

Falling for the Contract Bride Chapter 336-340

Chapter 336 Mu Zhi Was Cute When She Was Jealous

From her appearance, he could immediately tell that she was there for an interview. Mu Zhi wanted to hide after noticing Lu Jinye.

Why is he here? This is not his company. Mu Zhi immediately lowered her head and ignored him. She wanted to retreat to the back of the lift.

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Lu Jinye had originally wanted to go out of the lift, but he changed his mind after seeing Mu Zhi. He remained in the lift and kept his gaze on her.

Seeing that Lu Jinye had remained in the lift, the receptionist rushed to explain, "Mr. Lu, she is here for an interview. We have another batch of candidates today. Will you be interested to join the interview?"

"Mr. Lu is a busy man. Why would he want to attend an interview?"

Mu Zhi was afraid that Lu Jinye would agree to attend, so she immediately replied, intending to signal him to reject. However, Lu Jinye looked at Mu Zhi with a smile and said in good humor, "Sure, I don't have anything to do at the moment, and I still need to wait for Mr. Xie for some time."

He had intended to remain with Mu Zhi.

The receptionist was happy with his response. She went to stand between Mu Zhi and Lu Jinye.

There were three people in the lift.

Mu Zhi felt uncomfortable with their situation, so she slowly moved to the side to maintain a distance from Lu Jinye. On the other hand, the receptionist wanted to be near to Lu Jinye and started to move closer to him.

"Mr. Lu, before today, I have only seen you on TV. After meeting you, I realized that you are even more handsome in person."

Lu Jinye smiled in response.

The receptionist smiled confidently and said, "Mr. Lu, later when we are at the interview location, I will introduce you to the HR. We from Xie Group are honored to have you joining our interview session."

Meanwhile, at the side, Mu Zhi was unhappy with the turn of events.

The receptionist had spoken as if she was the spokesperson from Xie Group.

Furthermore, the receptionist was obviously fawning over Lu Jinye.

They were not from the same company, but Mu Zhi was not ignorant. She knew that the receptionist was not fawning over Lu Jinye for the opportunity to work in his company.

Judging from how excitedly the receptionist had spoken, and her warmth. It was clear that she was attracted to Lu Jinye on a personal level.

That made Mu Zhi even more annoyed.

She listened carefully to the conversation between the receptionist and Lu Jinye.

“Mr. Lu, where do you usually go to relax?”

Did she ask this question to create chanced encounters with him?

Mu Zhi frowned. Her intentions were too obvious.

She felt strangely annoyed at the thought of the receptionist encountering Lu Jinye somewhere.

Meanwhile, Lu Jinye was looking at Mu Zhi and could see the annoyance on her face. However, Lu Jinye ignored it. Instead, he smiled at the receptionist and said, “I usually work overtime in my company.”

“Mr. Lu, I have a friend who works in your company. Sometimes I accompany my friend when she works overtime. Perhaps I might be able to see you there.”

“...”

The receptionist was talking excitedly.

Mu Zhi was rendered speechless!

She is obviously flirting. What does she mean when she said her friend works in his company and that she will accompany her friend who is working overtime to see him?

What is she talking about?

However, Lu Jinye deliberately answered, “Sure.”

That answer bothered Mu Zhi even more.

Mu Zhi raised an eyebrow and turned to Lu Jinye. She did not expect herself to react so irrationally when she said, “Mr. Lu, I remembered. I also have a friend who works in your company, so I have always wanted to apply there. Does your company have any vacancies?”

Mu Zhi did not understand why she was so competitive.

As she listened to the receptionist openly flirting with Lu Jinye and him enabling her, she couldn't help feeling jealous!

Meanwhile, Lu Jinye was obviously happy after seeing Mu Zhi's reaction and response. He looked at Mu Zhi with a crooked smile and said, "I need a personal secretary."

"Oh, personal secretary. What qualities do you require of a personal secretary?"

The receptionist asked even though it was obvious that Lu Jinye was speaking to Mu Zhi.

Mu Zhi found that annoying.

"It depends on the interview, but most importantly, she has to be clever," said Lu Jinye.

"I am very clever..."

"I graduated from the University of London."

They said almost simultaneously, but after saying that she was clever, Mu Zhi quickly added the university she had graduated from.

She wanted to prove that her intelligence was above average.

She glanced at the receptionist. She thought that no matter how prestigious Xie Xiu's company was, a receptionist should be just an ordinary undergraduate.

As expected, the receptionist was unhappy being outshined.

She said to Mu Zhi, "Are you here to be interviewed for our company or Mr. Lu's company?"

It was clearly a warning to Mu Zhi to stop messing around.

However, her tone was still flirty and charming. Mu Zhi could not stand it!

Those words were obviously said to attract Lu Jinye.

Her sense of possessiveness was suddenly triggered.

She immediately said to the receptionist, "If I fail this interview, I could try out for Mr. Lu's company. This way I have more than one opportunity."

"Humph!"

The receptionist was displeased.

"Mr. Lu, I would like to work for your company too."

The receptionist requested coquettishly.

Mu Zhi was annoyed. She immediately handed the resume she was holding to Lu Jinye and said, "Mr. Lu! This is my resume. Will you be willing to look at it and see if I can be your personal secretary? Even if I can't be your secretary, I am willing to work in other positions."

She was sick of the receptionist's flirtatious ways.

After Mu Zhi had handed over her resume to Lu Jinye, he flipped it open immediately to read it. His smile widened.

He found Mu Zhi adorable when she was jealous.

However, she had not realized that she was indeed jealous.

As he was pursuing Mu Zhi's resume, the lift had arrived at the interview location.

Lu Jinye said, "From now on, you can be my personal secretary."

With that, Mu Zhi appeared to be pleased.

Chapter 337 There Was Nothing Wrong with Trapping His Wife

"Mr. Lu!" The receptionist asked urgently. She then added flirtatiously, "I want to go there too." Lu Jinye looked at Mu Zhi and then turned to the receptionist, "If you want to join our company, you can first hand in your resignation to Mr. Xie."

For a junior receptionist, he could give her any basic work. It was not an issue for him. Furthermore, in this crucial moment, the receptionist was the cause of Mu Zhi's jealousy. If she could continue to incite Mu Zhi, that would be a tremendous help to him.

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"That's great." With that, the receptionist was suddenly haphazard. When the lift was opened, she did not wait for anyone to leave but immediately pressed the ground floor button, letting the lift descend to the ground floor.

After that, she followed Lu Jinye excitedly to his company.

Meanwhile, Mu Zhi could not understand why she had followed them.

She planned to get a job in Xie Xiu's company to cultivate her relationship with him. However, she did not understand how a receptionist could cause her to follow Lu Jinye to his company.

Lu Jinye's company was very efficient. When Mu Zhi had arrived, they immediately completed the admission process for her, registering her as an employee.

The receptionist was given to the administration to assign suitable work for her.

On the other hand, Mu Zhi was led away by the chief secretary, Linda, to complete her entry.

As she followed Linda, the scene felt oddly familiar, but Linda had behaved as if she had never met Mu Zhi and was very professional.

Lu Jinye had reminded Linda to provide a pleasant surrounding for Mu Zhi. Having served beside Lu Jinye's for many years, Linda knew what Lu Jinye meant and understood him completely.

She had completed everything exceptionally well.

After Mu Zhi was shown around and was informed to start work the next day, she felt as if the dust had finally settled and was relieved.

However, Linda brought her to Lu Jinye's office, and when she saw Lu Jinye, she was stunned.

At that moment, there were only Mu Zhi and Lu Jinye in the room. Linda had left right after she had brought her in.

Mu Zhi stared at Lu Jinye in shock, but Lu Jinye was smiling gently and said, "Welcome to the company."

His words had woken her from her daze!

What have I done?

Unable to stand the receptionist flirting with Lu Jinye, she competed and clashed with the receptionist. After that, she had somehow entered Lu Jinye's company.

Mu Zhi felt that she had lost her mind.

"No, I can't work for your company. I need to leave!"

She immediately turned around and left.

Seeing her reaction, Lu Jinye had also stood up and followed her out of the office.

"I am going to Xie Group too."

What he meant was that he had meant to go there too.

Hearing him, Mu Zhi became even more troubled.

She looked at him and said, "I don't want to go with you. I need to attend an interview."

"After what had happened just now, do you think that Xie Group will still accept your resume?"

He was reminding her that Xie Group would not want to accept Mu Zhi anymore.

Mu Zhi did not want to disturb Xie Xiu. She wanted to enter Xie Xiu's company and cultivate their relationship slowly.

But now... She did not know what she could do.

When Lu Jinye saw a flash of disappointment on Mu Zhi's face, he was still smiling.

As he had just seen Mu Zhi being jealous for his sake, he was in a tremendously good mood!

Seeing Lu Jinye's expression, Mu Zhi felt dejected and was even more at loss about what to say to him.

So, she replied, "Leave me alone."

Lu Jinye regarded her and said, "I can't leave you alone. You are not only my employee but also my secretary. You have no reason to be sad."

"Why can't I be said?"

Mu Zhi glared at Lu Jinye.

Lu Jinye said, "Our company is now working with Xie Xiu's company. If you work in Xie Xiu's company, it will not be easy for you to see him clearly. By being directly involved, you will not be able to see the full picture. You can see him more clearly from an outsider's point of view."

Lu Jinye looked at Mu Zhi earnestly and continued, "You do not understand how a business operates. If you stay by my side, this job will allow you to understand everything about a company. You may even have the chance to learn something even more complex." Naturally, that included learning more about Lu Jinye himself.

However, he could not tell her that.

But that was his intention.

His words had rendered her speechless.

She could not tell what's real anymore.

"But you are a rival to my husband's company. Aren't you worried that I would come to know of the inner workings and sell you out?"

"I don't mind being sold out by you. I am even willing to die by your hands."

Lu Jinye said with a laugh. His eyes were fixed on her.

Mu Zhi glared at him in response.

That day, Lu Jinye had to go to Xie Xiu's company to discuss business matters, so Mu Zhi definitely could not go with him. She could not meet Xie Xiu as Lu Jinye's secretary, he would be furious with her.

As such, Mu Zhi chose to return home.

After returning home, Mu Zhi sat down and thought for a long time. She wondered what she should do.

Should I submit another resume to Xie Xiu's company and hope to be called for an interview?

Clearly, that would not work. She was sure that she would not be able to enter Xie Xiu's company anymore.

However, she also felt that it was not appropriate to work in Lu Jinye's company.

Furthermore, Xie Xiu had already told her that he did not want her to contact Lu Jinye. As such, she could not go and work for his company.

However, what Lu Jinye said gave her an idea. Lu Jinye was right. If she went to work in Xie Xiu's company, she would eventually be discovered by Xie Xiu, and she would never be able to see the full picture.

All these years, Xie Xiu had protected her carefully, such that she did not know of the world outside.

That being said, Mu Zhi felt that she should search for a company working with Xie Xiu's company and went undercover there. That way, she could understand Xie Xiu better.

Moreover, she would have more things in common to talk to him.

Mu Zhi was satisfied with her solution and was cheered up instantly.

She immediately submitted her resume online and researched the companies that had dealings with Xie Xiu's company.

At last, Mu Zhi found a company.

She was very happy to have found it!

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The next day, Lu Jinye arrived at the company on time and called Linda to his office to ask, "Has the secretary from yesterday come to work?"

Linda shook her head and replied, "Not yet."

Lu Jinye did not show his emotions. He said to Linda, "You can go out first. When she is here, tell her to come to my office."

"Yes, sir."

Linda answered and left immediately.

However, by the end of that day, Mu Zhi still had not shown up at his office.

It was the same on the second, third and fourth day!

Chapter 338 Lu Jinye is Married! That Scumbag!

Lu Jinye also knew that Mu Zhi did not work in Xie Xiu's company in the past few days. A week later, Lu Jinye could not stand it anymore. What happened to Mu Zhi?

He gave Linda an assignment to investigate into the new employee list and see which company had employed Mu Zhi. Linda went to investigate.

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Five minutes later, Linda knocked on Lu Jinye's door and said, "Mr. Lu, I have found it."

Lu Jinye's eyes were restrained as he looked at Linda and said, "Tell me."

Linda looked at Lu Jinye and stood straight before reporting her findings, "She is at DW Media and is responsible for coordinating with clients on circulation of advertisement."

Lu Jinye lowered his eyes in thoughts.

DW Media... He had considered it a second-tier company.

There was nothing noteworthy about it. Lu Jinye remembered that he had invested some capital into this company but did not care about it after that.

A small company such as this could not generate much profit, so he was not interested in it.

However... Since Mu Zhi was there, he had to know about it.

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After Mu Zhi had found a job, it took a whole day for her to get through the interview and start work.

Then for the next three days, she familiarized herself with the company's workings and did work within her abilities.

In other words... She had never worked before and was happy after coming to the company.

She had never felt more alive.

For the past few days, Mu Zhi could have meals with her colleagues and her colleagues were also very friendly. It brought more brightness to her usually dull days.

On her fourth day of work, something felt different the moment she had entered the office.

Mu Zhi looked at her colleague curiously and realized that all of her female colleagues were excited about something.

Mu Zhi observed them curiously and heard one of them said, "His figure is better than any male models, and he is more handsome than movie stars."

Mu Zhi wondered if an A-list celebrity had come to the company.

At that moment, another colleague said, "He's handsome, so what? You all don't stand a chance!"

That annoyed another colleague.

"Why don't we stand a chance? You speak as if you know some inside story."

"Haven't you all seen how loving he and his wife were? Yet now you are all coveting after a married man."

"So what, I am willing to be his lover."

Someone retorted, refusing to back down.

Mu Zhi was completely confused by her colleagues' gossip... Who had come to the company and caused such commotion among the women.

Mu Zhi hurried over and asked, "Who is here?"

"Mr. Lu, he had invested in our company, but he had never come here in person. After three years, we finally get to see him!"

Mr. Lu...

Mu Zhi was petrified for a moment.

She did not understand how common the surname was in that city.

The only Mr. Lu she knew was Lu Jinye.

Who is this Mr. Lu?

Just as she was about to ask, she heard someone say, "Sigh, such a shame. Why did Mr. Lu have to marry Xiao Qingqing? Why can't he just be single and give us some hope?"

"What hope? I think you are just daydreaming."

"Stop dreaming. Lu Jinye is neither yours nor mine. We should get back to work."

The women reluctantly ended their conversation.

With that, Mu Zhi had finally understood!

She felt as if she had been struck by lightning, and she stood still in shock!

What? This company is invested by Lu Jinye?

Why is it so hard to stay away from him?

How could I not know this?

Moreover... Why were they talking about Lu Jinye and Xiao Qingqing's marriage?

"Do you all feel that there hasn't been any news of Mr. Lu and Xiao Qingqing attending a banquet together for a long time?"

"Are they divorced?"

"Xiao Qingqing is a big star, there would have been news if they divorced."

Her colleagues started discussing, each person took a mug of coffee and was engrossed with the discussion.

Mu Zhi was even more confused as she listened to them.

She went to a colleague and asked, "Didn't Lu Jinye's wife pass away? Why is everyone talking about a divorce?"

At her question, everyone nearly spat out their coffee.

They all looked at her as if she was from another planet.

"Did you not have the internet at home? Mr. Lu's wife is Xiao Qingqing. She is a big movie star, how could she have died. That Mu Zhi from years ago was just rumored to be his wife, there was an uproar about her, but they did not seem to be married. After that, she died suddenly."

"Who could understand the grudges of the rich and famous?"

A few people were exchanging gossips again.

As they were talking, one of them suddenly turned around and looked at Mu Zhi.

"Eh? You do look like the woman who was previously rumored to be involved with Lu Jinye."

"Lu Jinye and Xiao Qingqing?"

Mu Zhi asked based on what she had learned.

Then she rushed to search the web for news of them.

The search results were all tabloid news. All the photographs showed Lu Jinye and Xiao Qingqing holding hands, appearing very much in love.

The most recent news was as early as a month ago.

Looking at the date, Mu Zhi wanted to throttle Lu Jinye!

A month ago, Lu Jinye had kissed her forcefully. At the time, he had even lied to her about how much he loved his late wife.

Yet now, it turned out he had a wife.

Furthermore... His wife was gorgeous!

How could he fabricate such tales?

Mu Zhi looked at the photographs. As the women beside her were gushing about Lu Jinye's good looks, Mu Zhi couldn't help spitting out a warning.

"I suggest that you all don't be tricked by the image Lu Jinye had crafted. Lu Jinye is not who you think."

"You know him?"

Mu Zhi looked at her and decided to reveal what she knew about him. She wanted to prevent him from ensnaring another innocent young woman.

So, she explained to her colleague, "Of course I do! Previously Lu Jinye had gone on a trip with my close friend. He stayed in a motel with her, using the excuse of waiting out the rain. In actuality, he wanted to have an affair."

"His previous wife had passed away. He likes to tell women that they looked like his late wife to earn their sympathy. He had nearly gotten his way a few times."

Mu Zhi sounded very believable.

Her colleagues who were listening to her all seemed to believe her.

"So, all of you should not fall for his trick. This scumbag is especially disgusting."

Mu Zhi reminded them.

"Mr. Lu, I will fire this employee now."

The general manager said immediately. He had overheard Mu Zhi's story as he accompanied Lu Jinye on a tour of the company.

However, Lu Jinye was staring unwaveringly at Mu Zhi with a wry smile.

Chapter 339 There's Something Unusual Between You and Mr Lu

Mu Zhi could not understand why she had always reacted so strongly when it comes to Lu Jinye. Everyone swarmed to her as if they have heard the biggest gossip of the century.

They all looked at Mu Zhi curiously with wide eyes and asked, "Is that true?" Mu Zhi nodded earnestly

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At that moment, the voice of the general manager appeared behind her, "You, be careful with what you say. Do not create rumors!"

Mu Zhi was shocked by the voice behind her and turned around to face the general manager.

At the same time, she had also seen Lu Jinye standing beside her boss.

Mu Zhi felt a little embarrassed seeing him.

After all, the main character of her gossip had suddenly appeared before her.

The colleagues who were listening to her story quickly returned to their place. Only Mu Zhi was left behind to face Lu Jinye.

Mu Zhi took a glance at Lu Jinye and immediately returned to her seat. She pretended to be working.

"Which of your friends went to the motel with me? How does she look? Can you describe her?"

He looked at her with amusement in his eyes and was smiling playfully.

Mu Zhi stared at him. She pulled her chair even closer to her table, intending to block him from her sight.

Which friend... How could she tell him?

She could not say that it was herself.

However, if she did not say anything, everyone would think that she was lying.

Mu Zhi looked at Lu Jinye and had a sudden idea. She said to him, "Mr. Lu, you should know clearly what you have done."

"I don't. Would you like to elaborate on it?"

At the mention of the word details, Mu Zhi blushed instantly.

The details from that day... She and Lu Jinye were swept away by their emotions, and Lu Jinye almost had her.

Just thinking about that made her very embarrassed.

Meanwhile, Lu Jinye was still staring at her with playfulness in his eyes.

He fixed his gaze on her and said, "Why? Is there a problem? Did your friend not tell you the details?"

Mu Zhi glared at him and said, "Forget it, I will not go into the details. I don't want to get you in trouble with your wife. If you want to know the details, I can arrange for a day to bring my friend to your house and explain the details to you and your wife."

While mentioning Mr. Lu's wife, Mu Zhi emphasized it.

She was warning Lu Jinye to stop cheating on his wife.

Understanding her implied warning, Lu Jinye raised his eyebrow and his mouth quirked into a smile.

He deliberately leaned near her ear and said softly so that only she could hear, "Why? Are you jealous after finding out that I am married?"

His breath brushed her ear gently.

His tone caused a shiver through her body.

There was a tingling sensation throughout her whole body.

It felt as if there was static all over her.

She took a glance at Lu Jinye and decided to back away.

After that, Lu Jinye moved away from her side with a smug smile on his face.

Mu Zhi stood rooted to her spot and watched Lu Jinye's retreating profile. Her face was still hot with embarrassment.

Lu Jinye, you bastard.

After he had left, her colleagues quickly surrounded her and asked, "Ann, you know Lu Jinye?"

"Why does it seem like there is something unusual between the both of you?"

"What did he whisper to you just now?"

Mu Zhi did not know what to answer them. Her thoughts were disorganized.

It was because Lu Jinye had approached her suddenly and disturbed her thoughts.

It was also because Lu Jinye teased her and caused her heart to beat faster.

Also, having found out unexpectedly that Lu Jinye was married had rendered her uncertain about what to do. She wondered why she cared so much about a piece of news that had nothing to do with her.

Thinking of these, Mu Zhi felt troubled.

As she faced her colleagues, Mu Zhi shook her head and said, "Nothing, there's nothing between us."

After that, Mu Zhi refused to say anything else.

At that moment, the general manager had returned after sending Lu Jinye off. As he went past Mu Zhi, everyone thought that he was going to scold her. After all, Mu Zhi's rumor was damaging to the company's biggest investor. They felt that she was asking for it.

However, no one expected what the general manager had said to Mu Zhi, "Ann, from today on, take the seat next to the window. I will make you the group leader of Group One. Once you have finished your training, I will arrange another position for you."

With that, the general manager went into his office.

Everyone was shocked. Mu Zhi was shocked too!

What was going on? How could she be promoted after speaking badly about Lu Jinye?

This... Mu Zhi must have an influential background.

A few people came to congratulate Mu Zhi and wanted to understand the real reason behind her promotion.

Meanwhile, a few people came to mock her, saying, "Humph, some people really have it easy, getting promoted so soon even before the training has completed and being put in charge when they know nothing. This is so unfair."

They did not even bother hiding their mockery.

A colleague named Tian Xinran went to Mu Zhi and said with a friendly smile, "Ann, let me bring you to your new seat. I will help you to tidy up. You don't have to worry about those people. You graduated from such a good university, you deserve to be the team leader."

As she spoke, she pulled Mu Zhi away and brought her to her newly assigned seat.

Meanwhile, far from her table, a woman lifted her head and glanced at her before looking down again.

She quickly typed into her chat box, "Disgusting, promoted through unsavory means."

Soon, there was a reply, "Xiao Qing, isn't Xiao Qingqing your cousin? You can speak to your cousin, and Lu Jinye will promote you too!"

"With such a powerful brother-in-law, why don't you make use of it?"

The woman named Xiao Qing looked up and glanced at Mu Zhi again before replying, "I rely on my abilities and not my body. There must be something unsavory between her and Lu Jinye."

"Unsavory dealings!"

With that, Xiao Qing did not continue the conversation.

Her eyes were focused on Mu Zhi.

Mu Zhi sat down at her desk and tidied up her things for a while. After that, she took a look at the list of members of her team.

The assistant leader for group one was Xiao Qing.

She stood up and went to say hi to Xiao Qing.

Chapter 340 What Does Your Husband Do?

At the time, Xiao Qing was seated at her desk. Mu Zhi went to her and said gently, "Hello, I am Ann. Nice to meet you."

Xiao Qing quickly closed her chat box and put up a smile. Then she looked at Mu Zhi and said, "Hello, hello. I am Xiao Qing. Nice to meet you."

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She acted very friendly, leaving Mu Zhi with a good impression of her.

Furthermore, Xiao Qing had a slight roundness to her face, which made her seem harmless.

As Mu Zhi was about to talk to Xiao Qing about work, the colleagues around them suddenly stood up and headed out of the door.

Tian Xinran had also come near Xiao Qing and said to Mu Zhi, "Let's go and have lunch first. Both of you can get to know each other later."

She then looked at Xiao Qing and asked, "Do you want to have lunch together?"

Tian Xinran was the liveliest woman in this company. However, she did not harbor any ambitions. Even after joining the company for a long time, she had no interest in being promoted. She came to work to look for something to do and have fun.

However, she was a very clever woman. Nothing can be hidden from her eyes.

She had asked Xiao Qing to have lunch with them so that when Mu Zhi was talking to Xiao Qing, she would be able to observe from the side and help Mu Zhi.

She could see that Mu Zhi was kind and innocent.

She felt the need to protect someone with such innocence.

Xiao Qing hesitated at Tian Xinran's invitation to have lunch together. She turned around and saw her clique Luo Jiajia.

Luo Jiajia said, "That sounds good, Xiao Qing. We should all go for lunch together. We haven't had the chance to have lunch with Ann even though she had joined our company for so long."

She glanced at Xiao Qing as she spoke.

Xiao Jing nodded immediately and smiled in agreement.

They headed slowly to the cafeteria with Tian Xinran and Mu Zhi walking together at the front. Nothing notable had happened.

However later, while taking food, their order was disturbed. When Mu Zhi had gotten her food, Luo Jiajia and Xiao Qing were already seated at the table.

Luo Jiajia approached Mu Zhi excitedly with the intention to gossip. She asked, "Ann, what is your relationship with Mr. Lu? How did you manage to be promoted so soon? Was it because of your work experience?"

She was obviously trying to trap Mu Zhi in an unwanted direction.

Mu Zhi looked at Luo Jiajia and did not seem to suspect what she was doing. She explained calmly, "There's nothing between us. I am also astonished at being promoted."

"Sigh, previously I thought Xiao Qing would be promoted. She had been an assistant leader for a long time. No one expected that you would be promoted instead. Poor Xiao Qing, I think you have bad luck with job promotions. Do you now regret not accepting the assistant general manager's offer to bend the rule for you?"

There may not be such thing.

However, Luo Jiajia deliberately played on this matter to imply that Mu Zhi had gotten someone to bend the rules for her.

Mu Zhi was now placed in a quandary. She didn't know whether to explain or stay quiet.

The silence had become awkward.

When Mu Zhi could not figure out what to do, Tian Xinran suddenly came over and sat beside Mu Zhi. She placed a chicken drumstick on her plate and said happily, "Here, I had asked the cafeteria lady to help me set aside two drumsticks for me. One of them is for you, and the other one is for me."

"Hey Tian Xinran, there were no drumsticks left when I was there just now."

Tian Xinran looked at Luo Jiajia gleefully.

“You’re right, there was none. I had to ask the cafeteria lady to keep them for me. These days even getting drumsticks in the cafeteria requires one’s wit and charm, what more to say in a business competition. I think advancements in work depend on one’s abilities.”

With that, she had indirectly admonished Luo Jiajia.

Beside her, Xiao Qing could no longer continue to act as a victim of missed promotion. She quickly smiled and said, “That’s right. I am happy that Ann became our team leader. That way, I can relax a little.”

“By the way, Ann, do you have your own family?”

Luo Jiajia still would not give up. She continued to find ways to attack Mu Zhi.

Mu Zhi took a bite of the drumstick and thanked Tian Xinran before replying Luo Jiajia, “I am married.”

Initially, Mu Zhi had planned not to reveal any personal details to anyone in the company.

However, she had no choice but to reveal something.

Everyone suspected that she had relations with Lu Jinye, so if she continued to pretend to be single, it would attract even more criticism and gossip. As such, Mu Zhi said that she was married.

She did not expect that Luo Jiajia would continue to ask after she had answered, “Then Ann, what does your husband do? What is he like?”

Mu Zhi considered for a moment. If she revealed Xie Xiu’s identity to her, it would cause an uproar. Lu Jinye had already caused her enough trouble at work. So she did not reveal Xie Xiu’s identity directly.

She decided to make up an identity.

However, she did not know who to base this fake identity on.

After some thought, she decided on Eric.

Mu Zhi said to Luo Jiajia, “My husband is a programmer.”

Eric was a computer genius. Mu Zhi interpreted what he did as programming.

Luo Jiajia was immediately surprised, “Then your husband must be making a lot of money. It should be at least twenty thousand a month.”

“Nothing out of the ordinary. He is just a normal employee.”

Mu Zhi immediately replied. She had no idea how much a programmer actually made.

At that moment, Xiao Jing added, "Aren't programmers all nerds? How did you meet him?"

The pay for Mu Zhi's job was low. As an assistant team leader, Xiao Qing had only earned around five or six thousand a month. So, in Xiao Qing's eyes, twenty thousand was a lot.

Xiao Qing wanted to marry a programmer, especially one that made large sums of money but did not spend much.

Then she could relax.

So, she asked Mu Zhi to know how to meet one.

Mu Zhi did not know how to explain... Why are these people such busybodies?

"Hey, why do you keep asking about her husband? Do you want to hear about my boyfriend?"

Tian Xinran sensed that Mu Zhi was uncomfortable, so she quickly helped her out.

Mu Zhi was thankful for her help.

At this moment, Luo Jijia suddenly stood up and called out to the colleagues around them, "To celebrate Ann becoming team leader on her fourth day, why don't we let her treat us to KTV?!"

Mu Zhi immediately tensed up.

All eyes were looking at her expectantly.

What could she do? She had no choice but to treat everyone to KTV.