

Chapter 371: I Got Into Provincial No.1 Middle School

Mrs. Tong looked at Old Chen. He was a new librarian but he was able to attend this meeting. She smiled and said slowly, "How do you know what I want to say before I open my mouth?"

"Come, tell me what you want to say then." Principal Cao appeared to listen to her intently. He laughed and said, "It looks like our popular Mrs. Tong wants to help her student achieve something."

Mrs. Tong was popular among her students. Her students sometimes even called her Sister Tong. This showed how close she was with her students.

"Besides forgoing her school fees, do you think you can prioritize her when there are competitions? There are rewards for most competitions so I think that it will be a good way to encourage her to study hard so that she can change her standard of living."

Principal Cao nodded and agreed with her suggestion. She was thinking for her student.

There was only one reason why he didn't want to send Ye Jian to Mrs. Tong's class. Yet, he couldn't tell her this reason.

As they were speaking, someone knocked on the door. A low voice sounded, "Is Principal Cao inside? I'm Xia Jinyuan."

Xia Jinyuan...?

Principal Cao looked at the new librarian. "Old Chen, this young man seems more close to you. Is he looking for you?"

"I met him yesterday and asked him to fetch Ye Jian this morning." Old Chen was Principal Chen. He was now working as a librarian at the school. He stood up and smiled at Mrs. Tong. "Ye Jian should be here. If you have any questions, you can ask her. She is a bold person. She isn't shy."

In order to not affect Ye Jian's training, Principal Chen rejected the position of a director and became a librarian. He wouldn't have anything to do after his work and he would be free during the summer and winter vacations too.

The door opened. A few leaders of the school left. They smiled when they saw Ye Jian.

"Come in. Major Xia, have a seat too." Principal Cao shook hands with Xia Jinyuan and then looked at Ye Jian. He couldn't control his smile.

Last year, he felt pity that he didn't get such a good student. However, this year, she still came to his school.

She had grown taller and her aura was quieter now. “Ye Jian, I feel at ease that you came. Come inside and have a seat.”

“Your future form teacher, Mrs. Tong, is here. Also...” He tilted his body so that Ye Jian was able to look behind him. He pointed behind him and said, “Old Chen has been waiting for you for a long time. If you didn’t come, he might have gone to the train station to look for you.”

Principal Chen walked over wearing the badge of Provincial No.1 Middle School. He laughed when he saw the stunned Ye Jian. He told Mrs. Tong, “This child doesn’t know that I came to work here. I didn’t tell her so she must be in shock now.”

She was really stunned. So this was why Uncle Gen let her leave without worry. He knew that Principal Chen was working here.

Mrs. Tong was familiar with Ye Jian. She left a lasting impression on Mrs. Tong during the training in Provincial No.1 Middle School last year. That was why she fought for Ye Jian to be in her class.

Chapter 372: Surpass Everyone

Ye Jian had a photographic memory so she recognized Mrs. Tong. The two of them started chatting.

On the other side, Principal Chen and Xia Jinyuan had started their own conversation too. Mrs. Tong asked Ye Jian about her condition. She was a kind teacher with a pair of amiable but stern eyes. She asked Ye Jian about her studies and her personal life. She was very detailed and concerned.

Mrs. Tong liked this quiet and resolute student. She smiled the entire time she was talking to Ye Jian. “All your teachers have looked at your script. You won’t have a problem catching up with the class. You can even jump to the tenth grade if you want to.”

“Your lessons will start tomorrow. You will enter the class with me and do a simple self-introduction. I’ll pass you the details of your classmates so that you can get to know them first. There is no need to worry. The classes just split according to their specialization so everyone is new to one another.”

Ye Jian had met a teacher that wanted to destroy a student for her personal interest. When she looked at Mrs. Tong, she felt that these two teachers were vastly different even though their occupation is the same.

She pursed her lips and smiled. “Thank you for your concern. I don’t have many problems in my personal life. If I need your help with work, I will have to disturb you.” The more polite and well-mannered she was, the more the teacher liked her.

“Sure! You’re really a good student! I’ll hand you the class list in a moment.” Mrs. Tong patted Ye Jian’s hand and said to Principal Cao happily, “Principal, I still have things to do. I’ll make a move first.”

Ye Jian could imagine her interesting senior high school life already. She was lucky to have such a good teacher.

After Mrs. Tong left, Principal Cao walked out from behind his desk and looked at Ye Jian sternly. “There’s one thing I have to inform you first so that you’ll be prepared tomorrow.”

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For some reason, Ye Jian looked at Xia Jinyuan. She felt as though looking at him would give her a sense of security.

Coincidentally, Xia Jinyuan looked back at her too. Their gazes met. Xia Jinyuan gave a teasing smile. Ye Jian quickly looked away.

Why did she look at him?

Ye Jian was frustrated that she got caught. She calmed down and asked calmly, "Please say it. I'm listening."

"Ye Ying is also in Provincial No.1 Middle School. You know that, right?" Principal Cao went straight onto the main topic. "I wanted to put you in Class Six where the environment is not so stressful. The form teacher of that class is not bad too."

"However, Mrs. Tong took much effort to pull you into her class. Because of this, the form teacher of Class Six was unhappy with Mrs. Tong."

Mrs. Tong even had a quarrel with the leaders of the school because of Ye Jian. She persuaded the form teacher of Class Six for a long time and managed to get the other form teacher to say yes to her. He didn't know what she said to that form teacher.

By the time he knew about it, everything had been finalized.

"Mrs. Tong has taught 12 batches of students and has 24 years of experience as a form teacher. I'm not worried about her. I'm only worried because Ye Ying is in her class too."

Chapter 373: Being Ambiguous Again

This was why Principal Cao couldn't explain clearly why he wanted to put Ye Jian in Class Six.

Ye Jian smiled when she heard this. She thought that it was something serious. "I'll have to meet her anyway. We're in the same school. Hence, there's nothing to worry about being in the same class."

"I think that I'm not the one that doesn't want to see her. She should be unwilling to see me instead."

Xia Jinyuan smiled. This was indeed nothing serious. However... he retracted his smile and his gaze turned serious. It's better to be careful.

It seems like he needed to trouble his iron lady of a cousin again.

He looked at the time. It was 10 am. He remembered that he had something to do in the afternoon so he smiled and said, "Uncle Chen, I've completed my mission. There are some things I need to do so I won't be able to join you for lunch. I'll make a move first."

He stood up. The three people sitting down had to look up at him because of his height. Ye Jian saw his sharp jawline. The image of her wiping his sweat this morning flashed past her mind. Her expression turned a little awkward.

When he looked at her, Ye Jian got nervous again. She hurriedly got up and said, "I'll send him out. Uncle Chen, Principal Cao, I'll find Mrs. Tong directly later and go back to the dormitory to unpack my luggage."

Xia Jinyuan was stunned when she volunteered to send him out. After that, he got pushed out of the office by Ye Jian. She closed the door hurriedly as though she was a thief. Xia Jinyuan couldn't help but laugh softly.

He understood why she was so proactive.

"When I hear you laughing, I know that something bad will happen." Ye Jian's ears were red. She was afraid that he would say something ambiguous like 'see you tonight'. Hence, she didn't think much and pushed him out of the office.

Now, she placed her hands behind her back in a fluster. She could still feel the warmth of his body on her hands. Her fingers started moving unnaturally. Ye Jian could feel her face burning.

She looked at him unnaturally and stubbornly. His handsome and exquisite face was reflected in her eyes. Maybe it was because a school was somewhere she was able to feel at ease so she suddenly realized that the gaze of this man had gotten deeper and darker.

She looked into the pair of eyes. The entire world seemed to be inside his eyes.

Time was kind to him. It didn't leave any marks on his handsome face. It just allowed his aura to become greater. He seemed more mature than last time. His gaze was intimidating and oppressive. It made people listen to him.

He was a soldier. A soldier that would make people frightened.

"Are you going to send me off? Or are you thinking if you should go back on your words?" Xia Jinyuan raised his hand and placed a finger between her eyebrows. She was frowning so much. "Why do you like to frown so much? Be careful of wrinkles growing on your forehead."

He raised his hands quickly so Ye Jian was only able to move her head slightly in an attempt to dodge it. However, she was too immersed in looking at him so she didn't manage to evade his hand.

Chapter 374: You Still Have Some Conscience

His hand was warm. It managed to stop her brows from furrowing. She tilted her head again and carefully moved away from his hands.

Her mouth was a little dry. She opened her mouth calmly, "Don't you have something on? Let's go. I need to go look for Mrs. Tong in her office later."

She was like a little deer that wanted to escape from her hunter hurriedly. Xia Jinyuan noticed her emotions so he smiled. He walked down the stairs calmly.

He didn't park his car in the school. Thus, after walking down the stairs, he said in a lazy tone. "I've left my gift in the car. Little girl, you have to follow me to the entrance of the school."

He managed to stop Ye Jian from leaving after she sent him to the stairs. She had no choice but to follow him.

Xia Jinyuan managed to learn how to create more interactions between them all by himself.

The sun was shining brightly at this timing. The school was packed with students and parents who were carrying all kinds of luggage. The school seemed vibrant and lively. No matter how hot the weather was, it was unable to wipe the smile off everyone's faces.

The school was beautiful. It was a school with a hundred years of history after all so the scenery in this school was much better than the other schools. Ye Jian saw Xia Jinyuan stopping beside a broken wall. Her heart skipped a beat. She pretended that she didn't see him and continued walking forward.

Xia Jinyuan smiled as he looked at her hurried back view. The sly little fox didn't want to stay any longer with him.

What should he do? She didn't want to but he wanted to stay longer beside her.

One person walked hurriedly while the other walked at a normal pace. Fortunately, there were many students in school today. Most parents had all their attention on their child so they didn't notice these two people. If not, such a handsome man and a pretty lady would have attracted many people's attention.

"Follow me to find Mrs. Tong later. We'll ask her out for a meal too. You must have a good relationship with your form teacher since you managed to get into the advanced class."

A familiar voice with an unfamiliar tone was heard among the crowd. Ye Jian stopped in her tracks. She stood under the shadow of a tree and looked over coldly.

She saw Ye Zhifan carrying some luggage. Ye Ying was beside him. They walked past her around four-people distance away. Sun Dongqing was behind them. She was talking to some other parents. The expression on her face was still the same. She looked arrogant.

As for Ye Ying, she had grown taller over the years. She had shoulder-length hair and was wearing a denim dress. She stood out from the other students in terms of looks and aura.

Also, she was much fairer than in her past life. Fair skin hides all ugliness. She looked prettier than in her past life.

They were in the same class. Very good. It was like in middle school all over again. Luckily, she didn't meet another Mrs. Ke.

Ye Jian smiled and retracted her gaze. Xia Jinyuan caught up with her. "Not bad. You still have some conscience and know that you should wait for me." It was a beautiful misunderstanding once again. His tall figure blocked Sun Dongqing's gaze when she glanced over coincidentally.

"Ye Ying's mother, what are you looking at? Your daughter is waiting for you." One of the parents called her enthusiastically. "I didn't expect my daughter to be in the same class as Yingying. Please let Yingying guide her. Especially..."

Chapter 375: Beauty In My Arms

Sun Dongqing retracted her gaze when she heard the parent currying her favor. She smiled. "Of course, of course." Did she see wrong? Why did that person look like that wicked girl Ye Jian?

She must have had an illusion. Why will that wicked girl appear in this renowned school? She was worse than a dog. Provincial No.1 Middle School won't accept her.

After taking a few steps, Xia Jinyuan turned back unknowingly and took a glance at the plump lady. He narrowed his eyes dangerously. They met on the first day of school... It looks like Little Fox needs to continue fighting with them during her senior high life.

Fortunately, Little Fox is not the kind of person that can be bullied easily. It will be easy for her to suppress Ye Ying in school.

The heat in the car rushed out the moment they opened the car door. Ye Jian took a few steps back because of the heat. She reacted quickly and grabbed Xia Jinyuan who was about to enter the car. "Wait for a moment. It's too hot."

Her grip was a little hard. Xia Jinyuan's weight was on his upper half of the body so when she grabbed him so forcefully, he fell backward into Ye Jian's arms.

Xia Jinyuan never watched many dramas but he knew that normally, a female should be the one falling down. Their roles had changed!

Luckily, he had a strong back. While Ye Jian was still thinking about what to do, he made use of the strength of her hand and pulled himself up. Then, he grabbed Ye Jian and pulled her into his arms while stabilizing himself.

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Ye Jian was stunned.

She didn't expect to make a major miscalculation in her rush to prevent him from getting into the car.

She was afraid that he would embarrass himself so she used her arm to prevent him from falling down. Ye Jian felt frustrated at her intelligence sometimes. Why did she use her arm to stop him? Wasn't it the same as hugging him voluntarily?

The moment she stretched out her hand, she regretted her action. What happened after that made her regret even more!

Xia Jinyuan moved his body effortlessly and changed the situation. He was supposed to be in a haggard state but he grabbed Ye Jian and pulled her into his arms with his body weight.

She had to stand up straight to prevent the two of them from falling while he hugged her tightly.

Xia Jinyuan never expected this to happen. The ending was unexpected too. The process was slightly dangerous but the results were good.

Xia Jinyuan didn't let go immediately. As a mature young man, it was understandable that he didn't want to let Little Fox go.

"I almost embarrassed myself today." Xia Jinyuan pretended to be in shock when he said this. He spoke right next to her ear. "Little girl, you're strong. I just wanted to take some things from the car. You don't have to save me as though it was an emergency."

During normal times, this wouldn't happen. He just didn't put up a guard against her.

"I.. I didn't do it on purpose. I just used more force than usual." Ye Jian was quite frightened too. She felt helpless as he hugged her. Her arms were wide opened. She didn't know if she should hold him or not.

Chapter 376: Captain Xia, Stand Up

Her face was red and her heart was racing. She could only apologize. "I'm sorry. I'll take note of it next time. Captain Xia, can you stand up straight? Release your hands. It's a little hot. There're many people here too. It's embarrassing."

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Ye Jian felt that it was embarrassing but Xia Jinyuan felt happy. It was not embarrassing to him at all.

It was not hot too. Her body was cold. She wasn't sweating and the refreshing smell from her body was still present. It removed all the heat. It was a good thing that she grew taller. Last time, he needed to bend down to hug her. Now, he just needed to curve his back slightly and he would be able to hug her comfortably.

The last time he met her was when she was 14 years old. Now, she was 16 years old. She had turned into a beautiful and well-liked lady for many young men.

"Captain Xia, hurry up and stand up." Ye Jian was really hot. She used her finger to poke his sturdy back. His muscles were tight and firm. Even with one finger, she could feel the strength of his back.

Xia Jinyuan lowered his head and took a deep breath from the side of her neck. Then, he got up normally and smiled at the awkward Ye Jian. He sighed. "I almost fell down. Little Fox, did you do it on purpose?"

"I didn't." Ye Jian hurriedly shook her head and denied it. She explained sincerely, "I felt that the car was too hot so it'll be uncomfortable if you go in. Hence, I pulled you without thinking too much."

"I miscalculated my strength. I also didn't know that you would be caught off guard."

Her face turned even redder after she finished explaining.

Xia Jinyuan stared at it. He didn't want to leave. His voice turned low. It was enchanting like a glass of red wine. "Are you worried about me? Hmm?"

He dragged the end of his words. It sounded sexy as though he was drunk.

"I'm not worried. I just think that you can wait for a while." Ye Jian managed to control her emotions quickly. She reacted in time when Xia Jinyuan teased her. "Please be more careful next time."

She looked really cute when she was vigilant. She was cute too when she was embarrassed and angry. She is cute whatever she does!

Xia Jinyuan didn't continue teasing her. He raised his hand and patted her head. Then, he pointed to his car and asked, "Comrade Ye Jian, am I able to go and take my gift from the car?"

She was his comrade. They were of equal status. He was reminding her that she was his comrade.

Ye Jian smiled when she heard the word 'comrade'. She replied happily, "Please get in the car, comrade. I've confirmed that everything is alright."

Xia Jinyuan laughed when he heard her speaking so seriously.

This was a dangerous and elegant man. He was scheming too. He would never get too far from you but you wouldn't be able to get close to him.

He had good manners but you know that he was not close to you. It was just his upbringing.

His smile was gentle. It was enchanting. However, the elegance in his body wouldn't change. He was a man with status and power.

Ye Jian smiled when she saw him smiling. His smile was warm and comfortable. It wasn't intruding. It was a sincere smile.

Chapter 377: A Beautiful Male Stranger

His gift was three thick books. Ye Jian smiled when she took the gift. "Poor things, it's almost burnt. Captain Xia, thank you. I like it."

There was nothing more precious than books. Also, it was the kind of books she liked. They were military books.

"That's good. Read them properly. I'll send you military books once in a while." As for the books in the library, you can look for famous generals and famous books." Xia Jinyuan had already started the engine.

He turned on the air conditioner. The air inside the car started getting cooler instantly. "If you want to know more about famous generals, you can read up on the famous general during the second world war, Montgomery. He was a general who liked to make bets with his officers. He won a US bomber aircraft and all the engineers and soldiers that came along with it."

"The Battle of El Alamein was the turning point of the war in North Africa. It was known as 'The Desert Rat'. He was a general who would cry for his soldiers who fought hard and gave their lives to their countries."

"Also, he is very similar to you. He didn't have a mother when he was young but it didn't prevent him from becoming a renowned general!"

Ye Jian was engrossed in what he said. She remembered everything and nodded. "I'll definitely look for books on this general in the library."

"If you can't find any, I can send them to you." The warm air in the car was gone. Xia Jinyuan noticed that another ten minutes had passed. He had to leave even if he didn't want to. "Go back to school. I need to leave."

He was a decisive person. After he finished speaking, he got into the car. He told Ye Jian, "I have three days of leave. Arrange something in the evening. See you."

Then, he lifted the handbrake and stepped on the accelerator and left without waiting for Ye Jian's reply.

He didn't tell Ye Jian why he wanted her to read about General Montgomery. He married late. He only met his wife when he was 38 years old and got married at 40 years old. He also said that as a soldier, he was loyal to his country. As a man, he wouldn't betray his love.

Churchill got touched by his words and saluted this general.

He will leave Ye Jian to understand all these when she read the book.

The car left, leaving behind the smell of petrol. Ye Jian had a sensitive nose so she waved her hands in front of her face as she watched the car disappear from her sight. She turned and walked into the school.

"Excuse me, are you from Provincial No.1 Middle School?" A polite voice was heard behind her.

Ye Jian turned. She saw a man with refined features behind her. Even his gaze seemed to be telling her that this man was a scholar. Ye Jian narrowed her eyes slightly as she went through her memories. She immediately recognized this man as the man outside the breakfast restaurant this morning.

That time, she was thinking that his man was like a poem. Wherever he stood, the scene would turn beautiful.

"Yes. What can I help you with?" Ye Jian smiled as she replied, "I'll try my best to help you."

The man instantly smiled. He seemed to be sighing in relief. "I'm very sorry. I need you to guide me. I want to find Principal Cao but my sense of direction is bad. I was inside the school but after walking one round, I came out."

Ye Jian wanted to laugh but she knew that it was impolite to laugh in front of another person. "I can bring you over. However, please register with the guards and make a call to confirm first."

Chapter 378: Hello, I Met You Once

Since he was finding the principal, he needed to go through the protocols.

"There is no need for that. I can call him now." The man took out his cell phone and called a number. After a while, he smiled. "Uncle, I'm outside your school. I would like to ask one of your students to bring me in."

"Yes, I met a lady outside your school. The lady is very vigilant so she wanted to me register at the guards first and call you. Do you want to talk to her?"

Uncle... Principal Cao had such an old nephew?

After Ye Jian confirmed the identity of this man, he brought the man, who had a bad sense of direction, into the school. From the man's aura and appearance, he didn't look like someone who would get lost easily.

Just now, when Principal Cao heard that she was the female student, he reminded her, "Classmate Ye Jian, you must hold him as if you're holding a dog. You must bring him to my office."

"He has no sense of direction. He could get lost on a crossroads. After walking for 200 meters, he would forget where he came from. However, don't look down on him. He is a genius who can speak eight different languages. He is well-liked by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs. He is more important than a pet dog. Please don't lose him."

Ye Jian had been bearing with her laughter for a long time so when she heard Principal Cao telling her to hold his nephew as though she was holding a dog, she laughed. Fortunately, she only made one sound. Her training as a soldier allowed her to force her laughter back.

She glanced at the man who always walked ahead of her. His force of presence was great. He always walked faster than other people. This was a man who was used to walking at the front alone. He was not used to waiting.

He looked refined and gentle but he was a strong and introverted man.

This kind of man has no sense of direction? A man who could speak eight languages and was well-liked by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs... was someone who always got lost?

“You walked in the wrong direction. We should turn right, not left.” The man was walking properly when he suddenly changed his direction. Ye Jian hurriedly ran and caught up with him. “This is the way to the classrooms. This way is to the offices.”

The man stopped naturally. He seemed to be used to this kind of situation. He turned and smiled apologetically. “I’m sorry to trouble you.” He was elegant and gentlemanly. Even his apology was elegant.

“You’re welcome. It’s something I should do.” Ye Jian couldn’t accept such rampant apologies. She signaled him to turn right and then walked behind him again.

Just as he was about to reach the office building, the man’s expensive cell phone rang. When he took out his cell phone, he looked as though he had been trained before. He did it elegantly and naturally. Then, he used the tone of a news broadcaster and said, “Hello?”

The change in his tone and expression only took a second. The smile was still on his face as he continued with in the same tone, “That means that I need to be responsible for your mistake at work?”

“Because you never interacted with your client, you can make a mistake? Is this a valid reason? Do you think that all mistakes can be remedied?”

His smile and tone remained the same but his aura, coldness, and seriousness made him look dangerous.

Chapter 379: He Is From the Ministry Of Foreign Affairs

Ye Jian didn’t care about all these. She was worried that he was going to turn left again.

Ye Jian had no choice. She blocked the man’s path and used her actions to remind him that he walked in the wrong direction.

A man was serious when he was working. An angry man was not someone you should offend. The man who was reprimanding someone looked up angrily when he noticed that someone was blocking his path. His gaze was intent as he glanced at Ye Jian.

His smile was light but it wasn’t gentle and refreshing anymore. It felt ruthless.

Ye Jian didn’t move. She promised Principal Cao that she would send this person to his office. She would finish what she promised.

The man frowned. He didn’t turn. Instead, he walked past Ye Jian and continued turning left. He walked in the opposite direction of the office building.

Ye Jian looked at his back view and suddenly felt that she understood how Captain Xia felt when she chased him away.

Captain Xia had good manners so he didn’t get angry at her. As for her, her temper was not as good as him. She wanted to scold this person very much.

It was almost 11 pm. She still had to look for Mrs. Tong. Ye Jian sighed. She caught up with the man and stood in front of him again.

“You must bear with the consequences of your mistakes. No one can take the blame for you. The affairs of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs is the country’s affairs. From the moment you stand beside the leaders of the country, you are responsible for the glory and reputation of the country.”

Ye Jian’s burning flame of anger got put out when she heard this. She didn’t interrupt the man anymore. Under the man’s furious gaze, she let him pass and allowed him to turn left.

After walking for a few meters, the man started speaking in a language she didn’t understand. He sounded polite but firm.

He seemed to be in a discussion but he still maintained his dignity.

Time passed slowly. The man had no sense of direction but he was someone who was able to discover nice sceneries and make himself comfortable.

After ten minutes, he arrived at the Swan Lake. He sat on a long stone bench and continued talking on the phone.

Ye Jian didn’t walk over. She just stood behind him. She was worried that he might walk into the lake. If that happened, she would still be able to save him.

Fortunately, nothing like this happened.

The man didn’t stand up immediately after he hung up. He sat there with a cold aura that made people afraid to get near him. He sat for five minutes. Ye Jian saw him looking up and sighing tiredly. Then, he rubbed his face and got up.

After talking on the phone for such a long time, Qin Xiu finally noticed his surroundings.

He was at a loss. He didn’t know where he was!

The female student that was following behind him, the lady that he was enchanted by this morning, was gone too.

“Hello, are you done with your work? If you’re done, I’ll take you to Principal Cao now.” Ye Jian opened her mouth calmly behind him. She didn’t sound impatient at all. “37 minutes have passed. I think that Principal Cao must be worried about you.”

Chapter 380: Hello, I’m Qin Xiu

The call took 37 minutes. It was almost 12 noon.

Qin Xiu turned. He smiled and apologized politely again. “I’m sorry to let you wait for so long. Also, my attitude wasn’t good just now. I apologize for that.”

“No problem.” Ye Jian just wanted to send this person away as soon as possible. Even sending a three-year-old child home wasn’t so tiring!

She wasn't angry so it meant that she really didn't mind. Qin Xiu pursed his lips as he walked over. He sighed in his heart. He didn't leave a good first impression on her. He needed to make some amendments.

As someone from the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Qin Xiu was well-versed in communicating with people. He immediately found a way to leave a better impression of himself.

"We met in the morning. Do you still remember?" He reached out his hand. His fingers were slender and clean. "I'm Qin Xiu. Sorry for taking up so much of your time."

Since the other party volunteered a handshake, and he was Principal Cao's nephew, Ye Jian hesitated for half a second before reaching out his hand.

Because of her hesitation, even if it was just for half a second, Qin Xiu knew that this lady didn't like any physical interactions. He retracted his hand after three seconds and maintained a polite smile. "I'm not good with directions. My body always moves right and left unknowingly as though my body and my brain aren't connected. Hence, I always make the wrong decision."

Admitting his mistakes to a stranger required some courage. Ye Jian smiled and replied indifferently, "No one is perfect. But with your sense of direction, Mr. Qin should get a person to stay beside you all the time."

She didn't speak too directly. It was a display of her manners.

Qin Xiu smiled deeper. Just as he was about to speak, his cell phone vibrated. He apologized to Ye Jian again before looking at his cell phone.

He started smiling sincerely. He told Ye Jian, "It has been almost 40 minutes since I called my uncle. He must be thinking that I got lost again." He picked up the call and said, "I'm at the Swan Lake. Her? She's still here. Okay, I'll come immediately."

"Please stop working while you're walking. Ye Jian still has things to do. Don't let her accompany you around the school." Principal Cao felt that his hair had gotten whiter during this half an hour.

So her name was Ye Jian. What a simple name. He could remember it instantly.

It was almost lunchtime so Qin Xiu didn't receive any more calls. Ye Jian managed to send him safely to the principal's office.

Principal Cao was already waiting at the door. When he saw them walking over, he hurried forward and welcomed them. "Why didn't you bring people along with you? If you get lost in this city, I won't be able to answer to your mother."

When Ye Jian noticed something wrong with Principal Cao's expression, she left quietly. The person getting scolded wouldn't want people to watch him getting scolded.

“I took a call from work so I forgot about the time.” Qin Xiu didn’t take it to heart. Because of his bad sense of direction, he had many people around him ever since he was young. Last time, he had no choice but to accept them. Now, he didn’t bring them along because he didn’t like them. He changed the topic surreptitiously. “I still have to thank...”

He turned and wanted to thank Ye Jian. However, the female student behind him had already left secretly.