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Chapter 171: Translation Genius

“Qiao Xi! You cheated! Where did you get the question?”

There was complete silence.

The judges' expressions were ugly. Since Fan Wenyuan was raising his doubts, they had to pay attention to him.

But with Qiao Xi's standard, even if she did copy, who could she have copied from?

There was a moment of silence. Fan Wenyuan roared crazily, “She stole the question! She must have cheated. I've been studying translation for decades. How could I be surpassed by a woman in her 20s?! This is absolutely impossible! Qiao Xi! Hurry up and admit it—”

“I can prove that Miss Qiao Xi didn't cheat! Moreover, she doesn't need to cheat!”

At this moment, a magnetic voice was heard.

Someone shouted in surprise, “Mr. Nick from the International Translation Organization is here!”

Mr. Nick was here!

Moreover, he was even helping Qiao Xi clear her name.

Fan Wenyuan's expression was as gloomy as ink. On what basis should Mr. Nick help Qiao Xi? She must have used some sort of method!

He was exasperated. “Mr. Nick, you must not know that Qiao Xi came from the countryside. She has never learned English at all. How could she possibly know how to translate? If she didn't cheat, what other explanation could there be?”

Nick glanced at him indifferently and snorted. “Can't a country bumpkin learn to translate? How can a person like you be a master translator?”

Then, he announced loudly to the crowd, “I can prove that Miss Qiao Xi didn't cheat.”

The moment he finished speaking, a video of the translation competition appeared on the big screen.

Nick waved his hand and the video started playing. A very young girl appeared on the screen. Her face was very similar to Qiao Xi's.

Then, other videos were played. The girl gradually lost her immaturity and became more and more stunning. Her eyes were calm and without ripples.

Qiao Xi!

Unexpectedly, she had already participated in several translation competitions. At the end of each video played, she was seen standing on the podium and calmly holding the trophy.

Such a young girl had won every competition.

Earlier, everyone was still shocked by the poetry that Qiao Xi had translated, but now, they were completely dumbstruck.

Fan Wenyan didn't even have the qualifications to participate in the international competition, while Qiao Xi was invited to be a judge several times but she always refused.

Mr. Nick's face was serious. "Everyone has finished watching it, right? Miss Qiao has won the translation competition championship several times. Why should she cheat? Such a question is not difficult for her at all, let alone Fan Wenyan's questions!"

In other words, Fan Wenyan simply didn't have the qualifications to set questions for Qiao Xi!

What a joke!

Fan Wenyan's mind went blank.

At this moment, Qiao Rou's face was gloomy as she stared fixedly at Qiao Xi on the stage.

Qiao Xi... How could Qiao Xi be that genius translator?

There must be a mistake!

She should be more outstanding than Qiao Xi in everything. How could she lose to Qiao Xi in terms of translation...

Qiao Xi's expression was calm and composed.

She looked at Fan Wenyan coldly, only to see his body trembling violently. He almost lost his balance.

"The champion of the translation competition? Impossible! The Qiao family said that she's a country bumpkin and has never learned English. Impossible!"

Fan Wenyan knew that he had completely lost. He had bet his entire life.

He turned around and fled in a panic, not daring to look at anyone's expression.

"Stop! Mr. Fan, are you leaving just like that?"

Nick ordered his subordinates to stop Fan Wenyan. He reprimanded loudly, "Someone did cheat in today's competition, but it wasn't Miss Qiao Xi. It was you!"

At this moment, a video played on the screen. A sneaky person had entered the archives of the translation competition.

Fan Wenyan's eyes widened.

Everyone gasped.

The person in the video was Fan Wenyan.

He entered the archives room when no one was paying attention. He found the question for the competition and left in a hurry.

However, he did not expect the surveillance cameras to capture everything.

“So he was the one who cheated! But he actually turned around and accused Qiao Xi of cheating!”

“Fan Wenyuan is still putting on airs, saying that he is a master translator. But he’s actually just a selfish and jealous old fellow!”

“Fan Wenyuan stole the question in advance and only got 7.9 points, but Qiao Xi got 10 points. This is enough to show the difference in strength between the two!”

“What right does a scum like Fan Wenyuan have to participate in the translation competition? Get lost!”

Fan Wenyuan felt his ears buzz. The surrounding curses and ridicule were about to drown him. He looked fiercely at Qiao Xi.

Then, his eyes rolled behind their sockets and he fell to the ground.

Everyone quickly moved away. No one came forward to help him. In the end, the medical staff carried him out. The competition continued.

Fan Wenyuan had cheated in the international competition. Perhaps he had cheated in previous competitions as well. That was how he had obtained such good results. That was how he became a famous translator.

Chapter 172: Love Story

After Qiao Xi got off the stage, she looked meaningfully at Qiao Rou, then turned around and left.

Qiao Rou’s heart skipped a beat.

“Brother Moling, it turns out that Mr. Fan is the one who cheated. I misunderstood Sister. I hope Sister doesn’t blame me...”

A trace of surprise flashed past Gu Moling’s eyes, but he thought in his heart that Rou Rou was probably worried that Qiao Xi would go astray and this matter shouldn’t be blamed on her.

“Don’t be afraid. I’ll go tell Qiao Xi that you didn’t do it on purpose. She definitely won’t blame you.”

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Outside the venue.

Sitting in the car, Gu Zheng’s lips curled up slightly.

Song Shiyu looked at Gu Zheng in confusion. Young Madam was performing so well. Why didn’t the president react at all?

Assistant Song felt that he should do something.

He probed, “President, Young Madam is about to come out. If you don’t say anything, you’ll seem too cold and distant. Try praising Young Madam and she’ll like you more.”

Gu Zheng looked up at him quietly.

Song Shiyu was tireless. “That Lu Yan is not as rich or as handsome as you are. Why was he able to chat with Young Madam so intimately on their first meeting? It’s because he knows how to sweet-talk. Don’t let him snatch Madam away. You must learn to be gentle!”

Lu Yan?

Gu Zheng frowned. Why did Qiao Xi want to chat with Lu Yan?

It was only her first time meeting Lu Yan, so she shouldn’t be so familiar with him.

But Song Shiyu was right. Lu Yan was indeed not to be taken lightly.

His eyes narrowed, and his aura grew cold.

At this moment, Qiao Xi came out from the entrance of the venue and walked straight toward Gu Zheng.

She quickly got into the car.

Song Shiyu cleared his throat immediately and was as anxious as an ant on a hot pan.

Gu Zheng remained calm and collected. “I heard the poetry you translated, but there’s one word that isn’t too accurate. If it was translated into ‘undying love’, it would be even more appropriate.”

Song Shiyu: “...”

Just as he was speechless, Qiao Xi suddenly said with a face full of excitement, “Gu Zheng, you’re simply too outstanding. I also felt that it was a bit inappropriate. It would be even more smooth if it was ‘until death do us part!’”

Gu Zheng repeated, “Until death do us part.”

Song Shiyu’s legs gave way and the car shook violently.

Damn!

The president’s words were so refreshing!

Qiao Xi had a surprised expression. “Gu Zheng, did I hear wrongly?”

Gu Zheng’s expression was calm as he remained silent.

Qiao Xi thought that she had misheard, so she didn’t ask further.

Song Shiyu stole a glance at Gu Zheng and noticed that his cheeks were red and his eyes were slightly evasive.

What was going on?

Was the president shy?

With his domineering personality, shouldn’t he have pulled Young Madam into his embrace and given her a French kiss?

Gu Zheng took out his phone and sent Zhou Guanjin a message. Then, he closed his eyes quietly.

A moment later, Qiao Xi's phone rang.

Zhou Guanjin probed. [Junior, they're about to go through casting for the script you wrote previously. You have to go and check it out!"]

Qiao Xi was slightly surprised. [That's too fast! Didn't you say it would take a long time?]

Previously, when Qiao Xi had nothing better to do, she wrote a script and tossed it to a very famous film company. They were very optimistic about her script, but there were too many big-name screenwriters, so it was impossible for them to use a novice scriptwriter's script. Hence, they said it would take three years.

But now, they suddenly announced that they would be starting the casting process?

Zhou Guanjin: "..."

The big boss had personally spoken. How could he dare to delay?

Furthermore, the script that Qiao Xi wrote was really exciting. The famous director, Director Zhang, already had his eye on it. The company decided to use this script in advance and immediately announced the casting.

There was another reason why Zhou Guanjin wanted Qiao Xi to watch the casting.

[Junior, you haven't met Senior yet. Coincidentally, Senior will be going for the audition this time. You should meet him too.]

Zhou Guanjin had told her many times to meet Senior.

Qiao Xi was stunned for a moment before finally agreeing.

Why did Senior want to watch the casting? Was he also a member of the film company?

There was another possibility—Senior was a famous actor in the entertainment industry, rich and powerful.

After hanging up, Qiao Xi realized that this wasn't the way home, so she looked at the man beside her. "Gu Zheng, where are we going?"

Gu Zheng slowly opened his eyes. "I'll take you somewhere."

Song Shiyu drove the car to a large shopping mall. Gu Zheng took her to a jewelry store and said casually, "Mrs. Gu, you won the competition today. As your husband, I have to celebrate your win for you."

In front of her was a set of jewelry, a diamond necklace, ruby earrings, and a diamond ring. All of them were exquisite and expensive.

Chapter 173: Love Token

Gu Zheng took out a diamond ring from the jewelry box and put it on Qiao Xi before leading her away.

Qiao Xi raised her eyes in confusion.

Shouldn't he say something?

They were leaving after putting on the ring? Shouldn't he be confessing his feelings?

Song Shiyu: "... 'Wait a minute, wasn't there a ring for the man too?'

Why didn't the president say that they were couple rings?

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Two days later.

Qiao Xi didn't tell everyone that she went to watch the casting. Only Zhou Guanjin and the director knew about this.

Just as she was about to leave, Gu Zheng walked up and held her hand.

"You forgot your ring."

Qiao Xi looked down and saw Gu Zheng helping her put on the diamond ring.

She did not move. Why did Gu Zheng insist that she wear the ring? Was it to declare her status?

As soon as Qiao Xi stepped out of the door, Song Shiyu eagerly took another ring out. "President, your ring."

Gu Zheng nodded and took it.

Song Shiyu looked down. "... The president was such a flirt. He would only bring it with him if someone else brought it.

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The casting was being held in a building in the film studio.

Gu Zheng watched as Qiao Xi got down from the car with a slightly cold expression.

"Who are the investors of this movie?" he asked coldly.

Song Shiyu did a quick check and gasped. "President, one of them is Lu Yan!"

Gu Zheng knocked on the car window as his lips curled into a cold smile. "Thinking about my woman? He's really daring."

Song Shiyu held his breath in fear and said cautiously, "President, I'll deal with him!"

Gu Zheng said unhurriedly, "We're not hoodlums, don't be so rash. Moreover, this is Qiao Xi's script. The matter about investors... Do you understand what you need to do?"

Song Shiyu nodded immediately.

As this was Young Madam's first movie, everyone who stood in her way had to be dealt with!

Song Shiyu was about to get out of the car when he turned around all of a sudden and said with a grin, "President, Young Madam is so awesome! Not only does she know how to translate, but she also knows how to write scripts. Aren't you a little shabby?"

Young Madam seemed to know everything. If President did not watch her closely, she would be snatched away one day!

Gu Zheng lowered his eyes. "Mm."

Song Shiyu looked helpless. "I'm telling the truth. I'll tell you even if you don't like hearing it. It's all for your own good."

"Assistant Song, isn't your salary a little too high?" Gu Zheng smirked.

Song Shiyu was speechless.

'I'll just shut up!'

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After Qiao Xi went upstairs, she went straight to the audition venue.

On the other side, Gu Moling had a surprised expression and couldn't help but frown. "Rou Rou, look, is that Qiao Xi?"

Qiao Rou and a few of her actress friends walked over together. When she saw the person not far away, her body instantly trembled and her face revealed a sinister expression.

Soon, Qiao Rou calmed down. As this was the audition site and there were cameras and other actors nearby, she had to maintain her pure image.

"Brother Moling, why is Sister here too? Is she here for the audition too?"

Gu Moling shook his head. "I don't think it's possible. She's not an actress, and your father won't agree."

Qiao Rou pretended to be weak. "I didn't expect my sister to have such bad intentions toward me. When she heard that I'm here for the audition, she unexpectedly chose to compete with me. But she has never learned acting. Brother Moling, what should I do?"

The expression of a minor celebrity beside her changed.

Many admired Qiao Xi for defeating Fan Wen Yuan and wished they could engrain the video of Qiao Xi competing in the competition in their minds. However, the entertainment industry didn't know about Qiao Xi at all, so those who came to participate in the audition had never seen Qiao Xi.

These small celebrities had only heard rumors of Qiao Xi and Qiao Rou fighting over Gu Moling.

Seeing that Gu Moling was extremely disgusted with Qiao Xi, the small celebrity, Li Sha, suddenly had an idea.

If she could chase Qiao Xi out, Young Master Gu would definitely think highly of her.

Moreover, the Gu family was an investor in this movie!

Thus, Li Sha excused herself to use the bathroom and turned to walk toward Qiao Xi.

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Qiao Xi walked to the audition area, but she wasn't in a hurry to enter. She wanted to find out what role they were holding auditions for today.

She was about to call Zhou Guanjin when she heard—

“Anyone can come for the audition, huh? What a joke!”

Qiao Xi looked at the woman in front of her. When their eyes met, she realized that she was the one being ridiculed.

Li Sha's manager's face was full of disdain. “This is the audition venue for the character of Shen Li. What right do you have to come? You're really overestimating yourself! Let me tell you, our Li Sha has already been internally selected for this drama!”

Li Sha said arrogantly, “That's right! The scriptwriter said that I fit Shen Li's character the best. Qiao Xi, get lost quickly! Your efforts are all in vain!”

Just as Li Sha finished speaking, her manager at the side chimed in, “What's with the security guards outside? Are they just letting anyone enter? What kind of place do they think this is?”

Chapter 174: Audition Crisis

Subsequently, Li Sha's assistant walked over as well. “Miss Qiao, this is the audition venue. You shouldn't be here. Don't even think about snatching the role from Li Sha!”

Qiao Xi sneered. “You're auditioning for Shen Li?”

Her favorite character in the script is Shen Li. She was a woman with a tragic fate. After many betrayals and getting abandoned several times, she eventually turned evil. The character was full of emotions and also a dark horse in the drama.

She only agreed with Zhou Guanjin to come to the audition because she wanted to choose a good actress to play this role.

However, Li Sha said that the character was definitely hers?

Li Sha was smug. “Qiao Xi, I have a backer, so Shen Li is definitely mine! Don't even think about competing with me! If you don't leave, I'll get someone to chase you out!”

Subsequently, Li Sha's assistant looked displeased. “Miss Qiao, if you don't leave now, don't blame us for falling out with you! If this gets on the news, you'll be the one losing your reputation!”

With a wave of her hand, several bodyguards rushed up and surrounded Qiao Xi.

Qiao Xi laughed lightly. “Li Sha, are you sure you want to go against me?”

After she finished speaking, Qiao Xi directly walked past everyone and left.

Li Sha cursed. Her agent and assistant hurried to reassure her.

“Why does Qiao Xi think she can be arrogant? Does she have a backing? Even if she does, she can’t be more powerful than President Liu!”

After taking a few deep breaths, Li Sha said in a low voice, “Although the Gu family is an investor, President Liu has invested 50 million. He has the right to decide on a supporting role. In order to get his investment, the director will definitely give this role to me!”

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Qiao Xi walked around and entered the audition venue.

The director had never seen Qiao Xi before and knew that she was Zhou Guanjin’s woman. He glanced at her but didn’t say anything.

After looking at a few actresses who were auditioning for Shen Li’s role, they were all not suitable. Qiao Xi scanned through the list of names and couldn’t help but smile.

Li Sha’s name was written on it.

At this moment, when Li Sha heard her manager call her, she hurriedly took a deep breath and walked into the audition venue. When she saw Qiao Xi, the smile on her face instantly vanished.

Why was Qiao Xi here?

She actually got to know the director before she did? Damn it!

Before the director could say anything, Li Sha was furious and scolded, “Qiao Xi! How the hell did you get in? Director! You promised to give me the role of Shen Li. Why is that b*tch by your side? What tricks did she play?”

Qiao Xi remained silent. The director and the other crew members took a deep breath before saying, “Stop talking. Li Sha, hurry up and audition!”

The manager quickly tried to calm Li Sha down. She finally calmed down and auditioned messily.

“The role of Shen Li must be mine. Don’t blame me for being heartless if anyone tries to compete with me!”

The director and staff: “...”

The director lowered his voice. “What the hell? And you call yourself an actress?”

The assistant director was helpless. “President Liu invested 50 million. If we don’t let Li Sha act as Shen Li, then don’t think about getting the 50 million. We’re put in a difficult spot!”

The director thought about it for a while. “Let’s decide on Li Sha for the role of Shen Li. If she can’t act, we can use a substitute and try to change it.”

The assistant director nodded. It was just a villain role. It didn’t matter who acted in it. The key was to get the 50 million.

Seeing that the director and staff were discussing, Li Sha went up to them and said, "Director, President Liu said that he'll treat you to dinner tonight. When the time comes, the 50 million will be transferred directly to your account."

"President Liu has already called me. He also said that if Qiao Xi participates in this movie, he will immediately withdraw his investment," the director said.

Lisa covered her mouth and laughed. "President Liu really dotes on me. I'm not such a petty person. When the time comes, let Qiao Xi act as my subordinate."

Ten minutes later, the director announced, "The role of Shen Li will be given to Li Sha."

"Wait!"

Qiao Xi suddenly spoke as she looked coldly at everyone.

"Shen Li's character is complicated. Love and hate are intertwined. The actress needs a mature actor to convey it. Everyone has seen Li Sha's performance just now. There were no fluctuations in emotions. She can't even remember her lines. It really doesn't match the Shen Li in my memory at all. I don't think she's good enough for the role of Shen Li. Change it!"

The huge audition venue instantly fell silent.

Li Sha was stunned for a moment before she cursed, "Shut the f*ck up! Who the hell are you? The director has already agreed to let me act as Shen Li. What right do you have to object? Do you have the right?"

The assistant director cleared his throat. "Miss Qiao, we've already decided on Shen Li's role. Don't get involved. Take a step back."

Qiao Xi's expression was calm. "I can't step back. She can't act as Shen Li!"

Li Sha's anger flared, and she slammed the script onto the floor.

"Qiao Xi! If you have the ability, why don't you find a man to invest in your film? If you can't, then shut up! President Liu likes me the most. He's going to invest 50 million for my role! Who do you think you are?!"

Chapter 175: Young Master Gu Protects His Wife

Qiao Xi's expression was calm while her voice was indifferent. "Li Sha isn't suitable to act as Shen Li."

Li Sha was so angry that her whole body was trembling. She immediately called President Liu. The assistant director's expression was ugly and displeased.

"Miss Qiao, it's true that you're Young Master Zhou's woman, but you're an outsider. You don't have the right to interfere in our casting selection. You're not the scriptwriter either. How do you know who's suitable to act as Shen Li?"

"President Liu is an investor in this movie. He only arranged for a supporting role. You have no right to say no!"

Qiao Xi chuckled. "President Liu is investing 50 million?"

When Li Sha heard Qiao Xi's voice, she immediately exploded. Completely disregarding her image, she roared, "That's right! If I can't act as Shen Li, don't even think about getting this 50 million!"

The manager added, "Director, you know very well what Li Sha's identity is. That Qiao Xi is just a small character. Any smart person would know how to choose!"

Qiao Xi remained calm. "Li Sha must leave."

The assistant director's eyes were filled with anger. "Miss Qiao, what right do you have to speak to us in such a commanding tone? You're just Young Master Zhou's lover, and President Liu will pay 50 million for Li Sha. Don't think of yourself as someone important. We will never offend President Liu because of you!"

Qiao Xi stood up slowly with an indifferent expression. "If you must use Li Sha as Shen Li, then I'll leave."

She took out the document and walked toward the director. "In that case, our contract will be void."

The assistant director was about to speak, but when he took a closer look, his face turned pale—

Contract?

It clearly stated that the scriptwriter had the right to decide on the cast. If the scriptwriter did not agree, they could not use the actor. Otherwise, the contract would automatically be invalidated.

So Qiao Xi was... the scriptwriter?

The assistant director shuddered and stood up abruptly. "You... are the scriptwriter?"

She should only be Zhou Guanjin's lover. How could she be the scriptwriter?

Li Sha's eyes were full of surprise. Seeing the assistant director's change in expression, she immediately shouted, "Qiao Xi is lying! She's definitely not the scriptwriter! She had no mother since she was young and was kidnapped to the countryside. She can write scripts? Then I'm an international superstar!"

"Qiao Xi! Get lost! I feel disgusted just looking at you!"

Li Sha shouted loudly without caring about her image. She took out her phone and was about to call President Liu.

At this moment, the door to the audition venue was pushed open—

A few bodyguards in black suits entered the room. Song Shiyu walked out, bent over, and did everything smoothly.

Gu Zheng walked in steadily.

Qiao Xi paused for a moment.

What was Gu Zheng doing here?

Oh no, she was here to see her senior. If Gu Zheng knew that she was here to meet another man, it would be troublesome!

Gu Zheng's eyes were indifferent, and his entire body was filled with the aura of a king.

The director's heart skipped a beat. He was about to step forward when Li Sha rushed over. "Y-Young Master Gu, you're here. Did President Liu ask you to come?"

Li Sha was pleased.

Young Master Gu must be here for her.

The moment she saw Gu Zheng, Li Sha's heart skipped a beat. Young Master Gu was rich, powerful, and handsome. He was thousands of times better than President Liu. If she could get together with this man...

Li Sha went up to him and said pretentiously, "Young Master Gu, you didn't have to personally come. You just had to give the director a call and this matter would've been resolved. But I feel so wronged! Someone actually came to find trouble with me..."

Gu Zheng said slowly, "Who's looking for trouble?"

Hearing that, Li Sha was even more certain that Gu Zheng was here to help her. She instantly burst with joy.

She approached Gu Zheng while swaying her body. "Young Master Gu, it's her! She said that she's the scriptwriter and doesn't want me to play the role of Shen Li. The director has already agreed, but Qiao Xi keeps finding trouble and even wants to chase me away. Such a woman is really too scary!"

Gu Zheng glanced at Li Sha with a mocking look.

However, Li Sha did not sense it at all. She said arrogantly to Qiao Xi, "Do you see this? Young Master Gu is here to help me. You..."

"Don't be angry."

Gu Zheng's voice was lazy and carried a trace of helplessness. "As long as you're happy, making her disappear is just a matter of giving out the order."

Everyone sucked in a breath, and Li Sha was even more shocked.

Who... was Young Master Gu talking to?

Was he coaxing a woman?

Li Sha thought that Gu Zheng was talking to her and was instantly overwhelmed.

"Young Master Gu..."

Just as she approached, Gu Zheng quickly walked in front of Qiao Xi. "Did you suffer?"

Li Sha gaped, unable to believe what she was seeing.

How was that possible?

Young Master Gu was actually coaxing Qiao Xi? Was he crazy?

Qiao Xi was silent for a moment. She was only thinking that she didn't seem to have done anything extreme before Gu Zheng entered.

Fortunately, her fierce image was not exposed in front of Gu Zheng.

Chapter 176: Am I A Bastard?

Qiao Xi frowned and looked aggrieved. "Miss Li's acting skills are really terrible. As the scriptwriter, I have to be responsible for this movie. I just said one sentence and she scolded me. She even said that President Liu will invest 50 million yuan for her. Young Master Gu, she's bullying me so severely!"

A smile flashed across Gu Zheng's eyes before his expression turned cold. "Song Shiyu."

Song Shiyu understood at once. With a wave of his hand, several bodyguards rushed over and held Li Sha down. "Miss Li, excuse us."

Li Sha's eyes were filled with shock. She didn't expect that Qiao Xi's backing was Gu Zheng.

When did this b*tch seduce Gu Zheng?

Looking at Qiao Xi acting weak and aggrieved, Li Sha gritted her teeth in anger.

Young Master Gu must like her for her face! He had no idea how dirty she was!

Li Sha yelled, "Young Master Gu! How can you like Qiao Xi? She has scandalous relationships with several men. She's a mistress and she's sleeping with an old man. She might even be sick. Look at the diamond ring on her finger. It must have been given to her by a bastard. Young Master Gu..."

"A bastard?"

Gu Zheng repeated those words, then slowly walked up to her.

Li Sha thought that Gu Zheng believed her words. "Young Master Gu, I'm telling the truth. That diamond ring is very expensive and Qiao Xi doesn't have the money to buy it. I don't know how long she slept with him before she got it..."

"In Miss Li's eyes, I'm a bastard?"

Gu Zheng's voice was lazy. "President Liu is already past his prime. His taste is really unique since he likes a woman like Miss Li. But I'm different. I only like Qiao Xi."

"Miss Li, if you think you've lived for too long, I can inform President Liu's wife and let her deal with you. I don't want you to keep bullying my Qiao Xi. My heart will ache."

Qiao Xi gulped.

Wait, did she hear wrongly?

Gu Zheng said that he only liked her?

When Li Sha heard Gu Zheng's words, her mind went into a frenzy.

Fear filled her eyes as she looked at Qiao Xi and Gu Zheng in shock.

Was Young Master Gu sick?

He only liked Qiao Xi? This was absolutely impossible!

Qiao Xi was a cheap woman who had slept with countless men. How could Young Master Gu fall for her?

At this moment, her manager's phone rang. President Liu's angry voice came from the other end. "Is Li Sha crazy?! She can mess with anyone, but she actually went to provoke that man. If she offends him, then tell Li Sha to get out of my sight. I won't spend 50 million on her. Don't come looking for me again!"

Li Sha shuddered and sat down on the floor, her mind blank.

President Liu didn't want her anymore, and she even offended Young Master Gu.

She... She just wanted to chase Qiao Xi away and curry favor with Gu Moling and Qiao Rou. How did she end up like this?

"Miss Li, I forgot to tell you..."

Gu Zheng suddenly opened his mouth and said slowly, "You have the smell of an old man on you. It's really nauseating. Next time you look for a man, you have to wipe your eyes clean. President Liu can already be your father at his age."

Qiao Xi: "... " Gu Zheng's mouth was really vicious!

But she liked it!

Hearing Gu Zheng's ridicule, Li Sha immediately took a deep breath.

Gu Zheng looked at Qiao Xi. "Let's go."

Qiao Xi nodded. When she looked down and saw that Gu Zheng was also wearing a ring on his hand, she was instantly puzzled.

"Gu Zheng, your ring looks similar to mine, but the design is a little simple."

Gu Zheng was stunned.

He raised his head without batting an eyelid, so Qiao Xi didn't see his expression and blushing face.

Gu Zheng replied calmly, "Yes, this ring is not bad."

Qiao Xi thought for a moment that Gu Zheng had bought a couple ring, but it seemed like that wasn't the case.

It just looked very similar. A straight man like Gu Zheng would definitely not think of having matching couple rings.

Song Shiyu: "..."

He immediately choked, his face full of helplessness.

Those were couple rings. Was it so difficult to say it out loud? Why didn't the president admit it?

He was so anxious!

Gu Zheng touched the cufflinks.

On his birthday, Qiao Xi had given him these cufflinks.

However, Qiao Xi had gifted them to him with her identity as Black Tide. She thought she was gifting them to her senior.

But so much time had passed and Qiao Xi still hadn't guessed that he was her senior. It looked like he had to give her some hints.

Gu Zheng said calmly, "Mrs. Gu, did you come here to see your senior?"

Qiao Xi's entire body trembled: "..."

How did Gu Zheng know that Senior was coming?

The bastard was so petty. He wouldn't do anything, would he?

Qiao Xi's expression was subtle, and her face was filled with annoyance as she forcefully squeezed out a smile.

"Young Master Gu, you must be mistaken. There's definitely no such thing."

Gu Zheng's lips twitched. "Mrs. Gu, you look a little nervous when you're lying."

Qiao Xi's throat choked. Why was Gu Zheng so sure? How could someone as formidable as Senior be noticed by others? It was surely that kid, Zhou Guanjin, who leaked the news!

Chapter 177: Recognizing The Wrong Person

"It seems like you haven't met your senior yet?"

Gu Zheng smirked and said slowly, "Could it be that you don't want to see your senior anymore?"

Qiao Xi: "???"

What did this bastard mean?

Qiao Xi's countenance was ghastly pale, and she immediately said, "Of course, I want to see my senior. You don't understand the feelings between us. Even if we don't meet, we'll still be thinking about each other."

Gu Zheng smiled.

Was that so...

In Qiao Xi's eyes, the feelings between them were purely admiration and couldn't be concealed.

Gu Zheng could not help but laugh as his eyes sparkled.

Qiao Xi suddenly felt that something was off.

Gu Zheng was laughing!

Was he mad?

Qiao Xi felt a chill run down her spine. It just so happened that the actors had already completed the audition, so she should leave as soon as possible.

She would see Senior another time!

Qiao Xi took a list, and in the end, her gaze fixed onto a name.

Ye Qingyun, 38 years old, married. It was said that he was proficient in hacking and was handsome.

Qiao Xi immediately rushed over to look for Ye Qingyun. This person was definitely her senior.

Ye Qingyun was discussing the script. Qiao Xi waited for them to finish before carefully opening the door.

“Hello, Mr. Ye.”

Everyone turned around in surprise.

Ye Qingyun greeted indifferently, “Nice to meet you, Scriptwriter Qiao.”

Qiao Xi’s eyes lit up.

Senior knew that she was the scriptwriter! It was him!

Although Ye Qingyun was 38 years old, he looked gentle and refined. His acting skills were outstanding and he was also a popular young actor when he was young. He could be said to be an actor with both strength and looks.

Seeing how enthusiastic the scriptwriter was, he smiled and asked, “Miss Qiao, is anything the matter?”

Qiao Xi’s expression froze.

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Why was Senior pretending? Didn’t he say that they were going to meet?

Qiao Xi’s mouth twitched. She looked at Ye Qingyun’s manager and immediately understood.

“Mr. Ye, don’t you know me?”

Ye Qingyun was confused.

He thought hard. She didn’t look... familiar to him.

At this moment, Gu Zheng had already walked to the lounge and was smiling.

Qiao Xi turned around and was shocked when she saw the man.

What was this bastard doing here?

Since Senior was unwilling to acknowledge her, Gu Zheng must definitely be here to watch her make a joke out of herself!

Qiao Xi was furious. She gritted her teeth. “Mr. Ye, you know very well that I’m looking for Mo Yuan, right?”

“...” Ye Qingyun and his manager looked at each other in confusion.

There was a moment of silence.

The smile on Qiao Xi’s face gradually vanished.

Why was Senior still unwilling to acknowledge her? She had already said her name, or was it because it was not the right time? There were outsiders around, so it was not easy for him to acknowledge her?

No matter what the reason was, Qiao Xi’s heart was filled with helplessness and disappointment.

It seemed like her senior did not want to see her. They had known each other for so long, but they had never met. Perhaps to him, they were just acquaintances.

She had no idea who he was, how old he was, or what he looked like.

If she took the initiative to strike up a conversation with random men, they might think she was crazy.

Disappointment was written all over Qiao Xi’s face. She sighed and bowed toward Ye Qingyun. “I’m sorry.”

Just as she was about to leave—

“Mr. Ye, I’m sorry.”

At this moment, the man’s cold voice sounded. Gu Zheng walked in and pulled Qiao Xi over.

“My wife isn’t normal, don’t mind her.”

Qiao Xi: “...”

Who was abnormal?

She puffed up her cheeks and glared at Gu Zheng angrily. She raised her hand to give him a punch, but he dodged it and the corner of her mouth twitched.

Gu Zheng was calm. “Mr. Ye, you just saw it for yourself. She gets sick from time to time.”

With that, Gu Zheng pulled Qiao Xi out of the door.

Ye Qingyun nodded thoughtfully. No wonder this woman was trying to get close to him. It turned out that she was crazy.

Qiao Xi was angered to the point her face was flushing red. She pushed Gu Zheng off her. “What nonsense are you talking about!?”

Gu Zheng said slowly, “If I don’t say that, how would I explain it?”

Qiao Xi choked and was feeling unconvinced. “He was the one who refused to acknowledge me...”

Gu Zheng snorted. “If you’re not acknowledged, why don’t you think about the reason why?”

The man's lips curled up. "Is it just because you've been on each other's minds?"

Qiao Xi's expression darkened. "What does it have to do with you..."

"Qiao Xi." Gu Zheng spoke slowly, "Has it ever crossed your mind that you got the wrong person?"

Qiao Xi's pupils instantly dilated.

She got the wrong person?

Zhou Guanjin had said that her senior would be here.

Moreover, Ye Qingyun was the one who matched her senior's identity the most. Did she miss something?

Qiao Xi's face was filled with embarrassment. "In any case, my relationship with Senior is very good."

Gu Zheng was just about to contact Zhou Guanjin when he suddenly froze when he heard Qiao Xi's words.

Qiao Xi wanted to cry but had no tears. Her entire body was filled with a sense of defeat. Hence, she decided to teach Gu Zheng a lesson and roared loudly, "You'll never be able to understand the feelings between me and Senior.. We've known each other for ten years, and during these ten years, we've supported each other. When I needed help the most, it was he who gave me the motivation to persist!"

Chapter 178: The Bastard Is Senior

Qiao Xi was extremely aggrieved in her heart and wanted to make Gu Zheng unhappy, so she shouted, "If it weren't for me marrying you, I might have married Senior instead. He's very good to me."

Gu Zheng smirked.

Qiao Xi instantly choked.

The damned man was actually a little happy?

Why was he not jealous? Or did he not care at all?

Qiao Xi felt that she was like a clown at this moment.

Qiao Xi sighed. "I've known Senior for ten years. Even though I've married you now, my feelings for him can't be replaced by anyone. Don't vainly think of taking his place in my heart."

Gu Zheng was calm and collected. Afraid that Qiao Xi's mouth would go dry from talking, he even handed her a glass of water.

Wait!

Qiao Xi was stunned. Not only was this man not jealous but he was also interested in this topic.

Qiao Xi gnashed her teeth. "Even if Senior doesn't acknowledge me, he's still in my heart. Don't think that just because I married you, I have to keep a distance from Senior. Do... Do you hear that?"

“Mhm...” Gu Zheng dragged out his words with a hint of teasing in his voice. His eyes were filled with smiles.

“You like your senior?” It seemed to be a question, but his tone was firm.

Qiao Xi did not perceive the hidden meaning behind his words and blurted out, “Right! I like Senior. Actually, it can’t be said that I like him. I love him...”

Someone pushed the door open and walked in.

Zhou Guanjin was wearing a suit and had a smile on his face. “You’re all here!”

He sat down and suddenly felt that the atmosphere between the two of them was very strange, so he asked probingly, “What’s going on? I originally wanted to bring my junior to look for you. But you’re very busy with work, so you might not have time.”

Gu Zheng remained calm and collected.

Qiao Xi noticed something strange from Zhou Guanjin’s words.

She took a sip of water and heard Zhou Guanjin say, “Senior, I should be the one to introduce you guys today. Why did the two of you meet yourselves?”

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Wait!

Senior?

Her hand went weak and the cup fell to the floor. Water splashed everywhere.

Qiao Xi was dumbstruck. “Who did you say he is?”

Zhou Guanjin hurriedly picked up a tissue to wipe his pants. “He’s your senior!”

Qiao Xi rubbed her ears to confirm that she had not misheard.

Her face was ashen with shock.

Her mind was blank, and she felt as though everything was a dream.

Qiao Xi raised her eyes to look at Gu Zheng, then recalled what she had just said. She asked in disbelief, “Are you sure he’s Mo Yuan?”

Zhou Guanjin was puzzled. “Of course, your senior is Mo Yuan. And he already knows that you’re Black Tide.”

Gu Zheng smirked, his eyes were glinting like stars. He said casually, “Junior, I heard you like me the most?”

The corners of Qiao Xi’s mouth twitched while her expression froze. “...”

She was about to vomit blood.

Qiao Xi abruptly stood up, her face filled with horror as her voice trembled. “You’re Mo Yuan?!”

Gu Zheng chuckled. "Huh, you don't believe me?"

Zhou Guanjin had no idea what was going on between the two of them. He said excitedly, "Black Tide, I knew that you would find it hard to believe. I was also shocked for a long time when I found out."

Qiao Xi: "..."

It was not just a shock. It was...

Gu Zheng's thin lips parted slightly. "Black Tide, you said that you like me a lot and love me a lot. What else?"

Qiao Xi choked.

Before Zhou Guanjin came in, she did not know that Gu Zheng was her senior, so she said a lot of shameless things.

She originally wanted to anger Gu Zheng and express her love for her senior in front of him to see if he would be angry.

No wonder Gu Zheng was not angry at all and was even a little happy. It turned out that the person she had confessed to was Gu Zheng.

Zhou Guanjin was excited. "Junior! You've confessed? But aren't you already married? Your husband is so pitiful!"

Qiao Xi choked, then closed her eyes and gnashed her teeth. "I was talking nonsense. Do you think I'm crazy? I won't say such things again! Gu Zheng, consider me blind!"

Gu Zheng snorted.

Just then, Qiao Xi's phone rang. It was Song Shiyu's voice. "Young Madam! Young Master has helped you solve the matter of Qiao Rou and Fan Wenyuan maligning you. The shareholders have all voted to expel Qiao Rou. Qiao Corporation won't accept her anymore."

Qiao Xi's eyes lit up.

She originally wanted Qin An to slowly help her deal with Qiao Rou.

Who would have thought that Gu Zheng would have already resolved it and saved her from having to worry about it?

Gu Zheng said slowly, "Qiao Rou's expulsion is just the beginning. Gu Corporation will continue to pressure her in the future, so what do you think you should do now?"

Her words from earlier echoed in her mind, and she smiled slightly awkwardly.

She did not care about getting humiliated. After all, he was her husband.

Chapter 179: Don't Call Her 'Junior', Call Her 'Sister-In-Law'

Qiao Xi immediately went up to Gu Zheng with a smile on her face. "Young Master Gu~ You're so kind. It's true that I like you. You're a magnanimous person, so you shouldn't hold grudges."

Gu Zheng chuckled. "You change your attitude quite quickly. Very good."

Qiao Xi forced a large smile, yet she was suppressing her anger in her heart.

Qiao Xi felt that it was reasonable for Gu Zheng to be Mo Yuan. Actually, she should have realized this a long time ago.

Even though he was a bastard, he was very good to her as he was still her senior, causing Qiao Xi to feel very conflicted.

He was both her senior and her husband. Their relationship seemed to be a little messy.

Qiao Xi abruptly raised her eyes and suddenly recalled something, causing her entire body to tremble.

After marrying Gu Zheng, she had even complained to her senior, 'My husband is such a bastard!'

"Junior, did you think of something?" Gu Zheng raised an eyebrow, his eyes filled with ridicule.

"I even gave you a course on how to scold people previously. How did that go?"

Qiao Xi's entire body trembled, and her countenance was ghastly pale. "Heh, n-not bad."

Zhou Guanjin, who was beside them, suddenly felt that the atmosphere was very strange. "Why do I feel that the two of you seem to know each other before this? Moreover, the two of you look very intimate."

Gu Zheng ignored him. "If you still need to write programs, don't hesitate to tell me. I'm the man you love the most."

Zhou Guanjin said, "Wait, the two of you are married people. It's not appropriate to say such things to each other, right? You're such a scumbag!"

Qiao Xi smiled embarrassedly. "Senior, you knew my identity since a long time ago?"

Zhou Guanjin shouted, "Can both of you pay attention to me? Qiao Xi... Senior, you..."

Gu Zheng said casually, "I knew it on my birthday."

Qiao Xi: "!!"

Back then?

Hence, the gift that she had painstakingly prepared had always been with Gu Zheng.

This bastard had been hiding it from her all this time!

Zhou Guanjin shouted in exasperation, "Are you guys not listening to me?! Senior, I was the one who introduced you..."

"Young Master Zhou."

Gu Zheng interrupted Zhou Guanjin and said slowly, "You don't have to call her 'Junior' anymore. Just call her 'Sister-in-law'. What do you think, Mrs. Gu?"

After that, he directly held Qiao Xi's hand and left the lounge.

Zhou Guanjin was shocked and confused.

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What?

Qiao Xi was Mrs. Gu?

Hence, they were already married while he was alone!

He watched the two of them leave and hurriedly said, "Junior, that Lu Yan seems to be..."

Before he could finish, the two of them disappeared.

If her junior was not married yet, marrying Lu Yan would indeed be a good choice.

However, her junior's husband was Gu Zheng... Who was Lu Yan? Wasn't he just a little rich?

Lu Yan wanted to snatch a woman from his senior? Dream on!

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On the other side, Qiao Xi struggled weakly. "Let go!"

Gu Zheng pulled her to the garage and let go of her. "Mrs. Gu, is this how you treat the man you love?"

Qiao Xi was instantly speechless. She had never seen such a shameless man.

Her face turned red as she pressed his hand down. "Shameless! I didn't say that!"

Gu Zheng withdrew his hand and grabbed her waist. His fingers moved, making her body tremble. "Mrs. Gu, you have no conscience."

Qiao Xi's face instantly flushed red.

It was originally a complaint, but when Gu Zheng said it, it filled the air with ambiguity. She could not help but start feeling nervous.

"W-What are you doing? Let go! Otherwise, don't blame me!"

The man chuckled and touched her lips with his finger. "What's there to be shy about? I'm your husband."

Qiao Xi wished for nothing more than to find a hole in the ground and crawl into it. She was so regretful. Why did she deliberately anger Gu Zheng?

"Miss Qiao, long time no see."

At this moment, the man's gentle voice sounded. Qiao Xi turned her head and her body instantly trembled.

Damn! It was the big shot that Third Brother was talking about, the legendary fiancé.

Lu Yan passed Gu Zheng and handed a red velvet box to Qiao Xi. "Congratulations on winning the translation competition, Miss Qiao. This is for you."

Qiao Xi swept a glance at the box and knew that it was a Lone Star product. It cost approximately five million.

Qiao Xi's face was full of embarrassment. The person in front of her was her ex-fiancé, while the person beside her was her husband. The air was instantly filled with the smell of gunpowder.

"Mr. Lu, this gift is too expensive. I won't accept it."

Lu Yan was calm as he put away the velvet box and smiled warmly. "It's okay. This necklace will forever belong to you, Miss Qiao. It'll always be waiting for you."

Gu Zheng's face sank, and he had an arm around Qiao Xi's waist. His icy-cold gaze swept past Lu Yan before he pulled Qiao Xi into the car.

Lu Yan's expression was calm as he said gently, "Miss Qiao, I like you. I hope you can give me a chance."

Before Qiao Xi could answer, the car drove away.

Chapter 180: The Gu Family's Past

Lu Yan's assistant said, "Sir, with your status and identity, how many women are taking the initiative to pursue you? Why are you pursuing a married woman? Moreover, Qiao Xi is the wife of an illegitimate child of the Gu family."

The smile on Lu Yan's face gradually vanished, and his eyes narrowed. "I want to steal Gu Zheng's woman. I'll snatch all his things."

The assistant nodded and said, "That's right. If you snatch her and toss her aside later, Gu Zheng will lose all his dignity!"

Lu Yan snorted. He had never thought of dumping Qiao Xi.

After all, an interesting woman like Qiao Xi was rare. He was very interested in her.

"To Qiao Corporation." Lu Yan got into the car and smiled. "Since I've decided to pursue Miss Qiao, I have to express my gratitude."

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Gu Zheng's eyes were cold as he said in a deep voice, "Mrs. Gu, you seem to be very familiar with Lu Yan?"

Qiao Xi straightened her back and patted her chest as she guaranteed. "We're really not close. I only met him once at the Gu family."

Gu Zheng nodded and the car suddenly accelerated. "You're not allowed to see him in the future!"

Qiao Xi's heart trembled as she quickly took out her phone to look up on Lu Yan.

The heir of the Lu family... Lu Qingyun's nephew.

Lu Qingyun!

Wasn't she the old chairman's first wife?

After that, Mrs. Gu brought Gu Zheng to the Gu family and directly dominated the top position. Lu Qingyun was so angry that she died just like that. After that, the Lu family and the Gu family became enemies and never contacted each other again.

As an illegitimate child, Gu Zheng had always been hated by the Lu family.

Lu Yan had probably approached her only to go against Gu Zheng.

If Lu Yan could successfully snatch her away, Gu Zheng would become the laughing stock of everyone.

However... Gu Zheng was just a child back then. It was not his fault!

It was because of Gu Zheng that the old chairman agreed to let Mrs. Gu in. However, Mrs. Gu had never treated Gu Zheng like her son but like an enemy.

After Lu Qingyun married the old chairman, she did not do anything. Mrs. Gu's mother rose to power because of her son. She should cherish Gu Zheng.

She had everything because of Gu Zheng, but she always abused him instead.

In Mrs. Gu's eyes, Gu Zheng was just a tool to rise to power. He had to endure the pursuit and abuse of Mrs. Gu and the chairman, as well as constantly be on guard against the Lu family's schemes. Everyone wanted to kill him.

However, he was clearly the most innocent person!

Qiao Xi's eyes darkened as she felt bitter in her heart. "I won't see him!"

Gu Zheng's gloomy expression softened a little like an iceberg melting.

Since the Gu family felt guilty toward the Lu family, no matter how overboard Lu Yan's actions were, everyone thought that it was reasonable and even asked Gu Zheng to swallow his anger.

The Lu and Gu families could not wait to kill him!

Now that Lu Yan wanted to snatch Qiao Xi away, it would depend on whether he had the ability.

Qiao Xi's expression was serious as she sent Qin An a message: [Third Brother, send me information about the Lu family.]

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At Qiao Corporation.

In the meeting room, everyone's expression was gloomy.

"President Qiao, the people from Gu Corporation said that if we don't expel Miss Qiao Rou, they'll revoke their investment immediately..."

A veteran of Qiao Corporation said earnestly, "Miss Qiao Rou, it's really a waste of your talent for you to be in our company. If we offend the Gu family, our Qiao Corporation will face a calamity."

Qiao Rou and Xu Mei sat together with extremely ugly expressions.

Qiao Zhenguo had long agreed to give Qiao Corporation's shares to Qiao Rou and chase Qiao Xi out of the Qiao family.

However, after the news about Fan Wenyuan spread, someone proved that Qiao Rou was the instigator.

Qiao Rou was a celebrity with a lot of followers. The internet was instantly filled with criticisms. They said that she was jealous of her sister's ability and wanted to malign her.

The veteran said again, "Qiao Rou has offended Gu Corporation, and Young Master Gu has already given us a chance by not destroying the Qiao family. If we don't expel Qiao Rou, what will the Gu family do?"

Qiao Rou lowered her head and sobbed softly. "I really didn't hurt my sister. I just wanted to help her. I don't understand why she's doing this to me. The entire Qiao family is being ruined by her!"

"This has nothing to do with my daughter! There are so many of you, but what are you all doing? You're reaping the benefits from the Qiao family yet you're helping that b*tch, Qiao Xi?"

Xu Mei immediately cursed. These people actually wanted to chase her daughter away.

"Gu Corporation won't put pressure on us because of Qiao Xi. There must be another reason. Aren't you guys just thinking of ways to chase my daughter away? Have you gone mad?"

The veteran's expression darkened as he abruptly stood up.

"Xu Mei, Qiao Rou! Qiao Xi has 74% of the shares. There's no chance of winning against her. You went out for wool but came home shorn. Qiao Rou even maligned Eldest Miss by accusing her of harming her. As Qiao Rou's mother, you're no good person either!"

The meeting room was silent.

Qiao Zhenguo's face was livid.