

Mr Han 2031

Chapter 2031: How Would We Have the Right to Look Down on You

The restaurant had nothing to fear.

Xia Yixin naturally did not give up.

Even without the recording, there were still the eyewitnesses.

“Where’s your restaurant manager? He was at the scene right then. He saw that woman use hot tea to splash on me! He was the one who helped me call the ambulance!” Xia Yixin said.

This store manager had been switched over from another restaurant outlet at the last minute.

This restaurant was quite famous and had a few outlets in B City.

At that moment, the store manager said with a professional smile, “I’m sorry, the restaurant manager is on leave.”

“On leave?” Xia Yixin’s face was filled with doubt. “Such a coincidence? I came to ask for the surveillance camera recording today, yet it so happened that the part when I got splashed with hot tea was gone. I want to find eyewitnesses, yet your manager is on leave!”

If she could not tell that they were deliberately being uncooperative now, then she would be really dumb!

“Then, where did he go on his leave?” Xia Yixin asked. “He has to come back after his leave, right?!”

“He took a long leave. As to where he went, I really don’t know. I just remember him saying that he wanted to go on a holiday overseas for a period of time,” the store manager said. “As for coming back, he will definitely come back, but exactly when he will be back, I don’t know.”

Xia Yixin scoffed and said mockingly, “Your restaurant’s staff benefits are really quite good. I have never seen a restaurant with such amazing staff benefits.”

The store manager could sense the sarcasm in her words but pretended not to. He continued to smile and say, “You’re right. If you ask around in the industry, our restaurant’s staff benefits are the best.”

Xia Yixin laughed coldly. “The manager is on leave, but the waiter that was working that day should still be around, right? Don’t tell me the waiter also has such great benefits as to go on a long holiday on a whim, without knowing when they will be back?”

The store manager smiled and said, “No, we don’t have that, but our restaurant’s treatment of our waiters could only be said to be above the industry average, so the waiters typically don’t work for long and turnover is quite high. It is really quite coincidental. On the day you are talking about, that waiter had already quit.”

“Brilliant!” Xia Yixin nodded incessantly. “Absolutely brilliant! You guys are really too much. You can’t even be bothered to think of a proper excuse. You are really bent on looking down on me, huh!”

"I don't dare to. We are just working for other people. How would we have the right to look down on you?" the store manager said, smiling.

But his words sounded even more filled with sarcasm in Xia Yixin's ears.

Xia Yixin lifted her hand and wanted to slap the store manager.

The store manager took a step back and put a distance between them as his smile disappeared. He hardened his face and said, "Miss Xia, you are a customer, so we treat you with respect. But if you want to be unreasonable, we will have to call the police."

"Call the police? I am the one who wants to call the police!" Xia Yixin was furious. "I got injured in your restaurant! Now you guys have destroyed all the evidence and actually dare to come and accuse me?"

The store manager said sternly, "Destroying evidence is a serious matter, you can't accuse us just like that. You can't slander us of destroying evidence just because you can't find evidence here. You wanted to see the surveillance camera recordings, and we showed them to you. There's nothing you want to find in it. It's not that we destroyed the evidence but that the incident simply never happened. If you insist on finding an issue over something that never happened before, we won't be able to help you with this.

"As for your claim that the incident happened in our restaurant that day, I just came here to take over the shift at the last minute, so I don't know about it. The staff in our restaurant also don't remember that incident."

Chapter 2032: What She Had Were Ways to Deal with Shi Xiaoya

"You're saying all this without proof, so you should stop blaming it on our restaurant."

"When did I want to blame your restaurant? I just want evidence, but your restaurant actually destroyed it! What benefits did Shi Xiaoya give you?!" Xia Yixin shouted angrily.

"If you continue being so unreasonable, we will have to call the police." The store manager emphasized the word "we."

It reminded Xia Yixin that if she continued causing a ruckus like that, it would no longer be about whether she wanted to call the police or not. Their restaurant would call the police on their own.

"Are you using the police to scare me?" Xia Yixin laughed coldly and said, "Perfect. Then I can tell the police all about what happened in your store. I don't need to go out of my way to call the police."

For those who operated restaurants, what kind of weird things have they not seen before?

The store manager had dealt with so many different kinds of people before, and he was really not afraid of Xia Yixin's threat.

He smiled without minding it at all. "Suit yourself. Anyway, the situation you described didn't happen in our store, it just didn't."

"You—" Xia Yixin was just threatening him verbally.

If she really called the police, what could she still say?

The store did not have the surveillance camera recordings, and the members of staff that were around that day were not present either.

Although the reasons were ridiculous, they were bent on insisting on that, so there was no way to rebut no matter how ridiculous it sounded.

Was she supposed to find the customers who ate here that day and at that time?

The world was so big. How was she supposed to look for them?

So for this matter, she could only suffer in silence!

Xia Yixin had caused a fuss so boldly just then, but these were all just a front.

Now, she left in dejection and humiliation. How would she have any face left?

When she came out of the restaurant, Xia Yixin was fuming.

But when she slowly calmed down, she realized, could Shi Xiaoya have such a great ability?

Things like destroying evidence were a serious crime, to put it more strictly.

It was one thing for the restaurant to want to avoid trouble, but they had to weigh the pros and cons too and choose the method most advantageous to them.

By right, giving the evidence to her would actually be the best for the restaurant.

Anyway, the restaurant did not have to be responsible for this.

But it was the complete opposite. The restaurant chose the riskiest path.

If no one gave them benefits, they would definitely not do such a thing.

And merely giving benefits was not enough, there had to be some promise of sorts.

Xia Yixin did not believe that someone like Shi Xiaoya could do all of this.

But what she did not want to admit even more was that Han Zhuoling had stepped up to protect Shi Xiaoya.

Shi Xiaoya did not deserve it!

When did Han Zhuoling become so considerate and protective of women?!

Shi Xiaoya was being treated preciously by Han Zhuoling time and again.

Even she as his ex-wife had never enjoyed such treatment!

She had never been protected by Han Zhuoling to such an extent before!

Xia Yixin wanted to take revenge on Shi Xiaoya, yet she got pent up with anger all by herself.

“Hah!” Xia Yixin scoffed. What she had were ways to deal with Shi Xiaoya!

In the blink of an eye, it was the 100-day baby shower for little Wang Yijun.

Although Little Yijun's family name was clearly Wang, Wang Juhuai never invited anyone from his family to come.

Aside from Wang Jugu's family, Wang Juhuai also did not invite Wang Taihong and Lu Wenqing, who had just been sent away by him not long ago.

Why would he call them back?

The character of those two people, Wang Juhuai only knew too well.

They were simply not the kind who would change their personalities just because of a few words from him.

As the saying went, a leopard never changes its spots.

Their personalities had remained constant for decades. How could they change within this short period of a hundred days?

Chapter 2033: Hated That She Could Not Just Lean on Other People's Windows All Day

Wang Juhuai was also worried that they would not be able to control themselves from wanting to establish ties with the Han Family members.

It would be good if they just wanted to make friends normally, but he was afraid that their motives would be too obvious, which would make other people dislike them.

So, he might as well not invite them.

And previously, Han Zhuoli had also used his connections to prevent their visa applications from being approved.

If he were to ask them to come over now, it would just add unnecessary trouble.

But similarly, Wang Juhuai also did not need to worry about Wang Taihong and Lu Wenqing counting the days themselves to remember Wang Yijun's 100th day and come without an invitation.

Anyway, they could not come even if they wanted to.

Hence, Wang Juhuai invited the Han Family, as well as the Shi family.

As they were the prospective in-laws of the Han Family, they would all be one big family in the future, so he wanted to use this chance for them to gather together more.

Hence, when Shi Guanzhong and Du Yiqin received Wang Juhuai's invitation card, they both felt a little overwhelmed by the favor.

They did not expect that Wang Juhuai would also invite them.

They had no connections with Wang Juhuai at all. For Wang Juhuai to invite them, wasn't it all because of their relationship with the Han Family?

“Looks like the Han Family really treats us as family, so Mr. Wang also treats us like kin,” Du Yiqin said to Shi Xiaoya with a smile.

Shi Xiaoya did not doubt her future with Han Zhuoling at all now.

She was no longer like how she had been at the start, feeling that the two of them might break up.

Even if that possibility was very low, that possibility still existed.

But now, she would not even think about such a possibility.

It was Han Zhuoling who gave her enough confidence to believe in their future together.

They will definitely get married.

Without waiting for Shi Xiaoya to say anything, Du Yiqin suggested, “Come, accompany me to the mall and we’ll buy a set of gold baby locks and bracelets.”

Babies usually could not wear all these items, but they were well-meaning gifts, so having more of them was not an issue.

“When is Zhuoling coming over today?” Shi Guanzhong asked.

He had long brought out and prepared the alcohol.

Since the first time Han Zhuoling came to visit, the pair had never come again.

Either Shi Xiaoya was working outside or Han Zhuoling was on a business trip.

It was a little difficult for the two of them to be together on the weekends.

When they could finally have a chance to spend a weekend together, the two of them would use the chance to spend some couple time together.

Hence, this was only Han Zhuoling’s second time coming over to visit.

But although it was a Saturday today, Han Zhuoling still needed to go to the company to settle some work matters and work overtime for half a day.

He could only come in the afternoon.

So Du Yiqin wanted to bring Shi Xiaoya to the mall first to choose a present for little Yijun, and to ask Shi Xiaoya for her advice.

The moment the two of them stepped out, Mrs. Zheng, the neighbor next door, came out dressed to the nines as if she was about to go out.

She first glanced at Du Yiqin and Shi Xiaoya and then took the initiative to greet them. “Mrs. Shi, Xiaoya.”

Du Yiqin and Shi Xiaoya heard Mrs. Zheng’s greeting and turned over to look at her.

“Auntie Zheng,” Shi Xiaoya greeted.

Mrs. Zheng was considered Du Yiqin’s peer in terms of age.

And indeed, she was only a few years younger than Du Yiqin.

So it was not wrong for Shi Xiaoya to call her Auntie.

But when Mrs. Zheng heard this greeting, she felt a little displeased.

She was not that old, yet an adult like Shi Xiaoya was calling her Auntie.

Du Yiqin smiled and greeted her back, "Mrs. Zheng."

"Are you both going out?" Mrs. Zheng asked as she smiled.

She was a person who simply loved gossip. She wanted to ask around about anything and everything, and she hated that she could not just lean on other people's windows all day and see what other people's families were doing from morning until sundown.

"Yeah, we're going out to buy some things," Du Yiqin said, smiling as well.

Chapter 2034: Already Broke Up

She did not elaborate and asked, "Mrs. Zheng, you're going out too?"

Mrs. Zheng smiled and said, "I have the intention to."

Perfect. Du Yiqin did not want to chat anymore with her. "Then I won't disturb you."

She was prepared to leave, but unexpectedly, Mrs. Zheng did not want to end the conversation and said, "Xiaoya hasn't come back in a long time, and your boyfriend too. Seems like ever since the first time you both came over, you never came again."

Shi Xiaoya: "..."

Was Mrs. Zheng keeping an eye on their family every day?

She was even so sure that Han Zhuoling had only come once and had no doubts about whether Han Zhuoling merely came when she was not paying attention and therefore might not know about it.

For her to be so sure, she must have been watching their family every day.

Thinking of it was quite scary too.

Did this Mrs. Zheng have nothing to do every day that she was bored to this extent?

Shi Xiaoya was thinking about it when she heard Mrs. Zheng ask especially directly, "Are the two of you still together?"

"..." Shi Xiaoya was left speechless for a moment. She thought to herself, if we were not together still, did it have anything to do with you?

Asking around about these things and even asking the person involved directly, wasn't that a little too much?

Du Yiqin was very unhappy. In front of Shi Xiaoya, she replied first, "The two of them are still going on very well. Mrs. Zheng, what's the matter? Why do you sound like you can't wait for Shi Xiaoya to break up?"

"How could I!" Mrs. Zheng quickly laughed and said, "Of course I hope that Xiaoya is doing well."

She could still remember that Du Yiqin had said previously that her boyfriend was Han Zhuoling.

Mrs. Zheng then smiled and said, "Xiaoya, why did you come back alone today? Didn't your boyfriend come back together with you?"

She had been waiting for an opportunity to see how Shi Xiaoya's boyfriend looked like clearly.

Ha!

Du Yiqin could really brag. She just had to say that Shi Xiaoya's boyfriend was Han Zhuoling, of all people.

She was really so bold.

Wasn't she afraid of blowing her cover!

Shi Xiaoya gave a cold and distant smile, which merely flashed past. She said very patronizingly, "He still has work today. He will come over after he's done."

However, Shi Xiaoya's patronizing smile gave Mrs. Zheng the impression that Shi Xiaoya did not mean what she said.

Even if she felt sorrow, she could only swallow it back into her stomach.

Seeing how Shi Xiaoya was speaking tongue in cheek right now, there was probably some changes in her relationship with her boyfriend.

Either they'd had a fight or they grew apart. Anyway, they were close to breaking up.

Who knew? They might have already broken up, just that she did not want to admit it.

"He's coming today?" Mrs. Zheng laughed and asked, "Would he suddenly not come because something cropped up?"

That would show that he really broke up with Shi Xiaoya.

What coming later because of work? It was just an excuse Du Yiqin and Shi Xiaoya came up with.

When the person did not show up later on, they would just say that he had something urgent and could not come anymore.

Du Yiqin was really laughing from anger. "Mrs. Zheng, that's my future son-in-law, not yours. Why are you more concerned about whether he's coming or not than I am? Why don't I come and call you when he comes?"

How ridiculous.

Her son-in-law was visiting them. What should Mrs. Zheng come for?!

How could Mrs. Zheng not sense the roundabout way in which Du Yiqin was mocking her?

She minced her lips and said, "Aiyu, Mrs. Shi, you spoke too seriously. I asked a few sisters to come over to my house to play mahjong, I didn't purposely come over to ask about Xiaoya's matter."

Du Yiqin gave a cold, patronizing laughter. She said she was going to go out just before, now she's saying she was going to ask her sisters over to play mahjong.

"Oh, then we won't disturb you anymore."

Chapter 2035: Not Doing Well Herself, and Can't Stand It When Others Do Well

Du Yiqin gave a half-smile and said, "It's mainly because we still need to rush out to buy things. We have many things to do today, so we really can't afford any delays."

"Okay, okay, you both go ahead," Mrs. Zheng said.

Shi Xiaoya and Du Yiqin got into the car. Only then did Shi Xiaoya frown and say, "Does Mrs. Zheng ask around about other people's family matters all the time?"

"Yeah. She has no other hobby and just likes to ask around about the family matters of the neighbors. The neighbors around us have all been gossiped on by her before." The mention of it made Du Yiqin annoyed. "Her children are incompetent. Her son is the classic second-generation rich kid who has nothing to his name and only knows how to squander his family's wealth. Her daughter previously only knew to squander her family wealth, but a few days ago, she became bent on becoming an influencer for some reason.

"Anyway, there's no one in her family who's competent, so she just hopes that other people's children would not do well either, and she thinks it would be better if something happened to them. The best would be if they ended up worse than her own children." Du Yiqin scoffed. "She's the classic example of someone who's not doing well herself and can't stand it when others do well."

"Having her watch us all the time like this is quite annoying too, even more annoying than the paparazzi," Shi Xiaoya said. "I think she's only a step away from leaning on our house window all day and watching what our family does in our daily lives."

This was really quite interesting.

Occasionally, gossiping about other people's family matters happened.

If something happened to someone's family, it would become the leisure talk of other people, and it is a hobby every family would have.

It had nothing to do with the social circle you were in.

At most, the average folk would just talk about minor things like whose child got married within the neighborhood or whose family's mother and daughter-in-law did not get along well.

Du Yiqin's family themselves usually talked about whose children were wastrels, whose children gambled all their money away and whose children's company suffered losses, whose children went to host some party for models, and the like.

Everyone had their own interests, so, naturally, the things they talked about would be different, but most of them would gossip about something.

But it was not to the extreme like Mrs. Zheng.

Other people gossiped about other people's family affairs, but that was in secret.

No one would be like Mrs. Zheng who openly asked the person involved right in front of her face.

Although Mrs. Zheng's suspicions were false, it did not mean they would not mind.

"Mom, have you thought of moving house?" Shi Xiaoya asked.

Or else, with a Mrs. Zheng spying on them at the side, it would be really worrying.

Du Yiqin nodded. "I discussed this with your dad long ago. We went to see a villa a few days ago, and it's not bad. It's just that we don't like the interior design that comes with the villa, so we plan to renovate it completely.

"We had already paid the deposit. When the paperwork is all done, we can start renovating. I think we can move in in the latter half of the year," Du Yiqin explained. "You are with Zhuoling, so there will be times when he comes over. That Mrs. Zheng keeps stretching her neck over to watch us all the time, and that won't do. Anyway, Zhuoling is too eye-catching. People would be especially interested in his affairs.

"What if there were really reporters or paparazzi that came and Mrs. Zheng spouted some nonsense to them?" Du Yiqin pursed her lips and said, "That Mrs. Zheng just can't wait to cause trouble. She doesn't only like to gossip—when she spreads gossip, she also likes to exaggerate and add some of her own imaginings into it. The gossip she spreads is 30% true and 70% false. Few people like to talk to her in this neighborhood.

"Those sisters that she's friends with are naturally all like her," Du Yiqin said in a low voice. She did not like them.

Chapter 2036: Blowing It Out of Proportion

There was one time when Mrs. Zheng's close sisters came to Mrs. Zheng's house to play mahjong.

Du Yiqin bumped into them before.

Mrs. Zheng would naturally introduce her to her close sisters, and those close sisters of hers were very gossipy and nosey, all keen on finding some gossip to talk about.

They probably had a field day gossiping about other people when they were playing mahjong as well.

To prevent disturbance in her life, and to prevent them from spouting nonsense about Han Zhuoling and Shi Xiaoya, Du Yiqin and Shi Guanzhong had discussed the matter and decided to move house.

The chauffeur started the car and drove away with them in it.

Mrs. Zheng originally wanted to go out to play mahjong, but when she heard that Shi Xiaoya's boyfriend would be coming, she decided not to leave anymore.

She still remembered that Du Yiqin said that Shi Xiaoya's boyfriend was Han Zhuoling.

Han Zhuoling and Shi Xiaoya had announced their relationship on Weibo, but Mrs. Zheng did not use Weibo. She did not have any followers, so using Weibo would be a solo game for her.

Hence, she was not willing to play around with it either.

That was why such a gossipmonger like her actually really did not know about Shi Xiaoya and Han Zhuoling being together.

At this moment, she then called her other three close sisters.

"I'm not going to play mahjong today, I have something on."

"..."

"Aye, I'm not ditching you guys on purpose. The neighbor beside me, her daughter found a boyfriend. I'm curious and want to see what her boyfriend looks like," Mrs. Zheng said. "Don't you guys think it's ridiculous? That madam next door to my house actually said that her daughter's boyfriend is Han Zhuoling."

Mrs. Zheng laughed scornfully. "She just loves to show off how outstanding her daughter is usually, saying that her daughter is accomplished in her career and did not worry her family. Who'd have thought she'd start blowing things out of proportion and would even dare to drag Han Zhuoling into this.

"I even met the mother and daughter pair outside just now. They said her boyfriend will be coming today, so I want to stay at home. I want to see whether it is Han Zhuoling or not," Mrs. Zheng said.

"Yo, Han Zhuoling is indeed in love, but I forgot what that woman's name is," one of the close sisters said. "It might really just be that neighbor of your's daughter."

Although that close sister said that, her tone was dripping with sarcasm.

Clearly, she did not quite believe it herself.

Or else, how could she become Mrs. Zheng's close sister?

They were all the same type. That was why they could hit it off with each other.

"I will know when he comes." Mrs. Zheng did not believe it.

"Oh, right, you can search online. Han Zhuoling publicly announced his relationship. If you search, it's all over the news. Didn't you see it?" the close sister asked.

"I really didn't. I just follow a few public accounts that talk about insider news in the entertainment industry. I'm not interested in who's dating who. Who knows whether they are just making it up for the popularity?" Mrs. Zheng said.

"This time, Han Zhuoling announced it himself. It won't be fake, and that would not be necessary for him to do," the close sister said.

"Alright, I'll search it up," Mrs. Zheng said.

"Aye! Let's all go to your place too, to join in the fun," the close sister said. "What if it's really Han Zhuoling! We can go and take a look too. We haven't actually seen Han Zhuoling in person before."

“Sure, you guys can come.” Mrs. Zheng laughed as she said that.

After hanging up, she started using her phone to search up news on Han Zhuoling.

Indeed, the moment she entered the three words “Han Zhuoling” into the search bar, a string of words that were smart searches popped up instantly.

“Han Zhuoling publicly announces his relationship”

“Han Zhuoling Shi Xiaoya”

“Han Zhuoling’s girlfriend, Shi Xiaoya”

“Han Zhuoling Survivor”

And many other news related to Han Zhuoling.

But because their relationship was the most popular topic right now, they were placed at the top three searches.

Chapter 2037: Turn into a Laughingstock

When she saw the name “Shi Xiaoya,” Mrs. Zheng’s eyes rounded.

Could it really be that Shi Xiaoya’s boyfriend was really Han Zhuoling?!

Mrs. Zheng casually chose a relatively larger media outlet for entertainment news and clicked it.

In it, Han Zhuoling and Shi Xiaoya’s photo was shockingly displayed.

There was even a screenshot of Han Zhuoling publicly announcing his relationship.

Survivor?

Mrs. Zheng had never watched it before.

But following what the news stated, she searched for the third episode and went to watch it.

She saw Shi Xiaoya and Han Zhuoling together in the show and matched it with the news article.

She could not even lie to herself and others even if she wanted to.

Du Yiqin was not lying, nor was she bragging.

Shi Xiaoya’s boyfriend really was Han Zhuoling!

So, the man she saw the previous time when she looked out of her window was indeed Han Zhuoling!

Mrs. Zheng was so infuriated that she threw her tablet aside and could not even stomach her lunch.

What kind of good fortune did the neighbor family attain in their past life? Their son and daughter were not exactly very capable, but at least they would not make their family worry.

Actually, this was also Mrs. Zheng being unwilling to admit the truth out of her own selfish concerns.

How capable must they be for them to be considered “very capable”?

Shi Guanzhong basically did not need to care about anything now. The company was being run by Shi Nancang, who was bringing the company up to new heights all the time.

He never mixed around with people who were a bad influence.

Even the friends he'd made were decent and capable people.

Any news that involved people with messed-up private lives would definitely not involve Shi Nancang and his friends.

Their daughter was one of the most outstanding makeup artists in the industry, and Mrs. Zheng heard that she even wanted to start her own brand of makeup products.

In the future, Shi Xiaoya would not just simply own a work studio, she even wanted to start her own company.

Was this not considered successful?

And now, she even brought back Han Zhuoling as a prospective son-in-law.

It was as if she hacked through life!

The moment Mrs. Zheng thought of her troubles, she felt that she could not compare to her neighbor.

Comparing would make her vomit blood.

At this moment, the doorbell to her house rang again.

The helper auntie at home went to open the door and three people ended up coming in.

It was the three close sisters she had agreed to play mahjong with.

She ditched them at the last minute today, and when those three people learned of the reason she gave a pass on them, they came over together to look for her.

But Mrs. Zheng agreed to let them come at first because she was super sure that Du Yiqin was bragging overtly.

She had asked the close sisters to come and watch her neighbor turn into a laughingstock.

Yet now, she was the one who had actually turned into the laughingstock.

But she did not expect they would actually come so soon.

"Why did you guys come over so quickly?" Mrs. Zheng said.

"It's not quick, it's almost been two hours already," one of the close sisters said.

When Mrs. Zheng checked the time, she realized it was true.

She was watching *Survivor* just now so she forgot the time as well.

"We came to see whether your neighbor's daughter's boyfriend is really Han Zhuoling or not," one of them said.

When Mrs. Zheng heard that, she did not want to answer that question and pursed her lips tightly. She looked upwards aimlessly and did not want to make eye contact with anyone.

“What’s going on? Why are you acting like this?” another person asked.

Mrs. Zheng then reluctantly twitched her lips and said, “It is Han Zhuoling.”

“What... What do you mean?” the close sisters asked.

“I searched online just now. They said that Han Zhuoling’s girlfriend is called Shi Xiaoya,” Mrs. Zheng said.

“Right, right.” One close sister nodded fervently. “That’s her, that’s her name. I couldn’t recall it previously, but the moment you said it, I remembered it.”

“I read the news.” When Mrs. Zheng was speaking, she was twitching her lips awkwardly, which was really such a sight to watch. “There are photos in it too.”

She rubbed her chin and said, “It is my neighbor’s daughter.”

Chapter 2038: Misunderstanding

“YO!” one of the close sisters exclaimed in envy. “Your neighbor is way too blessed! Besides the fact that their son and daughter are competent, their daughter even managed to catch Han Zhuoling. Even if they don’t manage to get married, at least during the time they are dating, they will certainly stand to gain a lot of benefits. Your neighbor’s family company is just going to get better and better!”

Mrs. Zheng pursed and twitched her lips unhappily. She could not even force a smile.

Since they knew that Han Zhuoling was coming today, those three sisters of hers did not leave anymore.

“Anyway, since we are already here, bring out the mahjong table and let’s play a few rounds first,” one of the close sisters suggested.

“Right, right. We can play a few rounds and wait for Han Zhuoling to come over.”

Mrs. Zheng then reluctantly instructed people to prepare the table.

Before Mrs. Zheng could say anything, her close sisters already went to instruct the helper auntie first.

“You keep a lookout at all times. The moment Han Zhuoling appears, call us immediately!”

When Han Zhuoling was done with work, he immediately called Shi Xiaoya and learned that Shi Xiaoya was at the mall with Du Yiqin, picking a gift for Little Yijun’s 100-day baby shower.

When he learned which mall they were at, he then rushed to drive over.

When Han Zhuoling arrived, Du Yiqin had just paid for the gift and was preparing to look for a place to wait for Han Zhuoling.

Yet the moment she turned, she saw Han Zhuoling walking towards them in big strides with his long legs.

The more Du Yiqin looked, the more pleased she felt.

There were so many people in the mall, and only Han Zhuoling was the most outstanding.

The moment he appeared, he looked especially eye-catching and made everyone pale in comparison.

Han Zhuoling walked over and greeted, "Mom."

"Aye!" Du Yiqin quickly answered.

Shi Xiaoya did not expect that upon seeing each other after such a long time, Han Zhuoling actually would not feel awkward or distant at all.

He called her "Mom" so naturally.

"You drove here, right?" Du Yiqin asked him.

"Yes." Han Zhuoling nodded.

"Then you drive Xiaoya home, I'll take the car that we came in," Du Yiqin said.

"Sure." Of course Han Zhuoling was very happy.

They did not have anything else they needed to buy, so they headed back home right then.

When the helper auntie in Mrs. Zheng's house saw Han Zhuoling's car driving over, she quickly told Mrs. Zheng and the others, "They are here!"

Hence, Mrs. Zheng's close sisters all ditched the mahjong tiles they had on hand and ran over to the window.

This time, including Mrs. Zheng, all saw very clearly.

It was Han Zhuoling!

"It's Han Zhuoling! It's really Han Zhuoling!"

"Go, go, go, let's go out and say hello!"

Mrs. Zheng said unhappily, "If you want to go, you guys can go. Anyway, I'm not going."

She'd said she did not believe it and even mocked them.

Now that Han Zhuoling really came, Mrs. Zheng would not go out and embarrass herself like that.

If she did not go, it would not be good for those three close sisters of hers to go either.

Without Mrs. Zheng to introduce them, it would be rude if they suddenly went up to them.

In the end, they could only give up on the idea resentfully.

Du Yiqin arrived a few minutes earlier. She got off the car and waited for Han Zhuoling and Shi Xiaoya to arrive, then walked back to the house with them.

Du Yiqin threw a glance at the courtyard of the villa next door and said to Shi Xiaoya, "The neighbor next door might just be peering through the windows at us right now."

"What's going on?" Han Zhuoling asked when he heard.

How could Du Yiqin feel good to let Han Zhuoling know about this?

It was just some minor squabbles between aunties. Saying it out loud would just turn her into a joke in front of Han Zhuoling, so she felt embarrassed to say it.

Han Zhuoling then turned to Shi Xiaoya.

Shi Xiaoya did not hide anything from him.

If she had any thoughts in her heart, she would always let him know directly.

Lest the two of them play a guessing game. Not only would it be troublesome, it would also easily cause misunderstandings.

Chapter 2039: Say Hello

Anyway, Shi Xiaoya had quite a good understanding of Han Zhuoling's personality by now.

Although this man was quite self-taught, he was still inexperienced.

It wasn't like he was really a ladies' man. Even the average Casanova would not dare to promise that he could completely understand what a woman was thinking.

Much less Han Zhuoling.

Why would she make him rack his brains just to guess?

Who knew how Han Zhuoling would think of this matter and whether he would think that women were too bored with their lives.

But Shi Xiaoya still told Han Zhuoling about it.

Since Shi Xiaoya already said it, Du Yiqin did not hide it either.

"Xiaoya doesn't know, there was a previous time too," Du Yiqin said.

"The previous time was when you came the first time. After you left with Xiaoya, she came to ask me about it.

"I said you are Xiaoya's boyfriend, but she still did not believe me.

"Hah, she just does not wish to see other people living well."

"Understood." Han Zhuoling nodded.

Du Yiqin thought to herself, what on earth was Han Zhuoling thinking?

In the end, she saw Han Zhuoling holding Shi Xiaoya's hand and leading her to walk right up to the neighbor's house.

Shi Xiaoya asked him curiously, "What are you planning to do?"

"Nothing much." Han Zhuoling smiled and said, "I'm just going over to say hello to the neighbor."

Shi Xiaoya gaped in surprise. Before she could stop him, Han Zhuoling had already pressed on the doorbell of the Zheng family's home.

Mrs. Zheng's three close sisters were feeling bummed at that moment and even wanted to persuade Mrs. Zheng to go out. Suddenly, the helper auntie anxiously and urgently said, "Madam, what now? What do we do? Outside... Mr. Han came to press on the doorbell!"

"What?" Mrs. Zheng panicked briefly at that moment.

Could it be that Du Yiqin and her daughter had complained to Han Zhuoling?

Mrs. Zheng was infuriated beyond words.

They were really ridiculous. This was such a minor issue. Wasn't it just because she asked a little more about it?

She had not said anything nasty. If that mother and daughter pair had complained about it, then they were really too narrow-minded!

But Han Zhuoling was already standing at the door. The helper auntie asked, "Mr. Han came over together with the neighbor's young missy. Madam, what should we do?"

"What else can we do?" Mrs. Zheng said in annoyance. "Of course open the door!"

The helper auntie quickly opened the door.

Mrs. Zheng could not really wait for the person to come in at the entrance foyer, so she personally walked out to the courtyard entrance.

Her three close sisters naturally followed along.

Indeed, Han Zhuoling and Shi Xiaoya just stood at the main entrance and did not seem like they wanted to enter.

Mrs. Zheng felt relieved that she came out herself too. Or else, if she just kept waiting at the entrance foyer of her home, she would really not have seen them.

And she would even have kept them waiting outside at the main entrance.

Mrs. Zheng dared to gossip about the Shi family, but she did not dare to offend Han Zhuoling.

"Mr. Han, Xiaoya," Mrs. Zheng called out warmly the moment she came over. "Quick, come in."

"No need." Han Zhuoling gave a faint smile. Seeing the three people behind Mrs. Zheng, he said, "Since you have friends here, we won't impose on you. I just came over to say hello to the neighbors as Xiaoya's boyfriend."

Mrs. Zheng answered awkwardly, knowing deep down that Han Zhuoling came over just to stand up for Shi Xiaoya.

Personally acknowledging his relationship in front of her made her suspect that.

However, Mrs. Zheng could adjust her emotions rather quickly. She very quickly thought about how she could use this chance to establish some relations with Han Zhuoling.

Alas, because she had three close sisters around, the two of them refused to come in.

All the more Mrs. Zheng regretted calling the three of them over now.

“Then we won’t disturb you further.” Han Zhuoling smiled and turned to leave.

Chapter 2040: Too Ashamed to See Anyone, Right?

Mrs. Zheng could only watch as Han Zhuoling brought Shi Xiaoya along and left again.

Du Yiqin was smiling exuberantly, but she also did not feel good to look too happy in front of Han Zhuoling.

Still, Han Zhuoling coming out personally to stand up for their Xiaoya really made her feel so happy!

She then heard Han Zhuoling say, “In the future, no matter what kind of matter it is, just tell me. I’ll handle it.”

Du Yiqin thought happily, “Han Zhuoling, this son-in-law, he’s really the ultimate best!”

Little Yijun’s 100-day baby shower was set on next Friday, in a small hall in Sheng Yue that could accommodate five to six tables.

But Wang Juhuai did not invite that many people. He only invited the Han Family and the Shi family, planning it to simply be a family dinner.

Hence, only two tables were enough.

The remaining four tables were removed so they could add some more decorations.

Of course, these were all talk for later.

When the Friday on which the 100-day baby shower was to be held came around, Shi Xiaoya prepared her things once it was almost time to get off work in the evening. She was waiting for Han Zhuoling to come out so she could follow him to go to Sheng Yue and attend the 100-day baby shower.

“Shi Xiaoya! Come out!”

“Shi Xiaoya! Get the hell out!”

“You have the guts to be a vixen to seduce men, but you don’t have the guts to come out and meet people?”

“Too ashamed to see anyone, right?”

Shi Xiaoya was in her office editing videos when she suddenly heard the ruckus outside.

She could not hear it quite clearly, but she could make out that the other party was calling her name.

Shi Xiaoya found it strange. Judging from the noise outside, it did not sound like a good thing.

The voice outside sounded fierce and aggressive.

Shi Xiaoya opened the door and saw that a few colleagues were trying to stop a middle-aged woman.

This woman looked a little plump due to her age, but she was dressed very exquisitely.

With one look, it seemed as if she had put on a pair of jade earrings, had a big diamond ring on her left ring finger, and wore a green jade ring on her right middle finger.

She was even wearing a diamond-studded bracelet around her wrists.

She was carrying a Hermes Platinum bag, donning Chanel, and wearing a pair of classic diamond buckle Manolo Blahniks.

Her getup was really... quite extravagant.

Shi Xiaoya's lips twitched. Whether or not this outfit looked good on this slightly plump middle-aged woman, at least she looked pretty rich.

At this moment, she heard the other party shout and rant, "Shi Xiaoya, you finally came out! I'm going to rip you apart. You cheap sl*t!"

"Madam, I don't know you." Shi Xiaoya walked up to her.

Luckily, there were also male colleagues in the office who managed to hold the middle-aged woman back.

Or else, given her shrewishness, a few young ladies would really not have been enough to handle her.

Seeing the situation, Shi Xiaoya immediately called security.

Qin Zigou, who had just returned from abroad a few days ago, was further inside the studio, so he would not be able to hear the ruckus outside.

It was the employees on Shi Xiaoya's side who'd seized the chance to go and look for Qin Zigou.

So, Qin Zigou came out as well.

The moment he came out, he saw that Shi Xiaoya was there too and quickly shielded her behind him.

Seeing such a messy situation, Qin Zigou chided, "What did you come out for?"

"She's calling my name out and scolding me openly. How can I not come out and see what exactly is the matter?" Shi Xiaoya was not scared out of her wits by this scene and was very composed.

Clearly, she already had an idea in her mind.

Qin Zigou then did not intervene and just made sure that Shi Xiaoya would not get injured or suffer.

If Shi Xiaoya could not handle it, he would then intervene.

At this moment, the security officers came up as well.

Guo Yujie immediately said, "How can you easily let someone of an unknown background come up?"

The security officers mumbled and stuttered, not daring to say much.