result, Si Xia drew that lot all by himself alright?

“No way! Si Xia can never partner with such a person! Wouldn’t he be a wolf entering the tiger’s den?”

“By allowing Ye Wan Wan to perform in such an important performance, won’t our F class be a joke to all other classes?”

On the podium, Liang Li Hua’s expression completely darkened as well.

Ye Wan Wan!

Why is it Ye Wan Wan again?

But she had already announced in front of all the students that no matter what the result was, nobody would be allowed to dispute. There was no way she could replace her with someone else.

Liang Li Hua didn’t have a choice. She looked at Si Xia and asked, “Si Xia, what do you think? She will be your partner after all.”

At this moment, the boy held on to that slip of paper, still in disbelief that he actually drew that lot himself.

He probably had never been through such a tough decision in his life.

After some time, the boy forced a word out through his teeth, “Whatever.”

I picked the lot with my own hand, how can I go back on my words now?

All the girls were anxious after hearing Si Xia’s reply; they all wanted Liang Li Hua to arrange for a re-draw.

Liang Li Hua glanced at Ye Wan Wan’s unpleasant appearance, pondered for a moment, then said, “Class, please be quiet. I have already mentioned that to be fair, we will go according to the outcome of the draw. Since even Si Xia doesn’t mind, then the female lead is set and no one’s allowed to talk about it any further!”

Right now the concern was not if Ye Wan Wan would cause trouble, but instead, it was a matter of when .

With that thought, Liang Li Hua turned to Ye Wan Wan and warned, “The performance this time is very important. If you mess up, even I won’t be able to help you!”

Only then did Ye Wan Wan wake up.

How did she manage to be chosen to play Snow White and become a thorn to the other girls just by taking a nap?

The Ye Wan Wan from before had been captured by Si Ye Han due to that love letter at this point, so she hadn’t had to deal with this before and was completely caught off-guard.

If I had known sooner, I would definitely have stopped it from happening!

With Si Ye Han’s possessiveness and jealousy, if he finds out that I will be playing a role as someone else’s lover, and that there is even a kissing scene at the end...

Isn’t this considered cheating?!

“Damn! How did I get tangled up in this while doing nothing?!” Ye Wan Wan grabbed her hair in distress and almost broke down.

Seeing his partner Ye Wan Wan reacting like that, Si Xia’s face turned black.

Who exactly was the one who got tangled up in this beyond their control?

Is this woman actually acting like she's the unlucky one?

"Wait... Miss! May I give this role up?" Ye Wan Wan quickly raised her hand.

Upon hearing that, the girls were immediately enraged again.

What! Ye Wan Wan, the ugly freak! Our hunk hasn't even abandoned her, yet she dares to leave the play!

Liang Li Hua's face filled with fury instantly, "Ye Wan Wan, how dare you treat the school as your own home? Doing whatever you please? Without any rules? Don't forget that you're still on probation!"

Ye Wan Wan muttered a curse after Liang Li Hua threatened her, "Damn!"

At that moment, the boy next to her could not hold it in any longer, "Ye Wan Wan! Exactly who is the person who was damned?"

Ye Wan Wan looked sceptically at the school's hunk who was about to explode in anger because of her. Resting her chin on her hands, she muttered in utter distress, "But I have a boyfriend. If my boyfriend finds out and gets jealous then what should I do? I'm at a loss here, okay!"

Si Xia stared at Ye Wan Wan's face, that face that could blacken the heart with just one look and was silenced immediately.

This woman has a boyfriend...

Her boyfriend... Must be blind...

37 The great devil has arrived!

After school.

Ye Wan Wan sighed on her way back to the hostel.

My relationship with Si Ye Han has just been stabilized; how could this happen now!

She was still on probation so she couldn't simply reject the role. The only way would be to force Si Xia to request a substitution.

Hmm, I'll give him a "surprise" tomorrow. The makeup stowed under my chest hasn't been taken out yet!

Ye Wan Wan strategized while bringing her clothes to the bathroom.

After removing her makeup and taking a hot bath, she felt like a brand new person.

"Wow~ Who is that beauty I see~ Turns out to be the reflection of myself~ What is that cold thing pressing onto my neck~ My gold necklace is worth more than \$2,000~ I thank god daily~ Every day I am filled with gratitude in my heart when I wake up~ I can't help but love myself~ Yes I do not need anybody else~~~"

Ye Wan Wan hummed to the song, blew her hair dry, and stretched her arms to push the bathroom door open.

"An attractive lady like me~ A cute lady like me~ People wooing me could line up all the way to the Milky Way... Yeah..."

The moment she pushed the door open, Ye Wan Wan's expression froze immediately.

On the cheaply lacquered chair beside her desk was a man sitting there.

The man was leaning his forehead to the side lazily, his white slender finger holding the test paper that she received today. As always, he had on a black suit darker than the night sky. The neckline of dark silver stripes glowed with a cold luster and his deep eyes looked as if they had been submerged in a pool of ice for years, with no trace of humanity.

Her ordinary female hostel suddenly became an 18-storey hell with hundreds of ghosts whistling and the chair that the man was sitting on was no longer the same cheaply lacquered chair, but a dragon king throne wrapped with a black giant python...

Si... Si Ye Han!!!

Bang—— Ye Wan Wan slammed the bathroom door hard.

It must've been the way I opened the door!

How could it have become hell in a moment!

One second went by...

Two seconds went by...

Three seconds went by...

Ye Wan Wan's heart was beating hard, her blood flowing the opposite direction and her mind was completely blank.

After a full minute, she finally eased her mind slightly and carefully opened the bathroom door a little.

In the end, she was scared out of her wits with just one look!

Not only was Si Ye Han still there, but he became scarier after seeing that she slammed the door in fear. The whole hostel was frozen by that pair of cold and dark eyes. She could even see the bright blue flames from the great devil's head.

Help——

Out of instinct for survival and due to the fear penetrating into her bones, Ye Wan Wan's first reaction was to run in the direction of the doorway!

However, just as her fingers curled around the lock, she regained her senses under her immense fear—— she couldn't run!

Damn! What should I do now!

Beads of sweat were trickling down Ye Wan Wan's forehead and her mind was racing.

Quickly, she turned the lock in the other direction and locked the door instead.

After taking a deep breath discreetly, Ye Wan Wan suppressed the fear in her eyes. Then, she turned around and walked towards Si Ye Han...

Under that man's glare that could almost freeze human bones, Ye Wan Wan stopped in front of him. She sat on his lap, hooked her arms around his neck and kissed his ice cold lips...

38 A rewarding kiss

The girl's freshly bathed body exuded a natural fragrance, her soft and sweet lips were as wonderful as cotton candy...

The violent and raging beast in the man's body was appeased almost instantaneously, submitting to the girl's most vulnerable and unguarded kisses on the neck.

Aware of the sharp change in atmosphere around Si Ye Han, Ye Wan Wan's guard was finally lowered slightly.

Although I rushed to the door, it looks like I wasn't trying to escape, but merely locking the door to make out with him. He won't be angry about this right?

"Darling, why are you here?" Ye Wan Wan tried her best to sound pleasantly surprised.

Si Ye Han looked at her in silence, not saying a single word. His icy-cold pupils seemed to penetrate through her soul.

Ye Wan Wan felt a little guilty. Can he see through my act?

After a long while, the man's narrow lips moved delicately, "People who are wooing you... could queue all the way to the Milky Way?"

Ye Wan Wan took a long time to react. When she did, she realised that Si Ye Han was referring to the lyrics of the song she had sung just now.

Ye Wan Wan broke out in a cold sweat, "No no! Those were just song lyrics!"

Queue to the Milky Way my ass... more like stuffed into 18 levels of hell!

Would those who dared to court me still see daylight tomorrow?

Wrong, the point is, who would court me when there isn't even a fly by my side?

“Ah! By the way! I topped the class for the exams this time! Full marks for language, English, and liberal arts!” Ye Wan Wan changed the topic.

Si Ye Han’s fingers gently coiled a wisp of hair around her ear and replied lazily, “Hm.”

He spoke in a very natural tone with no surprise or doubt, as if achieving these results were normal for her.

Thinking of all the countless doubts she experienced today, the reaction of Si Ye Han now made her heart go through inexplicable feelings.

Surprisingly, the only person who believed in her was Si Ye Han.

Si Ye Han saw that Ye Wan Wan was in a daze and looked dejected. His slender fingers suddenly pinched the girl’s lips and kissed them lightly under her stunned eyes, “You did very well.”

Ye Wan Wan blinked and blinked again.

Erm...

Was that a reward?

What did I do to let Si Ye Han think that I was seeking a kiss as a reward!

Forget it forget it, as long as the king is happy.

At this moment, Ye Wan Wan suddenly recalled that this was a girls’ hostel! How did he get in?

Wrong, the point is, when will he be leaving?

After all, the hostel may be checked by someone anytime, and if she was found to be hiding a man...

Just as Ye Wan Wan was racking her brain on how to convince Si Ye Han to leave, his gaze fell upon her empty little bed and suddenly asked——

“Where’s the blanket?”

“Ah? Blanket?” Ye Wan Wan was stunned for a moment and then instinctively replied, “I aired it outside today and haven’t

brought it back! I'll go and get it...?"

The man nodded slightly, "Hm."

Ye Wan Wan didn't understand why Si Ye Han suddenly asked about the blanket. Confused, she ran to the balcony to collect it.

She arranged the bedding properly and patted the pillow, huffing and blowing.

After airing out the blanket and pillow, they were fluffy and soft and radiating with the smell of sunshine, which she found very satisfying.

The man looked at them with satisfaction, then his long legs moved and he laid down on her bed, "Help me set an alarm for 2 hours from now."

"..." Ye Wan Wan was flabbergasted as she looked at the man lying on her bed, ready to sleep.

Si Ye Han actually wants to sleep here!

39 It's so soft and comfortable here~

Her small bed was lined with the school's tacky blue and white striped sheets. She found the school's blanket quite uncomfortable so she bought a new one at the small supermarket opposite the school. It was much softer but the big blossoming peonies imprinted on it were very conspicuous.

And right now, Si Ye Han was lying on that little bed that didn't match him, with a peony-printed blanket over his body.

Ye Wan Wan strangely found that with him lying there, the gaudy peony flowers now appeared quite elegant.

"Hey... Are you sleeping here?"

"Come over," the man didn't answer her question but beckoned her over instead.

"Oh," Ye Wan Wan swallowed hard and walked over obediently.

Then, she was pulled into his embrace and they laid down together.

Ye Wan Wan: "..."

Not only is he sleeping over but he's forcing me to sleep with him— what is he trying to do?!

There were sounds of people walking back and forth and girls laughing and talking merrily outside. With Ye Wan Wan's heart in her mouth, she hurriedly attempted to persuade him, "Hey, my bed is very hard so it's really uncomfortable to sleep in! If you're sleepy, would you like to go back to rest?"

The man hugged her in his arms, "But it's so soft and comfortable here."

Ye Wan Wan's face turned glum. Is he talking about the bed or me?

“9th master, are you sure you don’t want to go back to rest? It’s so noisy here and the bed is tiny. It can’t even fit your legs and you can’t fall asleep without Dr Mo. Also...”

Ye Wan Wan spoke so much but he didn’t show the slightest intention of leaving.

Ye Wan Wan finally shut her mouth in annoyance.

But once she stopped talking, he opened his eyes again and said in a low voice, “Talk.”

Ye Wan Wan didn’t understand, “Huh?”

Si Ye Han: “Continue talking.”

Ye Wan Wan: “...”

He needs to listen to my voice just to sleep... does he have to be so difficult?

Ye Wan Wan wanted to throw the blanket off in frustration, but of course, she didn’t have the guts. She nodded and mumbled, “Oh...”

But what should I talk about?

“Well, I’ll recite the numbers of pi, okay?” Ye Wan Wan tried asking.

“Hm,” he nodded, indicating his assent.

Thus, Ye Wan Wan started reciting, “3.1415926535897...”

Pi is an infinite decimal; it’s said that one could recite up to 100,000 digits for more than 10 consecutive hours.

Ye Wan Wan had never counted how many digits she could recite, and anyway, as long as Si Ye Han didn’t tell her to stop, she wouldn’t dare to stop and could only keep reciting the numbers.

The man lying next to her looked so charming that he could brighten the entire sky of Qing He. His hair looked as if it was dyed black by the night sky, his facial features were chiseled, his skin was flawlessly perfect, his thin lips were thin yet extremely nice, each individual strand of hair showed the

extreme favor of the Creator, and especially since he loosened the tie on his collar, exposing a section of his clavicle...

Aside from feeling fearful, Ye Wan Wan found that lying next to such a perfect being was really torturous.

Ye Wan Wan didn't know how long to recite for. In the end, she was so tired that she fell asleep unknowingly.

Finally, she was awoken in shock by a knock on the door.

"Dong dong dong," the knocks were very loud in the quiet room.

Damn! Whatever it was, here it comes!

Ye Wan Wan rolled out of bed like a frightened bird.

The man next to her seemed to be sleeping soundly before the knocking. His attractive eyebrows then furrowed slightly with sullenness at the sound of the knocking.

Ye Wan Wan was slightly surprised—Si Ye Han actually fell asleep again?

Didn't he have a hard time falling asleep to the point where he needed Dr Mo's hypnotism every time?

However, she didn't care so much now and gently nudged the person next to her quickly, "Si Ye Han! Wake up!"

40 Two kisses

Of course, she knew how angry Si Ye Han was each time he woke up, but she couldn't care less now.

"Si Ye Han, there's someone at the door, can you hide for a while?"

Certainly, after he heard what she said, the great devil's expression became so ferocious that it looked as if it could destroy earth.

Ye Wan Wan placed her palms together and pleaded sincerely, "Please, please!"

His face remained angry and gloomy.

Ye Wan Wan leaned over and kissed the guy on his lips, "Alright?"

The girl's eyes were moist and her voice was tender and so soft that it could melt a person's heart.

Si Ye Han's anger seemed to be put out in an instant, however, his expression was still frozen.

Oh, this woman, she thinks that I am so easily appeased?

Watching Si Ye Han's frozen and indifferent facial expression, Ye Wan Wan anxiously leaned over and gave him another kiss, "I'm begging you!"

Si Ye Han: "Alright."

Ye Wan Wan's face immediately lit up in appreciation, "Thank you! Just hide in the bathroom for a moment! I'll be done real quick!"

Hm... If there's anything that can't be solved with a kiss, two kisses will suffice.

Only after Si Ye Han was hidden did Ye Wan Wan opened the door.

The person at the door was Shen Meng Qi.

Looking at Ye Wan Wan's current state, Shen Meng Qi was stunned.

She saw a girl with no makeup in an ordinary sleeping gown but she looked as fresh as a lovely lily that had just sprung into blossom from the water. She was so beautiful that she couldn't peel her eyes away.

Although she already knew that Ye Wan Wan looked great after she slimmed down, she hadn't seen her original looks for quite some time, so now she was taken aback.

Shen Meng Qi was also recognised in school as a beauty and definitely the beauty of Class A. But standing before Ye Wan Wan now, even if she put in a maximum amount of effort, she would only be one-tenth of the beauty of Ye Wan Wan in her casual pyjamas.

Shen Meng Qi's expression was hard to read and she seemed to be losing her cool. She tried hard to talk with her usual intimate tone and said sweetly, "Wan Wan, what took you so long to open the door?"

"Was asleep."

"But it's only around 8, you're asleep so early!" Shen Meng Qi responded in surprise.

"It's so late, do you have something for me?" Ye Wan Wan asked.

"I'm obviously here to chit-chat with you! Don't stand at the door, let's talk in the room!" Shen Meng Qi didn't linger any longer and invited herself in.

Ye Wan Wan furrowed her brows. Before she was reborn, she couldn't wait to have Shen Meng Qi to come over for some chit-chat. Each time she'd try to get Shen Meng Qi to chat till midnight. If she stopped her from coming in this time, it would seem like she was trying to hide something and so, she let her in.

If she had known it was Shen Meng Qi at the door, it wouldn't have mattered even if she saw Si Ye Han.

But...

This time, Shen Meng Qi didn't know that Si Ye Han was around, which was even better!

Ye Wan Wan rolled her eyes while planning secretly.

This mischief-maker, Shen Meng Qi, was a traitor by her side. She was too much of a hindrance and it was about time to remove her.

After entering the room, as if to deliberately trigger Shen Meng Qi, Ye Wan Wan took out a small mirror and constantly checked herself out smugly.

Shen Meng Qi's face changed after seeing that. She stared at Ye Wan Wan sternly and scolded, "Wan Wan! You're too careless! Why'd you go to the door without makeup? What if the person outside wasn't me? It'd be bad if someone knew your true appearance! The eyes and ears of Si Ye Han are everywhere, you can't take it lightly even in school!"

41 Is it my fault for looking this good?

Ye Wan Wan admired her reflection in the mirror, that little face that looked good at every angle. She glanced sideways at Shen Meng Qi, “Is it my fault for looking this good?”

Shen Meng Qi was speechless for a moment, “That wasn’t what I meant, I was just reminding you to be cautious. You’ve tolerated things for so long, don’t give up everything now. After all, that devil had finally lost interest in you and allowed you to leave Jin garden. If he saw how good looking you are and didn’t give up on you, what would you do?”

Ho ho, great devil...

Ye Wan Wan listened to Shen Meng Qi’s words, held her chin and muttered, “Si Ye Han didn’t mind my appearance even when I looked so atrocious, maybe he truly loves me?”

Shen Meng Qi immediately blurted out, “How could that be! He’s a great devil who kills with no emotions! He especially likes torturing women! A total pervert! You were just unlucky to be the chosen one! Have you forgotten how he treated you these two years?”

Ye Wan Wan nodded, “Oh, then...”

She wasn’t sure how Si Ye Han would feel after hearing Shen Meng Qi’s criticism.

The Shen Meng Qi in the past could successfully put a wedge between them each time because Si Ye Han trusted her and even thought that she was on his side.

Due to her relationship with Si Ye Han, Shen Meng Qi had benefited quite a bit. She was very popular in entertainment circles and later, the whole Shen family shared the spotlight as well. Moving from being a small company to becoming part of the A-list crowd meant a leap into the royal family.

Now all Ye Wan Wan wanted to do was destroy the trust that Si Ye Han had for Shen Meng Qi.

She's trying to undermine my relationship with Si Ye Han? Fat chance!

Shen Meng Qi was afraid that Ye Wan Wan was starting to fall for Si Ye Han, so she hurriedly pulled out her trump card, Gu Yue Ze, "Wan Wan, are you still mad at Mr Gu? To be fair, it wasn't Mr Gu's fault that other time—you were too rash. If you ran away with Mr Gu that time and explained that you had been forced to be at Jin Garden, you guys might just be together by now!

But you threw your tantrum in the end and refused to leave with him. All my efforts were wasted in helping you contact Mr Gu and distracting the servants in Jin garden!"

Ye Wan Wan listened, sighed and pretended to speak with great emotion, "Meng Qi, I know that your heart was broken for me. You helped me come up with the idea to dress atrociously to hide from Si Ye Han. It was you who's been trying to help me escape and it was also you who helped me pass messages on to Gu Yue Ze..."

Shen Meng Qi saw that Ye Wan Wan was still so foolish. Shen Meng Qi had a look of mockery in her eyes but her sincere face remained, "Wan Wan, you're my best friend. If I don't help you, who would? So listen to me, don't be at odds with Mr Gu anymore. It was so hard for you to leave Jin garden, you should take this chance to find Mr Gu. Otherwise, if this goes on, when are you ever going to get Mr Gu back?!"

Ye Wan Wan managed to pry out everything she wanted Si Ye Han to hear and was finally satisfied. She maintained her composure, looked in the direction of the bathroom and then slowly replied, "Who said that I wanted to get him back?"

Shen Meng Qi was shocked at what she heard and furrowed her brows, "Mr Gu was obviously your fiance but was stolen away by your cousin. Of course you have to get him back! Are you going to give up just like that? How could you! Wouldn't that be letting Ye Yi Yi off easy?"

Ye Wan Wan smiled wryly at how anxious Shen Meng Qi was. She touched her own features tenderly in the mirror and said faintly, “Getting back a tattered and unwanted pair of shoes? Is that necessary? If Ye Yi Yi thinks she has gotten the upper hand then let her be.”

42 Stay with me for six hours

Tattered shoes...

Shen Meng Qi's eyes were wide open; she would never have imagined Ye Wan Wan saying such a thing.

Gu Yue Ze was akin to a god to Ye Wan Wan—nobody was allowed to say anything bad about him around her.

Shen Meng Qi's heart was full of surprise and doubt so she kept staring at her, "Wan Wan, you... how could you say something like that about Mr Gu?! Ye Yi Yi was to blame for everything; her father snatched the Ye family away and she shamelessly snatched your fiancé. Mr. Gu didn't have a choice! What happened exactly? Why do you think this way all of a sudden?"

With Wan Wan's undying love for Gu Yue Ze, to the point of even cutting ties with her parents, how could she give up just like that?

Ye Wan Wan simply replied, "Nothing much, I've just thought things through."

Shen Meng Qi hurriedly tried to convince her, "Wan Wan, don't be impulsive, you've had feelings for him for so many years after all..."

Ye Wan Wan yawned, obviously not interested in continuing this topic and interrupted, "I'm tired, it's time to sleep. I'll chat with you again next time!"

Shen Meng Qi wanted to say more but Ye Wan Wan was already lying in bed yawning, so she could only leave.

Why do I get the sense that after Ye Wan Wan returned to school, something's changed...

In the past, she said everything she thought but now, she's much more controlled and even her attitude's become more nonchalant.

After she was sure that Shen Meng Qi was gone, Ye Wan Wan got up and walked to the bathroom.

The conversation she had with Shen Meng Qi just now probably allowed her to achieve half of her objective.

Of course, she wanted to take this chance to express her heartfelt feelings towards Si Ye Han but with Si Ye Han's cunning, he'd think that she was aware he was around so she said all those things deliberately for him to hear.

So she wouldn't insist that he believes her. As long as he heard everything that Shen Meng Qi said just now, that would suffice.

Ye Wan Wan pulled open the bathroom door and quickly invited the great devil out, "Sorry, sorry! That person is gone! It was Meng Qi; I thought it'd be the dormitory in-charge making his rounds! It gave me quite a scare!"

When Ye Wan Wan opened the door, Si Ye Han's tall body was leaning against the basin. In the basket beside it was the pile of clothes that she'd washed and at the very top was her strawberry printed bra.

Ye Wan Wan was instantly embarrassed so she quickly took a towel and covered it. Then, she observed Si Ye Han's expression.

However, an ordinary person like her wouldn't be able to decipher his thoughts so easily. There was no expression on the man's face and she couldn't tell what he was thinking about.

Si Ye Han looked at her for a few seconds, then he caressed the delicate jaws of the girl with his fingers, his low voice lingering in the narrow washroom, "Six hours and then I'll forgive you."

"Ah? What six hours?" Ye Wan Wan didn't understand.

Si Ye Han: "Sleep with me."

Ye Wan Wan: "..."

Why is this different from what I expected?

43 The literal meaning, please!

Ye Wan Wan's little heart was startled, "Sleep... What do you mean sleep? Literally... Or..."

The man looked at her, "If you want it to mean something else, that's fine too."

Ye Wan Wan immediately shook her head vigorously, "No no! The literal meaning is fine!"

But even if it was simply "sleeping", that alone gave her a headache.

Just 2 hours of sleeping with him had caused her to be jumpy, much less 6 hours.

But she was in the wrong.

In the end, she could only bite the bullet and agree.

When she was lying in bed accompanying him again, Ye Wan Wan suddenly realised that maybe Si Ye Han dug a pit for her to jump into on purpose? So that she had to obediently agree to such an unfair contract since she was in the wrong...

Also, after hearing the conversation just now, why didn't Si Ye Han have any reaction at all?

It couldn't be that he didn't hear anything right?

Her head hurt from thinking. When she turned her head, she realised that he was sleeping soundly.

Could it be that she was wrong all along?

Si Ye Han's sleeping pattern seemed to be very normal! He didn't look like a sick person...

Ye Wan Wan was still entertaining her foolish thoughts and couldn't fall asleep. Finally, she was infected by Si Ye Han's drowsiness and fell asleep unknowingly.

Late at night.

The man on the bed opened his eyes lazily like a satisfied beast.

But even after just waking up, his pupils were still fierce and cold.

Until... He suddenly felt something unusually soft in his embrace and his fierce expression relaxed and he lowered his head to look.

Under the warm glow of the moonlight, he saw a girl snuggling in his arms like a little kitten, sleeping soundly.

For a moment, his cold empty chest was suddenly filled and his suspended heart returned to his body.

The man's arms tightened but since he was afraid he'd wake the girl in his arms, he quickly relaxed. He stared at the person in his embrace with a complex look on his face.

Ever since that night, she became more and more difficult to figure out...

Although he liked the change, the intoxicating sweetness was too unreal, causing him to feel uneasy.

It was like he was a traveller who had walked in the desert for too long and suddenly saw an oasis—in the next second, he might find out that this was all just an illusion, a transient glimmer of hope.

At that moment, the phone by his side started flashing, indicating a new message.

Si Ye Han's eyes turned dark and opened the message.

The sender was Shen Meng Qi—— [Mr Si, I went to visit Ye Wan Wan last night and tried very hard to convince her. However, she still seemed to be mad at you. Mr Gu was her fiance after all, so it's understandable that she's unable to get over him so quickly. I believe that one day she'll realise that you're good for her.]

44 The relationship between us

Xu Yi waited in the car for more than six hours before his master finally appeared.

More than six hours...

What was he doing?

Xu Yi naturally didn't dare to probe and he quickly opened the door of the back seat.

In the car, Xu Yi couldn't help but examine the man sitting at the back through the rearview mirror.

Si Ye Han supported his forehead with a finger, his handsome face coated with a layer of frost that was reflected on the black window of the car.

Master's complexion looked much better than before, but his expression didn't bode well.

Good complexion yet bad expression?

So what did the master experience in those six hours?

After the love letter incident, things seemed quite peaceful between the two of them.

Thinking about the love letter, Xu Yi immediately frowned.

After much hesitating, he couldn't help but ask, "Master, are you sure you want to keep that Shen Meng Qi around?"

He had already checked this woman's background—her father was the boss of a small company and had little business dealings with the Ye family. Initially, Shen Meng Qi got close to Ye Wan Wan and her brother because Mr Shen incited it, just so he could have a closer relationship with Ye Shao Ting.

Shen Meng Qi didn't let him down—she gained the trust of Ye Wan Wan and even settled things with Ye Mu Fan.

Seeing that Si Ye Han wasn't replying, Xu Yi hesitated for a moment and continued, "This girl has bad intentions for staying by Ms Ye's side. She deliberately interfered with the relationship between you and Ms Ye. Do you really want such a person to continue being by Ms Ye's side? Although she's just a little girl, nothing to be afraid of, her influence on Ms Ye is too great."

Si Ye Han listened and his gaze slowly turned icy and shot a razor-sharp look forward, "You think that the relationship between us could be ended by just anybody?"

Xu Yi's back stiffened from that cold glare and he wished he could cry to the heavens—— Exaggeration much? Master, where'd you get the confidence to actually think that your relationship with Ms Ye is strong?

Too bad he didn't have the guts to say all these things.

In the quiet of the back seat, the man's face kept changing in the darkness. After some time, he finally closed his eyes and suppressed the almost uncontrollable rage to kill.

Seeing this, Xu Yi understood in his heart.

Shen Meng Qi was Ye Wan Wan's only support after all.

Ye Wan Wan had such a stubborn temperament but was willing to submit to the master and plead for his help on Shen Meng Qi's behalf.

Previously, she even starved for three days to allow Shen Meng Qi to freely enter and leave Jin garden.

If master laid a hand on Shen Meng Qi, that would just cause a world war!

Although Shen Meng Qi had some ill intentions, her role was irreplaceable. If not for Shen Meng Qi, that Ye Wan Wan would've run away so many times.

Actually, he still didn't quite understand why his master was so attached to Ye Wan Wan—— could it be because she was unattainable?

Right now, I can only wish that Ye Wan Wan straightens out her thinking. This way, even with Shen Meng Qi's

troublemaking, it won't be a problem. Wasn't that the case for the love letter incident previously?

Maybe after master finally gets this girl, he'll realise that there was nothing special about her after all.

45 Falling for Si Xia?

The next morning.

When Ye Wan Wan woke up, Si Ye Han was no longer around and she didn't know what time he had left.

He truly comes and goes like a shadow.

Thinking about what happened last night, Ye Wan Wan felt quite disheartened.

Maybe Si Ye Han didn't care about what Shen Meng Qi had said and he simply planted her next to Ye Wan Wan to monitor her?

Looks like I need to be more careful and prevent Shen Meng Qi from getting the upper hand.

The good thing was that she knew Shen Meng Qi's true colours and would no longer be brainwashed by her. It wouldn't be so easy for Shen Meng Qi to cause trouble for her again.

She would slowly let Si Ye Han know that his informant had lost its effectiveness...

After she thought that through, Ye Wan Wan was relieved and got up to get ready for the day.

The green wig and body tattoos were back in business. Wearing a t-shirt studded with sequins, distressed pants with more than ten holes complete with Gothic makeup, her look stood out.

The amount of head turns she received also proved her shocking appearance.

On the way to the canteen, she bumped into Shen Meng Qi.

"Wan Wan, I was about to find you, let's have breakfast together!" Shen Meng Qi immediately hooked arms with her intimately.

Looking at Ye Wan Wan's look, Shen Meng Qi's eyes lit up and appeared to be very satisfied.

Seems like Ye Wan Wan did listen to what I said last night!

When they arrived at the canteen, all the students around them were watching and whispering.

"Look, look! Ye Wan Wan brought her ugliness to the next level again!"

"Meng Qi's too kind to still be with that ugly freak! These two people standing together reminds me of the Beauty and the Beast!"

"Stop saying that you guys. This ugly freak is still here not only because she topped the class, she even surpassed class beauty Cheng Xue and art committee member Han Xiao Ru to be Si Xia's partner in the play!"

"Damn! For real? This ugly freak is so scheming, don't tell me she's obsessed with my dream guy!"

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Hearing the discussion around them, Shen Meng Qi eyes brightened.

Could it be that Ye Wan Wan had no more feelings for Gu Yue Ze all of a sudden because of Si Xia...

Shen Meng Qi said with a laugh, "Oh yes, Wan Wan, I haven't congratulated you! I heard that you topped the class for this exam?"

In front of Ye Wan Wan was a large bowl of sweet potato purple rice porridge, two big meat buns, and a crepe with three pieces of meat, two eggs, a ham sausage, and fruit. She replied casually while eating, "Well, it was just a test, no biggie."

Shen Meng Qi knew that Ye Wan Wan had a strong memory, but after she found out she topped the class, she was still very surprised, "Didn't you say that you hate studying? Why are you working so hard all of a sudden?"

Ye Wan Wan took a bite of her bun, "I do hate it. I hate everything that's not challenging."

Shen Meng Qi's face turned dark and almost choked on her food by that remark.

She studied so hard every single day to stay within the top ten in class. She was only third in class with her best efforts. This time, she didn't maintain her position and fell to ninth place. But Ye Wan Wan actually topped the class so effortlessly?

Shen Meng Qi suppressed the dissatisfaction in her heart. So what if you have good grades? The Ye family's no longer the same Ye family that belonged to Ye Shao Ting and Ye Wan Wan's no longer that glamorous rich family's daughter. The Ye Wan Wan now isn't even worthy of carrying my shoes!

"Then what's with you and Si Xia? Did you fall for Si Xia?" Shen Meng Qi finally reached the topic she was dying to know about.

After all, Ye Wan Wan shared a desk with Si Xia before. Could it be that during that period, Ye Wan Wan started to develop feelings for Si Xia?

Ye Wan Wan squinted her eyes slightly after hearing that.

It seems like I have to settle the issue with Si Xia quickly, otherwise, Shen Meng Qi will use it for an essay.

"I'm not interested." Ye Wan Wan replied nonchalantly.

46 Not even a tenth as dashing as you~

After breakfast, Ye Wan Wan walked towards the classroom.

She was still over ten steps away from the classroom door when Ye Wan Wan saw some heads popping out of the windows to look around.

Having seen her, those heads seemed surprised and popped back in. There was a commotion coming from the class.

Then, a sudden strange silence.

Ye Wan Wan stood three steps away from the classroom door and just as she was about to continue walking, she suddenly stopped and her eyes glanced at the door frame over her head.

As she paused, there was total silence in the classroom, as if they were all anticipating a grand entrance.

She was so unlucky the day before to land herself in big trouble with her classmates. If these people didn't pull a prank on her, she'd be surprised.

Ye Wan Wan wasn't nervous at all; she just continued to stand by the door.

After some time, sure enough, some unrestrained heads peeked out to check and then, quickly and carefully went back in.

Shortly after, the school bell rang, indicating the start of lessons.

The man behind her said in a shock, "Aiyo damn! You gave me a scare! Oh, it's you... Ye Wan Wan..."

Zhao Xing Zhou was holding a math book in his hand, with another hand clutching his chest. He stared at her face alarmed, looking like he had a bad scare, "It's almost time for class, why're you still standing at the door?"

“I was thinking about my life for a bit. After you, teacher.” Ye Wan Wan politely took a step back.

Zhao Xing Zhou appreciated her good attitude, “Hm, feeling remorseful now for scoring 0 in math?”

Zhao Xing Zhou spoke while pushing the classroom door open.

The next second, a loud “crash” resounded as a large bucket of water splashed down right on Zhao Xing Zhou’s face. He was immediately soaked through like a drowned rat.

Zhao Xing Zhou was stunned for a second and then blew up, “I... Damn! I just styled my hair this morning! Which brat did this?! I want a confession, NOW!”

A sigh of disappointment came from the classroom first, then many of them started panicking.

Damn! Why was the math teacher the one who pushed the door open? We’re screwed!

Everyone in F class knew that you could offend the form teacher but you should never offend this teacher who seemed cheery and easygoing, otherwise, you’d be tortured to death!

Zhao Xing Zhou wiped the water off his face, “Nobody’s confessing? Once I find out myself, then you’ll be in very deep trouble!”

After a very long time, finally, three girls and a boy stood up cowering.

“Follow me to the office, the four of you!”

When they passed Ye Wan Wan, Zhao Xing Zhou glared at her for a few seconds with a veiled bitterness.

Ye Wan Wan blinked her eyes and looked around innocently.

After Zhao Xing Zhou dragged those troublemakers away, Ye Wan Wan walked straight to the seat next to Si Xia under all the hateful stares from the girls and sat down.

Since they had rehearsal after class, Si Xia was wearing a British uniform with bright white bottoms and edges lined in gold. The restrictive neckline was fastened all the way up to

the first button, quite in line with his character as a prince in the play.

He also had that superior temperament and lofty arrogance he was born with.

But it was no wonder, after all, since he was the only grandchild in the Si family and was severely doted on. Nobody could ignore him.

Of course, this didn't include Ye Wan Wan.

The moment he saw Ye Wan Wan, the boy's dazzling face turned green.

Ye Wan Wan didn't have time to bother with him and quickly took the chance to send some texts to Si Ye Han while the teacher wasn't around. She had to act before Shen Meng Qi did.

Si Xia had a hard time recovering from that earth-shattering fright and then he saw Ye Wan Wan texting away. He peered at what she was typing...

[Darling, the school will be organizing an art performance and I was picked to be Snow White. Hehe aren't I amazing?~ A pity that the prince acting with me is so ugly, not even a tenth as dashing as you~]

47 Never seen him smile

After reading Ye Wan Wan's text message, Si Xia suddenly had a mouthful of blood in his throat, almost choking him to death.

Ever since he was little, all the stars circled around his moon wherever he went; he had never experienced such slander.

If this ugly girl wanted his attention, she had succeeded.

“Oh... ugly?”

Hearing the voice next to her, Ye Wan Wan realized that the contents of her text message had been exposed. But she didn't feel bad at all. She held onto her phone, smiled and turned to the livid boy, “You don't have to feel inferior. Actually, you don't look too bad—you're just lacking in comparison to my boyfriend!”

“...” Si Xia wouldn't have ever dreamed of asking her to bring her boyfriend out for a comparison. He just took a deep breath and closed his eyes to rest. He might just die from anger if he continued speaking to this moron.

Ye Wan Wan curled her lips, tsk, he doesn't believe me ~

At the same time, in the old house of the Si family:

Si Ye Han had just completed a checkup.

Other than Mo Xuan, there was a senior doctor at the scene too. Sitting next to Si Ye Han was a seventy or eighty-year-old woman.

The old lady had a head full of silver hair, twirling a string of beads in her hand and was staring sadly at her grandson at that moment.

The senior doctor took Si Ye Han's pulse, his facial expression becoming more and more dreary. The old woman saw the doctor's gloomy expression and became even more sullen.

But Si Ye Han sat on the sofa and drank his tea without any expression after having his pulse taken. He seemed indifferent to his own health.

The old lady asked anxiously, "Dr Mo, Dr Sun, please tell me truthfully, without beating around the bush. How's Little 9th's health?"

Mo Xuan glanced at Si Ye Han, sighed and didn't say anything.

The old lady glared at him immediately, "Why're you looking at him?! I asked you a question!"

Mo Xuan weighed his words and then answered, "He's still the same."

The old lady grunted, "Don't try to fool me! You told me he only slept for a few hours yesterday, a few hours the day before, and the day before yesterday as well!"

Mo Xuan had no choice but to reply, "The day before yesterday, hypnotism failed and the day before... it also failed... as for last night, Mr Si came back to Jin garden around 3 in the morning so I wasn't able to give him any treatment..."

The old lady's face changed abruptly, "Three days?! No sleep for three days, again?!"

Mo Xuan didn't dare tell her that Si Ye Han's sleep had been quite terrible for the whole week.

He had predicted that he would've been at his limit yesterday and was worried that there would be a big problem with his body. He was a little surprised seeing that Si Ye Han's condition was not as bad as he imagined.

The senior doctor sighed and said, "Madam, I won't hide it from you. These two years, 9th young master's health has been deteriorating. His sleeping disorder is increasingly affecting his temperament and if we don't find an effective cure soon, I'm afraid..."

The old lady was instantly provoked by the unsaid words after "afraid", "What's the use if I understand? Both of you should

be thinking of a cure! Aren't the two of you top-notch doctors? Yet both of you can't solve a small case of insomnia?"

Mo Xuan looked helpless, "Madam, 9th master's problem is psychological. Whenever he's in a good mood, he's able to sleep more. Whenever he's troubled, he won't be able to sleep for even a minute."

The old lady raged, "Then think of something to help elevate his mood!"

Mo Xuan smiled bitterly and thought in his heart, you know how bad your grandson's temperament is—elevate his mood? Easier said than done!

Truthfully, after being by this master's side for so long, I have never even seen him smile, alright?

Just when the atmosphere in the living room was getting more and more tense, the cold and indifferent Si Ye Han sitting on the sofa glanced at his phone and let out a little laugh, "Oh..."

48 9th master, in love?

Mo Xuan had just completed his thought and then, he saw the gentleman with a complete lack of human emotions smiling.

It wasn't a dark and foreboding laughter, nor a ruthless and dreadful scoff, but it was actual, normal, unbelievably joyful laughter. In that instant, it was as if an icy mountain thousands of miles away had melted.

If the Si Ye Han with a cold expression was already very good looking, then the smiling Si Ye Han could even turn a man gay!

Other than Mo Xuan, the one who was most surprised was the old lady.

The old lady shuddered and her eyes turned red. She hasn't seen Little 9th smile for a very... very long time.

"Little 9th! What're you looking at? Why're you so happy?" The old lady was nervous and asked carefully, afraid that what she saw was just a hallucination.

Si Ye Han's face was still a warm color and even his tone was gentler than usual, "Text from my girlfriend."

The old lady was stunned at first and had a look of surprise, "Girlfriend! Little 9th, you have a girlfriend? No wonder... No wonder you looked different somehow! You're actually in love! What kind of girl is she, how old, what does she work as? What does her family do? What's her name?"

Mo Xun, who was standing at the side, was stunned after what Si Ye Han said.

Girlfriend?

He wasn't referring to that mentally unstable woman called Ye Wan Wan, was he?

Si Ye Han tapped his phone with his slender fingers, "Wan Wan, Ye Wan Wan."

Mo Xun: "...” He was!

The old lady nodded her head seriously, “Wan Wan? That’s a nice name! You cheeky boy, how could you keep this from grandma. Grandma’s been eagerly waiting for you to settle down and have a girl to take care of you. All those other girls around you are so unsophisticated and boorish, how can they take care of you? Hurry and bring that girl back for Grandma to see!”

Si Ye Han was indeed in a good mood and didn’t reject, “I will check with her.”

The old lady was delighted beyond measure, “Excellent, do ask her nicely alright? Don’t scare her away. Just a casual meet up, it doesn’t have to be too uptight!”

“Hm.”

“What does Wan Wan like to eat? Does she have a preference? I’ll get the kitchen to prepare everything in advance!”

There was a slight warmth in his eyes, “She’s not picky; she likes to eat everything.”

“Not picky about food, very good!”

After she found out that her grandchild was dating, the old lady’s spirits were lifted and she couldn’t sit still. She made herself busy, asking all the servants to prepare everything well and instructing the kitchen staff to buy the ingredients in advance.

After she was done, she got someone to send Xu Yi over.

“Madam, did you ask for me?” Xu Yi asked nervously.

The old lady was unsatisfied, “Explain yourself! You’re always by Little 9th’s side, yet you don’t even know that he’s in love?”

“Ah? 9th master... in love?” Xu Yi was dumbfounded.

Seeing his reaction, the old lady got madder, “It’s that Ye Wan Wan girl, Little 9th told me himself just now!”

Ye Wan Wan?!

Xu Yi was dumbfounded.

Ye Wan Wan, of course I know her—this woman has been with 9th master for almost 2 years. But strictly speaking, it was 9th master who unilaterally forced her right? Two people who can't even sleep on the same bed—can this be called love?

Anyway, didn't 9th master strictly forbid them from gossiping and bringing up Ye Wan Wan in front of others?

49 As if he was the one about to be abused

After school, the rehearsal was held at the small auditorium in school.

In addition to some actors, there were a few die-hard fans of Si Xia and bodyguards there too. Cheng Xue led a group of blushing girls who swooned around Si Xia. They showed great concern about him and even comforted him since he was traumatized with the knowledge that he'd have to partner up with Ye Wan Wan.

"That teacher was too much, how could she simply draw lots to decide?"

"Exactly! She actually allowed Ye Wan Wan to perform... what an insult to Si Xia!"

"Si Xia, don't be upset, why don't we go to the teacher and protest together?"

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Ye Wan Wan was sucking on a lollipop at the door, listening to everything these girls were saying and the edges of her mouth curled up.

Why did these girls make it look like Si Xia was the one about to be abused?

His ears filled with the girls' chatter, Si Xia looked more and more icy, his forehead full of annoyance. Just as he was about to speak, an immediate silence fell upon the area.

Looking at the door, sure enough, he saw that Ye Wan Wan was standing there.

Once Ye Wan Wan appeared, she aroused the fury of the girls in an instant and some girls stormed towards her.

"Ye Wan Wan, do you have no shame?! You really came!"

“We have a score to settle with you for what happened this morning!”

“You stole our Little Xue’s role and still you act so cocky; you really think we can’t touch you?”

Ye Wan Wan scanned the three girls who came up to her.

These three people were the ones who plotted the prank but the boy wasn’t with them, probably because he had to bear full responsibility and was still being dealt with by Zhao Xing Zhou.

These three girls were part of Cheng Xue’s gang and that boy was like a big brother to Cheng Xue in school. They were quite powerful in Qing He and nobody dared to offend these school bullies.

This time, if it hadn’t been for her, whether through her family or by the network in school, Cheng Xue should’ve had at least an 80% chance of getting this role.

So it was no wonder that Cheng Xue hated her so badly.

Cheng Xue was dressed in a DR, top-grade, custom-made lace dress and stood behind the girls protecting her. Her fair skin, bright almond eyes, and her mixed-blood facial features appeared delicate and defined. When she stood next to Si Xia, they made quite the couple, like a prince and princess from a fairytale.

At that moment, the little face of Cheng Xue was filled with sorrow. Even when the resentment and jealousy in her eyes made her look darker and more ferocious, her beautiful appearance still aroused pity.

Cheng Xue wasn’t only the class beauty of F class but also the school beauty of Qing He High School.

Ye Wan Wan remembered that this Cheng Xue had a complicated family and had known Si Xia since they were little. In her previous life, she remembered that they got engaged in the end.

Ye Wan Wan’s true age was already 27. When she saw this group of girls, it felt like she was fighting with children. She

twitched her mouth and replied, “Tsk, just for a few seconds of interaction, is all this necessary?”

A few seconds of interaction!?

There weren't a lot of appearances by the prince and Snow White together until Snow White ate the poison apple and fainted, after which the prince appeared in front of her.

But!

Those few seconds of interaction were a kissing scene!

Thinking about it, Cheng Xue gritted her teeth. Ye Wan Wan's remark was deliberately provocative. “Ye Wan Wan! Watch yourself! Si Xia, do you really want to work with this person?”

Her tone was full of anger.

Si Xia's face turned ugly, after all what could he do? As a man, how could he go back on his words?

“All right, I was the one who drew the lot so all of you shut up and start rehearsing. Those who aren't here to rehearse, just leave now!”

50 Do we really have to kiss?

Thanks to Si Xia's words, rehearsal could begin.

The others were initially unwilling but because of Si Xia's authority, they could only hold their anger in and start rehearsal obediently.

Ye Wan Wan shrugged her shoulders nonchalantly, let's do it then, we'll see how long you can last .

Si Xia didn't have many parts in the play and was asleep on the seat by the window while waiting for his turn. Then the final act came and someone went to carefully wake him up.

"That... Si Xia, it's your turn..."

The next part of the play was when the seven dwarves placed Snow White into the crystal glass coffin and the prince from the neighbouring country rushed over on a white horse and kissed Snow White affectionately to revive her.

Si Xia furrowed his brows, opened his eyes and was greeted by everyone's sympathetic and pitiful gaze like they were in mourning.

What kind of look is that?

Ye Wan Wan jumped onto the table prepared for her. With her legs dangling off the side, she pulled out her makeup bag and remarked, "Give me a moment, let me touch up!"

She darkened her eyeshadow, applied more blush and put on purple lipstick. The effect was striking to the max!

"OK, I'm ready." Ye Wan Wan laid down on her back after applying her lipstick.

Under the murderous glares from the girls, Si Xia tousled his hair still messy from sleep, unbuttoned the top button on his collar and walked towards the girl.

Seeing the girl's green explosive wig, ghastly heavy metal makeup, non-mainstream skeleton tattoos and purplish-black

lips, the boy felt queasy.

Bearing in mind the idea that an early death meant early relief, Si Xia took a deep breath and slowly lowered his body...

He drew the lot himself, so he had to go on even if he had to kneel!

“Ah, don’t!” The girl was so frightened that she closed her eyes immediately as if the performance wasn’t a fairytale but a horror movie.

“Damn. he’s not really going to kiss her, right? We’re only high school students—we can’t go that far! Just a little fake kiss would be enough!”

“Nonsense, of course a fake kiss is enough! But the problem is that the fake kiss alone is already quite hard to bear alright?”

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Fake kiss? It was already a miracle that he was three steps away from her.

Perhaps he lowered his body too much. Si Xia suddenly turned around and started coughing wildly. The girls around him looked distressed and quickly brought water and paper towels to him.

Cheng Xue stared at Ye Wan Wan ferociously and was about to cry from seeing Si Xia’s expression, “Si Xia, don’t make it so hard for yourself anymore, alright?”

Ye Wan Wan got up instantaneously with a look of innocence, “Eh? What’s wrong?”

Si Xia gulped down a whole bottle of water before he calmed down and said, “You... Change your lipstick...”

Ye Wan Wan blinked, “After being poisoned by the poison apple, my lips would obviously turn purple. Be reasonable!”

The boy looked like he was about to collapse, “Shut up, just do it!”

“Alright, I’ll change then~” Ye Wan Wan pouted and gave the expression that he was being a pain. In the end, she still took

out her makeup wipes and removed the purple lipstick for a relatively normal red shade.

“Is this okay?”

Si Xia closed his eyes, “Let’s try again.”

“Orh.” Ye Wan Wan could only lay down again.

Si Xia walked towards Ye Wan Wan again and slowly leaned forward...

Staring at that face slathered with thick makeup and blood-red mouth, this time, Si Xia immediately rushed out of the classroom.

After some time, Si Xia finally came back, looking as if his whole body had been emptied.

Ye Wan Wan was somewhat speechless after seeing that. This guy was going too far; was it worth dying to protect his ego?

It’d be much less trouble to go straight to the teacher to request a change of partner; then I wouldn’t have to put in so much effort as well!

51 Grandma wants to meet you

By the end of rehearsal, Si Xia still wasn't able to kiss her.

Indeed, not everyone's taste was as extraordinary as Si Ye Han's...

Ye Wan Wan returned to the dormitory, removed her makeup and took a shower. She planned her makeup look for tomorrow and turned on her computer at the same time.

She no longer needed to spend so much time on the school's curriculum. She was prepared to buy films and documentaries online and seize the time to do some self-directed studying.

After all, getting into university was just the beginning. Her final goal was to get back everything that had been taken away from her father by her second uncle and Ye Yi Yi.

Before, she only thought to blame her father for being useless and causing her to be separated from Gu Yue Ze. But little did she know that she was the one who brought the whole family down.

That time, Ye Yi Yi used Gu Yue Ze's name to lure her to a deserted house and drugged her to make her dizzy. Then, her second uncle blackmailed her to pressure her father to give up his shares and confess to a crime of misappropriation of public funds, or else he'd ruin her life. He was going to shoot her up with drugs, find a few men to fool around with her, and then leak a video of her drug abuse and sexual activity.

Her father had doted on her since she was little, and the whole family treated her like a treasure and fulfilled all her wishes.

While she was studying abroad, she almost lost her life due to a terrorist attack and was greatly traumatized. Her parents couldn't stop blaming themselves and immediately brought her back. They became more protective of her henceforth.

Her parents' overprotectiveness probably caused her to become simple-minded and naive.

Her father had already warned her not to leave the house by herself, but in order to meet Gu Yue Ze alone, she escaped the bodyguards and sneaked out anyway.

It was, after all, Gu Yue Ze's invitation—even if the skies rained down knives, she would still go. Not to mention that it was only her father's little warning holding her back.

When faced with her second uncle's threats at the time, her father didn't hesitate to protect her and even sacrificed the entire Ye family.

After that incident, her parents were afraid that she'd blame herself, incapable of handling the trauma, so they kept the truth from her.

She was so silly to think that Gu Yue Ze simply didn't keep their appointment that time and had no idea that her wayward behaviour had led to such serious consequences. She even cut ties with her parents for a scumbag who cancelled their marriage after her father lost everything.

She had mistaken a jackal for love and mistaken her closest relatives as enemies...

At the thought of all this, Ye Wan Wan wanted to strangle herself to death.

Dad... Mom... Wait for me...

I will get every single thing back from them!

At this moment, a personalized ringtone on her phone rang—it was Si Ye Han calling.

Ye Wan Wan gathered her thoughts and steadied herself for the call.

"Hello?"

"Have you ended class?" The usual low and cold voice came through the receiver.

"Yup yup~ Class has finished~ We just finished rehearsal and the prince was so ugly that I nearly vomited on stage. At first,

I wanted to tell the teacher to find a replacement but the teacher said that the results of the drawing of lots couldn't be changed..." Ye Wan Wan grumbled on. She deliberately revealed her whereabouts in school so that Si Ye Han had no reason to say that she was hiding something from him.

The man on the other end listened patiently to what was going on in her school, and when she was finished, he asked, "Are you free this Saturday?"

"Saturday? I should have... Nothing going on..."

The school allowed students to go home every Saturday and Sunday. If Si Ye Han wanted her to go back, she didn't have any reason to decline. With this in mind, Ye Wan Wan's voice became slightly nervous.

Even if it was only two days, what if she went back and never came back out...

Freedom was too important to her and she still had so many things she needed to do. She definitely didn't want to go back to her old life.

"Grandma wants to meet you." He probably anticipated her nervousness and repulsion, as his voice instinctively became more withdrawn.

52 How can you be so shabby?

“Ah? Grandma...” Ye Wan Wan was stunned for a moment.

At the same time, she also recalled some things that had happened before she was reborn.

Before she was reborn, Si Ye Han had also brought her to meet his grandma.

In the Si family, the person Si Ye Han was closest to was his grandmother. This old lady held a very high position in the family. Due to the premature death of Si Ye Han’s father, she doted on and loved Si Ye Han the most. If Si Ye Han liked something, she would give her unconditional support.

But in her previous life, she had offended this old lady thoroughly.

In her previous life, when Si Ye Han’s grandmother wanted to meet her, she couldn’t help discussing it with Shen Meng Qi.

Shen Meng Qi also put in quite a bit of effort and taught her all the ways to make the old lady loathe her. Naturally, she followed them all accordingly.

Not only did she meet the lady in her atrocious makeup, she also put on a cold face from start to finish and didn’t say a word at all.

The old lady really loved her grandson so much that even when Ye Wan Wan met her with her horrendous look and presented herself without any proper manners, the old lady still didn’t mind at all.

That is, until Ye Wan Wan provoked the old lady’s only trigger point, which was Si Ye Han.

While she was at the old house, Shen Meng Qi suddenly called her to tell her that Gu Yue Ze had been in a car accident and was in a critical condition.

How could Si Ye Han let her go to Gu Yue Ze?

How the two of them ended up in a huge fight was predictable. She screamed and bit him like she was crazy and cursed him to die immediately.

Hearing that she actually cursed Si Ye Han to death, the old lady was so mad that she fainted on the spot and hated her from that moment onwards.

But she did manage to achieve her goal—the old lady always nagged at Si Ye Han to leave her.

But even with the old lady's words, Si Ye Han still didn't let her go.

In the end, the old lady fell ill and passed away not long after. Even on her deathbed, her grandson's illness and the cancer that was by her grandson's side was still on her mind...

These thoughts made Ye Wan Wan feel horrible.

Although she hated Si Ye Han, she could tell that the old lady was initially truly sincere towards her. She didn't mind even when she was so rude and didn't show any interest in her family's background...

There was a long silence over the phone and Si Ye Han's tone turned completely withdrawn, "Forget it."

Ye Wan Wan finally regained her conscience and hurriedly replied, "Grandma wants to see me? Then we'll definitely have to go! I'm just a little nervous—it's my first time meeting your grandma after all! What does she like? Does she have any hobbies? What should I wear? Should I prepare a gift?"

Hearing Ye Wan Wan ask so many questions at once, the man on the other end stayed silent for a long time.

Ye Wan Wan was anxious, "Hello? Hello? Are you still there?"

"Yes." The man's tone was still a bit flat, "You... Want to go?"

"Why not? You haven't answered my questions!" Ye Wan Wan asked.

“You don’t have to prepare anything, just wait for me to fetch you,” Si Ye Han said.

“How can we do that, this is my first time meeting a parent and first impressions are very important-you’re too shabby!” Ye Wan Wan was unsatisfied. “How about this, you can pick me up early on Saturday and then we can go shopping together!”

Whether it was because she felt guilty from her previous life or because the old lady was the only person who could restrain Si Ye Han, she decided it was imperative to build a good relationship with her.

53 Marry a wife for her virtues

Saturday afternoon.

In the secluded alley at the north gate of Qing He High School, a posh Bentley was conspicuously parked there that obviously didn't blend in with the mottled old walls and cracked cement road.

The black exterior of the car looked very understated but the interior was luxurious to perfection with real leather seats, expensive high-quality velvet blankets and an automatic air conditioning system exuding a faint fragrance with a hypnotic effect. The whole car was fixed up very comfortably.

The man was in a tailored dark black suit, sitting on a snow-white velvet seat. His face was handsome and apathetic as usual. There was a faint shadow under his eyelids due to many sleepless nights, making him look a bit grim and intimidating.

At that moment, the man was gazing out of the window, pondering about something.

In the driver's seat, Xu Yi had two heavy dark circles around his eyes and a gloomy face. It was apparent that he had a sleepless night.

He would never have imagined that master actually wanted to bring that Ye Wan Wan to meet old madam. Ever since he found out about this, he felt very uneasy.

Isn't the master afraid that the woman's appearance will scare the living daylight out of Madam?

Not to mention that woman's troublemaking temperament.

Who's old madam you say? She's master's greatest help and supporter of him inheriting the family business. If things go poorly in the old house, the consequences would be extremely severe.

Initially, he had always held onto a glimmer of hope, wishing that master was just fooling around and pursuing what he couldn't have. Who knew that master actually wanted to bring her to meet old madam?

As the saying goes, marry a woman for her virtue. If master insists on being with this mentally unsound woman, he'll have to pay some exorbitant price someday.

The more Xu Yi thought, the more he feared. He couldn't help but protest, "Master, there are some things that you won't like to hear but I have to remind you even if I risk losing my life. Do think twice before you act—old madam is your closest kin and her words hold the most weight in the Si family. If old madam is hurt or offended, there will be dire consequences.

If you were just keeping her privately in Jin garden then that's one thing, but she is a woman who you want to bring to meet old madam, which means that she's one of the candidates to become Si family's household headmistress in the future and with Miss Ye's personality, it's completely..."

Before Xu Yi could continue, an icy-cold voice came from the backseat and interrupted him with a strong sense of oppression, "Who told you that's a possibility?"

A chill went down Xu Yi's spine from the sudden coldness and there was silence.

The next second, the man's tone became colder and two frosty words were spat out of his thin lips, "Only one."

The only candidate.

The moment the man's words left his mouth, Xu Yi shuddered.

He opened his mouth wanting to speak but in the end, was suppressed by a ferocious glare so he didn't dare utter another word. He sat stiffly on his seat in disappointment, with the steering wheel in his hands.

The atmosphere in the car froze like ice in an instant.

Just as Xu Yi was preparing for the worse, the sound of light footsteps came from a distance.

Xu Yi lifted up his bloodshot eyes towards the direction of the sound and saw a girl in Qing He's school uniform walking towards them from the back door.

The girl didn't have any makeup on and was carrying a pale blue backpack. Her long, jet black hair was tied into a neat ponytail and she donned Qing He's blue and white long sleeve shirt and trousers, which looked a little odd and hadn't been designed to be aesthetically pleasing. But due to the girl's jade-like, translucent fair complexion, she exuded a teenage girl's vibrancy and liveliness.

Unlike the exquisitely dressed socialites' daughters that he was accustomed to, she made people's eyes light up, like a clear stream.

After seeing clearly who it was, Xu Yi was dumbfounded in disbelief.

That... That is... Ye Wan Wan!

54 His actions tell it all

Ye Wan Wan had thought about it and decided to meet old madam in her school uniform.

Although Si Ye Han's grandmother had an extraordinarily honourable status, she felt that all the grandmothers in the world still shared similar tastes. Most of them would appreciate a neat, clean and well-behaved girl.

There was no other type of clothing that would give off a more obedient vibe than a school uniform.

As for her face, aside from using a mask last night and performing her usual skincare routine, she didn't put on any makeup. Her hair was tied into a ponytail, showing off her beautiful forehead.

Seeing that she wasn't the frightening female ghost that he'd imagined but a vibrant and likeable girl, Xu Yi was stunned for a long time before reacting. He stumbled clumsily out of the car to open the door of the back seat and then observed her through his rearview mirror with a baffled look.

Ye Wan Wan's former favourite pastime was to go against the master, taking advantage of his affection for her. No matter how absurd her actions were, the master would always give in to her.

She had such a good opportunity to cause trouble today but she actually dressed so... normally?

This Ye Wan Wan... has been acting too weird recently, what exactly is she planning?

After Ye Wan Wan got in the car, she took a seat next to Si Ye Han.

Once she got in, she couldn't help but click her tongue in appreciation. You couldn't tell from the exterior of the car but the interior was fixed up like a presidential suite of a hotel.

The members of the Si family had put in a lot of effort just so Si Ye Han could live in comfort.

“I wasn’t sure if I’ll be staying over; I didn’t finish my homework so I brought it along.”

Ye Wan Wan placed her backpack on her lap and explained while burying her head in her bag to dig out a little booklet, and hastily said, “This is the list of gifts I came up with. I’m planning to head to Wan Chun hall to get some herbal supplements and then go to the mall to get some clothes, bags, scarves or something for Grandma. But I’m not sure about Grandma’s preferences so you’ll have to help me out a bit. Also, I’m broke so I’ll pick out the gifts but you have to fork out the money...”

The girl had basically run over so there was a thin layer of sweat on her forehead. The way she stared at her little booklet and spoke at that moment was unusually focused with a glimmer in her eyes.

Wan Wan, if you are lying to me...

You better be able to guarantee...

To lie to me forever...

Ye Wan Wan was about to continue speaking when she felt her chin being lifted up. His crisp breath drifted over her face gradually; the man’s handsome, enchanting face increasingly loomed closer and then there came a sharp pain on her lips.

Feeling a hint of imperceptible danger, Ye Wan Wan was in complete confusion —what’s wrong with this guy? I didn’t do anything wrong, did I?

Could it be because of how I’m dressed?

Thinking that Si Ye Han didn’t like her appearance, Ye Wan Wan could only play along, “Hey, you don’t like how I’m dressed? Since we’re meeting grandma today and the elderly certainly wouldn’t like a girl with heavy makeup on, I didn’t apply any so you’ll have to put up with that a little...”

Hearing that the girl actually dressed like that on purpose for grandma, Si Ye Han was taken aback.

His gaze skimmed over the girl's cheeks, neck and waist that was enclosed in her school uniform and a strange heat rose from beneath his cold eyes. All of a sudden, he kissed her again, and unlike before when he skimmed the surface, he was now overbearing and even slightly rough, aggressively violating every part of her mouth...

His actions showed quite clearly how he felt about her appearance.

55 A sense of relief

Xu Yi saw that the situation at the back had suddenly become x-rated so he blushed and quickly raised the partition.

God, why does seeing the master with Ye Wan Wan in her school uniform feel so wrong?

Ye Wan Wan first pulled Si Ye Han to Wan Chun hall before heading to the luxury mall downtown to stroll around.

The herbal supplements and tonic were easiest to choose—she just got Si Ye Han to pick some top graded varieties. With Si Ye Han's stringent checks for the other items, everything went smoothly.

Actually, what she bought wasn't important since the old lady had no lack of material things—they were all just a courtesy.

After picking the gifts, the car slowly drove off in the direction of the Si family's old house.

Almost an hour later, Ye Wan Wan's eyes fell upon the familiar estate.

The estate was a Chinese-style manor, ancient and magnificent. After the car entered the big curved gate, it continued on for about 10 minutes before reaching the main house.

At the door of the main house was an old housekeeper dressed in a creaseless uniform and gold-rimmed spectacles, awaiting their arrival.

Upon seeing the arrival of Si Ye Han's car, the old housekeeper immediately stepped forward, bowed and greeted respectfully, "9th master!"

"Hm." Si Ye Han responded without a trace of expression.

The old housekeeper spoke while taking a glance at the girl next to Si Ye Han.

Young master was unsociable, aloof, eccentric and moody and also abhorred women who got close to him. The old madam had previously plotted numerous solutions but all failed to instigate any emotional connections with any girls.

But now, young master actually had a girlfriend and even brought her to the old house! Not only was it shocking to the old madam, all the servants were also in disbelief.

When he saw that the girl beside young master was in her school uniform, the old housekeeper was even more surprised.

Young master actually fell for such a young girl?

He thought that young master would fall in love with a woman like Ms Ruoxi, who was elegant and sophisticated.

However, even though this girl looked rather young, she had clear eyes, a graceful disposition and her face was definitely glowing, even without any makeup.

Just going by her appearance, she was quite compatible with the young master but the housekeeper wasn't sure about her character yet.

Since she was brought back personally by the young master, the old housekeeper's attitude was very respectful. He quickly nodded and said, "I guess this would be Ms Ye. Hello, I am the housekeeper of the old house, Zhong Li."

"Hello, housekeeper Zhong." Ye Wan Wan greeted him politely without any further words.

As she was entering the house for the first time, it was better to remain reserved.

Ye Wan Wan looked at the old housekeeper and was overcome by emotions. This old housekeeper in her previous life wasn't so polite the first time he met her.

Previously, when the old housekeeper saw her explosive green wig and atrocious makeup, his face turned green and he clutched his chest, almost fainting on the spot from shock.

Compared to old madam Si who could still chat with her warmly and pleasantly after seeing her appearance—she really was something!

The old housekeeper saw Ye Wan Wan standing obediently next to Si Ye Han, reserved and shy, and he liked her even more. “9th young master, Ms Ye, quickly come inside, old madam has been waiting the whole day!”

Finally, as she stepped into this place again, Ye Wan Wan’s pupils contracted and she clenched her fist subconsciously as the horrible memories of the past came flooding back uncontrollably...

Can I really change everything in this life?

Just as Si Ye Han was about to step inside, he paused and his spine stiffened.

He lowered his deep and quiet eyes, his gaze falling on his left hand and saw the girl’s little hand clutching his unexpectedly.

As Si Ye Han paused all of a sudden, Ye Wan Wan then realised that because she was so nervous, she’d grabbed onto the closest thing to her, which turned out to be Si Ye Han’s hand.

Ye Wan Wan was a little embarrassed, wanting to retract her hand.

But before she could move, the man had already solidified his grip on her hand and continued walking.

Feeling his palm as warm as a silk cocoon wrapped around her little hand, she strangely felt a sense of relief although the person next to her was the one she feared the most...

56 The little couple hand in hand

Old madam had already been informed by the servants of their arrival and was pacing around the dining hall anxiously.

She had already found out from Xu Yi about the girl's background. She was initially shocked to find out that she was still in her senior year but thankfully, even though she was a little young, she was grown-up already.

However, the girl didn't come from a good family, in stark contrast to the Si family.

But as long as Little 9th liked her, everything else didn't matter. Most importantly, she wanted to examine this girl's character and whether she was true to Little 9th.

Hearing footsteps from the entrance, old madam looked towards the door hurriedly.

The housekeeper was walking in front and behind him were two people, her grandson with his usual face as rigid as an ice sculpture, carrying a light blue school bag on his arm and beside him was a lovely little girl.

The girl's plain little face was as bright as peaches, her black hair tied up in a ponytail and she was in Qing He High School's uniform. She looked extremely well-behaved, making anyone unbearably fond of her.

What surprised her most was that they were actually holding hands.

She knew Little 9th's personality too well—any ordinary woman wouldn't be able to get closer than 3 steps from him, much less touch him.

But right now, he was actually holding the girl's hand voluntarily. This had never happened before.

Thus, the old madam looked at Ye Wan Wan with more contentment.

Si Ye Han held Ye Wan Wan and walked towards the old madam, “Grandma.”

The old lady stared at Ye Wan Wan for a moment, her expression full of love. She spoke very amiably like she was afraid to scare the girl off, “This must be Wan Wan, quick, come over to grandma!”

Ye Wan Wan glanced at Si Ye Han and then walked to the old madam obediently, “How are you, grandma?”

“Good!” The old lady was beaming with happiness when she replied. Glancing at Xu Yi carrying various bags behind them, she said, “You must be tired. I already said that you didn’t have to bring any gifts—you just needed to bring yourself!”

That was what she said but her tone was still very happy.

Although she didn’t have a lack of anything at home, these gifts were given by her future granddaughter-in-law—they held extreme significance.

“Old madam, dinner is ready.” At that moment, the servant from the kitchen came over to inform her.

“You guys came at the right time. Come over, let’s chat while eating. We don’t have a lot of rules at home, just be comfortable.” The old madam was worried that Ye Wan Wan was reserved and took care to purposely mention that. She pulled Ye Wan Wan’s hand affectionately to the dinner table and even left her grandson behind.

Si Ye Han passed the school bag to the old housekeeper and his long legs followed them to the dining table.

The old madam was already chatting warmly with Ye Wan Wan, “Wan Wan, is being in senior year tiring? I hope your studies weren’t interrupted by coming over to visit me?”

Grandma Si’s warm and affectionate attitude helped Ye Wan Wan calm down quite a bit. At present, it seemed like the old lady’s first impression of her wasn’t bad.

Ye Wan Wan shook her head, “No, they weren’t. We have no lessons on Saturdays and Sundays.”

“This child, Little 9th, didn’t even tell me he’s seeing someone. It was only when I saw him laughing in the corner by himself while looking at his phone that I asked what was he looking at. Then, he finally told me that he was reading a text from his girlfriend.

That’s when I found out. Since I wasn’t aware he started dating, I had a bit of a fright so I rushed him to bring you home for me to meet!” The old madam spoke and shot a look at her grandson.

Ye Wan Wan was surprised to hear that Si Ye Han laughed at her text—it was really hard to imagine.

57 He wouldn't be so childish, right?

The old madam continued talking about Si Ye Han, with the atmosphere in the dining hall harmonious.

As to being sold by his own grandmother, Si Ye Han didn't seem to mind at all.

He spoke very little but she could tell that in front of the old madam, he was much more personable and warm compared to his usual cold and distant manner.

The old madam prepared a whole table full of dishes; every dish was extremely delicious. Initially, Ye Wan Wan was planning to be more restrained since it was her first time there. Si Ye Han didn't speak much but his hands didn't stop moving and kept putting food on her plate. Before she knew it, she had already finished three bowls of rice.

"Oh, don't give me any more food, I can't eat anymore!" Ye Wan Wan whined as she looked at the mountain of food stacked in her bowl.

She didn't want grandma to think that she had a bottomless stomach on their first meeting.

Si Ye Han looked at the girl's whiny little face, reached his hand over, took her bowl and finished it for her.

This guy... Isn't he squeamish...

Ye Wan Wan was a little taken aback but seeing that he helped lighten her load, she heaved a sigh of relief.

The old madam watched the two of them interacting and her heart was filled with comfort.

Also, this girl was just as her grandson had described; she wasn't picky with food at all. She also had a good appetite and was much easier on the eyes than those socialites who could only eat a few mouthfuls.

After dinner, the old madam was worried that Wan Wan was bored of keeping her company. She said in a caring way, "Little 9th, this is Wan Wan's first time here, give her a little tour of the place."

"Hm," Si Ye Han nodded,

"Then off we go, grandma," Ye Wan Wan said farewell to the old madam and then followed Si Ye Han to the courtyard obediently.

The night was chilly, the sky overhead was filled with stars and the air had a crisp, floral scent.

Although it was unlike the wonderful workmanship in Jin garden, the ancient house had its own flavour as well. Taking a stroll through the courtyard after dinner was really nice.

Ye Wan Wan only found out then that the uneasiness she felt upon entering the old house had vanished.

Appreciating the night without any distractions, the Si Ye Han next to her somehow had another problem again.

He was completely fine while they were eating but something felt wrong now.

She raised her eyes to look at his face and certainly, she noticed that there was a bit of unhappiness evident on the man's face, and even his footsteps accelerated.

Ye Wan Wan's tiny legs couldn't keep up and very quickly, she was left behind.

When did I agitate this guy again? Did I say something wrong while talking to old madam? I don't think so...

Ye Wan Wan was a little afraid of the dark. It was fine if she had someone next to her but alone, she was terrified.

Seeing that he was disappearing into the night, Ye Wan Wan didn't have time to think. She jogged to catch up and clung onto one of Si Ye Han's hands.

It seemed in that moment when she held Si Ye Han's hand that the coldness she felt from him previously dissipated immediately.

After she was reborn, she became very perceptive of Si Ye Han's emotions so her intuitions were never wrong.

Ye Wan Wan blinked her eyes in surprise.

Could it be that this fellow was so silent and threw a tantrum just now simply because I didn't hold his hand while walking?

Si Ye Han wouldn't... be so childish, right?

58 Fast asleep

Ye Wan Wan thought maybe she was overthinking things.

But no matter what was wrong with him, it was better to hold onto his hand so she wouldn't have to worry about not keeping up.

At such a big place, it would be very easy to get left behind and lost.

After she grabbed onto his hand, Si Ye Han merely slowed down but remained speechless and walked her around the old house.

When he was preparing to go for a second round, Ye Wan Wan couldn't take it any longer. "Si Ye Han, my legs are tired. Should we sit for a bit?"

Si Ye Han glanced at her, seemingly not wanting to stop but in the end, he brought her to sit on a long wooden bench.

Ye Wan Wan sighed in comfort, loosened her grip on him, stretched her body and muttered, "Grandma's really nice. I was afraid she wouldn't like me at first."

Si Ye Han looked at his empty palm for an instant, then returned his gaze, "No way."

Actually, Ye Wan Wan knew that aside from her good behaviour, the biggest factor in determining Grandma's impression of her still depended on Si Ye Han. As the saying goes, he that loves the tree loves the branch.

As long as she didn't make the same mistakes or cross a line, the meeting this time would most likely go smoothly. Of course, showing some affection to Si Ye Han wouldn't hurt.

"Oh yes, Si Ye Han, why does grandma call you Little 9th and others call you 9th young master?" Ye Wan Wan asked out of curiosity.

According to what she knew, Si Ye Han only had an elder brother so wasn't he supposed to be second in line?

Si Ye Han leaned against the chair, glancing at the stars above, “I’ve been weak and sickly since I was little, so this was a way to avoid tempting fate.”

After hearing this, Ye Wan Wan understood, “So this was the reason. I’ve also heard this saying before. So making your family members call you 9th young master instead of 2nd young master would prevent the Grim Reaper from taking your soul, huh?”

“Hm.”

“Whether it’s true or not, it’s better to err on the side of caution.”

Si Ye Han was still alive after all and even lived to become a devil that ghosts and humans feared, a living king of hell.

It was said that Si Ye Han and his father had been attacked previously and his father had died on the spot. After getting injured in that incident, his body had never really recovered.

Considering how Si Ye Han went through such a tragedy at a young age, barely holding onto his life, not to mention his current insomnia and possibly numbered days left on this earth, it was no wonder that old madam loved him so ferociously.

Due to the good atmosphere, Ye Wan Wan asked a taboo question out of curiosity, “Si Ye Han, why can’t a fine guy like you fall asleep all the time?”

Ye Wan Wan waited for Si Ye Han’s reply but nothing came, and just as she thought she had gone overboard, she felt a load on her shoulders.

She turned her head subconsciously and saw that Si Ye Han was leaning on her shoulder with both eyes closed, with long and calm breaths... He had fallen asleep.

“Er...” Ye Wan Wan’s expression darkened and she swallowed her question.

Si Ye Han seemed to be sleeping soundly; Ye Wan Wan didn’t dare move and let him continue resting on her.

However, the night was chilly and if he continued to sleep like that, he'd most likely catch a cold...

The worried Ye Wan Wan didn't notice that not too far off, stood two people.

The old madam realised that the two of them hadn't returned for some time, so she went out to the courtyard with the housekeeper to find them.

What shocked her the most was that the two children were on the bench and her grandson had his eyes shut, leaning against that girl's shoulder. He seemed to be asleep...

How... How could that be?!

59 How did he fall asleep?

“Housekeeper Zhong knew the old madam very well and naturally knew about young master’s strange illness. His face was also filled with surprise at this sight. “Old madam, this...”

The old madam’s expression was still anxious and doubtful. She slowed down and walked towards the both of them carefully.

Seeing the old madam there, Ye Wan Wan subconsciously wanted to get up but because Si Ye Han was leaning on her, she couldn’t stand up. “Grandma...”

The old madam looked confused and seeing that her grandson still had no reaction as she got closer, she said, “Wan Wan... Little 9th, he...”

Ye Wan Wan was afraid of the bad temper he’d get when woken up and so hadn’t dared to wake him up until now. But now that old madam was here, she gently shoved him, “Si Ye Han, wake up...”

The guy sleeping soundly against her furrowed his brows after being pushed. His peaceful and gentle expression was stained with a shroud of darkness, seemingly displeased.

The old madam stared at her grandson’s sleepy face and it took her a long time to regain her senses as she was filled with emotion. “Don’t... Wan Wan, don’t wake him up, let him sleep for awhile! This child usually sleeps too little...”

Si Ye Han’s small frown caused Ye Wan Wan’s little heart to shiver in fear; she also didn’t want to get on the wrong side of the devil. She heaved a sigh of relief after hearing that and stroked Si Ye Han’s hair with her hands to pacify him while asking softly, “Is there a blanket? I’m afraid he’ll catch a cold if he sleeps like that.”

“There is, there is. Old Zhong, go and get it,” the old madam briskly replied.

“Yes.”

Housekeeper Zhong quickly came back with a light and soft grey blanket.

“Thank you, Uncle Zhong!” Ye Wan Wan took the blanket and covered Si Ye Han.

After she had soothed him, Si Ye Han’s brows were no longer furrowed together and he was sleeping soundly again.

The old madam was afraid that she’d disturb her grandson, so she signalled Ye Wan Wan with her eyes and then left silently with the housekeeper.

Actually, the old madam didn’t go far. She kept watch for a bit, watching the way her grandson slept, her eyes red.

“Old Zhong, go fetch Xu Yi and Dr Mo!”

“Yes, old madam.” Housekeeper Zhong immediately called for them.

Mo Xuan and Xu Yi were at the old house, and after being called, they quickly followed Housekeeper Zhong to the courtyard.

“Old madam, did you ask for me?” Mo Xuan felt uncertain as he thought old madam would be meeting her future granddaughter-in-law. Why did she call me over at this hour?

Xu Yi, who was standing at the side, didn’t understand either.

The old madam stared at Mo Xuan sternly, “You told me before that Little 9th’s recent condition was very terrible, the failure rate of the hypnotism was increasing and he couldn’t fall asleep for many days in a row, right?”

As this tough problem was brought up again, Mo Xuan nodded slightly, “Yes.”

After the old madam heard his answer, she pointed a short distance away, “Then tell me, what’s the meaning of that?”

Mo Xuan’s confused gaze followed the direction that old madam was pointing towards. Then, he saw that Si Ye Han was actually sleeping soundly against Ye Wan Wan.

Mo Xuan was speechless, “This...”

“I even went over to confirm that Little 9th was asleep. Also, I’ve been watching from here and he’s slept for half an hour already,” the old madam said.

Mo Xuan was even more surprised— Si Ye Han actually slept without my hypnotism?

Xu Yi was also stunned.

“How did 9th master fall asleep?” Mo Xuan asked anxiously.

60 Wanwan: a sleeping potion?

The old madam looked in the direction of her grandson and said in a low voice, “That, I’m not sure. After dinner, I asked Little 9th to bring Wan Wan to walk around in the courtyard. Seeing that they had been gone for so long, I went to find these two children and then I saw Little 9th leaning against Wan Wan, asleep.

It was rare to see Little 9th asleep so I requested Wan Wan not to wake him up and let him sleep for a little longer.”

Mo Xun wrinkled his forehead, “How could this be? I’ve been with the 9th master for so long and he’s never fallen asleep naturally—this is the first time!”

If this wasn’t the case, I wouldn’t have had such headaches over him all this time!

At that moment, Xu Yi seemed to recall something. His eyes glistened and he said hurriedly, “No... actually, this isn’t the first time!”

“Not the first time? What do you mean?” Mo Xun and the old lady looked at Xu Yi.

Xu Yi recalled and replied, “I remember that one night, 9th master also fell asleep under similar conditions.”

“What kind of conditions, could you be more specific?” Mo Xun pressed on.

Xu Yi omitted the part where Ye Wan Wan escaped and caused Si Ye Han to have consecutive sleepless nights and explained simply, “That time, the 9th master was also with Ms Ye, at Jin garden on the living room sofa. 9th master hugged Ms Ye and slept the whole night...”

“One whole night?”

“That’s right. I was also pretty shocked at the time, so it stood out to me. 9th master started sleeping around 10 at night and woke up at 6 in the morning. A total of 8 hours of sleep!” Xu Yi replied.

Mo Xun pinched the area between his brows, “Why didn’t you tell me earlier—this is huge!”

Xu Yi put on an innocent face, “That... 9th master hadn’t slept consecutively for so many nights so that time, I thought he was just too exhausted so he fell asleep... and I also thought that he would tell you himself...”

Mo Xun took a deep breath and furrowed his brows. As if he would tell me personally.

“Any more? Are there any other incidents? Tell me all of them at once!”

Xu Yi thought carefully and realised that there was!

“It seems like there’s one more but I’m not too sure...” Xu Yi hesitated for a moment and then said, “The night before 9th master came to the old house for a checkup, he returned to Jin garden before dawn because he went to the school to look for Ms Wan Wan that night.

I was waiting in the car all night, for more than 6 hours, before he returned.

That time, I saw that 9th master looked quite good like he had just woken up, but I didn’t pay much attention to it. Thinking back, could it be possible that during those 6 hours or so, 9th master was sleeping with Ms Wan Wan?”

Mo Xun pondered silently for a long time, “If your speculation was right, then there is a commonality between all three times when he fell asleep naturally—Ye Wan Wan was there?”

Xu Yi nodded, “Seems to be the case.”

The old madam heard, understood and said emotionally, “This means that whenever Ye Wan Wan is around, Little 9th can fall asleep more easily? If that’s the case, then great!”

Mo Xun said cautiously, “Old madam, please don’t get too excited. We need to make some more observations. In the

entirety of 9th master and Ms Ye's relationship, this has happened very rarely—only three times recently.”

The old madam was slightly disappointed when she heard that. She turned to Xu Yi and said, “Xu Yi, you're by Little 9th's side every day. Now, do pay more attention and find out exactly what's going on.”

“Got it!”

61 A piece of starligh

At the moment, Ye Wan Wan didn't know about the speculations of old madam and Mo Xun, only that Si Ye Han's illness wasn't as serious as 7 years in the future.

The man in deep sleep looked harmless and didn't have that usual fearful aura around him which allowed her to relax a bit.

While Si Ye Han slept, Ye Wan Wan looked through some entertainment news and the latest gossip on her phone.

The hottest stars in the entertainment circle changed rapidly, switching out new sets of people every few months, not to mention 7 years later.

Other than evildoers like Xie Zhe Zhi who became famous instantly, most people who were big stars 7 years in the future weren't famous yet and some of them haven't even entered the industry.

Currently, the Ye Group had a number of theatre chains, film production companies, and even a stake in the media. Below them, Emperor Entertainment was the industry's most senior media agency, which represented the big shots. Now or seven years in the future, famous celebrity kings and queens signed with Emperor Entertainment.

It could be said that Ye Group controlled half of the entertainment circle, holding countless artists' livelihoods in their hands and deciding their fates.

Whether you made it or not depended on whether this company wanted to support you.

From her memory, in the upcoming few years, the Shen family would grow rapidly, going from being a small company to occupying an important place in the entertainment industry and even catching up to the Ye family.

In this life, I'll never let these people succeed!

However, before she could act on anything, she needed Si Ye Han's total trust and a certain degree of freedom.

She had to make the most of every second to arm herself with the relevant knowledge.

She had to take back everything she'd lost, crush Ye Group and return to the top of the entertainment circle!

With these thoughts, it was like the fog shielding her ignorance and hesitation had been scattered, and Ye Wan Wan was filled with motivation instantly.

When Si Ye Han opened his eyes, what he saw was the girl's bright sparkling face and a pair of black eyes. It was as if she was the Milky Way with thousands of twinkling stars—she was incredibly beautiful.

His slender fingers couldn't help stroking that piece of starlight...

Ye Wan Wan was too busy scheming and suddenly felt something scratching at her eyelids. It was then she found out that Si Ye Han was awake and she lifted her head, "You're awake!"

"What were you doing?" As he'd just woken up, his voice was a little raspy.

"Seeing that you fell asleep, I didn't want to interrupt you so I was just browsing on my phone. Are you tired? Do you want to go back to the house to sleep? You'll get a cold if you sleep out here." Ye Wan Wan asked.

Hearing the girl's concern for him, his expression looked slightly startled. He wrapped both of them up in the blanket and like a big cat, he tucked his head into her neck, "Wanna keep me company?"

62 Aren't you going to keep Your Majesty company?

This... What's with this whiny tone!?

The warm breath coming from the crook of her neck and that languid, sleepy voice by her ear left Ye Wan Wan dumbstruck.

Is Si Ye Han actually spoiled?

Maybe it was because of the shock or the irresistible way Si Ye Han was acting that led Ye Wan Wan to nod her head subconsciously.

When she had realised what happened, Si Ye Han had already gotten up and was walking back.

After they got back, servants immediately welcomed them warmly, “9th master, Ms Ye! Old madam specially instructed us to prepare a room for Ms Ye, would Ms Ye like to rest now? Let me show you your room!”

She had no choice as she was captivated by his charm and had already promised Si Ye Han that she'd accompany him. Ye Wan Wan looked at Si Ye Han and said, “I'll drop my things off first and take a bath. I'll catch you later.”

The still sleep-deprived Si Ye Han wasn't in a pleasant mood, but he agreed, “Mhm.”

Thus, Ye Wan Wan followed the maid and entered the room on the second floor facing the south.

“Ms Ye, please enter, this is the room,” the maid pushed the door open.

Once the door was open, all she could see was that the whole room had a pink theme; pink bedsheets and quilt, pink curtains and carpet. Even the headboard was in the shape of a little crown and overhead was a dreamy canopy—it was simply dreamlike and girly.

Her misunderstanding of the old madam had been quite deep in her previous life; she had felt that she was the devil but actually, the old madam really viewed her as her future granddaughter-in-law. Otherwise, she wouldn't have prepared a room for her and put in so much effort simply because she and Si Ye Han were dating. You could even say that she treated her like her own granddaughter.

But in her previous life, she was a troublemaker and criticized every single thing.

“Miss, are you satisfied with this room? If there's anything you don't like, we can change it immediately,” the maid said, with fear and hesitation.

Ye Wan Wan regained her composure after her initial surprise, “No need for the trouble, I like this room a lot. Please thank grandma for me!”

The maid heaved a sigh of relief, “Then Ms Ye, do have a restful night. If you need anything, you can reach me by pressing the bell at any time.”

“All right, thank you,” Ye Wan Wan nodded.

Clothes and all other amenities were available in the room.

Ye Wan Wan picked a cute, baby pink nightgown from the closet and then headed to the bathroom to shower.

Girls tend to take longer in the shower and when she was done, half an hour had already past.

Ye Wan Wan dried her hair while opening the bathroom door and immediately saw Si Ye Han sitting on that extremely dreamlike and girly princess bed. She was unsure how long he'd been waiting.

Ye Wan Wan was stupefied for a moment and then quickly said, “Let me blowdry my hair and apply my cream, I'll be done really soon...”

Seeing that Si Ye Han didn't reply, Ye Wan Wan sat down in front of the dresser and started drying her hair.

In the meantime, Si Ye Han was silently sitting on the edge of the bed, waiting for her. Watching her dry her hair, splash

water on her face; apply facial essences, eye cream, and cleansing cream... His gaze didn't leave her for a second.

Ye Wan Wan peeped at the man from the mirror. His face looked slightly annoyed.

She strangely felt that Si Ye Han's face was plastered with these words written on them: Why are you still not coming over to accompany Your Majesty ...

Ye Wan Wan sped up, wiped her face hastily and put everything away, "I'm done, let's go!"

63 You're amazing!

If Ye Wan Wan's room was comparable to a fantasy idol drama, then Si Ye Han's room was akin to a scene from a thriller, just like his dark bedroom in the Jin garden.

When Ye Wan Wan went over, there was already someone waiting inside.

It was Si Ye Han's private doctor, Mo Xuan.

Seeing the two of them enter, Mo Xuan stood up, "9th master, Ms Ye."

Si Ye Han seemed to be accustomed to Mo Xuan appearing in his bedroom at this hour, so he walked to his bed expressionless.

Ye Wan Wan followed behind Si Ye Han, her footsteps slightly hesitant, "Am I disturbing you guys by being here?"

She knew that nobody was allowed to interrupt while Si Ye Han was being hypnotized.

Mo Xuan looked at Ye Wan Wan. Theoretically, she would be a disturbance. Hypnotism needs to take place in a completely enclosed space with no outsiders.

However, considering their speculations that night and also, since Ye Wan Wan was Si Ye Han's personal guest, he didn't dare to chase her away so he said, "Let's try this out first."

"Oh," Ye Wan Wan nodded.

Si Ye Han laid in bed and saw her standing some distance away. He then furrowed his brows.

Ye Wan Wan was a little confused. Si Ye Han asked her to accompany him but she didn't really understand what he meant by "accompany". Furthermore, with Mo Xuan still around, she was embarrassed to just lie on the bed next to him.

"Come over." While Ye Wan Wan was still hesitant, the great devil's patience had run out.

Aware of the danger in the atmosphere, Ye Wan Wan scurried over at once and sat down on the edge of the bed.

In the next second, he stretched his long arms to scoop her body up, grabbed her waist and laid his head on her tummy.

Ye Wan Wan leaned on the side of the bed. With her body used as a pillow, she didn't dare to move an inch.

Mo Xuan was busy getting ready to perform the hypnotism and was slightly surprised at Ye Wan Wan's change in attitude.

In the past, Ye Wan Wan viewed Si Ye Han as scary but she was still very strong-willed and refused to give in.

But hopefully, this woman has really figured things out and doesn't hold any ill intentions, otherwise, the person who'll suffer will be herself.

From a bystander's point of view, he knew it was wrong of Si Ye Han to disregard the girl's wishes and force her to be by his side. But talking rationally about right and wrong with this emotionless person who crawled out from hell? That was senseless.

After a moment, everything was finally ready.

Mo Xuan walked over to the edge of the bed, "9th master, we may begin."

The Si Ye Han on the bed didn't respond.

"9th master?" Mo Xuan called out again.

Si Ye Han still didn't respond.

Finally, Ye Wan Wan saw that Si Ye Han was sleeping soundly with his eyes closed. She began, "9th master seems to be asleep already. Dr Mo, you're amazing!"

"..."

Mo Xuan was quiet for a long while and his face surveyed the scene once, like a merry-go-round, completely speechless.

What's so amazing? I didn't even do a single thing!

Mo Xuan saw for himself that he wasn't just asleep but was sleeping very peacefully. He wasn't even disturbed by the

people talking next to him. Mo Xuan had mixed feelings.

Could it be that the times when Si Ye Han fell asleep naturally were truly because of this woman?

Then why didn't I realise it before?

Also, Ye Wan Wan didn't do anything to cause it, right?

64 Her cover would be blown!

Mo Xuan looked at Ye Wan Wan, "Since 9th master is asleep, I'll get going."

Ye Wan Wan didn't notice any difference in Mo Xuan, so she nodded and replied, "All right."

After Mo Xuan left, Ye Wan Wan continued to accompany Si Ye Han for half an hour before confirming that he was indeed asleep and then returned to her own room.

The next day.

Under the pergola in the courtyard, Si Ye Han did his work while Ye Wan Wan worked on her homework next to him. The two of them were concentrated on their own tasks, looking warm and harmonious.

Probably due to a good night's sleep, Si Ye Han was in a good mood the entire day. He didn't throw a fit even when a servant accidentally spilt water over his papers. He merely frowned and waved the servant away, then instructed Xu Yi to retype the document.

That servant stumbled off like he was in a dream.

Xu Yi brought the re-typed document carefully over to Si Ye Han, then continued standing by his side in silence.

These 2 days, Xu Yi's thoughts were somewhat complicated. Ye Wan Wan had been so obedient which made him question whether she had been possessed.

Even the old madam was very pleased with her and the things he feared didn't happen.

Maybe I'm really overthinking things?

At that moment, a phone rang.

Xu Yi looked at the table instinctively and saw that the ringing came from Ye Wan Wan's phone. On the display was... Shen Meng Qi's name.

Seeing this name, an ominous foreboding rose in Xu Yi's heart...

Ye Wan Wan finished all her homework very quickly and while she was contemplating tackling math, an incoming call interrupted her.

Seeing the name on the display, Ye Wan Wan's eyes glistened. Shen Meng Qi...

If she remembered correctly, Shen Meng Qi of the past had called her at this time precisely to inform her that Gu Yue Ze had gotten in a car accident.

However this time, Shen Meng Qi didn't know that she was at the old house yet still, she called...

This was understandable since she could change the series of events at the old house but couldn't prevent Gu Yue Ze from getting in a car accident.

With such a good opportunity to cause trouble, Shen Meng Qi naturally didn't pass it up, so she called her just like she had in her previous life.

"Let me go take a call!" Ye Wan Wan informed Si Ye Han, then walked towards some faraway shade in the trees.

Si Ye Han glanced at Ye Wan Wan's back, his gaze gloomy.

A few seconds after Ye Wan Wan walked away, Xu Yi's phone rang as well.

Disbelieving what the person was saying over the phone, Xu Yi's face turned white like it was the end of the world.

After a long while, Xu Yi hung up and looked at Si Ye Han in a state of distress, and he seemed to be hesitant about what he wanted to say.

Si Ye Han was aware of Xu Yi's strange behaviour, so he threw him a harsh look, "Speak."

Xu Yi's body shook as he said, "I... Just... Just received the news that Gu Yue Ze was in a car accident. It seems pretty serious and he's currently getting emergency treatment at the hospital..."

At this point, Xu Yi didn't dare continue talking.

What he had been worried about had finally happened and it was even more serious than what he'd imagined!

The call Ye Wan Wan picked up just now was probably Shen Meng Qi telling her the same.

Gu Yue Ze had been hurt so badly—how could Ye Wan Wan resist going to see him? Maybe once she heard this news, her cover would be blown!

65 Let's have some fun...

Ye Wan Wan wasn't worried at all. She allowed the phone to ring once more before slowly picking up, "Hello?"

"Wan Wan! What took you so long to answer? Where are you? In school? Wherever you are, hurry come down to Ren Ai hospital! Mr Gu is in trouble!" Shen Meng Qi's frantic voice came through the receiver.

Sure enough, this call from Shen Meng Qi was as she'd expected.

Ye Wan Wan gently stroked the rose next to her cheek, pretended to be surprised and raised her brows, "In trouble?"

"Yes, I just received the news that Mr Gu was in a car accident and was hurt pretty badly. He's currently in the emergency room and the doctor said his life might be in danger! If you don't want to regret this day your whole life, then head over there now!" Shen Meng Qi's tone was steadfast, as if she was sure that after hearing this news, Wan Wan would definitely disregard everything and rush over.

Ye Wan Wan seemed to have suddenly turned cold towards Gu Yue Ze and this made Shen Meng Qi very uneasy. Now, this was simply a heaven-sent opportunity to revive those feelings in Ye Wan Wan.

In the past, she'd make a big fuss even if Gu Yue Ze hurt his hand lightly. She didn't believe that Ye Wan Wan could act cold-hearted this time.

Afraid that Ye Wan Wan wasn't hooked, Shen Meng Qi added some more bait, "Wan Wan, Mr Gu's car accident was a bit weird. The car crashed straight into him in broad daylight, as if on purpose. Could it be that Mr Gu offended someone? Who'd be so daring to hurt the Gu's family young master?"

She was obviously hinting that Si Ye Han was involved in Gu Yue Ze's car accident.

If she could worsen the relationship between Ye Wan Wan and Si Ye Han at the same time, that'd be like hitting two birds with one stone.

Ye Wan Wan sneered in her heart after hearing this. Although some things had changed, Shen Meng Qi's tactics hadn't. Her fight with Si Ye Han in her previous life was all because of those words Shen Meng Qi had just said to sow discord between them.

In actuality, Gu Yue Ze's car accident was simply a fluke.

Even though it was cleared up in the end, Shen Meng Qi only made subtle hints and didn't specifically blame Si Ye Han. Also, in the past, she'd never suspect that Shen Meng Qi would say all those things to cause trouble and would instead believe that Si Ye Han was indeed linked to Gu Yue Ze's accident.

Shen Meng Qi rambled on for almost half a day and after it all, Ye Wan Wan leisurely replied with two words, "Got it."

She hung up.

After she hung up, Ye Wan Wan smiled dryly and stared at her phone.

Right now, Shen Meng Qi must be hiding behind the hospital door, waiting to catch her in the act of cheating and then plotting to send proof to Si Ye Han, allowing him to catch the traitor. This was her plan.

Tsk, since Shen Meng Qi's trying to mess with me, why not join her at her own game... and have some fun together...

After finishing up with the call, Ye Wan Wan went back to the courtyard.

After packing up her textbooks, Ye Wan Wan looked at Si Ye Han gleefully and said, "Darling, it's getting late, I still have to go to class tomorrow. I'm going to head back to school!"

Despite seeing Ye Wan Wan returning from a call and requesting to leave immediately afterwards, Si Ye Han didn't show any change in his expression. He looked at her glumly,

that pitiless pair of eyes like scary black holes with the ability to swallow up the light.

“Go back to school?” He asked plainly.

The Ye Wan Wan from the past probably wouldn’t have been able to detect the difference in Si Ye Han, but right now, Ye Wan Wan felt something was wrong with Si Ye Han’s attitude.

Si Ye Han most likely knew about everything and thought that she wanted to go to the hospital to see Gu Yue Ze.

However, she acted like she didn’t notice any difference. She carried her schoolbag and said naturally, “Yup yup, you’re busy with your work so don’t bother seeing me off. I’ll go back by myself!”

66 The calm before the storm

When Ye Wan Wan said that she'd go back herself, Si Ye Han's black hole pupils turned dimmer and the invisible waves beneath his pupils seemed to be gushing out, but in a fleeting moment they were back to normal, as if it was an illusion.

Ye Wan Wan took his silence as consent, so she walked up to him innocently and gave him a peck on the cheek, "Off I go then! I'll say bye to grandma first!"

She walked joyfully towards the house.

Immediately after Ye Wan Wan left, a terrifying chill and rage erupted. The silent and calm little garden quickly transformed into a hell with dark winds blowing and a palpable feeling of murderous intentions.

At that moment, Xu Yi's heart had turned into ashes.

He kept praying and praying that Ye Wan Wan wouldn't do anything stupid. But then, he witnessed her running wildly on the road to death...

This foolish woman still wanted to go to Gu Yue Ze. She even thought that master wouldn't find out, treating him like an idiot!

Xu Yi's forehead dripped cold sweat as he stuttered, "9th... 9th master... should we stop her..."

Si Ye Han drew his gaze back from the girl and shut his eyes slowly. The terrifying atmosphere was dispelled the moment his eyes shut.

There was a dead silence in the area.

Without Si Ye Han's orders, Xu Yi didn't dare make a move.

At the same time, in the living room:

The old madam was filled with dread when she found out that Ye Wan Wan was leaving. She really liked this girl and had seen a great transformation in her grandson these two days.

Naturally, this made her even more satisfied with Ye Wan Wan.

“Wan Wan, I know Little 9th likes to be alone and has a bad temper but actually, he doesn’t want to be this way either. You should also know that Little 9th has trouble sleeping. Think about it, because he gets such little sleep, imagine how horrible he feels—it definitely impacts his temperament as well.

But after Little 9th started dating you, I’ve noticed that his temperament has become gentler.

Wan Wan, grandma is truly thankful for you. Thank you for your patience and accommodating Little 9th. In the future, if that brat is ruthless and bullies you, let grandma know anytime and grandma will definitely be on your side!”

“Thank you, grandma!”

Hearing the old lady pouring her heart out to her, Ye Wan Wan felt very emotional.

No matter how respectable and honourable this legendary figure was, in this moment she was just an ordinary grandma.

It was a pity that the old lady thought that she and Si Ye Han were a loving couple. Little did she know that her relationship with Si Ye Han was akin to a bubble—easily burst with a single touch.

Ye Wan Wan insisted that she didn’t want to trouble anyone with her departure. In the end, she called herself a car and left.

In the old lady’s eyes, Ye Wan Wan’s actions were considerate but in Xu Yi’s eyes, it looked like she was shaking them off and eagerly rushing to the hospital to meet Gu Yue Ze.

In the past, Si Ye Han would never have allowed her to go back to school by herself. But this time, he completely gave in.

But the more lenient Si Ye Han was, the more Xu Yi was afraid.

The Si Ye Han now was like the calm before the storm.

If master ordered him to capture her back and tie her up now, that was better than what would happen if he caught her red-handed...

This time... I'm afraid Ye Wan Wan's done for!

To be frank, he had really enjoyed these few peaceful days, but unfortunately, they were merely an illusion.

On the other side, Ye Wan Wan was already quite a distance away in her car.

When they reached a fork in the road, Ye Wan Wan suddenly said, "Sir, don't take me to Qing He high school anymore, head to Ren Ai hospital instead!"

67 Here comes the wolf

Hearing Ye Wan Wan change the destination all of a sudden, the driver jerked the steering wheel in the opposite direction and headed in the direction of Ren Ai hospital.

“Miss, why do you want to go to the hospital suddenly? Are you feeling unwell?” The driver was a little worried so he asked.

“No, it’s my boyfriend, he’s always having insomnia. I heard that there’s a famous senior doctor at Ren Ai hospital and he’s really good at treating patients with insomnia so I’m going there to find out more.”

“I see, your boyfriend is a lucky man!” The driver praised.

Ye Wan Wan smiled, said nothing and stared out of the window blankly.

Shortly after, the car reached the entrance of Ren Ai hospital.

Ye Wan Wan looked like her original self—she was wearing a pink dress and conspicuously stood there looking very beautiful.

The Shen Meng Qi hiding in the dark saw her almost immediately.

Seeing how attractive Ye Wan Wan was, a shred of jealousy flashed in Shen Meng Qi’s eyes. But seeing that she came obediently as expected, her face filled with disdain and mockery.

So what if you’re pretty, you’re so dumb you actually got fooled by me.

Shen Meng Qi relaxed only when she saw with her own eyes that Ye Wan Wan had walked into Ren Ai hospital. She took out her phone and texted Si Ye Han: [Mr. Si, I was wondering if Wan Wan is there with you right now? I was feeling sick earlier so I went to the hospital and I happened to see someone that looked like Wan Wan. I’m not sure whether it was her and

couldn't get through to her phone either. I'm a little worried, has she fallen ill?]

She obviously wasn't so dumb as to purposely drive a wedge between them—she just wanted Si Ye Han to find out for himself.

Although she didn't want to admit it, Si Ye Han cared deeply for Ye Wan Wan and if he knew that Ye Wan Wan was ill, he'd definitely come down to the hospital.

When that time came, he'd come with a heart full of worries but see Ye Wan Wan making out with Gu Yue Ze tenderly instead. That would be an interesting spectacle for sure...

After she sent the text, Shen Meng Qi left the hospital with confidence.

He he, Ye Wan Wan, that idiot, still treating me like her best friend. That idiot will never find out it was me even on her deathbed.

On the contrary, Shen Meng Qi would never have imagined that from the window of the hospital's second floor, Ye Wan Wan had witnessed everything, from her hiding behind the corner and secretly sending a text, to leaving with a delighted expression.

Ye Wan Wan stood by the window and curled her lips slowly. Of course, she had to make a trip to the hospital and show her face so that Shen Meng Qi would play her tricks and continue stirring up trouble between her and Si Ye Han.

Everybody knew about the story of The Boy Who Cried Wolf. There was nothing to fear the first and second time, but what about the third and fourth time?

If Shen Meng Qi kept failing in her plans to sow discord between them, even if she told the truth the next time, Si Ye Han would no longer believe her.

And that's exactly what she wanted.

At this moment, in the little garden at the old house:

The moment Ye Wan Wan left, Si Ye Han remained rooted at the same spot without moving.

That is, until the phone on the table rang, indicating a text message from Shen Meng Qi.

The ringtone of this text message was like the sound of death in Xu Yi's ears.

Si Ye Han scanned through the contents of the message, cold and without a trace of warmth. His expression didn't change throughout; it was like that pair of black hole-like eyes had swallowed all his emotions.

Xu Yi peeked and saw that it was a message from Shen Meng Qi. He then looked at Si Ye Han's reaction again and could guess what it was about.

The frightening silence lasted for a long time before Si Ye Han picked his phone up and made a call, asking, "Where are you."

Xu Yi saw that Si Ye Han had used speed dial and knew that he had called Ye Wan Wan. His expression became grey with defeat instantly.

This time, no matter if Ye Wan Wan was lying or telling the truth, there was no way of coming back from this...

Then, he heard Ye Wan Wan on the receiver replying, "I had some issues so I went to Ren Ai hospital midway because I..."

Before she could finish, his cold voice interrupted her, "Go to Jin garden, now."

After finishing the call, Si Ye Han shot Xu Yi an icy look, "Go check."

Xu Yi was stunned and then nodded his head hurriedly.

If things have progressed to this stage, Ye Wan Wan knows that she can't hide it anymore and has confessed but master doesn't believe her and wants to continue investigating...

68 You're out of chances!

Ye Wan Wan was locked up after arriving at Jin garden.

“Click”, the sound of the lock made her heart jump and she subconsciously tightened her grip around the plastic bag containing the meds she'd obtained from the hospital.

Barely two weeks had gone by and she was back here again.

Even if everything was under control, being trapped in this familiar and luxurious bedroom led to the fear penetrating her soul to annihilate her body rapidly.

She had been trapped here for seven years with an extreme fear of darkness and silence. But eventually, she'd gotten so used to the darkness and dead silence that she started to fear the light and people instead.

The scariest thing was not being imprisoned but that even if freedom was given to her one day, she wouldn't be able to escape from the cage around her heart.

Even though she was reborn and returned to life before the tragedy began, she still couldn't escape the memories and shadows from her previous life.

Outside, the sound of familiar footsteps came closer and closer, step by step. In such a quiet space, it was unusually clear and terrifying.

Creak—the door was pushed open.

Looking at the terrible and frightening ghostly figures at the door, Ye Wan Wan's pupils suddenly contracted.

For a moment, the scene in front of her and the memories of her previous life merged completely...

The frightened expression of the girl was like a poison that could corrode a person's heart. All of Si Ye Han's senses and restraints turned into ashes in a flash.

In the next second, Ye Wan Wan was thrown onto the bed by an enormous force and the bag that was in her tight grip landed on the floor with a crash.

Just as she was about to speak, her throat got choked—it was getting more and more challenging to breathe and life was slowly draining away from her body.

When she finally regained her breath, she bit down on her tongue hard and her mouth rapidly filled with the taste of blood...

“Wan Wan, I’ve said it before... This was the last time... Now, you’ve run out of chances...”

Following this, the man’s footsteps got further and further away gradually and the sound of the lock clanged again.

Once she had been relieved of his presence, Ye Wan Wan immediately coughed violently. The fear in her eyes was no longer there, leaving a cold and dim light behind.

The study was in total disorder.

The big space was frozen, cold and piercing to the bone.

The man sat in front of the desk like a weathered sculpture, the violence and sadism eroding the last remnants of humanity on his forehead.

In the dead silence, there came a hasty knock on the door suddenly.

“Get lost——”

The furious voice stopped the knock on the door.

But soon after, the knocks on the door resumed with urgency.

As there was no response, the person knocking directly pushed the door open and entered.

The situation in the house was more frightening than he’d imagined. At the sight of the monstrous face and scarlet, beast-like eyes, Xu Yi was so scared that he turned pale.

However, the issue was so pressing that he had to let the master know!

Xu Yi forced himself to stay calm and used all the energy he had to find his voice and said quickly, “9th master, I’ve checked it myself. Ms Ye indeed went to the hospital midway and didn’t go to school.”

Clearly sensing the drastic drop in temperature, Xu Yi’s body was soaked in sweat, “But the surveillance camera shows that Ms Ye didn’t go to the emergency room after reaching the hospital but was at the outpatient department registering to see an old Chinese specialist...”

As if afraid that Si Ye Han hadn’t grasped the main point, Xu Yi specifically added, “From beginning to end, Ms Ye didn’t visit Gu Yue Ze!”

69 It was all a misunderstanding

At that point, Xu Yi's expression looked somewhat complexed, "That old Chinese doctor is very famous—he's the most skilled at treating insomnia and you consulted him at the beginning as well... I've transferred the surveillance footage of Ms Ye's visit... Take a look yourself..."

Xu Yi opened the surveillance footage on his phone.

Ye Wan Wan was carrying her schoolbag and sat in front of the old Chinese doctor with a solemn face.

"Little miss, where do you feel unwell?" The old Chinese doctor asked.

"Doctor, I'm not the one feeling unwell; I'm here on behalf of someone else!" Ye Wan Wan answered.

"You silly little girl, how could you visit a doctor on someone else's behalf?" The old Chinese doctor furrowed his brows.

Ye Wan Wan hurriedly explained, "Doc, hear me out. My boyfriend has a serious case of insomnia; he's seen many doctors and tried many methods but none have worked. Doctor, you're so famous and he definitely came to seek treatment from you before. I'm just here to find out more about insomnia and understand how he feels."

The old Chinese doctor was a little surprised by what she said and also looked somewhat moved, "You, silly little girl, are quite thoughtful. There aren't many patients' families that are as caring as you! All right, I'll tell you!"

"Thank you, doctor!" The girl revealed an extremely joyful smile, pulled out a notebook and pen, and took down notes seriously.

Seeing that she was so earnest, the old doctor explained a lot of information in detail.

The girl's expression was sincere the whole time and asked very specific questions from time to time, "My grandma told me that long-term insomnia would affect a person's temperament, is that right?"

The old Chinese doctor nodded, "If it's serious, it wouldn't only harm the body but in the long run, it would also greatly impact a person's character and mental health. This is something they're unable to control and as a family member, you should try to be more understanding, caring and patient towards them!"

"Mhm, I definitely will. I used to aggravate him in the past..." the girl looked very guilty, "Previously, to study for my exams, I slept for only 3 to 4 hours a day continuously for a week. That feeling of being sleep deprived was really horrible! Doctor, tell me more and teach me how to help him so that he'll feel better!"

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The 10-minute long footage ended and the room resumed its deathly stillness.

The girl's caring words, however, seemed to ring in his ears.

Xu Yi's heart was full of mixed feelings; he couldn't express how he felt, "9th master, we... seemed to have misunderstood Ms Ye..."

This deathly stillness went on for an indefinite amount of time when suddenly, an ear-piercing screech of a chair rubbing against the floor resounded.

When Xu Yi regained his senses, the man in front of the desk was already gone.

Bedroom on the second floor:

"Bang——", the door was forcefully pushed open by someone.

The dusky room was cold and quiet.

The girl had remained in the same position he'd left her in before. She had her body curled in fetal position and hadn't

moved at all. When she heard the door open, her petite frame started shaking violently.

Si Ye Han stood at the same spot, fingers in a tight fist, feet rooted to the ground.

His gaze slowly landed on the black plastic bag at the side of the bed and the contents of the bag sprawled all over the floor.

He slowly walked towards the bag, bent over and picked everything up.

A few parcels of Chinese herbal medicine, an outpatient record sheet, a pink notebook...

Sprawled across the page, were the girl's crammed handwritten notes...

70 How could she not be disgusted?

Si Ye Han looked at the things on the floor, at the notebook, at the girl's carefully written notes with such careful strokes and it was as if someone had stabbed his chest.

After packing up the items on the ground carefully, the man stood up and walked towards the girl stiffly.

At this moment, the girl was hugging her knees and her head was buried deep. Her cautious and repulsed position isolated herself in her own small world.

On the side of her curved neck, there were visible bruises, a ghastly sight.

Si Ye Han reached out his hand like he wanted to touch the girl's shoulders.

However, as he moved slightly closer, the girl's body started trembling even more.

The man pressed his thin lips together, his outstretched hand in midair. After a long while, he decided to retract his hand and slowly took a step back. His eyes didn't leave the girl's body and images in his head kept flashing by...

She had told him that she'd thought things through and wanted to try to date him normally. She said she'd work hard to become a sweet melon.

She was willing to meet grandma, dressed up demurely on purpose, picked gifts seriously and made the old lady so happy.

She knew that he had insomnia, probably asked grandma about it, then specifically went to the hospital to speak to a specialist and found an experienced old doctor to explain his illness, made notes, bought medication...

But in the end, what did she get...

It was his violent rage without rhyme or reason, unreasonable tongue-lashing, and indiscriminate hurt...

She was afraid of him, disgusted with him...

How could she not be afraid?

How could she not be disgusted?

The man's gaze was pitch-black, the chill from his body terrifying, the whole place filled with a suffocating oppression.

The girl curled up on the bed noticed the terrifying surroundings and lifted the little head that was buried between her knees while her whole body trembled. The pair of eyes that looked at him were full of fear and helplessness. She murmured, "Sor... Sorry... Sorry... I was wrong... I've learned my lesson... I've learned from it..."

Looking at the girl's alarmed and panicky expression and hearing the girl admitting her mistake, Si Ye Han's expression darkened even more. It was like a giant metal clasp was gripping his heart tightly.

After some time, the man clenched his fist and walked to the girl again. Under the extremely fearful gaze of the girl, he carefully and slowly embraced her in his arms.

The girl seemed to come to her senses. She sobbed too much to even speak properly, "I didn't... didn't lie to you... didn't betray you... I went... Went to find a doctor... You couldn't sleep..."

Si Ye Han hugged the girl tighter, "Mm."

The moment he spoke that single word, the tears which the girl had been holding back for so long rolled down in big, hot droplets, soaking his chest.

71 At least comfort her a little

Probably because she'd kept it in for so long, the built-up negative feelings from her previous and current life exploded at that moment. Ye Wan Wan's tears couldn't stop flowing, and even after crying for more than half an hour, there were no signs of stopping.

Si Ye Han embraced the girl from start till end without speaking a single word or movement.

Xu Yi chased after Si Ye Han after noticing he was gone and stood by the door at this moment.

Watching how badly Ye Wan Wan was crying, he felt a bit guilty as well.

They'd really misunderstood her this time, after all. It went without explanation that she must've been frightened by the master just now. She did everything out of goodwill and yet, was misunderstood. How could she not be sad?

The good thing was that the truth was sorted out.

But master, she's crying so badly, shouldn't you at least comfort her a little? Just standing there like an ice sculpture is scary alright?

For his master, he'd probably reached his limit already; he couldn't really imagine his master comforting the girl.

An indefinite amount of time had passed before the man finally loosened his embrace of the girl. His face regained a cold expression and he said in a calm manner, "Xu Yi, take her back to school."

After speaking, he turned and left without a second glance.

After Xu Yi heard that, he was initially stunned and looked at the back of his master leaving and somehow felt that he looked a bit grim.

Xu Yi sighed softly, looked at the girl on the bed who was still sobbing and tried his best to speak softly, "Ms Ye, don't cry anymore, don't worry. The misunderstanding has been cleared and master won't bother you. See, he allowed me to take you back to school!"

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After half an hour, Ye Wan Wan reached the school gate.

"Ms Ye, we're here." Xu Yi stopped the car and went to the back to help her with the door.

Ye Wan Wan carried her school bag and got off, looking stone-faced. Her little face was still tear-stained.

Xu Yi looked at the girl in front of him, opening his mouth as if to say something but ended up keeping silent.

As the black car slowly left her sight and disappeared into the night, Ye Wan Wan's empty and numb eyes regained focus. She stood rooted at the same spot for quite some time before slowly walking towards the school.

She didn't return to the dormitory immediately but sat on a long bench by the school's little lake.

The cool night wind cut across the surface of the lake and blew against her face, reviving her senses.

Not long ago, her past had almost been replayed out but now, she regained her freedom once again.

At first, she merely wanted to beat him at his own game. However, even if everything went according to plan, the fear of Si Ye Han was real and so was the pain she felt previously.

Not only this time but the accumulated pain and resentment from both lives.

After this episode, she was all burnt out but after venting, she also felt much better.

Fortunately, it was ultimately a near miss and she successfully changed her original course of life, making it through the crisis this time.

72 His true face, revealed!

Ye Wan Wan wasn't sleepy so she sat by the lake and pondered about things.

As she was lost in thought, a pair of messy footsteps came up behind her.

A person walked over grumbling and swearing then sat down on the bench diagonally behind her.

“Damn you, Zhao Xing Zhou! You beast! I'm going to the education bureau to report you for abusing a student! Psycho!”

The little lake was very silent at night so Ye Wan Wan heard all of the boy's curses.

Hearing this voice and these curses, the person speaking seemed to be the Ling Dong who planted the water bucket on the classroom door to prank her, the godbrother of Cheng Xue.

Seems like he was being tortured by Zhao Xing Zhou!

Zhao Xing Zhou really didn't disappoint—he didn't let him off even on the weekend.

Ye Wan Wan was sitting under the shade of a big tree so Ling Dong couldn't see her at all. However, Ye Wan Wan could see Ling Dong's withered face very clearly under the moonlight; he had two huge dark eye circles, a can of beer in his hand and a messy stack of math exam papers that he was stepping on, leaving black footprints all over them.

“Ye Wan Wan, the ugly freak! She's made me so miserable! Just wait and see! If I don't kill you, my last name isn't Ling!” Ling Dong crushed the can of beer, his forehead full of gloom.

Hearing her own name, the corners of Ye Wan Wan's mouth twitched.

How is this my problem?

Just because they wanted to prank me, I had to go along with it obediently?

This Ling Dong was the school's little bully, renowned for being overbearing and unreasonable. As his father was the school's director, those bullied by him could only swallow their hurt and even the teachers turned a blind eye and didn't dare to discipline him.

It was just his luck to bump into a stubborn teacher like Zhao Xing Zhou this time. If it had been anybody else, he'd be let off with just a scolding.

If she was targeted by Zhao Xing Zhou, her days in school wouldn't be easy...

"Oh, ugly freak, you dared to trick even me. You want to play games with me? I'll face you to the death, let's see if you'll still be so arrogant then..."

Ling Dong kept calling her an ugly freak and continued his drunken ramblings. When she heard the end of it, Ye Wan Wan couldn't hold it in any longer so she coughed lightly and said, "Ling Dong, you seem to have set your own trap and gotten trampled by Zhao Xing Zhou. How is it my fault at all?"

"Ah——" At hearing this voice beside him without warning, Ling Dong was so frightened that he fell off the bench. It took him a long time before he climbed back up. With a shaking voice, he said, "Damn! You... Are you a human or a ghost?!"

Ye Wan Wan was a bit speechless, "Just act as if you saw a ghost!"

"You... You're Ye Wan Wan?" Ling Dong couldn't see the person opposite clearly but as he recognized her voice, his expression turned ugly.

Not wondering why was Ye Wan Wan out so late, the boy immediately spoke with a sullen tone, "Ugly freak! How dare you speak! If it wasn't for you taking your time to get into the classroom the other day, I wouldn't be this miserable! I'm telling you, you're dead! As long as I'm in Qing He, don't hope of ever having a good day! I'll give you a taste of death!"

Ye Wan Wan rubbed her forehead, forget it, there was no reasoning with these kids.

Watching Ye Wan Wan stand up to leave, Ling Dong wasn't satisfied. He picked up the can of beer, staggered to catch up and grabbed Ye Wan Wan's arm, "Ugly freak, I didn't say you could leave! Stay right..."

Before he could finish, Ling Dong opened his eyes wide suddenly and stared at that unbelievably beautiful little face under the moonlight, immediately dumbstruck...

73 Love at first sigh

In front of him was a girl in a pink dress with long black hair and skin as fair as snow. Looking at those eyes... brighter than the stars in the sky, brimming with reflections of light from the water. She looked as if she'd just cried, tugging on his heartstrings...

If the school beauty, Cheng Xue, was beautiful then the girl in front of him was like a fallen angel.

Ling Dong felt as if his own heart had been hit strongly. His heartbeat echoed continuously in his head, muddling his whole sense of being.

Ye Wan Wan was used to seeing this stunned expression of his whenever he bumps into her, but there was something different about Ling Dong's expression this time.

Ling Dong was very shocked like he'd just seen a ghost but then, he started blushing, his gaze becoming strange and finally, he released her like he'd been electrocuted. He seemed shy and nervous as he stared at her and stuttered, "You... You're Ye Wan Wan?"

Ye Wan Wan raised her brows slightly and touched her own face subconsciously, as she recalled that she'd left the old house directly and was dressed well but didn't have any makeup on.

She'd definitely give her classmates a scare without any makeup on.

Since he'd already seen her, she couldn't deny it. She smiled and said, "I didn't put on any makeup today, sorry to scare you."

She turned and walked away casually after speaking.

Until Ye Wan Wan had left, Ling Dong was still rooted in the same spot as if he was dreaming.

What... What's happening?

That girl prettier than Cheng Xue... Was Ye Wan Wan the ugly freak?

How could that be...

Ling Dong hobbled back to the hostel like he was in a fantasy.

Upon seeing Ling Dong, three other boys from the hostel immediately greeted him.

One of them with cropped hair presented one of his precious cigarettes amiably, "Dong, you're back!"

Watching Ling Dong walking straight to his bunk and sitting down without any reaction, the guy with cropped hair stared, "Erm, Dong, are you all right? Is something wrong?"

The guy on the upper bunk of Ling Dong's bed looked at Ling Dong spaced out and was worried as well, "Dong, don't scare us!"

A topless boy in oversized pants spat and said angrily, "Damn, that Zhao Xing Zhou is a monster! For just pouring a bucket of water on him, does he have to torture you like that? Look at what he's done to our Dong!"

"It was all that ugly freak Ye Wan Wan's fault! Don't be pissed, Dong. We'll teach that brat a lesson tomorrow! We'll help you and Cheng Xue get your revenge!"

The three of them talked busily about vengeance but gradually felt something was fishy with Ling Dong's dazed expression. His whole face was blushing red, from the tips of his ears to his neck and he kept muttering things like, "Impossible", "How could she be so beautiful?" and "She was simply a goddess"...

The three guys looked at each other. Ling Dong didn't look like he had been tortured by Zhao Xing Zhou to the point of being in a trance. Instead, he seemed somewhat like a... teenage boy in love...

Up until that moment, Ling Dong hadn't heard his roommates, nor had he noticed they were staring at him muttering everything about the face that made his heart beat wildly.

In a daze, he suddenly felt something in his palm.

He slowly opened to look and it looked like a small, pink, knitted flower that he'd pulled from Ye Wan Wan's clothing by accident.

Looking at that little flower, Ling Dong was suddenly wide awake.

It wasn't a dream?

It's real, that girl really was Ye Wan Wan!

Ye Wan Wan's bare face wasn't only ugly, but instead, she was so beautiful?

Nothing makes sense!!!

74 A hero to the rescue

Ye Wan Wan headed back to her dorm right away and didn't think too much about the episode by the lake. There were only a few months left before the college entrance exam so she wouldn't be in school for much longer; there was no need to waste her time on these childish games.

The next morning.

Ye Wan Wan reverted back to her outrageous get-up and went to class as usual.

Just as she stepped inside, the chaotic classroom became silent in an instant. The students in class stared at her with gleaming eyes and a hopeful expression.

Ye Wan Wan was a little annoyed; these people made it so obvious—were they really going to treat her like a fool who didn't know any better?

All right, with her previous intellect, she really wouldn't have known any better.

Ye Wan Wan acted blissfully unaware and walked straight to her seat.

With a glance, she realized that there was something not right about her chair. It was covered with a thick layer of colorless glue. If she hadn't looked closely, she wouldn't have seen it and would've sat right on it.

With this type of strong glue, a person stuck to the chair would have to remove their pants to get up.

Although it wouldn't cause any substantial damage, she'd be embarrassed in front of all her classmates.

Ye Wan Wan looked at the Si Xia who was sprawled on the table napping as usual and silently muttered *homme fatale*...

Just as she pulled out the chair, somebody suddenly rushed up to her side, pushed her aside and then quickly pulled out her chair.

The chair was dragged to the front, the sunlight illuminating it clearly so everybody could see the layer of glue on the chair clearly.

The Si Xia that was asleep was woken up by the piercing screech. His irritated gaze swept across Ye Wan Wan and Ling Dong, standing in front, and then glanced at the chair. He furrowed his brows.

Ye Wan Wan didn't notice Si Xia's reaction. Her brows were raised and she was looking at Ling Dong who'd suddenly appeared.

What's the meaning of this?

Being stared at by those black pupils, Ling Dong's originally arrogant and defiant expression suddenly froze up. He pulled her chair to his own seat and exchanged it for Ye Wan Wan's without saying a word.

That wasn't all. Under the stares of all his astonished classmates, Ling Dong reached his arm out again and removed a dead rat from Ye Wan Wan's desk drawer.

After seeing the dead rat, some timid girls shrieked in disgust.

Ling Dong threw the dead rat away expressionlessly, and then shone a light from his phone into the drawer to check that there was nothing else inside before telling Ye Wan Wan in a low and muffled voice, "Take a seat."

He didn't dare to look into Ye Wan Wan's eyes after speaking. He went back to his seat, took off his jacket, covered the glue and then simply sat on it.

Ye Wan Wan: "..."

Aside from Ye Wan Wan, the whole classroom was in total silence as everybody was confused by Ling Dong's actions.

Such absurdity so early in the morning!

This... What's the meaning of this?

Why would Ling Dong help Ye Wan Wan?

Especially Cheng Xue, whose elegant and pretty face was enraged, stared at Ling Dong in disbelief, not believing what

she had just seen.

“Damn! Dong, what’s going on? I thought we said that we’d teach that ugly freak a lesson today?” Ling Dong’s deskmate, the cropped hair guy asked.

Ling Dong’s looked slightly annoyed, “Shut up! Does it look like I have to explain my actions to you?”

“Oh...” His deskmate shut his mouth immediately.

75 One of my people

“Damn! What’s going on? I thought there’d be a good show today! Why would Ling Dong help Ye Wan Wan?”

“Who knows? It’s totally crazy!”

“Maybe he was put in place by Zhao Xing Zhou’s torture?”

“How could Ling Dong, this little lord, have any fear? It’s good enough if he doesn’t make things worse!”

...

In the midst of all the discussion, Ye Wan Wan sat down on Ling Dong’s chair.

She had been prepared for trouble but what happened was beyond her expectations.

Had Ling Dong really been put in his place by Zhao Xing Zhou’s torture?

Or...

Ye Wan Wan vaguely recalled that Ling Dong accidentally saw how she looked without her makeup last night.

His actions couldn’t be related to that, right?

Shortly, the bell indicating the start of lessons rang and the classroom quieted down again. Ye Wan Wan didn’t give it any further thought.

She looked at the phone in her drawer, unfocused.

From last night till now, Si Ye Han hadn’t contacted her after he sent Xu Yi to take her back to school.

According to his reaction yesterday, he shouldn’t be angry anymore, right?

Actually, she did take a risk yesterday after all.

If Si Ye Han had completely lost his senses in his fury and locked her up without letting her explain, the consequences would’ve been dire.

Fortunately, her efforts so far hadn't been wasted. Si Ye Han hadn't completely believed Shen Meng Qi's words and went to investigate things himself.

After class, the students continued to stare in the direction of Ye Wan Wan and whispered, after holding things in for an entire lesson.

Watching Cheng Xue and three of her diehard followers walking up to Ye Wan Wan aggressively, everybody was alert again.

"Ugly freak, come out! We have something for you!" One of the girls with a sharp chin barked harshly.

Usually, people called out after class would be brought to the girls' washroom to be bullied.

Even though Ye Wan Wan didn't want to entertain these childish fights, being bothered all the time affected her mood too.

She shot them a cold glare and replied leisurely, "Sure!"

"What're you waiting for, hurry up!" The girl couldn't wait and started to drag her as another girl next to her started pulling her as well.

Si Xia who was lying on the table asleep looked up and his brows twitched when he saw the scene before him. Just as he was about to speak, a dark and cold voice sounded from behind him——

"Who said you guys could touch her?"

Ling Dong stood at the classroom door with a big plastic bag in his hand, his expression terrifying.

Although Ling Dong didn't look as handsome as Si Xia, he was good-looking in his own way. It was just that his temperament was completely different from Si Xia's. He was like a rebellious wolf, violence buzzing throughout his body and was unusually vicious when he fought. People feared him when they saw him every day. His current expression made everybody quiver to the bone.

Seeing that Ling Dong was standing behind them with that face, the three girls were startled by his scary expression, “Dong... brother Dong!”

One of the girls summoned the courage to explain, “Dong, this ugly freak was too hateful. Not only did she snatch up Cheng Xue’s role, she also made you suffer so much. We merely wanted to teach her a lesson to avenge you!”

Ling Dong’s gaze swept across the three girls and everybody in the classroom. Making sure to enunciate every syllable, he said, “Since none of you understood me just now, let me say it again. From now on, Ye Wan Wan is one of my people! Whoever touches her again is going against me- Ling Dong!”

76 Not a fight... but a date!

The three girls: "..."

All the students in class: "..."

Ye Wan Wan herself was dumbfounded.

The three girls looked at each other and took a long while to regain their senses. Then they hurriedly pressed on——

"Dong... Brother Dong... What're you saying?"

"What do you mean Ye Wan Wan is one of your people?"

"Dong, did you make a mistake somewhere?"

Ling Dong's face was filled with annoyance, "I meant what I said, literally. Ye Wan Wan is one of my people; nobody is allowed to touch her! Don't you understand English? If you understand then get lost already!"

The three of them were Cheng Xue's diehard followers and were, at the same time, close to Ling Dong. This was the first time Ling Dong had used such a harsh tone with them and their eyes turned red after being yelled at. At first, they wanted to protest more but after seeing Ling Dong's terrifying expression, they didn't dare and could only stomp their feet and rush to Cheng Xue.

After the three of them left, Ling Dong looked at Ye Wan Wan again and his initial ferocious expression became stiff and raw.

After hesitating for a few moments, Ling Dong turned, shoved the big bag of snacks he was holding into Ye Wan Wan's arms and said in a low voice, "For you."

Ye Wan Wan looked at the snacks, her expression confused as she continued in silence, "..."

Ling Dong stood in front of her desk without indicating any intentions of leaving. He looked hesitant to speak and each time he opened his mouth to say something, he'd swallow his words. This went on a few times before he finally took a deep

breath and stuttered, “Ye Wan Wan... Are... Are you free tonight after school?”

“Tonight?”

A phrase subconsciously appeared in Ye Wan Wan’s head, a phrase people usually said whenever they wanted a fight: “Don’t leave after school.”

Is he preparing to teach me a lesson himself after school?

Ling Dong must’ve felt that Ye Wan Wan misunderstood so he quickly added, “There... There’s a newly-opened barbeque shop near school... Do you want to go together? My treat!”

All the students crowded around: “...!!!”

Damn! Why is this turning more and more bizarre?!

Ye Wan Wan furrowed her brows with all her strength, what’s going on ?

It’s not a fight but... a date?

“Wait wait wait wait... Sorry, Ling Dong, I don’t understand at all—what kind of trick is this?” Ye Wan Wan was straight to the point.

Actually, everybody crowding around didn’t understand either. It was understandable if Ling Dong didn’t dare to touch Ye Wan Wan because of Zhao Xing Zhou, but even so, he didn’t have to go so far as to say things like Ye Wan Wan was one of his people, right? And now, he’s even asking her out for dinner tonight?

What exactly happened in those short two days off from school?

Hearing Ye Wan Wan’s words, Ling Dong’s face turned ugly as he said unhappily, “It’s not a trick!”

Ye Wan Wan smiled, “Ling Dong, straightforward people don’t resort to insinuations. What on earth are you thinking? Just come out with it!”

Ling Dong stood and stared at her, his knuckles clenched so tightly that they started cracking.

Just as Ye Wan Wan thought that he was going to hit her, she heard him suddenly say——“Ye Wan Wan, I like you!”

Ye Wan Wan was stunned: “...” Huh?

“Puff... Cough cough cough...” Si Xia, who was watching nonchalantly at the side, couldn’t hold back anymore. He choked and started coughing violently.

All the students in the classroom gasped and everyone looked like they had just seen a ghost.

“Damn! What did I just hear? Dong actually confessed to that ugly freak, Ye Wan Wan!!!” Ling Dong’s friend’s jaw nearly fell off.

Another guy’s face was filled with shock, “Dong, are you crazy?”

77 Boyfriend material

Ye Wan Wan was caught off guard as she was confessed to in front of everybody. At that moment, her heart was in despair.

She just kept thinking that it's all over ...

She'd recently escaped death and gone through a disaster. Who knew that right after, Ling Dong would cause more trouble?

Where had it all gone wrong?

Could it be that to take revenge on me, Ling Dong plans to dump me after winning me over?

Ye Wan Wan quickly disregarded this possibility, since this would involve too much sacrifice on the part of the enemy himself. As long as Ling Dong wasn't out of his mind, he'd never use this kind of sacrificial method to take revenge.

This couldn't really be because of last night, could it?

If this wasn't a trick, this could be the only reason.

He'd only seen her without makeup and besides, it was a quick glance. She hadn't thought much of it at the time and also thought that since Ling Dong was tipsy, he might not have seen her clearly. Who knew that just a glance would land her in such a big trouble?

This devilish, superficial world!

Ling Dong was quite popular in school and news of this big shot confessing his love for Qing He's infamous ugly girl would definitely spread through the school within half a day. It'd only be a matter of time before Si Ye Han found out too.

With Si Ye Han's temperament, just this incident alone could cause all her efforts to go down the drain...

Ye Wan Wan thought she'd have at least a few days of peace. Her heart was so tired that she didn't want to speak.

“Ling Dong, I think you need to see an eye doctor...” Ye Wan Wan rested her hand on forehead and spoke feebly.

What Ye Wan Wan had said echoed everyone’s thoughts. Everybody nodded.

Ling Dong’s diehard followers even silently added, not just the eye doctor but a psychologist as well!

Ling Dong wrinkled his brows and stared at the girl. He enunciated every single word he said clearly, “Ye Wan Wan, I’m serious!”

Ye Wan Wan naturally wanted to reject; she couldn’t let anybody get a hold over her. But she couldn’t possibly talk about her boyfriend in front of everyone. If the school found out about her puppy love, that would be a violation of school rules and she’d be penalized again. She didn’t have a school director as her father like Ling Dong so she couldn’t act impulsively.

Thus, Ye Wan Wan could only say, “Sorry, whether this is a trick or for real, I have no interest in you!”

Ling Dong stiffened up, “Why? Why aren’t you interested in me?”

Ye Wan Wan saw that Ling Dong was standing there stubbornly, his expression unusually serious and looking like he wouldn’t give up without an answer. She could only reply, “Because you aren’t boyfriend material.”

“What are your standards? How am I lacking? Tell me, I can change!” Ling Dong said immediately.

“I... Damn... Is Dong under a curse...”

“This is definitely not Dong, he must be possessed!”

“Damn, what did this ugly freak do to Dong?”

Everyone thought at first that Ling Dong would definitely be enraged after Ye Wan Wan’s rejection. Who knew that he’d so submissive and even offer to change for her? Ling Dong’s diehard followers were completely confused, in addition to the students gathered around them. Everyone felt that their senses had been assaulted by an atomic bomb.

Ye Wan Wan sighed, “Ling Dong, don’t blame me, this was what you asked for!”

Thus, Ye Wan Wan replied, “My first standard is... Be at least 1800 times better looking than Si Xia!”

Ling Dong was stunned for a long while before regaining his senses, “Are you kidding?”

Si Xia who’d been dragged into this for no reason at all: “...”

Ye Wan Wan’s face was grave, “I’m serious!”

78 More like he's blind

By the end of the day, this explosive news had spread throughout Qing He and even other high schools in the area.

Everybody knew about the big shot of Qing He, Ling Dong, being rejected by the ugliest girl, Ye Wan Wan. They also knew about that crazy ugly girl shooting her mouth off that her standards for boyfriends were to be better looking than Si Xia...

The school's hall:

Ling Dong sat far away at the last row, watching devoutly as Ye Wan Wan rehearsed at the front.

Even after being rejected by Ye Wan Wan on the spot, he still refused to give up.

On the window seat next to him was Si Xia.

Ling Dong passed a cigarette over.

Si Xia looked down lazily and refused it.

Seeing that he didn't take it, Ling Dong lit the cigarette himself and took a long drag. Then, he said sternly, "Si Xia, Ye Wan Wan is the girl I'm after. If we're brothers then don't go overboard with the kissing scene. You gotta pretend!"

Si Xia's indifferent expression seemed to crack for a moment, "You're overthinking it."

Ling Dong also felt that he was overthinking it, since Si Xia couldn't even get close to Ye Wan Wan's face. So, Ye Wan Wan's current get-up was extremely safe!

So, Ling Dong lightly coughed, "Si Xia, why don't we strike a deal: give this role to me, alright? I'll sort this out with the teacher! Since Little Xue doesn't want you to be intimate with Ye Wan Wan, then both of you shouldn't act. I'll cover for you instead. Isn't this the best of both worlds?"

After hearing this, Si Xia opened his eyes widely and looked at him, seemingly considering his offer.

Ling Dong's best friends couldn't tolerate it anymore and they rushed to Ling Dong with frightened expressions, "Dong! Calm down, Dong! Why're you so pessimistic?"

Another guy's face was also bitter, "Dong, what happened, when did your taste become so particular?"

While the two brothers were fussing, Ling Dong recalled yesterday evening's fleeting glimpse and his ears immediately turned red. Initially, he wanted to defend himself but finally, he only scolded them gruffly, "What do you guys know?"

He'd never tell anybody the truth.

He liked the feeling of being the only one who knew her secret.

Anyway, if everybody knew, he'd have a lot more rivals.

"Dong!" Cheng Xue quickly walked to Ling Dong, so angry that her beautiful little face looked distorted, "Dong, what exactly are you doing? Don't tell me that you really fell in love with that ugly freak, Ye Wan Wan!"

She wouldn't tolerate it even if Ling Dong took Si Xia's place. How could Ling Dong be together with that ugly freak Ye Wan Wan?

Ling Dong looked at the raging Cheng Xue, "Yeah, I really fell for her."

Cheng Xue choked, "Are you crazy? You could fall for anyone but you fell for her? Do you know what everyone is saying about you? They're saying that your brain is fried!"

"Then my brain is fried!" Ling Dong blew out smoke with a smug expression.

Huh? Is his brain fried? More like he's blind!

"Si Xia, what do you think?" Ling Dong looked at Si Xia again and asked nervously.

At this moment, someone in front yelled—— “Si Xia, it’s your turn!” Si Xia’s back stiffened and he looked at Ye Wan Wan’s bloody red lips like she’d just swallowed a child.

After a long while, he said, “I’ll consider it.” He glanced at the time on his watch and hurriedly said, “I’ve got to go.”

79 Do I look single?

As Si Xia had to run at the last minute, the final act couldn't be rehearsed and so, everybody left.

"He must've scared Si Xia so he ran off to hide!"

"Speaking of which... Si Xia wouldn't really give the role of the prince to Ling Dong, would he?"

"I think it's possible. If someone was a sucker and volunteered to cover for him, it wouldn't make sense not to take the opportunity!"

"I couldn't tell that the ugly freak, Ye Wan Wan, had such cunning. What magic potion did she give Ling Dong?"

In the small hall, the girls were still secretly discussing amongst themselves but once Ling Dong shot a sinister glare across at them, they all turned pale instantly and quickly packed up to leave.

After glaring at those people, Ling Dong walked to Ye Wan Wan. His ferocious expression immediately became stiff and uncertain, "It's fine if you don't want to have dinner with me, I... I'll walk you back to your dormitory..."

Ye Wan Wan furrowed her brows, "Ling Dong, I've told you before..."

Ling Dong immediately interrupted her, "I know I'm not good looking enough, but I'll treat you really well! You can't just go by my looks!"

Hearing that, the corners of Ye Wan Wan's mouth twitched. Doesn't he see the irony in saying this?

"You have feelings for me all of a sudden because you saw how I looked without makeup last night, right?" Ye Wan Wan asked bluntly.

Ling Dong didn't deny it and nodded, "Yup."

Ye Wan Wan raised her brows, “So you liked me just for my looks?”

Ling Dong pursed his lips, “I admit that I really like your face, you... You’re really beautiful... And a beautiful girl is a man’s desire. I don’t think there’s anything wrong with liking you because of the way you look!”

Ye Wan Wan was slightly dumbfounded by Ling Dong’s confidence and courage and she could only reply, “Actually, I have a boyfriend already.”

“What did you say?” Upon hearing that, Ling Dong’s expression changed. After a long time, he calmed down, “You don’t have to be like this.”

Ye Wan Wan was helpless, “Do I look single?”

Ling Dong frowned, “That’s not what I meant, just...”

She couldn’t blame him for not believing her, after all, Ye Wan Wan had always worn such terrifying makeup, how could she possibly have a boyfriend?

“Your boyfriend fulfils your requirement?” Ling Dong asked.

Ye Wan Wan nodded her head with certainty, “Yes.”

But after Ye Wan Wan said that, Ling Dong’s face instantly turned black and was even more convinced that she was lying, “Ye Wan Wan, you don’t have to find any more excuses to lie to me, you have the right to reject me and I have the right to chase you. I won’t give up!”

Ye Wan Wan sighed, “Then what should I do to make you believe I told the truth?”

Why does everybody doubt that I have a boyfriend? They’re all too judgmental with appearances! Don’t they understand that someone with exotic taste could actually like a girl like me?

Ling Dong looked at Ye Wan Wan and gave it some thought before replying, “Unless I see him with my own eyes.”

See him with your own eyes?

Bringing Si Ye Han to meet a boy who likes me and is currently wooing me... do I want to die?

Well... No...

It's not impossible to get a substitute boyfriend to meet Ling Dong...

Ye Wan Wan seriously hesitated for a long time before finally looking at Ling Dong and asked tentatively, "You're sure that you'll give up after seeing him?"

Ling Dong didn't fall into her trap and replied cautiously, "Of course, if he's really outstanding like you said, 1800 times better looking than Si Xia."

All right, it looks like randomly dragging a person to cover up for me is impossible. Where can I find a guy 1800 times better looking than Si Xia...

"Fine, let me think about it, my boyfriend is pretty busy. I'll let you know when I've made an appointment," Ye Wan Wan replied.

Ling Dong went along with it without a worry, "Sure."

80 Ruining the picturesque view

Ling Dong insisted on personally escorting Ye Wan Wan back to the dormitory and you could imagine what the walk back was like.

Onlookers could only see a tall and handsome boy in a basketball outfit, following in the footsteps of a girl next to him like a guardian angel, completely winning over any teenage girl's heart.

However, the girl whom he was escorting ruined the picturesque view completely with her scary, explosive hair, thick smokey makeup and bright red bloody lips. It was an awful sight to behold.

"Oh my god! That ugly freak, Ye Wan Wan, actually has a suitor!"

"Not to mention that her suitor is actually the big boss of Qing He!"

"I thought that was just a rumour! This is unbelievable!"

Amongst the crowd of onlookers, Shen Meng Qi looked at both of them from afar. Seeing the way Qing He's big shot was so attentive to Ye Wan Wan, her face stiffened for a moment.

She thought that she'd see Ye Wan Wan looking devastated today, but who knew that she'd be totally fine, making such a big splash at school?

At the entrance of the girls' dormitory:

After Ling Dong left, Shen Meng Qi hurriedly ran towards Ye Wan Wan and looked in the direction of Ling Dong's retreating back. She asked hesitantly with concern, "Wan Wan, what's going on between you and Ling Dong?"

At that moment, Shen Meng Qi had two girls behind her. The girl on the left was in a white Chanel lady-like skirt and stood

there proudly, looking disapprovingly at Ye Wan Wan. She said with condescension, “On one hand you’re getting ideas about Si Xia and on the other, you’re hooking up with Ling Dong. You seriously have no shame!”

Hearing what Jiang Yan Ran said, Shen Meng Qi felt pleased. She hid away her joyful expression and warned Jiang Yan Ran affectionately, “Yan Ran, don’t say that about Wan Wan, she isn’t that sort of person. They’re probably just ordinary friends!”

Jiang Yan Ran’s delicate little face was scornful and full of disdain, “How can they be ordinary friends? He’s already confessed in public and even acted as her guardian angel; how is this normal for ordinary friends?”

The average-looking girl in her school uniform on the right side of Shen Meng Qi said sarcastically, “How does this ugly freak even hook up with a man when she looks so hideous? How does she do it?”

The commotion with Shen Meng Qi’s group caused quite a few girls to crowd around to join in on the criticism.

After hearing what Fang Qin said, the crowd of onlookers looked at each other and speculated, “Tsk, could it be her skills in bed...”

Shen Meng Qi protected her anxiously, “There must be a misunderstanding!”

Jiang Yan Ran folded her arms, seeing that Shen Meng Qi spoke up for Ye Wan Wan and scowled, “Meng Qi, why are you still hanging out with this kind of person? Don’t you find her gross?”

Shen Meng Qi gloated beneath her eyes but on the surface, she acted like she was in a difficult position, being sandwiched between Ye Wan Wan and Jiang Yan Ran, “Yan Ran, don’t say that, Wan Wan is actually quite pitiful. With her family the way it is, I can’t possibly leave her when she’s at rock bottom.”

Jiang Yan Ran sneered, “Meng Qi, you’re too kind and too soft-hearted. As the saying goes, that miserable man must have

some flaw causing all the misery. Her family is a wreck because of her father's wickedness, her own corrupted behaviour, and her complicated personal life! Is this kind of person worthy of your sympathy? She's so cunning, sitting next to Si Xia even after cheating on the exam and bumping Cheng Xue out of her rightful place in the show. She's even capable of hooking up with the boss of Qing He!"

All the other girls crowded around nodded in agreement and condemned her.

81 Shouldn't you know best?

Ye Wan Wan watched coldly as Shen Meng Qi used Jiang Yan Ran and Fang Qin as ammo and continuously fired shots at her. She couldn't help but sneer in her heart.

This was familiar to her.

It was just like this in her previous life as well—Shen Meng Qi hid at the back and pretended to be the good guy each time while Jiang Yan Ran and Fang Qin stepped forward in her place to fight.

Previously, she'd shared a dorm with Shen Meng Qi, Jiang Yan Ran, and Fang Qin. Her relationship with Jiang Yan Ran wasn't so bad at the beginning while Fang Qin was a complete pushover; she didn't dare to offend anybody.

So, she didn't know Jiang Yan Ran and Fang Qin slowly started to exclude her and requested the school for a change of dorms.

It was a long time before she found out that there were rumours that she was always being picked up in luxurious cars and had intimate relationships with people outside school because of her sugar daddy.

As the rumours about her spread, nobody wanted to live with her and so, she was switched to a room by herself.

It was easy to guess where all these rumours came from and why Jiang Yan Ran and Fang Qin believed them.

Ye Wan Wan smiled faintly and glanced at Shen Meng Qi.

You still want to pretend to be innocent?

I want to see how Jiang Yan Ran and Fang Qin react after seeing the true face of this “kind and innocent” girl!

Shen Meng Qi was good at manipulating people's hearts; her two-faced tactics managed to create quite a few connections for her and she stepped on all these people, one-by-one, to climb higher and higher.

Of course, she wasn't the only one.

Jiang Yan Ran was one of them as well. Her father was a veteran in the entertainment circle and the Jiang Yan Ran of the future was an internationally known director. The film which led Shen Meng Qi to stardom was directed by her.

However, this talented director's fate was tragic in the end. During the peak of her career, she committed suicide by slitting her wrist and died in the bathtub at home.

As for her cause of death, there were many speculations. The reported cause was depression, but the truth was that her husband Song Zi Hang had cheated on her and the mistress was her good friend, the lead actress whom she had groomed herself, Shen Meng Qi.

Jiang Yan Ran and Song Zi Hang grew up together. Jiang Yan Ran had always loved Song Zi Hang deeply but Song Zi Hang only loved her like a sibling and married her because of the pressure from his parents.

Jiang Yan Ran only found out on her deathbed that the person who'd captured Song Zi Hang's heart was actually the person she was closest to and trusted the most.

At this time seven years ago, Jiang Yan Ran wasn't dating Song Zi Hang yet but Song Zi Hang and Shen Meng Qi were already fooling around way before that...

Like the way she used to tackle her brother, Shen Meng Qi's way of dealing with men was to not accept but also not to reject. She'd keep them hanging, waiting for their anticipation to spike and reaping the biggest gains. She also especially enjoyed the thrill of stealing men away from others.

As all of these thoughts swirled around in her head, Ye Wan Wan replied nonchalantly, "Meng Qi, shouldn't you know best about what's going on between me and Ling Dong?"

"Me? I've only just found out!" Shen Meng Qi's face was filled with confusion.

She wasn't sure why but Ye Wan Wan's expression made her feel a little uneasy.

Ye Wan Wan replied with certainty, “I told you before that I overheard Ling Dong losing a bet to some of his friends so he had to court me. At first, I thought they were joking; I didn’t think that Ling Dong would really court me. Don’t you remember?”

Hearing what Ye Wan Wan said about Ling Dong courting her due to a lost bet, the onlookers suddenly understood. If that’s the case, everything makes sense!

“When did you say that?” Shen Meng Qi furrowed her brows.

82 She reveals her true nature!

Just as Shen Meng Qi was about to deny what Ye Wan Wan had said, Ye Wan Wan glanced at Jiang Yan Ran inadvertently then gave a thoughtful expression and reminded Shen Meng Qi, “It was the end of last month. Weren’t you with Song Zi Hang at the amusement park? It was probably too loud so maybe you couldn’t hear me clearly?”

The moment Shen Meng Qi heard these words, her face turned pale and she looked at Jiang Yan Ran in panic.

Damn it! She did go to the amusement park with Song Zi Hang last month and that time, Ye Wan Wan had called her for some reason. As she was enjoying Song Zi Hang’s attention, she didn’t have the strength to entertain Wan Wan so she simply sent her off with a few words and hung up.

But how did Ye Wan Wan know where I was? Could it be that I accidentally blurted it out?

Damn, and this dumb girl had to talk about this in front of Jiang Yan Ran!

Sure enough, Jiang Yan Ran’s expression changed immediately, “What did you say? Last month, Shen Meng Qi and Song Zi Hang went to the amusement park?”

Fang Qin was also a little shocked, “It was Yan Ran’s birthday that day! Yan Ran especially invited Song Zi Hang and was prepared to confess her love to him. In the end, Song Zi Hang didn’t show up and you also said that you couldn’t make it since you were sick. You... Why were you with Song Zi Hang that day...?”

The girls around them were all stunned as well. Jiang Yan Ran likes Song Zi Hang?

Not many people knew about this but Shen Meng Qi was Jiang Yan Ran’s roommate and they were very close; there was no

way she didn't know.

Since Shen Meng Qi was clearly aware that Jiang Yan Ran liked Song Zi Hang and that she was prepared to confess her love to him on her birthday, why would Shen Meng Qi lie to Jiang Yan Ran about feeling sick and going out with Song Zi Hang?

The expression of the onlookers staring at Shen Meng Qi changed in an instant.

Going behind a good friend's back to seduce the person she likes... completely shameful.

Ye Wan Wan heard Fang Qin's words and immediately looked anxious like she had said something wrong but her eyes were gleaming, "Did I say something wrong...?"

Saying those words increased her credibility.

As everybody knew that Shen Meng Qi and Ye Wan Wan were on very good terms, Jiang Yan Ran trusted those rumours about Ye Wan Wan that Shen Meng Qi said previously. On the contrary, she also believed what Ye Wan Wan had just accidentally revealed.

Furthermore, Jiang Yan Ran wasn't a fool; she had her suspicions as well but wasn't completely sure.

Sure enough, Jiang Yan Ran immediately took out her phone with shaky hands and opened the message Song Zi Hang posted on his Moments at the end of last month.

Song Zi Hang had set a mood: [Love of my life, I'll wait for you to graduate]

The accompanying picture was a photo taken at the amusement park. There were no real people in the photo but only two elongated shadows of a guy and girl.

This obviously meant that Song Zi Hang had confessed his love for the girl but the girl had told him that they could only be together after her graduation.

After her birthday, Jiang Yan Ran saw this message and knew that Song Zi Hang didn't go to her birthday party because he

wanted to confess his love to a girl whom he liked for a long time.

But she never would've expected that the true love Song Zi Hang hid from her, the person she really wanted to find out, was someone she actually viewed as her best friend, Shen Meng Qi!

No wonder... no wonder Song Zi Hang never told me who it was!

The person he was protecting so fiercely was actually just by my side!

At that moment, Jiang Yan Ran stared at Shen Meng Qi in disbelief, "Shen Meng Qi, tell me, what's going on here? The person that Song Zi Hang liked all this time... Is you?"

83 You need two hands to clap

Shen Meng Qi never expected that a thoughtless remark from Ye Wan Wan would land her in such big trouble; she wished she could tear her apart on the spot.

But since everything was already out in the open, she could only suppress her anger and plead, “Yan Ran, listen to me, it’s not what you think! I had a reason for being with Song Zi Hang that day, I did it for you...”

“Oh, so the person who was with him that day was really you! So, you’re admitting it? The person that Song Zi Hang liked all along, is you!”

Jiang Yan Ran started laughing hysterically all of a sudden, “Ha... Haha... Shen Meng Qi... I even shared all my feelings with you every day like a fool... shared with you my thoughts on the identity of the girl that Song Zi Hang liked...”

Was it entertaining for you to watch me be so stupid? To watch me love him to death while the person he liked was you? Do you feel accomplished?

You clearly knew that I had prepared so long to confess my love for him on my birthday and that I was so nervous I couldn’t sleep for countless nights. Knowing all that, you still went out with him that day behind my back and now you dare to say that you were doing it for me?”

Shen Meng Qi hurriedly replied, “I wanted to make it clear to him!”

Jiang Yan Ran sneered and looked at Song Zi Hang’s post on her phone, then she forcefully shoved her phone onto Shen Meng Qi’s face, “Make it clear? You made it clear like that?”

Shen Meng Qi’s nose had been jolted so hard by the phone that tears started flowing. She covered her face and said, “Yan Ran, let me explain, I told him that I only wanted to focus on

my studies and rejected him. But he may have misunderstood what I meant and thought that I wanted to be with him after graduation...”

Listening to Shen Meng Qi’s excuse, Jiang Yan Ran’s face turned gloomier. She said with a face of full rage, “Shut up! Song Zi Hang told me himself, he said that the girl admitted to having feelings towards him, that you kissed him yet you’re still trying to defend yourself! Get lost! I don’t want to hear any more about the both of you! Disgusting!”

That day, she had gone to find Song Zi Hang and saw for herself that his eyes were filled with happiness; he told her that the person he liked had accepted his love.

If it weren’t for Shen Meng Qi giving him hope, why would he have that sort of reaction?

Shen Meng Qi didn’t expect that Song Zi Hang would tell Jiang Yan Ran about this, so her face went pale and she was speechless.

Looking at Shen Meng Qi’s reaction, the onlookers understood everything.

After Jiang Yan Ran finished talking, she forcibly pushed through the crowd and staggered away.

Fang Qin looked at Jiang Yan Ran hesitantly and then turned to Shen Meng Qi. In the end, she hurriedly chased after Jiang Yan Ran.

The crowd had initially gathered to watch a spectacle involving Ye Wan Wan but unexpectedly bumped into this huge news about two girls fighting over a boy. They all glared at Shen Meng Qi and started whispering.

“I really couldn’t tell that Shen Meng Qi could do something like that! She looks so simple-minded!”

“She knew that Jiang Yan Ran liked Song Zi Hang all along but still hooked up with Song Zi Hang behind her back. She’s really cruel!”

“Maybe it was one-sided and Song Zi Hang was the one chasing her?”

“It takes two hands to clap, okay? Didn’t you hear what Jiang Yan Ran said about the girl voluntarily kissing Song Zi Hang?”

“That’s true!”

...

Ye Wan Wan stood at the same spot and watched silently at the back of Jiang Yan Ran staggering off and she felt a strange sense of kinship as if they suffered from the same disease.

This person, Jiang Yan Ran, drew a clear line between her friends and foes and showed intense feelings for both, as shown by the hatred towards her, and the intense love towards Song Zi Hang.

The Jiang Yan Ran from her previous life insisted on being with Song Zi Hang even after she found out he didn’t like her. She even begged her parents to pressure him and was finally met with a tragic ending.

Would anything change this time after finding about Song Zi Hang and Shen Meng Qi in advance? What would her choice be? Would she continue to forgive him or would she let go...?

However, this was no longer something she had the energy to care about. She still needed to figure out how to deal with Ling Dong. Her words just now had tampered down the school rumours and dragged Shen Meng Qi down, but she still had to deal with Si Ye Han.

What should I do? Call him and ask if he can help me ward off a suitor?

84 Treat him as my own brother

While she was thinking, she felt Shen Meng Qi glaring fiercely in her direction.

Ye Wan Wan raised her brows innocuously and asked leisurely, “Meng Qi, I didn’t know things would turn out like that! You won’t blame me, will you?”

Shen Meng Qi was so pissed listening to all the nasty whispers around her but she could only force herself to hold it in and hide the darkness beneath her eyes. She forced a laugh, “Wan Wan, why would I... Why would I blame you... ? You didn’t do it on purpose...”

Shen Meng Qi spoke through gritted teeth and her eyes swept across the people who remained. Then, she explained to her urgently, “Actually, Yan Ran misunderstood me. Why would I steal her sweetheart?!”

Song Zi Hang did in fact like me and has always been courting me but I’ve never responded to him and even went to make things clear with him. He took the chance and kissed me when I wasn’t paying attention. I didn’t make the first move; I wasn’t expecting it at all...”

I was afraid that Yan Ran would misunderstand so I kept it from her, but who could’ve guessed that you...”

Since Yan Ran was gone and Song Zi Hang wasn’t there, nobody knew the truth. Shen Meng Qi tried to smooth everything over and pushed the blame onto Ye Wan Wan instead.

Ye Wan Wan didn’t give the game away either; she responded as if she just had a sudden revelation, “That’s what I said, the person you like is obviously my brother!”

Shen Meng Qi was startled by what she said and then corrected her sternly, “Wan Wan, don’t spout nonsense, I’ve

always treated Mu Fan as my own older brother. I liked him only as an older brother!”

Now that Star Entertainment under the Shen family was thriving, she'd become a big star in future. With a bright future ahead of her, there would be countless boys chasing her. She didn't want to have anything to do with that good-for-nothing loser, Ye Mu Fan.

She was holding onto him only because he had some value she could use.

What Shen Meng Qi said about treating Ye Mu Fan like her own brother was enough to make Ye Wan Wan choke in disgust.

As if she didn't know what Shen Meng Qi was truly thinking about. She sneered in her heart and asked suspiciously, “Really? I personally mailed out the love letter you gave my brother! The letter was very mushy; something like ‘I fell in love with you when I first saw you, you are the perfect god in my heart...’

It turns out I was wrong—that's considered liking someone as a brother? And I thought you looked down on my brother because of what happened to my dad!”

The attentive crowd suddenly let out a sigh, revealing that they understood clearly and they looked at Shen Meng Qi with even more disgust.

With regards to Shen Meng Qi's explanation, they were doubtful of her and most still stood by Jiang Yan Ran's side.

Hearing what Ye Wan Wan said now, they suddenly felt that Shen Meng Qi was indeed guilty of despising the poor and seeking favour with the rich. Ye Wan Wan's elder brother, Ye Mu Fan, was also a popular figure in Qing He previously and many people knew about Shen Meng Qi chasing after him.

Now she's saying that she views him as a brother? Who would believe her?!

Shen Meng Qi was stunned, “Wan Wan, that was so long ago, I was still young and ignorant. I didn't know what love was!

Also, how can I possibly distance myself from you and Mu Fan because of what happened to your family? If those were my intentions, why would I be so close to you and even help your brother get into my father's company?"

Shen Meng Qi suddenly gained some confidence. She laughed and said, "Other than his hobby of gambling, Mu Fan's quite hardworking at work—my dad even complimented him a few days ago! As long as Mu Fan works hard, my dad will never treat him badly!"

85 Took advantage of him

Shen Meng Qi acted like she'd blurted out Ye Wan Wan's brother's gambling habits by accident, though her seemingly sincere tone had an obvious superiority to it.

Hearing this, the blood in Ye Wan Wan's heart surged, resulting in a taste of iron in her throat.

In the past, Shen Hong Bin was one of her father's footmen but now, her proud brother was reduced to being a slave for the Shen family!

He thought that he was making a sacrificing for love and worked hard for the Shen family, even helping them produce for a big group of popular artists.

Due to the advantages gained from Si Ye Han; the A-list director, Jiang Yan Ran; and her brother who was known globally as the 'god of style' style consultant, the Shen family's company thrived. Their status even kept up with the Ye family in the entertainment business seven years in the future.

As for Ye Wan Wan's brother, in order to win Shen Meng Qi's hand in marriage, he tired himself out and contracted many illnesses at a young age. In the end, his body collapsed. After his value had been squeezed dry, he was kicked out by the Shen family. The Shen family didn't want to be the subject of ridicule so they got people to frame him of breaking an unspoken entertainment business rule, causing him to lose his reputation, be blacklisted by everybody in the entertainment circle, resulting in great despair to him...

She was able to make Jiang Yan Ran see Shen Meng Qi's true self but couldn't get her own brother to regain his senses.

In the past, her brother was also very charming himself—he could go through a million pretty girls without being tempted. He had innumerable girlfriends but then fell for Shen Meng

Qi. He treated Shen Meng Qi specially, spoiled her and treated her better than his own sister.

With her ruined relationship with her brother now, if she talked bad about Shen Meng Qi, not only would he not believe her, it would also worsen their relationship.

Until she found someone who could expose Shen Meng Qi and allow her brother to thoroughly see the evidence of the Shen family's true colours, then could he be saved.

However, it's okay to take it slow. Jiang Yan Ran was just the beginning!

Looking at Shen Meng Qi, Ye Wan Wan acted surprised and said, "My brother is a top style consultant and has the title of the 'god of style' in the industry. When Global Entertainment, the rival of Imperial Sky, came to poach him, he didn't even agree to go over. Who knew that some casual words from you could persuade him to switch to your company?"

Although the Shen family's Poly Star Entertainment completely crushed Global Entertainment seven years in the future and became on par with the Ye family's Imperial Sky, currently the Shen family's company was still lagging far behind these two dominant forces.

Once those words had been spoken, the girls around them naturally began to follow the direction of Ye Wan Wan's thinking. If Shen Meng Qi and Ye Mu Fan really had nothing going on, why would Ye Mu Fan be so submissive to her words, give up the opportunity with the leading Global Entertainment and run over to Poly Star?

Also, what Ye Wan Wan said was obviously hinting that the Shen family took advantage of him while still acting as if they were doing him a favour.

Shen Meng Qi's face changed slightly. She forced a smile and said, "After all, Mu Fan and I have known each other for ages so he trusts whatever I say. Even though Poly Star isn't as big as Global, it has potential for growth. Mu Fan is very talented, but after you know what happened with your father... It's no longer so easy for him to work with a big company... Oh, Wan

Wan, I'll talk to you again soon, I'm worried about Yan Ran. I'm going to go look for her!"

Shen Meng Qi never expected that Ye Wan Wan would be so difficult today. Even after giving her best effort in her verbal match with Ye Wan Wan in front of the crowd, she was left with almost no room to refute her.

To prevent Ye Wan Wan from making an irrefutable counter, Shen Meng Qi hurriedly found an excuse and left.

86 I am no god

Ye Wan Wan watched as Shen Meng Qi fled and the corners of her lips curled upwards a little.

After what happened today, no matter how Shen Meng Qi tried to explain or hide her behaviour, everybody would have a changed impression of her and her attitude.

According to her understanding of Shen Meng Qi, she was probably thirsting for revenge after suffering such a big defeat.

Back at her dorm, Ye Wan Wan immediately took out her phone and looked up Si Ye Han's number.

She decided to take a risk one more time.

To Si Ye Han, lying and running away were the greatest sins, so this was probably tame in comparison. What was there to lose by being honest?

At the same time, just as Ye Wan Wan expected, Shen Meng Qi was boiling inside.

Jiang Yan Ran and Fang Qin weren't in the dorm. She looked at her face which had been smashed by the phone—it was rapidly swelling up. With one furious sweep of her arm, she sent everything on the table crashing to the ground.

Damn it, this is all that dumb Ye Wan Wan's fault!

That dummy actually dared to bring up my old flame, Ye Mu Fan. Ye Mu Fan is only a dog in my family's company now, how can he compare? He's like a toad wanting to be a swan!

Ye Wan Wan, I definitely won't let you off so easy!

Shen Meng Qi pulled out her phone with a gloomy expression. She sneered and quickly drafted a message: [Mr Si, Wan Wan's been hanging out with some bad company lately; she's very close to a troublemaker at school. She clearly knows that he has bad intentions. I'm worried that Wan Wan will be foolish and get tricked by him. I really don't understand why

she keeps doing things to harm her relationship with you when you're such a good person and treats her so well, Mr Si!]

Shen Meng Qi twisted the truth with just a few words.

On the surface, she acted like she cared about Ye Wan Wan's safety but in reality, she actually didn't care at all.

When it came to snitching on people, Shen Meng Qi was top notch.

Aside from this message, she didn't forget to send over some photos of the two of them walking together. This allowed her to finally let off some steam.

She didn't know what went wrong yesterday; Ye Wan Wan was able to go back to school like usual. But this time, with evidence in place, she would get her for sure!

Late at night, Jin garden:

Xu Yi stared at the door that had been shut for an entire day and night. He paced around anxiously, "What should I do? 9th master has locked himself in the room for one day and one night already. Dr. Mo, aren't you a top psychologist? Think of something!"

Mo Xuan folded his arms and leaned against the wall opposite. He was astonished, "I'm a doctor, not a god!"

Does he think I'm omnipotent?!

Anyway, I'm completely useless with Si Ye Han.

"There's nothing we can do, right...?!"

While Xu Yi was freaking out, there was suddenly the sound of an incoming text nearby.

Xu Yi followed the direction of the sound and realized it was the phone Si Ye Han threw on the floor.

He picked it up to take a look and saw that there were many new message notifications on the screen. They were all from Shen Meng Qi.

"This woman is some lingering ghost! I already have enough to deal with!" Xu Yi cursed silently and clutched the phone

tightly to prevent Si Ye Han from hearing.

Mo Xuan looked at the phone and pondered slightly before saying, “Go and check what’s going on with Ye Wan Wan, maybe she can lure 9th master out.”

Xu Yi’s face turned black after he heard that. Did they have to use such a terrifying method to lure the 9th master out?

But there was no other way; if master keeps refusing food and drink, how can his body take it?

It looked like they could only fight poison with poison.

87 The boy chasing after Wanwan

And so, Xu Yi quickly got someone to check up on Ye Wan Wan.

A short while later, the investigation concluded. There was a boy in school who was courting Ye Wan Wan openly and the whole school knew about it!

Xu Yi was on the verge of breaking down. Ye Wan Wan was simply a disaster and the consequences were too terrifying!

“There’s someone in school that’s openly chasing Ms Ye! Dr Mo, should we tell 9th master about it?” Xu Yi asked with a sullen face.

Normally, when Ye Wan Wan spoke to other guys, 9th master flared up. But now, there was someone who dared to chase her. How could he continue to let Ye Wan Wan wander about freely? If the two of them fought again...

He wanted desperately to hide this from master.

Mo Xuan went blank for a while. “Are you sure?”

With the way Ye Wan Wan looks, she’s still able to attract a suitor?

Xu Yi nodded his head sternly, “It’s true! Also, it’s been said that the guy is Qing He’s big shot; he’s the son of the school’s director. He’s quite good looking and popular with the girls. He might just have a problem with his eyesight.”

Mo Xuan pinched the space between his brows and was a bit hesitant. After deep consideration, he said, “9th master will find out sooner or later.”

Xu Yi agreed. It’s just a matter of an early or late death.

So, Xu Yi took a deep breath, knocked on the tightly shut door and pushed it open carefully.

He saw that the curtains were all drawn, with only a narrow gap revealing a weak ray of light that landed on the man's face.

Si Ye Han's long body lay on the sofa, one leg bent and one hand covering his eyes to block out the light. The collar of his black shirt that was normally meticulously buttoned to the top now had two buttons unfastened, his devilishly handsome face morbidly pale. His presence produced a gloomy aura around him.

But with this kind of aura, not only did it not hurt him, it made him look more malicious instead, like a vampire that had been in deep sleep for a thousand years in an ancient palace...

In fact, the master was a hundred times more dangerous when silent than when actively enraged.

Xu Yi swallowed hard and walked over trembling, "9th... 9th master... There are some messages for you... They... They were sent by Shen Meng Qi... She sent many messages over... It might be an emergency..."

In the past, as long as it was a message from Shen Meng Qi, Si Ye Han gave it his full attention. But now, Si Ye Han didn't react at all.

Xu Yi waited for a long while, so long that his limbs were going numb. So, he could only summon up his courage and tell him the news, "9th master... There seems to be a boy in school who's courting Ms Ye..."

In the next second, there was a surge of cold air and a fearsome, murderous intent entered the space.

Although the man on the sofa didn't move and only kept his eyes open slightly, the atmosphere changed completely.

Facing this terror, the petrified Xu Yi was filled with fear in his heart.

He grieved in silence for that boy who was blind and tempting death and prepared himself well for whatever came next.

While Xu Yi was still extremely nervous, a sudden ringing of the phone shocked him so much that he almost tossed the

phone away in fright.

He quickly looked at the incoming call display, thinking that it was Shen Meng Qi trying to stir up trouble again but then he saw clearly that it was actually Ye Wan Wan!

Xu Yi's heart suddenly went to his throat; why is Ye Wan Wan calling at this hour?

“9th... 9th master, it's Ms Ye calling... A video call...”

88 Top notch suck up

In the room that was as quiet and gloomy as a cemetery, only the ringing of the phone reverberated.

Xu Yi couldn't guess what was on Si Ye Han's mind and couldn't figure out whether he wanted to answer this call or not. He stood there, frozen, with the phone raised. He had a sense of foreboding about this call; he hoped master would ignore it.

The atmosphere became more and more unbearable with each ring; the ringing was like a bomb ticking away.

Xu Yi's nerves were frazzled, and probably because he was so flustered, his hand slipped and he accidentally pressed the button to answer.

In the next second, Ye Wan Wan's usual grotesque face appeared on the screen.

Damn! It's over...

At the other end, Ye Wan Wan had waited for a very long time and saw that the phone was just about to automatically end the call. Right at that moment, the screen flashed and the video call was finally connected.

The moment she saw the screen, Ye Wan Wan's pupils contracted.

She could only see the man on the screen lying on the sofa with one hand over his forehead, his collar with two buttons unfastened and hair in a mess. His face was abnormally pale.

Even through the screen, she could feel the terrifying and dangerous aura emitting from the man's body.

Judging by the angle on the screen, the phone seemed to be held by another person, possibly Xu Yi.

The display on the phone was shaking slightly and she guessed it was Xu Yi's hand trembling.

From this slight tremble, Ye Wan Wan was acutely aware of the dire situation and was 80% sure that Si Ye Han had received the news already. She was a moment too late.

Ye Wan Wan pressed her lips together and squinted her eyes, “Sorry... Did I interrupt your sleep...?”

Xu Yi saw that he had answered the call accidentally and could only try to mediate the situation with his head drenched in cold sweat, “Ms Ye, 9th master hasn’t gone to bed yet. Why are you calling this late, is there something wrong? If there is nothing urgent...”

Ye Wan Wan didn’t wait for Xu Yi to finish his sentence before nodding vigorously, “Yes, I have an urgent issue!”

Xu Yi: “Oh...”

Ye Wan Wan quickly said, “There was a boy in school who confessed to me and he said he likes me...”

Xu Yi almost vomited blood and his soul quivered. He knew he shouldn’t have taken this call!!!

He didn’t notice that the phone was swaying back and forth but he hoped Ye Wan Wan would stop talking.

Nonetheless, Ye Wan Wan’s mumbles continued through the phone, “Could you come with me to meet this boy?”

Xu Yi felt a bolt of lightning striking his head.

She actually asked the 9th master to go with her to meet that boy?

At this moment on the sofa, Si Ye Han’s half-opened eyes were now fully opened, like a wild beast waking up from its slumber.

While Xu Yi had all his hopes dashed, Ye Wan Wan’s voice continued coming through the receiver, “I’ve told the boy that I have a boyfriend already and he didn’t believe me. Do I look single?”

I was so mad that I agreed to bring my boyfriend for him to see on impulse. Not only do I have a boyfriend, my

boyfriend's also one thousand times better looking than our school's hunk..."

"Erm..." Xu Yi stood rooted to the ground, completely dumbstruck as he listened and wondered whether this was some kind of trick.

Ye Wan Wan's sucking up... Was pretty darn good!

Even the man's dreary expression was stunned for a moment.

As Ye Wan Wan didn't get a response for a long time, she hung her head low, dejected, "Sorry... Did I trouble you? If it's not convenient for you, then..."

"Time?" the man's low and hoarse voice interrupted her from the other end of the call.

Ye Wan Wan was astonished for a moment before her eyes glowed, "How about tomorrow night? Just outside school!"

"Sure."

89 Because my boyfriend likes i

Indeed, telling the truth will get you a lighter sentence.

The next morning, Ye Wan Wan went to class feeling at ease.

Soon after she sat down, a shadow was cast over her head. Ling Dong stood in front of her looking calm.

Seeing this, Ye Wan Wan shot a suspicious gaze over.

Everybody in class looked at the both of them, hungry for gossip.

Ling Dong pressed his lips together, looked at Ye Wan Wan with a serious face and said, “Ye Wan Wan, I don’t know where you’ve heard that rumour but I swear, I’m definitely not pursuing you because of a lost bet or tricking you. I’m serious! Please believe me!”

“Oh——” All the students around burst into an uproar.

Ye Wan Wan’s face darkened instead. She had painstakingly thought of this idea last night to refute the rumours but in the end, everything was ruined by this guy.

Looking at the boy’s hurt face, Ye Wan Wan stroked her forehead in silence, “The things I told you yesterday were also true, don’t you believe me?”

What did she tell me yesterday?

The part where she said that she has a boyfriend?

“Yeah right!” Ling Dong replied boldly.

“I’ll bring you to meet him tonight.” Ye Wan Wan replied so softly that only Ling Dong and Si Xia beside her could hear.

Ling Dong suddenly realised who the “him” was and a flicker of amazement crossed his face but he quickly regained his composure, “Sure!”

Finally, class ended.

After dinner, there was no one in the school garden. Ye Wan Wan called Ling Dong out and both of them went to a restaurant not far away from school.

Ling Dong sat on the sofa opposite her with a look of certainty, as if he had already seen through Ye Wan Wan's scheme.

She would either give up and say it was all an act, or she would find someone to act as her boyfriend. The latter was more probable unless the guy was blind and couldn't see her ridiculous get-up.

Either way, he would never give up!

Ye Wan Wan naturally knew what was on Ling Dong's mind and didn't offer any explanation. She looked at the time on her phone—Si Ye Han should arrive in about twenty minutes.

"Can I ask you a question?" Ling Dong suddenly asked.

Ye Wan Wan nodded, "Yes?"

Ling Dong stared at Ye Wan Wan's heavily powdered face and coughed lightly, "You... You're so beautiful... Why do you do this to yourself on purpose..."

Ye Wan Wan took a sip of her juice and blinked, "Because my boyfriend likes it!"

Ling Dong was speechless like he got choked on dog food.

"Wan Wan, you don't have to pretend anymore, is it that hard to accept me? Even though I'm not as good looking as Si Xia, I dare say I'm not too shabby too. Anyway, when we're together, I'll never let anybody bully you and you can walk freely in school!" Ling Dong's tone was full of confidence. Of course, he had the ability to make all of that happen.

Ling Dong's popularity in school was only second to that of Si Xia, otherwise, his affection wouldn't have caused everybody to hate her.

Ye Wan Wan rested her chin, "I only have feelings for my boyfriend~"

Ling Dong gave a helpless expression, then his eyes slightly glistened, “Fine, Wan Wan, since you insist that I don’t believe you, I’ll start believing you now. I’ll believe everything you said, believe that you have a boyfriend and believe that your boyfriend treats you as well as you said. But what if your words are proven to be false and you were lying to me this whole time?”

Ye Wan Wan took a big bite of caramel pudding and without thinking, said, “If I was lying to you, then I’ll agree to be with you!”

After Ling Dong heard that, his face immediately brightened, “Are you serious?”

Ye Wan Wan nodded sincerely, “Of course I am!”

90 Girlfriend snatcher

Seconds and minutes passed, and just like that, twenty minutes flew by.

However, time was up and Si Ye Han still hadn't arrived.

But after the full twenty minutes, Xu Yi gave her a call.

"Hello, Ms Ye, we're very sorry. 9th master is in the middle of something; we'll need you to wait a while longer!"

"Ah... What's the matter?" Ye Wan Wan asked hastily.

Xu Yi's tone sounded somewhat odd, he hummed and hawed for a long time before answering, "No... No, it's nothing much, you just have to wait a while longer!"

"Oh, all right then," Ye Wan Wan was reassured.

After she hung up, Ye Wan Wan said to Ling Dong, "My boyfriend has a sudden matter to attend to so he'll be a bit late."

Ling Dong folded his arms across his chest and gave a knowing expression that he had expected her to say this. He casually replied, "It doesn't matter, I can wait."

Si Ye Han was usually very busy so it was normal for him to be delayed. Ye Wan Wan didn't think much of it and continued to wait.

Another half hour flew by.

Si Ye Han still hadn't arrived.

But Xu Yi called again and informed her with an embarrassed tone, "Ms Ye, 9th master hasn't settled things here, you might have to wait some more..."

"Oh, it's fine, let him finish up his work first!" Ye Wan Wan replied, not fussing at all.

Ling Dong, who was sitting opposite, looked at Ye Wan Wan, "Why? He's been delayed again?"

Ye Wan Wan nodded, "So sorry, he's extremely busy!"

Ling Dong played along, "No problem, I don't have anything to do anyway, we can take our time!"

Just like that, one long hour went by and the restaurant was emptying out.

After the hour, Xu Yi called for the third time.

This time, Xu Yi sounded even weirder. He was trembling in fear like he was about to cry. Ye Wan Wan wasn't sure what kind of trouble he'd gotten into.

"I'm truly sorry, 9th master is still not done..."

"Oh..." Ye Wan Wan felt that something was off. Could it be that something serious happened? Or did Si Ye Han actually not want to come?

But that couldn't be; if Si Ye Han didn't want to come, he could've rejected her outright. There was no point in him agreeing and then keep getting Xu Yi to give her excuses.

"How about... We meet another day?" Ye Wan Wan suggested.

Xu Yi panicked immediately, "No! Please! I'm really sorry Ms Ye. 9th master can't leave at the moment, but he'll be there tonight no matter what. Please wait a little longer, please!"

"Erm, alright then!"

After Xu Yi's pleading, Ye Wan Wan could only agree but she was very curious. What exactly was happening over at Si Ye Han's house?

After Ye Wan Wan hung up the phone for the third time, Ling Dong looked at the time, stared at her and said, "Wan Wan, if this so-called boyfriend you mentioned doesn't show up by 12 a.m. tonight, can it be considered that you were lying to me?"

Ye Wan Wan thought about Xu Yi promising that Si Ye Han would show up tonight no matter what and nodded in the end, "Yes."

Ling Dong's face lit up after hearing this and relaxed. Now, he eagerly watched the time pass, bit by bit.

There was only about an hour left till 12 a.m. Just an hour more and this girl would become his girlfriend!

91 Put her down!!

It was almost closing time for the restaurant and they were the only ones left.

Lately, Ye Wanwan's sleep schedule was pretty regular and she'd normally be fast asleep at this time so she felt quite sleepy.

When no one appeared after waiting some more, Ye Wanwan's eyelids became heavier and heavier. She leaned on her chin at first, then she started lying on the table and subsequently, fell asleep.

Ling Dong kept an intense watch over the time initially but when he raised his gaze, he realised that Ye Wanwan was sleeping soundly.

He stared at the way the girl slept and the fleeting glimpse from that night appeared in his head. His ears started burning bright red.

She'd said plainly that if she was lying to him, then she'd be his girlfriend. Did she agree because she actually liked him?

Ling Dong glanced at the time again and became quite excited. Passionately, he reached out to the girl's face, "Wanwan..."

At this moment, there was a smash and the restaurant's glass door was forced open by a slender and fair hand, accompanied by a gust of night wind.

"So sorry, our restaurant is closed... Erm..." That was the voice of the restaurant owner, dissipating into the night wind.

The sound of footsteps came closer and closer.

Ling Dong felt an inexplicable chill on his back and looked at the door subconsciously.

In the next second, his pupils constricted.

In his line of sight was a man walking towards him slowly.

The man was in a vintage classic black suit. His glacial eyes looked as if they were capable of freezing his soul.

As he walked over step by step, it seemed like he didn't resemble a person at all. He looked like a demon king who travelled with the night wind and used the light of the moon to reach the earth. The spacious restaurant suddenly appeared narrow and cramped.

Looking at the man's refined disposition and devilishly good looks, Ye Wanwan's words appeared in Ling Dong's head...

A thousand times better looking than Si Xia...

There was actually a person like that in this world, and this was him!

Just as Ling Dong regained his senses and realised he was gaping at the man, the man was suddenly standing right in front of him.

"Uh... You... Can I help you with anything?" Ling Dong asked subconsciously.

The man didn't reply and looked coldly at him. Ling Dong felt like he was his prey, being devoured at his throat.

As Ling Dong's body stiffened up, a cold sweat covered his forehead. Ye Wanwan, who was totally unconscious and in deep sleep, started falling off the side.

Seeing that Ye Wanwan was about to fall, Ling Dong started to reach out for her...

The man standing opposite used a relaxed, subtle and wickedly fast tilt of his body and caught the girl instead, who landed right into his arms.

Ling Dong looked at the man holding on to Ye Wanwan, hugging her, and his gaze tightened.

Ye Wanwan woke up in a shock, rubbed her eyes in a daze and looked at the person in front of her. She blanked out for a while. Then, slowly, she rubbed the man's body and grumbled, "What took you so long..."

The man looked at the girl in his arms; his cold gaze completely contrasted with his warm expression.

Ling Dong looked at Ye Wanwan and then at this man. What's... What's going on?

While Ling Dong stared blankly, the man started hoisting Ye Wanwan up.

Ling Dong finally regained his senses and blurted out, "Wait, put her down! Who are you?"

In the next moment, the chilly atmosphere around them intensified.

The man looked at the girl in his arms and while Ling Dong continued staring at him in shock, he slowly lowered his head and kissed the girl on her outrageously coloured lips...

92 The master's secre

Crash —the shattering sound of glass resounded.

The cup in Ling Dong's hand crashed onto the floor. It was as if he was struck by lightning as he stared at the two people opposite, flabbergasted, "You... You you you... You are..."

If he and Ye Wanwan together were a contrasting and unexpected pair, then the image of this person kissing Ye Wanwan was really something straight out of a sci-fi movie—it was simply too shocking!

"You're Ye Wanwan's boyfriend..." Ling Dong took a long time to find his voice.

Even he could never kiss Ye Wanwan with that makeup, much less Si Xia who was finding all kinds of excuses to get out of it, but this man actually...

He thought about what Ye Wanwan said before, that she dolled up like that because her boyfriend liked her this way.

What Ye Wanwan said was true!

The man's indifferent eyes barely looked at Ling Dong before he carried the girl and left the empty restaurant.

From beginning till the end, Ye Wanwan obediently remained locked in the man's embrace.

Perhaps she was feeling a little sluggish since she just woke up or maybe Si Ye Han's normally scary aura was absent. But being so close to Si Ye Han wasn't as repulsive as she'd imagined.

Between each breath, she could smell a light aroma of fruit trees. It was different from the usual cold vibe from Si Ye Han, but it smelled pretty good.

It might've been her illusion but this man was clearly still in the same old black outfit tonight, yet it gave her a very grand and formal vibe.

He never wore cologne but he did today. His subtle, luxurious, antique black cufflinks, his metallic tie clip and his suit's design looked similar to his other suits but after looking closely at the design, it appeared to be brand new...

The scariest thing was that this guy was too... handsome tonight...

She was blinded by Si Ye Han, even though she was so used to seeing that face of his.

Recalling Ling Dong's face now, she couldn't help but find it hilarious. This poor child's three values would probably be shattered into pieces tonight.

Xu Yi stood by the restaurant door and saw everything that happened inside, and he saw that the boy was still standing there in a daze.

Xu Yi wiped his sweat and couldn't help but criticise his master silently. Master, must you go that far ?

At this moment, Ye Wanwan had the same thought as well. Using Si Ye Han to fight a suitor of Ling Dong's rank was no different from using an ultimate boss to kill a beginner!

"Erm... Please... Put me down..." said Ye Wanwan, after seeing that Si Ye Han was still carrying her, seemingly without the intention of putting her down.

The man paused and the atmosphere became chilly in an instant. A moment later, he let her down.

Ye Wanwan jumped onto the ground, lifted her little head to look at the man in front of her, and said eagerly, "Can you carry me on your back..."

The man looked surprised after he heard that and immediately, bent forward in front of her slowly.

Ye Wanwan immediately climbed up onto the man's back, hugged his neck with both hands and yawned lazily, "This feels much better..."

Xu Yi watched how the both of them interacted and his heart was like a rollercoaster, going up and down.

He suddenly realised that whenever Ye Wanwan initiated intimacy, his violent and terrifying master became unbelievably docile.

On the silent and empty road, the man carried the girl as he walked back to school slowly.

Feeling her little head nodding on his back, the man asked, “Tired?”

Ye Wanwan nuzzled her head on his shoulders and nodded, “Yeah... Did something urgent happen to you today, was it important?”

“It’s fine.”

Ye Wanwan wasn’t fully convinced, “Really? But on the phone just now, housekeeper Xu sounded like he was about to cry!”

She shot a suspicious look over to Xu Yi as she spoke.

Xu Yi’s back stiffened and quickly waved his hands, “Oh, Ms Ye, it’s really nothing, it has all been settled.”

Even if you beat him to death, he would never dare to reveal that his elegant and aloof master went through outfit changes for three hours, tortured over ten stylists and made every servant in the house cry, before leaving the house...

93 My handsome boyfriend

Hearing what Xu Yi said, Ye Wanwan didn't probe any further but grumbled, "Luckily you arrived in time. Otherwise, I would've become someone else's girlfriend. Ling Dong and I made a bet; if he found out everything was a lie and my boyfriend didn't show up, I would agree to be his girlfriend..."

The chill beneath Si Ye Han's eyes had yet to spread before the girl continued in her victorious and chirpy voice, "Since you promised you'd come, I knew you'd definitely appear so I made a bet with him without thinking too much about it! Going by Ling Dong's reaction just now, he'll definitely give up this time. After all, my boyfriend is so handsome! You'd beat him in a beauty contest in a second even if you wore a sack!"

Listening to the girl gloating, the iciness beneath Si Ye Han's eyes immediately melted; it was obvious that Ye Wanwan's sucking up did the trick.

Xu Yi's face was covered with tears as he listened.

Even if he wore a sack? My lady, if you said so earlier, then people like us wouldn't have to go through such torture tonight!

He finally understood that ten thousand compliments from all of them couldn't compare to a single compliment of "handsome" from this girl.

The restaurant wasn't far from school and they arrived at their destination shortly after.

Ye Wanwan jumped off the man's back, "I'm here!"

The man turned and looked at the girl in front of him, his expression becoming cold again.

Ye Wanwan felt that his mood was really like the weather in March—overcast and unpredictable.

At the same time, in a little flowerbed not far from where Ye Wanwan and Si Ye Han were, stood two students: a boy and a girl.

The girl looked sweet and cute, dressed in a short pink skirt and had a delicately wrapped paper box in her hand. She stood timidly in front of the boy, “Si... Si Xia... I... I like you... I made these chocolates myself... I hope you like them...”

The boy standing opposite was dressed in oversized pyjamas like he had come from his dorm just before bed. But this didn’t seem to ruin his charm at all, but instead, it made him look even more casual and informal than usual, making the girl’s heart flutter.

At that moment, the boy whose face could charm all the girls looked disinterested and unconcerned, with a flash of impatience and annoyance, “I don’t have a sweet tooth.”

The girl’s face turned pale. She acted like she didn’t mind and spoke pleadingly, “Right... Then I’ll make something else next time...”

“And I don’t like you.”

After the boy was done talking, he turned and left immediately without a care for the girl.

Just as he was walking towards the dorm, the boy suddenly heard a familiar voice in the quiet air—— “I’m here!”

Si Xia paused and turned towards the direction of that voice subconsciously.

Ye Wanwan?

The boy furrowed his brows and hid in the shadows. He looked through the gaps between the branches and saw that under the nearby streetlights, Ye Wanwan was standing there talking to a man.

The man had his back to him and he could only see a faint figure, but with just one look, Si Xia’s face changed.

Si Ye Han!

How could it be?

Si Xia's face was filled with fear and uncertainty. He continued watching and saw that Ye Wanwan went up on her tiptoes and lightly kissed the man on his cheek, "Goodnight!"

She then left while turning and waving to the man.

At that moment, the slender and cold figure turned and the man stretched his arms out to grab the girl who hadn't managed to go far. He brought her into his embrace with one move, bent his body and gave one last, passionate kiss...

As Si Xia looked at the man's face, he was dumbstruck and stood rooted to the ground...

94 Ye Wanwan and Si Yehan?

When he saw his egotistical and cold 9th uncle bending over to kiss Ye Wanwan's nightmarish face...

Si Xia trembled and an explosion resounded in his head.

This...

What's going on here...

Ye Wanwan... And Si Ye Han?

These two were from completely different planets, different spaces and different levels, but at this moment, they actually appeared together. Not to mention in this kind of terrible relationship.

Could it be that the boyfriend Ye Wanwan keeps talking about is...

Si Xia steadied himself and looked under the streetlights again. He could only see that the man was turning away while Ye Wanwan walked in the direction of the girls' dormitory.

Si Xia stared at Ye Wanwan's back and stood in the dark for a long time.

Then his phone rang with a text message. He peeked at his phone and walked towards the boys' dormitory.

Just as he reached the first level of the dormitory, he saw Cheng Xue standing there.

Although it was already very late, Cheng Xue was still dressed neatly. She wore a beautiful dress without a single wrinkle. If you looked closely enough, you could see that she also had on exquisite, yet natural makeup.

"Why have you been outside?" Cheng Xue looked in the direction that Si Xia appeared from, as darkness flashed beneath her eyes.

It seemed like the news was right; some shameless girl was trying to seduce him in the middle of the night!

“Is anything the matter?” Si Xia’s tone was much more pleasant when he spoke to Cheng Xue than when he spoke to that other girl earlier.

“Can’t I just drop by? Lately, you’ve always been busy with that ugly freak Ye Wanwan, and there are always girls harassing you during the day. I don’t have any chances to talk to you!” Cheng Xue was unhappy and grumbled with a bit of playfulness.

“If nothing’s the matter then we’ll talk tomorrow—I have something to do now.” Si Xia spoke as he entered the dormitory staircase.

Cheng Xue was flustered by that, “It’s so late already, what do you have to do? Was that Han Xiao Ru with you just now?”

“Yeah,” Si Xia didn’t deny it.

Cheng Xue clenched her fist tightly, “What did she want?”

Si Xia: “To give me chocolates.”

Han Xiao Ru, that girl!

Cheng Xue gritted her teeth right after hearing that, but seeing that Si Xia was empty-handed, it was obvious that he didn’t accept them and then she was happy once more, “The girls in this school are so annoying to harass you every day! She actually gave you chocolates but doesn’t she know that you’re allergic to cocoa powder?”

She then took out a bag and gave it to him, “This is your favourite almond cake—you can have it for breakfast tomorrow!”

“Thanks,” Si Xia accepted the gift.

Seeing that Si Xia accepted her cake, Cheng Xue’s gloomy mood immediately disappeared. She stared at that dazzling face and said shyly, “You don’t have to be so polite with me. I can make it for you next time if you like it! Auntie Si said that my baking skills are getting better!”

I knew that he sees me differently from all those other girls!

Tsk, I can't believe all these wildflowers and weeds in school are actually trying to snatch my man!

"I won't keep you then, have an early night after you're done with your work!"

Knowing that he no longer had any business with Han Xiao Ru, Cheng Xue was relieved. With her crazily pounding heart, she ran off excitedly.

However, the girl didn't know that once she left, the polite, courteous expression of the boy immediately disappeared, revealing an indifferent expression that completely contrasted with the usual perfect image he had in front of her; it even had a hint of disgust and contempt.

The boy walked a few steps ahead leisurely and casually threw the delicately wrapped cake into the garbage can next to him.

After he entered, the boy didn't go to his own dorm. Instead, he went upstairs to see Ling Dong.

95 So handsome he could turn me gay!

“Who is it?” A boy in his undershirt and oversized boxers pulled open the door with a sleepy face.

After he saw that the person at the door was Si Xia, he was stunned for a moment, “Oh, Si Xia...”

Even though it was very common in the boys’ dormitory for guys to drop by, standing in front of him was the dream boy of every girl in school and the common enemy of every boy. Furthermore, like the school’s goddess, Cheng Xue, he was clearly not from a simple family; he was from a completely different world from nobodies like them. Besides, Si Xia always kept to himself; he didn’t usually hang out with them, not to mention dropping by in the middle of the night.

So seeing him here at this late hour, the boy was inevitably surprised, “Do you need something?”

“I’m looking for Ling Dong,” Si Xia replied.

“Oh, you’re looking for Dong ge [1]. He just came back, it’s just that...” The boy scratched his head, looking rather vexed, “You’re here at a bad time, Dong ge isn’t really in a good state right now...”

“Not in a good state?”

“Come in, you’ll understand once you see it for yourself!” The boy sighed and opened the door.

Just as Si Xia stepped inside, a pungent smell of alcohol overwhelmed him.

After Si Xia entered, the boy quickly closed the door, afraid that the smell of alcohol would escape and expose them to the dorm inspector.

He saw that Ling Dong was sitting on the floor like a puddle of mud, seemingly completely drunk beyond his senses and

mumbling Ye Wanwan's name.

"Wanwan... Wanwan... Why do you treat me like that... Why didn't I find out sooner..."

With just one look at his condition, anyone with a discerning eye would know immediately that he was heartbroken.

"What happened?" Si Xia glanced at the three boys in the dorm.

The three boys looked at one another. The boy who just opened the door stepped closer and said mysteriously, "Dong ge went to meet Ye Wanwan's boyfriend this evening! Ye Wanwan actually has a boyfriend! Can you believe it?"

"Really?" Si Xia's eyes glistened slightly.

"That's right! At first, we all thought that Ye Wanwan was lying about having a boyfriend in order to turn Dong ge off. She even said that her boyfriend was extremely good-looking, bragging non-stop! Who would believe her? But, who could've guessed that when Dong ge went, he actually got to meet the guy!"

"More than just meet—according to Dong ge, that man was so handsome he could shatter the skies, and compared to you, Si Xia, he was..." the boy sighed and stopped.

"Oh, better looking than me, right?" Si Xia spoke softly.

The boy rubbed his nose and answered awkwardly, "Anyway, that was what Dong ge said. We all suspected that he's drunk. Otherwise, how could he have said such nonsense!"

"How could there be any good looking and blind man in this world that would fall in love with Ye Wanwan?"

"Exactly, so what if Ye Wanwan has a boyfriend? Dong ge still has a chance to win her over right?"

While the boys were conversing, Ling Dong, who was drunk in the corner, waved his beer bottle and shouted in anger, "Damn it... Handsome... So handsome he could turn me gay... As if I could fight him..."

The three boys on the side: "..."

What the hell do you mean that he was so handsome he could turn you gay?!

Dong ge, calm down a little, Dong ge!

Si Xia glanced at Ling Dong and after a few moments, he walked over to him and squatted down. Then, he passed his phone to him, “Was it him you saw this evening?”

Ling Dong looked at Si Xia’s phone in a daze. In the next second, his drunkard expression suddenly sobered up and he sat up quivering suddenly, “You... Why would you have a picture of Ye Wanwan’s boyfriend?”

Hearing that, Si Xia closed both his eyes immediately and beneath his eyes was a significant darkness.

Si Ye Han...

It was really him...

That woman in Jin garden actually was Ye Wanwan, his classmate from the same school and class, right under his nose!

96 I can teach you

As Si Xia took his seat, the girls jabbered away. Zhao Xing Zhou's face suddenly became stern and said, "All right all right, calm down everybody. Why aren't you guys so excited to see me?"

"Teacher, you're not handsome!" some girls retorted immediately.

"Hey, what did you just say? Please repeat yourself, loud and clear!" There was an obvious threat in Zhao Xing Zhou's voice.

"Teacher, you're the most handsome!" The girl shouted in fear.

"Very good! Continue with the questions then!"

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After messing around for awhile, everybody continued with the questions, but it was very obvious that all the bewitched girls were not fully focused on their studies anymore.

After Si Xia sat down, he glanced through the practice questions once and did not bother with them any further. He laid his head down and started sleeping as usual.

Ye Wanwan was filled with jealousy—far from handing in blank exam papers like her, this chap knew how to do every question.

Compared to how she had to memorise sample answers and scoring well out of sheer luck on her last test, Si Xia always got perfect marks for math, aside from the times when he purposely skipped exams.

In her eyes, this kind of person was a total anomaly.

Certainly, there must be no normal human in the Si family!

Ye Wanwan was bitterly doing her work while cursing under her breath when she suddenly felt a weight on her shoulder and fresh clean scent wafted into her nose.

Ye Wanwan turned her head stiffly to look and realised that Si Xia had slumped over in his sleep and was now leaning on her shoulder!!!

At that moment, there was an uproar in class—the girls who had fixed their attention on Si Xia this whole time dropped their jaws. Cheng Xue's glare was murderous.

“Damn damn damn! Si Xia actually... actually leaned against her shoulder!”

“Ye Wanwan, this slut!”

“Nobody stop me, I'm going to break that ugly freak's claws!”

...

As Ye Wanwan faced the murderous stares from all the girls in the class, she hurriedly tried to reposition the sleeping beauty on her shoulder carefully.

Oh my god, save me!

How is this my fault? I'm a victim too, right?

But if she really said those words out loud, she might be beaten to death so she could only swallow her words down.

Thankfully, when she was halfway through moving him, Si Xia awoke.

That sleepy face and lazy eyes are simply... too dreamy!

After looking at Si Ye Han's face for so many years, she thought she was already immune to his beauty yet she was still electrified by just a glance.

Although Si Xia really couldn't compare to Si Ye Han; they were entirely different species.

Si Ye Han was dangerous and mysterious, egotistical and arrogant while at the moment, Si Xia was the kind of king who could charm thousands of girls.

After Si Xia woke up, he rubbed his forehead lazily and glanced at Ye Wanwan's question booklet, “This question...”

Ye Wanwan looked over, surprised, “What?”

“You got this question wrong, and this, this is wrong too...”

Watching Si Xia picking out numerous questions, Ye Wanwan's brows twitched and she took a deep breath, "Just tell me which questions I got right!"

Si Xia's fair and slender fingers pointed at two of the questions, "You got two multiple choice questions right."

"These two questions.... were wild guesses!"

Ye Wanwan was so sad that she wanted to bang her head on the desk.

I thought my math wasn't that bad!

"I can teach you," Si Xia smiled.

97 Do you miss me?

Hearing that, Ye Wanwan shuddered as she finally realised what was different about Si Xia today. Usually, he would be lying on the desk asleep and wouldn't even look at her the whole day.

But today, he actually took the initiative to talk with her, and even offered to teach her math?

cough “No thanks, I don't want to die a humiliating death! By the way... Where did you go today? Why'd you only come to last period? All the girls were going crazy from missing you!”

Most importantly, everyone blamed me for his absence!

Ye Wanwan thought out loud, “If Si Xia really didn't come because of me, then I should just ask the teacher to change seats. I can't change my role in the play, but at the very least I want to try to change seats...”

“Really?” Si Xia asked softly.

“Yes!” Ye Wanwan nodded, then took the opportunity to ask, “You didn't come today, was it because...”

Then, before Ye Wanwan could finish, Si Xia interrupted her and asked, “What about you?”

“Huh? What about me?” Ye Wanwan didn't understand what Si Xia was trying to get at.

Si Xia looked at her shyly and said, “Did you miss me?”

Ye Wanwan was completely dumbfounded: “...”

Damn!!!

What game is he trying to play?!

Ye Wanwan's body was covered in goosebumps and as she stared back in shock, her whole face in terror, she asked, “You... Do you have a fever?”

“All right, everybody please stop! I’m going to take up the questions now. If you had any trouble with the questions, listen up and pay attention!”

Zhao Xing Zhou’s words cut through the strange atmosphere.

Ye Wanwan clutched her chest, her whole face frightened and uncertain while still thinking about those words that scared her half to death!

Is this guy just teasing me?

By the end of the class, the girls were glaring at her so hard she thought they would burn a hole in her body.

Although they couldn’t hear what Si Xia and she were talking about, they were fully aware that today Si Xia not only leaned on her shoulder but he even spoke to her for the first time. No matter the topic, it was enough to make people want to beat up and drown Ye Wanwan.

All the girls in school had a consensus that Si Xia belonged to all of them and nobody was allowed to fight for him. If this unspoken rule was broken, the offender would become a public enemy.

Even if a girl wanted to break the rule, she would only dare to confess her love to Si Xia secretly, lest she faces the wrath of the others.

If she was found out, she wouldn’t be able to come to school anymore.

On the surface, it looked like Ye Wanwan had actually dared to seduce Si Xia in front of everyone and thus attracted quite a lot of hatred.

Of course, the reality was that Si Xia had leaned against her accidentally and it was also Si Xia who initiated the conversation, but nobody cared about these facts—the person who was in the wrong was obviously Ye Wanwan!

Ye Wanwan initially thought that this would all be over after school. Who knew that Si Xia, who had missed rehearsals consecutively for so many days, would actually show up today?

At rehearsal, Ye Wanwan rehearsed distractedly with her brows furrowed. She began to have a strange ominous premonition...

Si Xia sat against the window and as usual, he was surrounded by a group of girls making a big fuss over him.

“Si Xia, that ugly freak is getting more and more out of hand—she even harrassed you in class!”

“Don’t worry Si Xia, we’ve already submitted a petition demanding to switch Ye Wanwan out. Miss Liang will definitely meet our demands!”

“Actually, you didn’t have to come today, Miss Liang will announce her decision tomorrow!”

“That’s right, why don’t you go back and have a good rest. You must be nauseous after that math class!”

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While the girls bombarded Si Xia, the other students preceding him had finished rehearsing and it was now his turn.

The class monitor walked up to Si Xia and asked weakly, “Um... Si Xia, it’s your turn, do you... want to rehearse today?”

With everyone’s attention, Si Xia slowly stood up from his seat and glanced at the stage, “Of course.”

98 A kiss from the hunk

Ye Wanwan had initially thought that Si Xia wasn't coming to rehearsal today so she had applied purple lipstick.

Seeing Si Xia walking over, she asked subconsciously, "Um, do you want me to change the colour?"

She remembered how Si Xia couldn't stand this colour.

Si Xia glanced at her and an unusual warmth flashed across his eyes, "No need, it's nice."

Ye Wanwan: "...!!!"

What? Nice?

Could someone save me from this guy?!

Ye Wanwan was so shaken up that she started to touch up her makeup to calm her nerves, but her eyeliner came out crooked as her hands shook and she even smudged her lipstick.

Si Xia glanced at Ye Wanwan's face and a fleeting smile appeared on his gentle face, but in the next moment he took a deep breath and said, "Let's start rehearsing!"

Since Si Xia himself wanted to rehearse, the flock of girls surrounding him were powerless to do anything and could only sit and watch unwillingly.

The rehearsal of the final act "Meet the Prince" began.

After Snow White was poisoned, a prince rode his white horse through the forest, lost his way and found a little wooden house by some strange coincidence. There, he saw seven little dwarves mourning for Princess Snow White.

Si Xia slowly walked towards the table where Ye Wanwan lay and gazed at the girl's face with his glass-like eyes filled with deep emotion and sadness.

All the people watching were full of admiration.

Wow! The hunk's acting skills today are off the charts!

Ye Wanwan's role in this scene of the play tested everybody to the MAX—the girls had to imagine this “ugly freak” as the world's most beautiful Princess Snow White...

After this, the most disturbing scene was about to begin—the prince giving a kiss of true love to wake up the sleeping Snow White.

Si Xia stroked the girl's hair lightly. With one arm propped beside her, he then slowly bent his body down...

His motions made all the girls blush; with hearts pounding, they each wanted to rush up on stage to lay down in Ye Wanwan's place.

“Oh I'm so mad! I really want to be kissed by the hunk as well!”

“The hunk's too nice and gentle, yet he still forced himself to rehearse this scene!”

“But someone is taking advantage of his gentleness! Shame on her!”

Everybody gritted their teeth. With aching hearts, they collectively prepared a bottle of mineral water and garbage bin for Si Xia.

Meanwhile, as Si Xia stroked the girl's hair lightly, he accidentally brushed her neck and his fingers suddenly stiffened up.

Ye Wanwan's skin was as fair as goat's milk; one word immediately surfaced in his mind when he touched it: delicate.

Si Xia was a little taken aback and retracted his fingers quickly like he had just gotten burnt while the ends of his ears started reddening. He immediately calmed himself down, bent down again and edged closer to the girl bit by bit...

Cheng Xue, who was watching, suddenly stood up and shouted, “What is going on?!”

All the other girls were stunned as well.

Why didn't Si Xia run away as usual when he got this close? This time, he's actually leaning closer and closer!

Everybody watched as the distance between the two of them shrank. Even if they were just getting in position, they didn't have to be that close.

Damn! What is going on? Could it be that Si Xia really wants to do it for real?

Even the distracted Ling Dong, who was watching from the corner of the room, suddenly changed his expression when he realised what was happening.

Although Ye Wanwan had closed her eyes, she could feel Si Xia's breath. When she felt that something wasn't quite right, she quickly opened her eyes. In the next second, Si Xia's face loomed directly in front of her...

99 It's my responsibility

At that moment, a shout came from the hallway, "Ms. Liang is here!"

At the door, Liang Li Hua walked in. By her side was the petition delivered to her by Cheng Xue's cronies. It looked like they realised something was wrong so they were ordered by Cheng Xue to bring reinforcement.

Everybody sighed in relief instantly at the sight of Ms. Liang and Ye Wanwan also quickly took the chance to sit up.

Unsure if it was her imagination, Ye Wanwan thought she saw a shred of disappointment on Si Xia's face as if he was unhappy at the interruption.

Liang Li Hua held the petition in her hand and turned to stare at Ye Wanwan in annoyance, "Ye Wanwan, why is it you all the time? How much trouble are you going to make before you're satisfied?"

She then turned to the crowd and said, "I've seen everybody's concerns, and initially, we assigned the roles randomly so that it would be fair. But since the results have caused such a big problem and rehearsals aren't going smoothly, I have decided to choose another candidate for the role of Snow White. Are there any objections?"

Upon hearing this, everyone was suddenly in high spirits. This brought great satisfaction to everyone and everybody replied in unison, "No!"

Ye Wanwan heaved a sigh of relief as well. Finally, the moment she had been waiting for.

But at this moment, an unexpected voice came from her side, "I object."

The person who spoke was Si Xia.

Cheng Xue quickly ran to Si Xia and pulled at his shirt while whining softly, "Si Xia, what are you talking about? The

teacher has already agreed, why are you still so stubborn?”

Ye Wanwan looked at Si Xia warily. What is this guy trying to do this time...?

The boy’s icy gaze swept across the room, “If the roles are going to be changed over and over, are we then going to change the next candidate halfway as well? Anyway, there isn’t much time left until the performance—if we choose someone else, we’ll have to start from scratch. We’ve been rehearsing well aside from the final act and the problem with that act lies with me. I now have things under control and I promise that rehearsals will proceed smoothly from here on.”

Not only were the students stunned but Liang Li Hua had never considered the possibility that Si Xia would object. She furrowed her brows and said, “But even if you can act successfully, Ye Wanwan’s image is still a big problem.”

Si Xia replied without a change in his expression, “There is a certain artistic flair and exaggeration in the theatre—Ye Wanwan’s image is not a problem at all. Besides, in the later stages, we could use some styling and masks to conceal and solve the problem. I will discuss all these concerns with the class monitor and bring a viable and detailed proposal to you.”

After Si Xia had presented his views, Liang Li Hua was unhappy but couldn’t protest any further, “If you insist, I won’t object, but if there’s a problem...”

Actually, she considered Ye Wanwan to be a secondary problem—her biggest issue lay with Si Xia. She thought Si Xia resented that Ye Wanwan was playing Snow White, so she took his concerns seriously.

But who knew that Si Xia’s attitude was completely different from what the other students had said?

This guy wasn’t someone a nobody like her could afford to offend.

The others may not have known Si Xia’s background, but she was well-informed and knew that he wasn’t just from an ordinary wealthy family!

If not for her lover confiding in her, she would never have imagined that Si Xia had such powerful backing.

100 Sacrificing my image without hesitation

“I was the one who drew the lot for Snow White; I’ll take full responsibility,” Si Xia said.

There was silence throughout the entire hall. Everyone was shocked by this unexpected development.

“Since Si Xia’s spoken, we’ll leave this for now. You can come talk to me if there are any more problems.”

Who cares about the petition? In the end, Liang Li Hua naturally placed the most importance on Si Xia’s opinion, thus she left, satisfied that Si Xia was content.

After Liang Li Hua left, Cheng Xue rushed to Si Xia and shouted at him furiously, “Si Xia, why are you speaking up for that ugly freak?!”

Si Xia didn’t respond; he might not have even heard what Cheng Xue said. At that moment, his attention and gaze were fixated on Ye Wanwan.

The focus in that gaze gave him a gentle and attached expression, an appearance of years and years of waiting...

His gaze completely lit up the rage in Cheng Xue. She turned and stomped towards Ye Wanwan and raised her hand in anger, “Ye Wanwan! You shameless slut, what have you done to Si Xia?!”

Without waiting for Ye Wanwan’s reaction, suddenly, a figure swiftly flashed before her eyes.

After that came the resounding sound of a slap— “Pa!”

Cheng Xue’s slap didn’t land on her face but on Si Xia’s.

Due to the height difference, Cheng Xue’s slap landed on the area near Si Xia’s chin; her sharp nails left a striking bloody mark on his fair skin immediately.

Cheng Xue realised that she had slapped Si Xia by accident and was stunned, “Si Xia... I... I didn’t do it on purpose... Sorry...”

A trace of murderous intentions flashed beneath Si Xia’s glacial eyes, “Take back what you just said. If there’s a next time, don’t come crying to me.”

Ye Wanwan was in despair: “...”

What grudge does this guy have for me?! Within a few short seconds, he’s directed tons of hate towards me! The girls’ resentment has turned into something physical!

However, that wasn’t enough. When Si Xia turned to her, his cold gaze suddenly melted and even had a trace of caution and flattery, “Are you all right? Are you scared?”

Ye Wanwan: “...”

Yes! I’m scared! I was almost scared to death by you, big brother!

Who can explain what just happened?

Even if she was slow, she could tell that Si Xia had been teasing her on purpose the whole day.

But she couldn’t imagine how she had offended him that made him so vindictive.

Cheng Xue stared at her ferociously, then cried and ran away. Everyone else in the hall also left, one after another, in fright and uncertainty.

When only Ye Wanwan and Si Xia were left, Ye Wanwan couldn’t help but ask, “Could you tell me, most respected hunk, Your Highness, where have I offended you? Was it because I said that my boyfriend was better looking than you so you have a grudge against me? Erm, you didn’t hesitate to give up your image over this; isn’t that too big of a sacrifice?”

“Image...” Si Xia slowly stroked his own face that was slightly red because of the slap, “This face, you like it? I feel honoured.”

Ye Wanwan: “...” This guy’s reaction was too weird!

As she stood there speechless, she saw him walking towards her.

Ye Wanwan took a step back subconsciously, but he went down on his knees in front of her all of a sudden. In a kneeling position, he reached out his hand and helped her tie her shoelace that was accidentally untied...