

Little Sweet 1111

Chapter 1111: This doesn't look too safe

"Let me think. I think her name was Jiang... her name was Jiang Yanran..." the assistant replied.

"It was actually her!" Once Liang Shihan remembered Jiang Yanran's close relationship to Ye Wanwan, her expression became even uglier.

"Sister Yiyi, can't you think of something? I really want to act in Director Peng's film. Jiang Yanran succeeded and she's only a student without a company backing her. Isn't it nonsense that I didn't succeed?" Liang Shihan begged as she tugged on Ye Yiyi's sleeve.

Ye Yiyi frowned. "Shihan, it's not that I don't want to help you, and if it was a different director, our company could still rely on favors, but Peng Yuanhu is a director who casts based off his mood. No one can sway him. The casting for this film has already been decided, so don't think about it anymore. The company will make better arrangements for you."

Once Liang Shihan heard that Ye Yiyi wouldn't help her, she immediately became unhappy up until the last sentence. Only then did she brighten up a little. "Really? Thank you so much, Sister Yiyi. I knew you would treat me the best!"

Ye Yiyi laughed. "We're family. You don't need to thank me."

Liang Shihan appeared satisfied. "Sister Yiyi, you don't need to worry. You're the eldest miss of the Ye family and the only eldest miss. Ye Wanwan and her family can't even show their faces in public so they can't possibly make something out of nothing! What? *Life and Death Struggle*?? Just from the name, you can tell it won't become popular. Let's wait for them to go bankrupt!"

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At a hot-pot restaurant.

Ye Wanwan ate until she couldn't eat anymore before she finally rested, content.

After the bill was paid, Si Yehan didn't directly get the car because Ye Wanwan was still too full, so they went on a stroll with Tangtang.

"Are you still not feeling well?" Si Yehan had a helpless expression as he watched the girl rubbing her stomach.

"Hm... I don't feel well..." Ye Wanwan mourned. "Why didn't you two remind me to eat less!"

Si Yehan: "..."

Tangtang: "Mommy, Tangtang was wrong..."

The father-son pair shared the same thoughts. She was eating so happily – who could bear to tell her to eat less?

Si Yehan glanced at the pharmacy across the street then said to Ye Wanwan, "Wait here a bit. I'll go buy you some digestive pills."

"Oh... Okay..." Ye Wanwan obediently nodded but after she agreed, she seemed worried. "But hurry back... It's late at night... It's not too safe... You're so handsome... What if you encounter some female perverts..."

The corners of Si Yehan's lips curved upwards. His expression was hard to read. "No one's more perverted than you."

Ye Wanwan instantly retorted back unhappily, "Hey, how am I perverted..."

Si Yehan's been slandering me constantly! Really!

"Mommy, are you okay? Tangtang can rub your stomach for you!" The little fella helped Ye Wanwan rub her stomach with concern.

"Thank you, baby. Muah~"

Ye Wanwan was in the middle of circling the fountain when suddenly, a girl headed towards her.

The girl was looking down with a lot of stuff in her arms. She appeared absent-minded and wasn't looking where she was going, so she ran straight into Ye Wanwan. The stuff in her hands scattered on the ground...

"Ah! I'm so sorry! Miss, are you alright?" Ye Wanwan watched as the girl bent down in front of her to pick up the stuff on the ground.

"It's nothing, it's nothing... Sorry... I'm so sorry that I ran into you..." The girl kept apologizing.

Ye Wanwan helped pick up her stuff and noticed the contents of the papers. She couldn't help but notice that the scattered papers were all the girl's resumes.

The girl was working the same job as her. They were both managers...

Chapter 1112: Strong willed but disabled physically

Ye Wanwan swept her gaze over the contents of the resume.

Yao Jiawen, 24 years old. Her previous employer was Wisdom Media, and she had been in charge of two third-rate celebrities.

The girl appeared young but had already been in the industry for six years. She worked as a part-time intern when she was still in university then worked her way up slowly from being an assistant until she finally became a manager. She seemed very reliable.

Moreover, she was able to nurture two third-rate celebrities with resources that she had to compete for in Wisdom, which was considered a highly competitive company. This meant she was also capable.

From her resume, it was clear her family circumstances weren't very good but she was willing to work hard. To be able to get to where she was in six years meant she worked several times harder than the average person.

Ye Wanwan's company had just taken its first steps and she needed hardworking employees like this...

Ye Wanwan handed over the resume to Yao Jiawen then decided to test the waters when she said, "Miss Yao, I apologize but I saw your resume just now. Dare I ask – are you still looking for a job?"

Yao Jiawen nodded. "Yes..."

"I saw that you previously worked at Wisdom Media. Wisdom isn't a bad company in this industry, so why did you quit?" Ye Wanwan asked.

Yao Jiawen bitterly smiled. "It's just the usual company competitiveness. I was ousted. Our company only looks at results and if we don't meet quotas, we have to leave."

"Miss, I can tell you seem to understand how this industry works and that it's very intense. If someone doesn't have any money or connections, it's almost impossible to make a living... I worked at Wisdom for six years but in the end, I was still abandoned..."

Yao Jiawen's face was filled with fatigue and loneliness.

Ye Wanwan understood Yao Jiawen's circumstances. This industry was simply that cruel. No matter how hard you worked, if you had no money or connections, you still wouldn't stand out even after ten or twenty years. There were too many people who had to give up and change careers.

"I was wondering if Miss Yao knows about *Age of the Immortals*?" Ye Wanwan asked.

Yao Jiawen thought about it before answering, "I've heard of that name. It's a new start-up company?"

Ye Wanwan nodded in reply. "Yes, if Miss Yao is interested, you can give them a try. They've been hiring managers lately."

When she talked to Ye Mufan about hiring staff before, Ye Mufan had already sent out the posting and had recently begun hiring.

Yao Jiawen speechlessly peered at her. "You are?"

Ye Wanwan replied, "My friend works at that company as the director of the talent recruitment department. I heard they're hiring now and I noticed your resume seems to match the requirements, so I mentioned it. This is his card. If you're interested, you can directly contact him."

After Ye Wanwan finished speaking, she handed Ye Bai's business card over to Yao Jiawen.

"So it's like this," Yao Jiawen accepted the card from Ye Wanwan and emotionally said, "Miss, I'm really grateful. Thank you. I'll definitely try for the job!"

Ye Wanwan: "You're welcome."

Yao Jiawen thanked her several more times before leaving.

Soon after, Si Yehan had finished buying digestive pills and returned. He glanced at the girl who was leaving. "Who were you just talking to?"

"I coincidentally met a girl and saw her resume on the ground. When I helped her pick it up, I realized she was working in the same industry. She didn't seem bad, so I tried to hire her! Ah, look at me, I'm dressed like this and I still can't forget my job. Isn't this what you call being strong willed in a disabled body?" Ye Wanwan sighed.

Tangtang was speechless. *?Did Mommy use the wrong idiom again?*

Hm, that's not right. Mommy is never wrong. Even when Mommy is wrong, she's still right!

Si Yehan silently looked at the girl before him then handed her a bottle of water and the pills. "Take your medicine."

After he finished talking, he worriedly added, "Make sure to drink more water."

This girl... No matter what she looks like... She still makes me worry...

Chapter 1113: Somewhat Similar

The next day, Ye Wanwan arrived at the Jiang family home to visit Jiang Yanran's parents.

Mr. and Mrs. Jiang were too passionate because they kept encouraging her to eat more. It wasn't until she quickly recounted what happened the previous night that she was let off the hook.

Otherwise, if she ate until she was stuffed today, the adult-child duo at home would nag her to death.

"Ah, Wanwan, luckily you've been by Yanran's side all these years. Otherwise, who knows how Yanran would've ended up..." Every time they remembered how they hadn't seen Song Zi Hang's true colors and how they nearly married their daughter into the Song family, which was equivalent to throwing their daughter into a fire, the Jiang couple shivered from the fear in their hearts.

"Uncle, Auntie, you're being overly polite. Yanran's my friend," Ye Wanwan replied.

"It was also thanks to your help with the casting call this time. To be able to work with Director Peng in her first film, our Yanran is so lucky to have you as a friend. It's truly a blessing!" Mrs. Jiang couldn't help but sigh with emotion. If Ye Wanwan had been a man, she would definitely have married her daughter off to her.

Jiang Yanran immediately added, "Dad, mom, Wanwan is really amazing. She was really accurate when she helped me figure out the plot details!"

"At the time, many other capable girls also drew the same scene and I heard the producer saying that their performances were all better than mine. They danced more beautifully, but in the end, Director Peng still chose me..."

"Really? Why was that?" Mrs. Jiang asked with curiosity.

Jiang Yanran replied, "It was Wanwan who specifically told me that if I were to draw this scene, I needed to hold back when I danced. She said that I should enjoy the dance without showing off."

"Because in that scene, the main female protagonist had a condition after losing her memory. Although she was a great dancer prior to losing her memory, dancing is a kind of thing that needs endless training in order to maintain the fluidity of movement. For a person who hasn't danced in so many years, if they suddenly had to dance, the body wouldn't be able to recreate the same quality of movement even if they loved dancing..."

"That makes sense! So it was like that. Not many would notice this type of small detail." Mr Jiang nodded.

"So I purposely performed with a few flaws so it seemed as though I was dancing as I normally would. Once I finished performing, Director Peng asked me why I performed like that and I told him the truth. Afterwards, Director Peng chose me." Jiang Yanran got excited as she recounted the story.

Ye Wanwan smiled. "I was only explaining a little about the female protagonist."

Ye Wanwan appeared listless as she seemed to have suddenly thought of something when she stopped speaking.

She realized that ever since she had been reborn, she felt she suddenly had a lot of potential and talent in martial arts. It was only that her body wouldn't listen to her and would always run out of steam.

Isn't feeling the same as what Jiang Yanran's character is feeling?

It wasn't that she had talent but never learned martial arts. Instead, she was more like a machine that hadn't been used in years.

So when she started exercising and recovering, her movements and fighting abilities kept getting better...

Once she realized she had gone too deep into her thoughts, Ye Wanwan immediately came out of her reverie and said, "I'm here today because of a specific matter."

After Ye Wanwan said that, she took out a contract.

Once Jiang Yanran saw it, she instantly accepted the contract happily. "Is this our contract? Wanwan, you're finally willing to give me a title! Mom, quickly hand me a pen!"

Chapter 1114: Whose little sister

Ye Wanwan laughed. "No need to hurry, I still haven't finished talking!"

Jiang Yanran grumbled, "You can continue after I've signed it!"

Ye Wanwan looked at Jiang Yanran then at Mr. and Mrs. Jiang before sternly continuing, "Yanran, things aren't as simple as you think. Today, Worldwide Entertainment and Emperor Sky Entertainment are both secretly targeting us, especially Emperor Sky Entertainment. They'll definitely do anything to suppress us this time. You also know about my family situation."

“This is a hard war which I’m not even sure I can win. So for the sake of insurance, I’m giving you this contract. But you don’t need to sign it right now. Wait until the Golden Orchid Awards are over and after the results are out, you can sign it then. This is safer for you because if anything were to happen to Age of the Immortals, you won’t get caught up in it.”

It was because of her company’s circumstances that she didn’t sign Jiang Yanran.

Jiang Yanran went silent and suddenly felt unhappy. “Why? In your opinion of me, do you think I can’t share your hardships?”

“How could that be?” Ye Wanwan gently coaxed her. “Part of the reason is for your own good but it’s also because of me. If I were to involve you in this, wouldn’t my losses be too great? After all, you’re my trump card!”

Once Jiang Yanran heard that, her expression warmed up by several degrees. Mr. and Mrs. Jiang also nodded when they heard that, looking at Ye Wanwan with approval.

When the Jiang couple first heard from Yanran that she wanted Wanwan to be her manager, they were a bit worried since Wanwan was only older than Yanran by one or two years.

But now, after experiencing so much, the old couple’s opinion of Ye Wanwan had completely changed.

Although this child wasn’t that much older than Yanran, she was much more mature and thought more about the bigger picture. They could tell she was treating their Yanran wholeheartedly.

“Yanran, what Wanwan says makes sense. This is the best for the both of you,” Mr. Jiang said.

Jiang Yanran stared at the contract in her hands and gradually, her grip tightened before she finally replied, “Alright, I’ll wait until after the Golden Orchid Awards before signing.”

All along, it was Wanwan who kept helping her and even at this point in time, she was still thinking of her.

This time, she definitely had to work her hardest in order to help Wanwan.

She needed to do well in this film so that when the time came, she could stand on the award stage and proudly tell everyone that her manager was Ye Bai.

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Ye Wanwan didn’t stay long because she needed to deal with the matter of hiring staff in the afternoon.

After changing her clothes, Ye Wanwan arrived at the company.

Ye Wanwan told Ye Mufan about the matter regarding Jiang Yanran.

Ye Mufan was shocked after learning about it. “Damn, you were actually hiding a trump card? That being said, this means our company will finally have female artists?”

Ye Wanwan: “Don’t even think about it. She already has a partner and I was the matchmaker.”

Ye Mufan's expression darkened. "How could you think that?! Is your brother that uncontrollable in your eyes? But Wanwan... Does this mean... Since year three of high-school... You've already been preparing..."

At that time, his impression of Ye Wanwan was that she was a rebellious teenage girl who dressed repulsively and would live or die for Gu Yueze.

Never did he imagine that from that point onwards, his little sister had already begun planning with such patience...

Ye Wanwan frowned when she saw Ye Mufan staring at her. "What are you staring at me for?"

Ye Mufan rubbed his chin. "Hey, Wanwan, are you still my little sister?"

Ye Wanwan rolled her eyes at him. "If I'm not your little sister, whose little sister am I?"

Ye Mufan abruptly appeared satisfied. "Haha, mine. Besides me, who else could have such an awesome little sister?!"

Chapter 1115: There's still my son

Ye Wanwan swept her eyes over the documents scattered over Ye Mufan's desk. She casually picked up a sheet of paper and asked, "Did you hire any suitable managers?"

Ye Mufan sighed. "Nope! I interviewed several and none of them were any good! They were too impatient! Not one seemed competent!"

Ye Wanwan: "..."

It wasn't easy for him to be able to call others impatient...

"Any good ones wouldn't come to a small company like ours; we've only gotten inexperienced and unreliable ones, so it's hard to find anyone..." Ye Mufan complained.

Now that Ye Wanwan brought on Jiang Yanran on top of the other three artists they had, they really needed more manpower to help them out.

Ye Wanwan thought about it before asking, "Oh right, was there a girl surnamed Yao who came to interview today?"

"Surnamed Yao? Nope! Why?" Ye Mufan asked.

Ye Wanwan replied, "Last night, I went for hot-pot with my son and my boyfriend and I coincidentally met a girl and saw her resume. She was looking for a job as a manager."

"I saw her resume and she seemed pretty reliable, so I gave her my card and told her to come interview at our company. But she didn't come!"

Just as Ye Mufan said, anyone who had any slight ounce of ambition would choose bigger companies. There was no way they would come to their start-up.

There were too many start-ups in recent years that weren't reliable. They typically ran for about one or two years then they would close down and run away from debt. There were even some which closed down after half a month or even after ten days or so. This was why even though the competition to get into a big company had become even more intense than before, people were still more inclined to apply for positions with them instead.

But at this moment, Ye Mufan was completely focused on the part where Ye Wanwan said, "Last night, I went for hot-pot with my son and my boyfriend!"

"Boyfriend, you only think of your boyfriend. You've never even gone out for hot-pot with me, your brother!" Ye Mufan complained.

Ye Wanwan frowned. "What do you mean never? Didn't I have hot-pot with you last week?"

Ye Mufan: "That was at home with mom and dad! We've never gone out by ourselves!"

Ye Wanwan: "I wasn't alone with my boyfriend. My son was there too!"

Ye Mufan: "..."

His heart felt so heavy that he didn't want to argue anymore.

He was seriously suspecting whether this girl was lying to him or not!

That kid couldn't really be her illegitimate child with that wild man right?

Ye Mufan was about to ask when the phone on his desk began to ring.

It was the front desk receptionist. "Director Ye, there's a miss surnamed Yao here looking for you. She says she's here for an interview."

Ye Mufan looked stunned and he glanced at Ye Wanwan. "There's a girl surnamed Yao here. Is she the one you were talking about?"

Ye Wanwan's eyes glittered. "It should be, let her in!"

"OK!" Ye Mufan turned back to the phone. "Let her in."

After a moment, a girl knocked on the door and came in. It was Yao Jiawen, the girl Ye Wanwan met the night before.

The girl appeared plain and looked like she would blend in with a crowd. Her hair was neatly combed and she was wearing a Chanel suit which was out of season and appeared to be rather old.

It was clear she knew how heavily people in this industry focused on their style of dress, but because of her financial circumstances, she couldn't afford to buy newer clothes and could only wear an appropriate brand-name outfit.

Not only did she look decent but her expression was very natural and poised, giving off a comfortable aura.

"Nice to meet you, my name is Yao Jiawen. I previously worked at Wisdom Media and I..." Yao Jiawen did a simple self-introduction.

Ye Mufan looked through the girl's resume and appeared very satisfied. He glanced at Ye Wanwan, who was seated on the sofa. "Amazing, you can even find treasures while eating hot-pot?"

Chapter 1116: Rapid Progress

Their company couldn't support gods but inexperienced staff wouldn't cut it. People like this were perfect.

From the girl's resume, they could tell she was a hard-working individual.

Ye Wanwan sent Ye Mufan a look then coughed lightly before saying to Yao Jiawen: "Nice to meet you. Miss Yao, was it? My friend mentioned you to me before."

Yao Jiawen hurriedly replied, "You must be... Chairman Ye? Last night, I accidentally bumped into your friend then she gave me your card. But I didn't dare give you a call out of the blue so I directly came to your company to interview..."

Ye Wanwan nodded, indicating that she understood. "You two can continue."

Thus, Ye Mufan asked Yao Jiawen several questions and she was able to smoothly answer all of them.

After ten minutes passed, Ye Mufan nodded his head in approval then glanced at Ye Wanwan. "Boss, what do you think?"

"Not bad. Pretty good. If there are no other issues, you can come to work tomorrow," Ye Wanwan replied.

Yao Jiawen was speechless with surprise but then showed a conflicted expression.

"What is it, is there a problem?" Ye Mufan asked.

Yao Jiawen appeared depressed with several degrees of embarrassment. She hesitantly asked Ye Mufan, "I... Can I... Can I receive three months' pay in advance..."

She hadn't even started work yet she wanted three months' advance pay. No matter which company it was, they would never agree.

From the looks of Yao Jiawen, she had evidently worked in this industry for many years, so she should understand this unspoken rule. It was likely she had no other choice, which forced her to make such a request.

Ye Mufan said tentatively, "Regarding advanced pay, if you worked here for a while, I might still consider your request. But you haven't even started working yet, and you want advanced pay... Do you have any reason for asking this?"

Yao Jiawen's expression became even more embarrassed. "I... I'm really sorry. I know this request is unreasonable, but because the competition at Wisdom was too fierce... I put a lot of my own money into my work to help new trainees... I haven't been able to save up in recent years... I also just quit my job and my dad suddenly got sick..."

“Ah, I really sympathize with you, but this isn’t in line with company procedures...”

If this was before, Ye Mufan would’ve directly given her money after seeing how pitiful she looked. But now, he first needed to think of the company, which showed his dramatic growth.

Ye Mufan thought for a while before turning to look at Ye Wanwan. “Boss, what do you think?”

Yao Jiawen watched as Ye Mufan asked Ye Bai. She appeared rather confused.

Isn’t the boss of this company Ye Mufan?

Why does it look like Ye Mufan’s asking Ye Bai for permission?

Moreover, Ye Mufan appeared to be afraid of Ye Bai...

Ye Wanwan replied, “It’s fine. Have her report to the finance department to get her pay tomorrow.”

Three months’ pay in exchange for a suitable employee. It wasn’t a bad deal.

Yao Jiawen let out a sigh of relief and gratefully said, “Thank you, thank you Director Ye. Thank you Chairman Ye!”

Ye Wanwan: “No need for thanks. Your capabilities are reason enough for us to fulfill your request.”

Yao Jiawen went silent. Her heart just got a shock. Ye Bai was saying he agreed not because of sympathy but rather because of her abilities. With that one sentence, he not only acknowledged her skills but also dissolved her embarrassment.

Yao Jiawen: “Thank you...”

Chapter 1117: Even more handsome now

“What are my job duties?” Yao Jiawen asked, now that she felt energized.

Ye Wanwan replied, “Currently, Han Xianyu has his own manager. I’m currently managing for Gong Xu, Luo Chen, and another female artist the company is nurturing.”

“For now, you’ll work as my assistant and help me deal with my artists’ activities. Once the company begins hiring more people, you can choose to manage new trainees independently.”

She had been worrying about how to manage Gong Xu, Luo Chen, and Jiang Yanran but now, she could relax.

Yao Jiawen quickly nodded. “Yes, I understand. I’ll work hard!”

Before coming to the interview, she researched Age of the Immortals. Naturally, she knew about Luo Chen and Gong Xu, who were A-listers being managed by Ye Bai. She worked at Wisdom for so many years but had never gotten the chance to manage any artists above B-listers.

She would now be the assistant to the chief director, and it showed how much importance Ye Bai placed on her.

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Yao Jiawen reported for work on time and Ye Wanwan took her around for a tour of the company. Then she took her to City C to “visit” and introduce her to Gong Xu and Luo Chen.

Yao Jiawen got the hang of things very quickly and didn’t waste Ye Wanwan’s time. She quickly began doing her work.

Time flew by.

Jiang Yanran smoothly began filming with the production crew and in the blink of an eye, Gong Xu and Luo Chen’s time at the special training camp was coming to an end.

For the sake of the Golden Orchid Awards and rushing to finish before Chinese Lunar New Year, the film crew was very busy. The Awards this year would be especially competitive.

Gong Xu and Luo Chen had been busy with special training for a long time, making the film crew unhappy but Ye Wanwan insisted that they needed to finish their training first.

Special C forces were in the cafeteria.

Ye Wanwan went over to stir things up for the last time while Yao Jiawen was considerate and brought over several types of medicine for any bruises and injuries.

Gong Xu gulped down a plain bun in two bites and as he ate, he glanced at Ye Wanwan. “Everyone’s getting really impatient... Brother Ye... The pressure on you must be really heavy... Ah... My heart hurts for you... How about we finish our training sooner?”

Ye Wanwan rolled her eyes at them. “I don’t need your heart to hurt for me, thanks. There’s still one more week. Push through until training is over.”

Gong Xu suddenly tugged on Ye Wanwan’s arm. “Wuuu... Then take pity, take pity on me! Look at me! Look at me – before I came, I was like a fresh young flower but now, I’ve worked to the point of being a spoiled vegetable!”

Ye Wanwan frowned in silence as she stared at the youth before her.

Gong Xu’s change hadn’t come entirely from his diet, which consisted of whatever he was given. The atmosphere he exuded had changed a lot.

In the past, he was a boy, but now, he was actually giving off some manly vibes.

Honestly speaking, even Ye Wanwan was surprised by how long Gong Xu persisted. Although this guy would act cute and complain about wanting to go back home, in the end, he still persisted.

Ye Wanwan asked, “Who said that? You’re even more handsome now. You were flimsy like a wildflower but now, you’re staunch and steadfast like a pine.”

Once Gong Xu heard that, his eyes widened. “Really? Really? I’m even more handsome?”

If Gong Xu had a tail, it would likely be wagging like an electric fan around now.

Ye Wanwan couldn’t help but shoot him a look. “Really, if you don’t believe me, you can ask Jiawen.”

Yao Jiawen, who had been standing at the side, said, "It's true. You really are more handsome now. Although you were pretty good-looking before, you give off a completely different vibe now. I think you're even better now."

Chapter 1118: Getting a dog behind our backs

Gong Xu suddenly let go of his complaints and his eyes glittered as he stared at Ye Wanwan, begging for praise. "Then quickly tell me more, Brother Ye. How am I handsome? In what way?"

Ye Wanwan pondered over how to word it before replying, "Hm... If you were a dog before, then now... You're a wolf."

Gong Xu collapsed. "Wuuu, Brother Ye, how could you scold me like this..."

Ye Wanwan was speechless. "I'm praising you! Can't you focus on the main point?"

Gong Xu instantly continued asking, "Then what about Luo Chen? How about Luo Chen?"

Ye Wanwan thought about it before replying, "Luo Chen... His change wasn't as drastic as yours!"

"Ahahaha... I knew it!" Gong Xu suddenly laughed aloud.

Ye Wanwan was speechless again. *Is a drastic change something to be happy about?*

Doesn't a drastic change mean he was a bad person before?

The easily appeased Gong Xu was once again satisfied by a few words from Ye Wanwan.

Once Ye Wanwan finished chatting, she glanced at the time on her phone. "I have something in the afternoon so I'll be leaving first! In these last few days, make sure to work hard! I'll be fairly busy in the next few days so if you need anything, contact Jiawen!"

Gong Xu gnawed on his chopsticks as he rolled his eyes. "Oh..."

Not long after Ye Wanwan left, Gong Xu instantly grabbed Luo Chen, who was beside him. "Hey blockhead, did you notice it yet?!"

"What?" Luo Chen impatiently glanced at Gong Xu, who was acting strange.

"Something's not right with Brother Ye. Every time he's come to see us lately, he always leaves urgently like he's rushing to go do something. The majority of the time, it's that little mosquito who's in charge of us. Aside from us two, what else could Brother Ye be busy with?"

Luo Chen furrowed his brows. "What are you saying?"

Gong Xu's gaze darkened. "I suspect... Brother Ye got a dog behind our backs..."

Luo Chen: "..."

When it came to matters like this, Gong Xu's instincts were oddly accurate.

While Gong Xu and Luo Chen were training, Ye Wanwan was focusing most of her time on Jiang Yanran...

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Another week passed.

Gong Xu and Luo Chen's training had finally come to an end. *A Life and Death Struggle's* stationary team began taking shots of scenery for the film.

After returning from training, Luo Chen came back with a lot more muscle and everyone could see a change. As for Gong Xu... His change wasn't as evident.

Under the sunlight, Luo Chen appeared to have gotten darker while Gong Xu remained just as pale as he was before. However he did seem to be more energetic.

If they didn't know, they would've thought he went on vacation.

As Liu Qing explained the scene, Gong Xu acted like a young master, sitting down while taking a selfie as he asked Dong Zai to order lunch and dinner. Afterwards, he secretly used Jiawen's kindness to get her to buy snacks for him...

The entire production team, including Liu Qing, was all worried when they saw Gong Xu's attitude.

"Chairman Ye, now that their training's finished, they should be at their peak, so I want to film all the most difficult scenes first. What do you think, Chairman Ye?" Director Liu Qing asked.

"I think that's fine." On this point, Ye Wanwan was thinking the same thing as Liu Qing.

Liu Qing flipped through the script then said aloud, "Today, the first scene will be the most intense. It's the scene where Gong Xu will fight the antagonist. Xue Shao Yang has just entered the compound and is still his playboy self. He doesn't want to learn anything until he reaches a breaking point, causing his attitude to change and making him view his new profession earnestly."

Chapter 1119: Be a bit more vicious

"This fight scene heavily emphasizes Xue Shao Yang's drastic change in personality. He has to become extremely vicious, so you need to perform well!" Liu Qing said.

Ye Wanwan grumpily called Gong Xu over when she saw him bullying Jiawen. "Gong Xu, get over here. Director Liu is explaining the scene to you. Do you understand how you have to act later?"

This guy had completely reverted back to his former self upon his return. Who knew if he could even get back into his role when it came time to act?

Gong Xu looked as though this was a trivial matter. "I know, I know. Isn't it just fighting?! That's what I'm best at!"

Ye Wanwan: "When you fight, you have to look more vicious. Understand?"

"Is it like this? Or like this?" Gong Xu started wagging his imaginary tail while puffing out his cheeks like a chipmunk and making a vicious expression at Ye Wanwan.

Ye Wanwan pressed her hand against her forehead. "Don't act cute!"

This guy, can he really do it...?

Everything was going as planned except for this brat, Gong Xu, who wasn't acting normal. She really couldn't get a handle on him.

After the preparations were done, the first scene after the special training began.

"Three, two, one, and... start!!!" Liu Qing shouted.

The man who was going to film as the antagonist opposite Gong Xu was very tall and well-built. His body was very different from Gong Xu's and he appeared to be the domineering and overbearing type.

If Gong Xu wanted to appear capable of suppressing him... It wouldn't be easy...

After Liu Qing shouted for them to begin, the pair ran at each other.

Gong Xu seemed to change as soon as the clapperboard rang out. He was like a mad dog... No, he was like a wolf as he rushed at the man!

The fight scene was phenomenal. From the movements to the emotional control, everything was beyond their expectations. All their old worries didn't materialize.

This was a performance that felt as though it was the result of going through a million training sessions...

Everyone present was watching in awe.

"F*ck... Gong Xu... is so... handsome!"

"Never did I imagine that I would witness this side of Gong Xu... He's so hot-blooded..."

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Ye Mufan, who had already given up hope, now had glittering eyes. "This brat isn't bad! I thought he was only stuffing himself with buns at the training camp, but from the looks of it, he's pretty capable!"

Ye Wanwan also let out a sigh of relief before saying, "He's not bad, but if he wants to get an award, it's still not enough. He needs to be even more vicious than that."

After finishing, Liu Qing called Gong Xu over. "Not bad, not bad, Gong Xu. You acted really well just now but you could be even more vicious. Just a bit more. Think about it – you just saw your teammate die for you and you feel responsible for him. You're in despair and you're taking out your hatred on this scoundrel now. Let's try this again!"

"I clearly performed to perfection already. I was even charmed by my own talent!" Gong Xu said, indicating his reluctance.

Ye Wanwan: "Not enough. Try again."

Gong Xu: "Yes, immediately!"

After a brief break, Gong Xu obediently performed a second take.

This time was even better than his first time.

However, Liu Qing and Ye Wanwan still felt the scene was lacking a bit.

Liu Qing tried to explain the scene to Gong Xu again. "Hm, this was better than before, but you could still be even more vicious."

"Gong Xu, imagine this. There's a scoundrel who bullies the poor and hurts others for his own benefit. He's ruined this country and a lot of your brothers-in-arms have died because of him."

"You've wasted two years and you've finally caught him. How would you feel once you saw him? Embody those emotions and let's try again!"

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Thus, Gong Xu tried again.

Each time, Gong Xu performed better, but it was never enough to meet Ye Wanwan's expectations. It still felt as though something was missing.

She hoped Gong Xu could express an even more atrocious mentality than the scoundrel that bordered on insanity!

After a certain number of takes, Gong Xu refused to do it anymore. "I'm already vicious enough! How can I get any more vicious?! I'm at my max for viciousness!"

Ye Wanwan went silent for a moment then called Gong Xu over. "Come here."

"Uh..." Gong Xu headed towards her.

Ye Wanwan thought about it briefly then said to Gong Xu, "Now close your eyes and listen to my words. Imagine that you're at the training camp, deep inside the forest. You're only carrying one cracker and you have to survive for a month. You've gotten through to the twenty-ninth day after suffering for so long and on the thirtieth day, you finally can't persist any longer and you prepare to eat your snack, but at that moment, the cracker was stolen by a scoundrel. Now, what do you want to do?"

Gong Xu: "Kill! Him!!!"

Ye Wanwan: "... Alright."

This time, Gong Xu did it perfectly in one take.

The actor for the antagonist was a retired soldier. During the previous takes with Gong Xu, he held back to a certain extent, but this time, Gong Xu really pushed him to his limit.

"Cut! Perfect! Very good! The emotional control was perfect!" Liu Qing was extremely pleased.

Ye Mufan smiled lightly. Out of curiosity, he murmured to Ye Wanwan, "What exactly did you say to that brat, Gong Xu? He nearly went insane!"

Ye Wanwan: "Not much. I made him imagine how he would feel if his last cracker got stolen."

Ye Mufan widened his eyes. "Is there something wrong with his way of thinking?"

Ye Wanwan: "You just realized today?"

Ye Mufan: "..."

The second scene that day was a fight approaching the end.

In the ending, Xue Shao Yang, who was originally a playful, gutless coward who was sometimes cold and selfish, actually died to save a little girl.

Shen Yue, who had gone through so much with Xue Shao Yang, had come to think of him as his brother. In this scene, he would hold Xue Shao Yang's body in despair.

The focus of this scene was Luo Chen.

Luo Chen only needed one take to finish.

"Cut! Pass! Great!" Liu Qing cried out and applause erupted.

Luo Chen bowed as he retracted the sadness in his expression.

Luo Chen was so talented that he could already do this naturally...

Ye Wanwan looked at Luo Chen, looking like a mother who had watched her son grow up.

Luo Chen's rate of improvement was simply too godly!

Gong Xu murmured sourly, "Hmph, so fake. I could tell it was acting with just one glance! If I really died, he would likely play with fireworks!"

Because of the high efficiency rate, several important scenes of the film were completed without a hitch and everyone on the production cast and crew could relax.

It was like that idiom that said a beard lathered was half-shaved. The time they spent doing the special training wasn't wasted.

Days passed as they followed an intensely packed filming schedule.

Because the filming process went very smoothly, they finished filming in half the expected time they allotted for filming.

The day they finished filming, Ye Wanwan had Jiawen reserve a private room for a banquet for all the cast and crew.

Once Gong Xu arrived that night, he began complaining.

"Brother Ye, if this was a regular day, I would let it go, but today is such a special day so you have to drink one cup at least!"

After he said that, he dragged Luo Chen over and asked, "Blockhead, don't you agree with me?"

Luo Chen: "Don't agree."

Gong Xu: "F*ck! Traitor! Didn't we say we were brothers-in-arms?!"

Ye Wanwan rolled her eyes at Gong Xu. "Hold on a bit. I need to go make a call."

"Hey, wait. Are you going to drink or not? Brother Ye, you still haven't replied to me!" Gong Xu prompted.

Ye Wanwan lifted her phone. "I need to ask for permission regarding whether I can drink or not first."

Gong Xu: "..."