

## Little Sweet 551

### Chapter 551: Grandmaster's standards

"You're just scaring her?" Han Xian Yu asked.

Ye Wanwan raised her brows. "What do you think?"

Although Han Xian Yu didn't say anything, he obviously thought Ye Wanwan was simply scaring her.

After a song and dance performance in the middle of the ceremony, it was finally time for the Best Actress award.

Several of the nominated films were shown in the slides.

Fang Min, "A Letter from Paris."

Qi Mei Lin, "My Mother."

Shen Rou, "Deep in the Palace."

Qiao Ke Xin, "Legend of the Quiet Girl."

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The male and female hosts were echoing one another.

Man: "Oh goodness! This is too exciting! Who will the best actress be this time?"

Woman: "Cut the suspense and announce it right now! We can't wait any longer!"

Man: "Why don't you give it a guess?"

Woman: "This is too hard to guess. I really can't do it - can you give us a hint?"

The two hosts kept going on and on and didn't reveal who it was, causing the audience to be so anxious that they stretched their necks in anticipation, but it was evident that this was the effect the organizers wanted.

The big screen on stage was divided into four sections and live reactions of the four nominees were on the screen for everyone to see.

As they were almost done setting the stage, the male host finally relented: "Alright, since it's a request from a beauty, I'll give you a little hint - the recipient's name has... three syllables!"

The female host immediately exclaimed, "Wow, that's a big hint! Does that mean the winner is either Qi Mei Lin or Qiao Ke Xin, huh?"

Following the host's words, there was an uproar in the audience and everyone turned in the direction of Qiao Ke Xin and Qi Mei Lin.

This hint wasn't only big - it was directly announcing the winner, right?

Qiao Ke Xin's face darkened. No matter who the winner was, she just didn't want Qi Mei Lin, her arch-enemy, to win.

But now that the outcome was confirmed, she knew without thinking that Qi Mei Lin would definitely ridicule her after the award recipient was announced.

As for Qi Mei Lin, Ye Yiyi, Gu Yue Ze, and the other artists from Emperor Sky Entertainment seated in front, there were wide smiles across their faces and Qi Mei Lin almost couldn't conceal the excitement inside.

The artists seating next to her even started to congratulate her.

Lin Jia Yin smiled and said, "Lin-jie, congratulations!"

Qi Mei Lin glanced behind her then purposefully said out loud, "Don't congratulate me yet - the result isn't out yet. Maybe the best actress will be Qiao Ke Xin, huh!"

As the cameras were on them right now, Qiao Ke Xin didn't bother fighting with her at this moment and could only suppress the anger in her heart.

From the moment she debuted, nobody appreciated the effort and hard work she put in. People only knew how to insult her and she was even starting to wonder whether all the effort she put in was worth it...

Han Xian Yu looked somewhat awkward as he smiled bitterly. "Didn't think that Emperor Sky Entertainment would clinch both awards..."

Ye Wanwan was annoyed. "Hey, don't you guys have any trust in the grandmaster's (my) skills at all?"

Qiao Ke Xin knew Ye Wanwan was simply trying to cheer her up but that really couldn't alleviate her frustration at the moment.

Maybe she shouldn't have had any ridiculous hopes of becoming a successful actress and building a career from the beginning; maybe she should just continue being a flower vase, continuing to strive to make money...

"Alright, alright, enough with the suspense. If we go on, you guys will probably start throwing eggs at us. Next, let's welcome our previous Best Actress, Qiu Yue, great beauty Qiu, to reveal the answer!"

Actually, the hint from the host just now was already equivalent to announcing the result and everyone was no longer so anxious anymore.

Qiu Yue stood in front of the microphone and opened the envelope in her hands. In the next second, a hint of surprise flashed in her eyes. She paused for a moment before continuing, "The 46th Golden Orchids, Best Actress award goes to..."

Following Qiu Yue's announcement, Qi Mei Lin responded to everyone's congratulatory wishes while she pushed aside the hair on her forehead and stood up slowly.

—"Best Actress Award goes to... 'Legend of the Quiet Girl,' Qiao Ke Xin!!!"

Chapter 552: Why don't we honor the bet now?

Following Qiu Yue's voice, the entire hall was filled with a strange silence.

Everyone thought they heard wrong.

What was the name Qiu Yue announced?

Qiao... Qiao Ke Xin?

Not Qi Mei Lin but Qiao Ke Xin! How could that be?

Qi Mei Lin's face was drained of all color as she stood there frozen. Her delighted eyes were instantly filled with disbelief.

And the person who was in even more shock than Qi Mei Lin was Qiao Ke Xin herself.

Qiao Ke Xin, who was like an unmoving mountain even when she was criticized by thousands, revealed a confused and shocked expression.

"Xin-jie! Xin-jie..."

Qiao Ke Xin only returned to her senses after Han Xian Yu called her name. Her first reaction was to look at Ye Bai next to Han Xian Yu.

All his predictions came true...

When her eyes met his bright yet resolute eyes, her heart thumped uncontrollably for a second.

Why didn't I notice that when Ye Bai mentioned that I would win the Best Actress award, he didn't look like he was joking at all?

He really thought I would win this award...

At this moment, the silent hall suddenly exploded in noise and thunderous applause. The production team behind "Legend of the Quiet Girl" and many Worldwide artists stepped forward to hug and congratulate Qiao Ke Xin excitedly.

Lin Jia Yin had to pull Qi Mei Lin back before she reacted. She sat down with a stiff expression.

But the camera had already recorded her standing up prematurely.

The Golden Orchid awards for the best supporting actress, best supporting actor, and best actor all landed in Emperor Sky Entertainment's hands. If they had gotten the award for best actress as well, Worldwide would have their pride thrown on the floor for merely winning the best newcomer award.

Nobody expected that such a big twist would happen at the last moment - an unexpected winner emerged and the best actress was actually Qiao Ke Xin from Worldwide Entertainment, causing everyone to be taken aback.

A tinge of embarrassment appeared on Ye Yiyi's gentle and calm little face, but she still smiled and clapped, acting gracious while Gu Yue Ze's face was completely black.

After all, he sounded so confident when the host interviewed him earlier, yet now he was actually being slapped in the face in front of everyone.

All the applause, congratulatory wishes, hugs, the feeling of ascending to heaven from hell, and the feeling of receiving a new lease on life so suddenly jolted Qiao Ke Xin's mind.

In the next second, she passed Han Xian Yu and pulled the man next to him in a tight embrace then mumbled softly in his ear, "Thank you, Little Fortune Teller ge ge..."

Ye Wanwan was stunned then hugged her back in good taste. "Xin-jie, congratulations. You don't have to thank me - it has nothing to do with me. You worked hard for it!"

Qiao Ke Xin calmed down then suddenly blinked and said, "Whatever it was, I won. I'm a person of my word, so why don't we honor our bet right now?"

Ye Wanwan was dumbfounded. "Huh?"

Han Xian Yu quickly pretended to hug Qiao Ke Xin to congratulate her and held her back then reminded her softly in her ear, "Stop messing around, Xin-jie! There are so many people watching!"

But according to Qiao Ke Xin's character, kissing Ye Bai in front of everyone was something she would really do.

At the same time, the host excitedly exclaimed on stage, "Congratulation, Ke Xin! Let's invite Golden Orchid's best actress up on stage to receive her award!"

Qiao Ke Xin could only pout regretfully. "Alright, I'll go up there first!"

"Sure sure sure, Xin-jie, go on..." Ye Wanwan wiped the sweat off her forehead.

Qiao Ke Xin's just... too open-minded...

She's probably the only one in the entertainment industry who isn't afraid of scandals at all...

Chapter 553: I'm afraid you'll die before I do

Qiao Ke Xin walked up on stage in a red evening gown, radiating a glow from inside.

The host quickly allowed Qiao Ke Xin to give her speech according to the program. "This outcome is truly surprising! Ke Xin, sorry for saying this, but you also knew that among all the nominees, you didn't have a very high chance of winning! Do you have anything to say about winning the award this time?"

Qiao Ke Xin's gaze swept across the audience. She took a deep breath and said, "I'm also really surprised with this outcome. Truth be told, just a few seconds ago, I was struggling inside - I was wondering whether I should simply give up. Anyway, I'm not normally recognized for anything I do, as if the insults I receive are the truth."

To the public, Qiao Ke Xin seemed to shrug off all the insults, but truthfully, she disliked being dismissed by everyone. After all, everybody likes to receive compliments and recognition.

Qiao Ke Xin revealed a hint of bitter helplessness and continued, "Everybody knows that in this industry, words can muddle the truth and determine the life or death of an artist."

"I thought that since being insulted was also a form of publicity, I'd just continue earning my money - why bother improving my acting skills and why should I prove myself?"

Qiao Ke Xin's speech made everyone go silent. They all knew she was right, but in the entertainment industry, only Qiao Ke Xin would dare to say something like this in public.

Qiao Ke Xin continued and her eyes seemed slightly emotional. "So I'm very grateful - grateful that there's an award like the Golden Orchid that isn't influenced by public opinion and external factors, giving me a chance to prove myself."

"At the same time, I also sincerely hope that everyone will take a look at this work from an objective perspective and see who I really am."

When Qiao Ke Xin said her piece, she received a burst of applause and approval.

Han Xian Yu also heaved a sigh of relief. Thankfully, Qiao Ke Xin managed to be tactful with her words and even concluded it pretty well.

Ye Wanwan knew that in her previous life, this speech actually pulled a terrifying amount of box office interest for "Legend of the Quiet Girl" and broke the box office record for that year.

Next, Qiao Ke Xin followed the norm and thanked her fans, crew, company, and sponsors.

Finally, she paused. Her eyes glanced below the stage and said, "In addition, I would like to especially give thanks to a friend. Before coming up on stage, almost everyone around me was consoling me, telling me that it was fine that I didn't win, but there was only one person who told me from the start that I would definitely be the Golden Orchid's best actress. He let me know that among hundreds and thousands of people, there's at least one person who still believes in me..."

Having heard what Qiao Ke Xin said, Qi Mei Lin almost couldn't maintain her composure in front of the camera anymore.

Darn it! That swindler actually got it right!

Doesn't matter who gets the Best Actress award, but it shouldn't be Qiao Ke Xin!

Very soon, the award ceremony came to an end.

Ye Yiyi stood up and said to Qiao Ke Xin naturally, "Ke Xin, congratulations! You earned it!"

Tsk tsk, the people from Emperor Sky think I earned it? What hypocrites.

Qiao Ke Xin smiled. "Why do I recall a certain someone from your company saying that I'm the NO. 1 artist who will never receive an award?"

Qi Mei Lin was so angry that her overly-done face was almost twisted. "Qiao Ke Xin, I suggest you keep that gloating face of yours. I'll watch how you're going to die getting roasted for winning the Golden Orchid Best Actress award with that lousy acting!"

Qiao Ke Xin chuckled and mumbled, "I'm afraid you'll die before I do! My highly-skilled Little Fortune Teller ge ge just read your fortune and once the award ceremony ends, you'll meet a disastrous tragedy, hah!"

Chapter 554: Lost all standing and reputation

Qiao Ke Xin blinked and held Ye Wanwan back by the wrist. "Little ge ge, am I right?"

Ye Wanwan didn't want to embarrass Qiao Ke Xin in front of everyone, so she coughed lightly and replied, "En."

In her previous life, she read about the Golden Orchid award ceremony online and remembered very clearly that shortly after she was done reading, the website was updated with Qi Mei Lin's scandal about her organizing a sex party and even gathering people to take drugs together.

With such a serious scandal, it completely crushed the inspirational and perfect goddess image Qi Mei Lin created for her fans.

Overhearing the conversation between these two people, Qi Mei Lin gave a disdainful look and seemed completely fearless. "Qiao Ke Xin, you're really amazing - an old cow eating fresh grass [1] huh, messing around with these young gigolos at your age! Even better - now you've been brainwashed, right? Tragedy? I really want to see what kind of tragedy I'll encounter!"

Even if she didn't get the best actress award, she was still influential. Furthermore, she had a big backing like Ye Group - was there anything she couldn't handle?

Gu Yue Ze straightened his lapels, stood up loftily and looked coldly in Ye Wanwan's direction. "I won't burden this gentleman here with artists from my company."

In retrospect, Ye Wanwan felt so foolish that she wanted to kill herself when she recalled the time she was so madly in love with Gu Yue Ze, but it was etched in her memory after all. Each time she saw Gu Yue Ze, the anger in her body was still uncontrollable.

Faced with Gu Yue Ze's arrogant expression, Ye Wanwan smiled and said casually, "Chairman Gu, you're too polite. It will never be my turn to be burdened with chairman Gu around - Emperor Sky is such a big shot that it's fine even if you lose one or two artists."

The way Ye Wanwan smiled was even more similar to her expression the day she ridiculed him, causing Gu Yue Ze's mood to darken further.

He was about to speak but his phone started ringing with endless notifications, disrupting his train of thought.

Gu Yue Ze suppressed the fury in his heart and opened those messages.

In the end, he seemed to have read something on his phone as his face instantly changed like a storm was approaching. He shot daggers at Qi Mei Lin.

"Yue Ze, what is it?" Ye Yiyi asked worriedly.

Qi Mei Lin probed carefully as well, "Chairman Gu, did something happen?"

The way Gu Yue Ze glared at her with such iciness and gloominess gave her an inexplicable sense of unease.

It couldn't be that... all those things were leaked, right!

It can't be. I was so careful and secretive each time...

However, in the next second, the furious Gu Yue Ze threw his phone directly at Qi Mei Lin's face.

"Ah——"

Qi Mei Lin cried out in pain then picked the phone up, trembling.

When she saw the first photo on the phone, Qi Mei Lin's face turned aghast.

It was actually a disgusting photo of her with a bunch of guys!

However, this was only the beginning. There were even clearer images taken of her abusing drugs...

Qi Mei Lin's delicate face was completely pale. She panicked and her fingers started shaking. "Gu... chairman Gu, please save me! Director Ye, save me!"

Almost at the same time Qi Mei Lin pleaded for help, alarmed gasps resounded around them.

"Aiyo, damn! Quick, look! Big news!"

"The person in the photo is... the goddess worshipped by many fans - Qi Mei Lin!"

"Orgy party and taking drugs! This is explosive!"

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Chapter 555: Amazing Little ge ge

Qiao Ke Xin and Han Xian Yu looked at each other in confusion.

"What happened?"

The two of them and the surrounding people who hadn't gotten a clue what was going on quickly whipped out their phones and checked. After they found out what happened, their faces were in astonishment as well.

Ye Wanwan stood there quietly without any expression.

Qi Mei Lin pleaded like an insane woman, "Director Ye, quickly get someone to delete those pics..."

Ye Yiyi's face was gloomy. "It's too late..."

These things spread too rapidly and since everyone's attention was currently on the Golden Orchid award ceremony, Qi Mei Lin's scandal exploded instantly once the ceremony was over.

As expected, she saw that "Qi Mei Lin's orgy party," "Qi Mei Lin on drugs" and many other keywords were increasing in popularity once she opened various popular websites and blogs.

What was worse was that Qi Mei Lin wasn't the only one at that party - there were also a number of artists from Emperor Sky present and now the commenters gradually questioned whether all of Emperor Sky Entertainment was an obscene drug den.

Everybody in the ballroom slowly found out about this gossip and whispered to one another as they looked in Qi Mei Lin's direction.

"I always thought Qiao Ke Xin was the one who had a messy personal life and really didn't expect that after Qiao Ke Xin received the Golden Orchid Best Actress award, it would be Qi Mei Lin who's so messed up!"

"What's so surprising about that! It's like that in the entertainment industry - you can't really differentiate between what's real or fake. You're too naive to believe in whatever you see on the surface!"

"There were already scandals about Qi Mei Lin's wild side before, alright? I heard that the senior management of Emperor Sky already warned her not to go overboard and gave quite a sum of money to PR so nothing major happened in the past. Too bad she wants to court death, huh!"

"It's definitely over for her this time. Emperor Sky's money went down the drain and she even dragged a group of artists down with her! Ever since the change of management in Ye Group, things have really become messier. Tsk tsk..."

Qi Mei Lin felt those prickly gazes were like thorns of fire. When she thought about how her status in the industry would be destroyed, her face was filled with fear. "Chairman Gu, director Ye, you guys have to help me! Quickly, get PR to delete all those pics! DELETE THEM!"

"Shut up!" Gu Yue Ze berated her coldly.

With a scandal like this, PR would be no use.

The news spread already; anybody could store the pictures privately, so there was no point in trying to delete them. Mixing with bad company already ruined her image and reputation, but taking drugs would be enough to wreck any artist's career in the industry.

It was completely over for Qi Mei Lin.

They spent so much resources and energy on her, but everything was wasted now. Not only that, but they still had to pay large sums to various major endorsement and advertising companies.

When Ye Yiyi heard someone saying: "Ever since the change of management in the Ye Group, things have really become messier," fury burned within her as it hit her right in her sore spot. She chided softly, "Alright, stop talking about it here. Let's get out already, haven't you embarrassed yourself enough?"

The group of people avoided the crowd and swarm of reporters as they hurriedly left the ballroom.

Before they left, Gu Yue Ze's dark and icy gaze paused on Ye Wanwan for a split second.



Ye Wanwan returned a smile in a casual and relaxed manner, feeling extremely satisfied for her successful provocation.

Gu Yue Ze's eyes constricted abruptly. He wasn't sure why, but this man gave him a very bad feeling...

It was as if he'd seen a ghost - everything that shouldn't have happened actually happened according to this man's predictions, making him feel even more troubled when he recalled what this man said earlier on that "his fortune might not be that prosperous."

As for Qiao Ke Xin and Han Xian Yu, they witnessed once again how Ye Wanwan's predictions came true and were in a daze...

"That... that worked? You're amazing, little ge ge. Don't tell me... you really know how to read people's fortunes?"

Chapter 556: I'm into the domineering type

"Oh yes, Ye Bai, why don't you read my fortune too? As the saying goes, those on the waterfront pavilion get the moonlight first [1]; I've known you for quite some time but haven't gotten you to read my fortune yet. I feel a little left out!" Han Xian Yu suddenly recalled.

Ye Wanwan turned to Han Xian Yu helplessly. "Your future's obviously as bright as the sun - what's there to read?!"

"You can predict my marriage! Or when I will have peach blossom luck?"

When Ye Wanwan heard his question, she lowered her eyes and thought deeply. "Marriage...?"

"How will it be?" Han Xian Yu looked somewhat nervous.

Ye Wanwan rubbed her chin and thought for a long while. "You don't seem to have any..."

Han Xian Yu was stunned. "What?! Nobody?! Am I going to be alone for life?"

Ye Wanwan quickly said, \*cough\* "No no, what I meant was... sorry, I don't think I can calculate this for you..."

She might have some memory of the love life of more famous artists in the entertainment industry, but the problem was that she already changed the path of Han Xian Yu's life!

Hence, she had no idea what Han Xian Yu's future would be like.

"Why can't you calculate it?" Han Xian Yu knitted his brows.

Ye Wanwan didn't have any way of explaining herself and could only say, "Ay, this thing is very deep. You wouldn't get it even if I told you. Anyway, there are some people who are more special, so I can't really read their fortunes!"

Han Xian Yu looked a little confused. "Special..."

Qiao Ke Xin hurriedly leaned over and probed, "What about me, what about me?"

"Xin-jie, your peach blossom luck has always been flourishing. Surely, you don't need me to calculate it for you, right?" Ye Wanwan said.

"That's true..." Qiao Ke Xin spoke while she turned and took a quick glimpse at the "little peach blossom" next to her.

She didn't expect that after so long, she would finally fancy a little ge ge who truly satiated her appetite, but he already had a girlfriend so she felt quite regretful.

"Oh right, I'll be having a celebration party tonight. Xiao Bai, are you coming?" Qiao Ke Xin asked.

"It's a treat from Xin-jie. Obviously, it'd be rude to decline, but I have to call my girlfriend and tell her first," Ye Wanwan said.

Qiao Ke Xin raised her brows slightly. "It's just a gathering - do you really need to report that?"

Han Xian Yu tried to explain, "Xin-jie, er, Xiao Bai's girlfriend is quite strict..."

Qiao Ke Xin looked shocked and seemed quite taken aback. "I couldn't tell that Xiao Bai would be afraid of his girlfriend..."

After all, he was quite forward and flirtatious that night, taking on both men and women.

Han Xian Yu laughed and teased, "Actually, I was quite surprised when I found out too."

Ye Wanwan thought to herself: That's right, I'm henpecked. So what?

Qiao Ke Xin mumbled, "I thought you would prefer cute and helpless-looking girls!"

Ye Wanwan chuckled. "Nah, I'm into the domineering type..."

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Time flew by.

Qi Mei Lin's scandal continued to spread and finally, Emperor Sky could only give up on her and announced they'd be shutting her out.

As for Qiao Ke Xin, due to her speech during the Golden Orchid award ceremony, the box office interest in "The Legend of the Quiet Girl" soared once again and broke numerous records. In addition, many people compared her to Qi Mei Lin. After being insulted and having her reputation tarnished for so many years, public opinion started to move towards a more positive perception of her.

As for Ye Wanwan, she was occupied almost every day. Aside from working and learning, she spent most of her time training Eleven and the others. The head captain assessment would be taking place in just a few days' time and assuming the post of a master all of a sudden made her quite stressed out...

Chapter 557: Glow of a firefly

Si residence, bodyguard meeting room:

Liu Ying was dressed in a full black outfit and he sat on the main seat with a rigid and stern face.

There were over ten people seated in the meeting room; they were the leaders of various Dark Teams in the Si family.

"Captain Liu Ying, the assessment will be starting in a few days' time. You must teach that proud guy a good lesson!" a certain buff leader said.

"Tsk..."

Liu Ying made himself comfortable and narrowed his eyes. "Junior, just call me Liu Ying. The head captain is Eleven."

"Captain, what are you even talking about? Eleven's not even good enough to be the leader of Dark Team 1; how could he fight for your post? He's delusional!" Junior sneered. He was the leader of Dark Team 3.

Someone next to him said, "I heard Eleven has been training very hard and rarely comes out. He's probably preparing for this assessment."

Another person chuckled. "No matter how hard he trains, he'll still be a tick in captain Liu Ying's eyes. What can he do?"

"Oh right... let me tell you guys something." The leader of Dark Team 3 laughed. "I heard that Eleven begged Ye Wanwan to be his master and asked her to teach him some martial arts skills. Are you guys scared now?"

Following what Junior said, peals of laughter instantly the entire meeting room.

"Eleven's a dumba\*\*. If captain Liu Ying didn't restrain himself for master's sake, Ye Wanwan would've been beaten to a pulp. As if she would have a chance to reveal her power at the bar!"

When that incident at the bar was brought up, a tinge of gloominess appeared in Liu Ying's eyes.

That woman was all brute force and her skills were mediocre. I just can't understand why master, who has always been wise, would be so taken by this flower vase to the point of losing his sanity!

How could this woman be compared to Miss Qin Ruo Xi?!

"Captain Liu Ying, Eleven probably wanted to curry favor with Ye Wanwan and get her to sing praises about him in front of master... by then, if master relents... and really lets Eleven..." A certain leader frowned.

They were the Si family's bodyguards, so how could they allow a silly woman to throw them into disorder?!

"Tsk..." the corners of Liu Ying's lips lifted upwards and revealed a sinister smile. His eyes were extremely terrifying. "Ye Wanwan is simply master's toy. Miss Ruo Xi alone by master's side is enough for him. Ye Wanwan just has the glow of a firefly - how can she compete with the moon?"

He didn't believe that his master would actually disrupt the entire head captain assessment for a woman like her.

"That's true. Eleven asked Ye Wanwan to train him, probably viewing her as his life raft. He probably thinks Ye Wanwan has some martial arts skills he can learn to fight with our captain." The leader of Dark Team 3 laughed.

Liu Ying sneered. He had never cared about Eleven or Ye Wanwan.

Master almost lost his sanity because of a woman, that Ye Wanwan. What qualities or abilities does she have that makes her qualified to enter the Si family and become the mistress of the household?

"She's the future mistress of the Si family after all, you guys better be more careful," one of the leaders advised.

Liu Ying adjusted his position and his gaze swept across everyone. "The future mistress of the household can only be Miss Qin Ruo Xi."

"What captain Liu Ying is saying is: who on earth is Ye Wanwan and how can she compare to Miss Qin Ruo Xi?"

"Based on Miss Ruo Xi's family background and personal abilities, that Ye Wanwan definitely can't compete with her."

Chapter 558: He must have his reasons

While they were speaking, the door of the meeting room was pushed open lightly.

"Miss Ruo Xi!"

Upon seeing her appearance, all the leaders quickly greeted her.

Liu Ying stood up immediately. "Miss Ruo Xi, please take a seat."

"No need." Ruo Xi smiled. "How can I simply sit here? It's meant for the chairman."

Qin Ruo Xi spoke and sat down next to Liu Ying.

A grim-looking man followed behind Qin Ruo Xi. He was a close confidante of Liu Ying named Yuan Sheng, a member of the bodyguard team.

Recently, Yuan Sheng had been training alongside Qin Ruo Xi. Qin Ruo Xi and Liu Ying were currently planning to get Yuan Sheng to compete to become the leader of Dark Team 1, kicking Eleven out completely.

"Yuan Sheng, how's your training with Miss Ruo Xi?" Liu Ying looked at the grave and stern-looking man.

"Head captain, Miss Ruo Xi's highly-skilled and very effective in her teaching. For this fight, you don't need to trouble yourself, captain. I'm able to finish Eleven off myself," the grim-looking man replied then turned to Qin Ruo Xi. His face was completely filled with admiration.

Due to Liu Ying's influence, these people also treated Qin Ruo Xi as the future mistress of the Si family.

"Liu Ying, don't be discouraged either. Ah-Jiu only got Eleven to replace you temporarily in a moment of madness as a little punishment for you. Don't make such mistakes again next time. After the assessment, the post of head captain will belong to you again." Qin Ruo Xi looked at Liu Ying and assured him.

Hearing that, there was darkness in Liu Ying's eyes. "Miss Ruo Xi, I really don't understand master. Isn't it enough to have you by his side...? Why must he be head-over-heels over a flower vase?"

Qin Ruo Xi furrowed her brows instantly. "Liu Ying, don't spout nonsense. Ah-Jiu must have his reasons."

"Reasons?" Liu Ying shook his head. "In the past, master was wise and respected. All the missions taken on by our bodyguards were important and crucial, but today, he actually made us go to the bar to protect that Ye Wanwan! If not for master's sake, I wouldn't let her live for beating me up!"

Speaking up to this point, the cold glow in Liu Ying's eyes started flashing.

"Liu Ying, you talk too much," Qin Ruo Xi said.

"Miss Ruo Xi! You're just too nice!" Liu Ying couldn't let it go. "I'm speaking the truth. Who does she think she is and how can she even compete with you?! If she really becomes the mistress of the Si family, wouldn't the Si family be a complete mess?! It's because you're always so tolerant that Ye Wanwan is becoming more and more wild. Miss Ruo Xi, you should let her know who the real mistress of the Si family is and who master really cares about. Master is completely blinded by that woman. Miss Ruo Xi, you should speak up..."

"Captain Liu Ying's absolutely right. What kind of missions did we have in the past? Nevermind that a few days ago, master made captain and all of us go down to a bar to protect a woman who was drunk and crazy. She kept hurting everyone and in the end, the person who got punished was captain Liu Ying - what's the meaning of this?" the leader of Dark Team 3 chimed in.

Qin Ruo Xi frowned. "Liu Ying, you have anger inside you, so let it out during the assessment this time. Next time, don't complain so much. If Ah-Jiu hears this, even I won't be able to protect you."

"Miss Ruo Xi..."

Liu Ying wanted to say more but was waved off by Qin Ruo Xi. "I believe that Ah-Jiu has his reasons for his actions."

Chapter 559: Teacher is right

Seeing that Qin Ruo Xi was still shielding master even when things had reached this point, the hatred for Ye Wanwan from all the bodyguards present almost rose to a climax.

"Today, the entire Dark Team 1 is taking refuge in Ye Wanwan and since this is the case, it's time that Dark Team 1 gets a thorough cleanse." Liu Ying turned to Yuan Sheng. "Yuan Sheng, you've been learning from Miss Ruo Xi for quite a while. Don't let Miss Ruo Xi and I down this time; you must become the leader of Dark Team 1."

Hearing that, Yuan Sheng nodded and scoffed. "Captain, don't worry. Eleven is useless. It'll be easy to take him down."

"Good." Liu Ying nodded then stood up and walked to the window. He looked towards the training room of Dark Team 1 and sneered. "Eleven... you really think master will take away my post as captain just for that woman, huh? Getting Ye Wanwan to be your trainer... your position as the leader of Dark Team 1 will be gone too. I'm really eager to see what that flower vase can actually teach you!"

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At the same time, in Dark Team 1's training room:

\*Pow!\*

\*Pow\* \*Slap\*!

Two figures flew across swiftly then were slammed to the ground.

"Teacher, let's try again!" Eleven, who was filled with bruises and a swollen face, rushed into the ring once again.

"Te... tea... teach... teacher... I... I... I would... like... to rest..." After the delicate man stood up, he stood at the side of the ring as he stuttered.

"Stop... Little Stutterer, did you say you want to rest?" Ye Wanwan wiped the stream of perspiration off her forehead.

"Yyy-yes... yes yes... teacher... you're... you're right!" The Little Stutterer nodded.

Little Stutterer wasn't his real name; it was just that when he first entered the Si family's bodyguard team, everyone started calling him Little Stutterer and nobody actually asked for his real name before.

"Little Stutterer, you should take a break." Eleven longed for one too.

For several days, other than eating and sleeping, Eleven and Little Stutter had been living in the training room and even Ye Wanwan didn't leave the room at all.

Ye Wanwan didn't mind it. At first, when she started learning about martial arts and fighting, she wasn't interested at all but after some time, her interest grew and today, if she didn't practice a few moves in a day, she would feel very uncomfortable.

She was at a point when even if Eleven and Little Stutterer wanted to take a day or half day off, Ye Wanwan wouldn't let the two of them leave.

However, during this period, Eleven and Little Stutter improved drastically - they were completely different people compared to before Ye Wanwan started training them.

"Teacher, watch my moves!"

Eleven yelled. His right arm was like an alert snake swimming in midair then he instantly bent his palm into a claw and aimed for Ye Wanwan's neck.

At this moment, Ye Wanwan was standing a distance away, not moving at all.

"Success!"

Seeing that his blow was going to land, Eleven was elated.

However, just as a broad smile appeared on Eleven's face, Ye Wanwan dodged to her left instinctively, causing Eleven's claw to grab only air.

"WHAT!"

Eleven was stunned.

Taking advantage of the fact that Eleven was in a daze, Ye Wanwan swept her left leg out like a dragon.

\*Pow!\*

"Aiyō!"

Eleven howled in pain. He was sent flying seven or eight meters away by Ye Wanwan's kick.

"Eleven, what are you doing?!" Ye Wanwan frowned and chided him.

"Teacher... I..." Eleven was somewhat embarrassed.

"I told you before - you have to focus before the assessment. Don't be affected by any emotions. Your happiness, anger, or whatever emotions you have, you have to hide them and can only release them after the assessment. Otherwise, a single mistake could cost you your life!" Ye Wanwan advised him sternly.

Actually, she was simply teaching him according to her own state of mind when she fought.

Each time she sparred with Eleven and Little Stutterer, her mind would be completely clear and because of that, she had the ability to see clearly and calmly discern the enemy's next moves and thoughts.

Chapter 560: Counterattack

"Cap... cap... captain... ddd-don't... let... your... emotions..." The Little Stutterer stood below the ring and could see this fight clearly, so he simply voiced his opinion.

"You... should just let the teacher do the talking..." Eleven's lips twitched slightly.

"Al... al... alright..." The Little Stutterer nodded.

"What Little Stutterer meant was: don't let your emotions affect your skills. When you're fighting, abandon all your emotions completely," Ye Wanwan said.

"Yes!" Eleven nodded immediately.

"Again!" Ye Wanwan beckoned Eleven with her finger.

"Teacher, why don't you make the first move?" Eleven laughed.

During the time he'd been learning from Ye Wanwan, she had always been attacked and never was the first to make a move.

This time, Ye Wanwan shook her head.

It wasn't that she didn't want to make the first move but it was only when she felt threatened that her body reacted instinctively.

If she attacked first, that mysterious aura would never appear.

So, she could only be attacked and was unable to be the attacker.

"Teacher, I've only been learning how to counterattack... if this was the assessment, what should I do?" Eleven looked at Ye Wanwan and smiled bitterly.

Ye Wanwan pondered for a moment. "Isn't it easy? Just let the other party attack you first."

"This..." Eleven frowned and felt like this advice wasn't too useful...

"What do you know? This is called coping with shifting events by sticking to a fundamental principle. It's a top-notch skill in martial arts..." Ye Wanwan pretended to be cool and all-knowing.

"Really..." Eleven was still a little doubtful.

"Am I the teacher or are you the teacher?" Ye Wanwan was somewhat displeased. She was a martial arts master, yet this disciple of hers actually dared to doubt her.

"You're the teacher. You're right, it's me who's dim-witted..." Eleven quickly tried to take back what he said.

The sparring continued. Ye Wanwan stood in the middle of the ring and beckoned Eleven. "Come, hit me!"

Receiving Ye Wanwan's provocation, Eleven glared at her, raised his fists and charged towards her.

In the next second, Ye Wanwan's left hand moved and using the lightest strength, she blocked Eleven's punch and hit him with her right fist.

"I need to calm down!" Seeing Ye Wanwan's incoming fist, Eleven took a deep breath and curbed all his emotions.

\*Pow!\*

Almost in an instant, Eleven's body swiftly grabbed hold of Ye Wanwan's fist.

At this moment, the Little Stutterer's jaw dropped and he was completely flabbergasted.

Ever since they started learning from Ye Wanwan, this was the first time Eleven actually blocked an attack from her!

"I did it..." Eleven looked at the fist in his palm, completely shocked then the shock turned into happiness immediately. "Ahahaha, I DID IT!"

\*Pow!\*

While Eleven was complacent, he was sent flying again by Ye Wanwan's kick.



Ye Wanwan sighed and spoke sincerely as she looked at Eleven who was groaning in pain after being kicked by her. "Seems like you haven't succeeded..."

The three of them continued training without stopping. For the sake of the assessment, Eleven and Little Stutterer worked really hard. Although they were always tortured during Ye Wanwan's training sessions, after they sensed the improvement in their skills, they didn't find it tiring at all and felt even more rejuvenated.

The final day in Dark Team 1's training room:

"Tomorrow will be the actual fight. Training stops now - both of you should get a good rest." Ye Wanwan looked at her two disciples.

"Thank you, teacher!" Eleven was filled with confidence.

"Little Stutterer, you've improved a lot after learning from teacher. It shouldn't be a problem for you to get a post as a leader." Eleven looked at Little Stutterer.

"Yyy-yes... yes... yes... captain's... right!" Little Stutterer nodded continuously.