

Mr Han 3351

Chapter 3351: The Benefit That One Gets Comes From Oneself

“If you learn something new, you can try it. Be patient when you are making this film. Since this is your first one, you should take your time when filming. Take it one step at a time and divide them up into different stages. You can try again if one turned out bad.”

“Since you have already invested so much, don’t just accept a bad result. Make sure you succeed.”

“Yes.” Han Zhuofeng nodded.

With the two brothers’ support, he felt very confident.

“For now, I have already written down all the things I don’t understand. I will fly there after the new years’ celebration to learn more about it,” Han Zhuofeng said.

“I have it all planned. I’m going to ask Elder Brother Xiao Cai to help me with the visual effects editing. Since he is a friend, he might offer us a friend discount. Hehe.” Han Zhuofeng looked really evil as he talked about his plans.

Han Zhuoling nodded and said, “True. We can’t have him do it for free. Just ask him to accept some as a memento.”

Shi Xiaoya snickered at the side.

Should they be losing money because they were friends?

Thankfully, Wei Wucai was really a good friend. Otherwise, he would have been so angry if he heard what Han Zhuoling said.

But even Shi Xiaoya couldn’t escape from this.

Han Zhuofeng then said, “Eldest Sister-in-law, you can help with the special effects makeup.”

“No problem.” Shi Xiaoya nodded happily and said, “I have been wanting to try out this style of makeup, but there had never been an opportunity. Since you offer conditions that are very convenient to me, you have to count me in.”

“However, although I have been learning and practicing, it will be my first time doing actual prosthetic makeup for a film. I will just be using this chance as a way to experiment on things.” Shi Xiaoya said.

When Han Zhuofeng heard this, he quickly said, “Since you don’t have experience and we are both learning together... Eldest Sister-in-law, how about you do this for free?”

Shi Xiaoya smiled and said, “Your brother asked you to be frugal and this is how you show frugality? I don’t even get paid much as a makeup artist!”

Han Zhuoling immediately said, “You can’t be frugal when it comes to paying your eldest sister-in-law. Just pay her the amount she should get paid based on market price.”

Han Zhuofeng paused for a moment and said, "Brother, you invested money as well. I would just be taking your money and giving it to your wife. Why make this so troublesome? Why don't you just give it to her?"

Wasn't this situation equivalent to the saying that the benefit one would get comes from oneself?

"Your sister-in-law can earn money, which means I will have to spend less, which is very good," Han Zhuoling said, "Anyway, the money I have given you is my money, but you have to pay your eldest sister-in-law enough."

Han Zhuofeng wasn't feeling bad about the money.

He was just joking.

However, Wei Wucan would just be paid a little as a token of appreciation, but Shi Xiaoya had to be paid according to the market price.

if Wei Wucan knew about this, would he cry about it?

"Alright. Alright. I will give you a fifty percent discount." Shi Xiaoya said, "But that is the minimum."

"Thanks, Eldest Sister-in-law!" Han Zhuofeng immediately kowtowed.

"Second Elder Sister-in-law..." Han Zhuofeng looked over at Lu Man.

"I'm going to study it first. Considering the preparation needed for the film production, the filming should only start in a few months. Second Elder Sister-in-Law, when you are done with your postpartum recovery, can you play a role in my movie? I have a character that really suits you."

"Sure. Since I would have just recovered from childbirth, do make sure that there aren't too many scenes."

"Alright. No problem." Han Zhuofeng nodded hastily.

Han Zhuoli then reminded, "You have to pay her."

Han Zhuofeng immediately looked at Lu Man pitifully. Lu Man smiled and said, "It depends on the scene count. If my character has many scenes to film, then I will be asking for more money. If it's the opposite, then you can pay me less. Therefore, you decide the scene count for the character and figure it out."

Of course, Han Zhuofeng wouldn't give Lu Man a character with very few scenes.

It was rare for a family member to be an actress. Obviously, he would ask Lu Man to play a major character. Then, he would try to beg for a friend discount.

This would be even more convenient and cheaper than finding someone else to play the main character.

As such, Han Zhuofeng temporarily said yes. He decided to just beg Lu Man and drag things out later on.

"When we visit the Yan Family for the new year, I will ask Zhiqing to leave her schedule open, and I will give her a role as well." Han Zhuofeng rubbed his hands as he said this.

To save money, he was going to ask every friend that he knew for help.

Lu Man smiled and said, "You were even saying that she's someone who only looks at appearances."

Han Zhuofeng immediately said, "For the things in the past, we will let them slide. Of course, we have to move on!"

After saying that confidently, Han Zhuofeng immediately begged, "But you mustn't tell Zhiqing if you see her."

Han Zhuoling immediately said, "Don't worry. As long as Xiao Cai is there, Zhiqing will be there."

He actually said those words with such disdain.

While he was accompanying Shi Xiaoya on the set, he received a lot of damage from Xiao Cai and Zhiqing's display of affection for each other.

During the new year's dinner, Han Zhuoli didn't drink any alcohol because he was worried about the smell of alcohol bothering Lu Man.

Han Zhuoling didn't like drinking alcohol so he didn't drink any.

Han Zhuofeng was too busy planning his film production, so he wasn't in the mood to drink.

Wang Juhuai was worried that Xia Qingwei wouldn't be able to take care of Wang Yijun by herself, so he wanted to stay awake. As such, he didn't drink.

As a result, Old Mr. Han, Han Dongping, and Han Xijin were the only three who sipped a few cups of alcohol.

Because only three people were drinking, the vibe was not right.

Therefore, they stopped drinking after a few cups.

The entire family simply ate and chatted with each other. They took things really slowly without any rush.

Anyway, they would have to wait until twelve midnight to eat the dumplings.

They had to do something, which was why they ate slowly and had long conversations.

"By the way, I bought fireworks. The atmosphere doesn't feel right if there are no fireworks during the new year," Han Zhuofeng said.

"Fireworks? Should we light the fireworks now?" Lu Man asked excitedly.

"Sure. We can go out for a while to digest our food and come back later for more food," Han Zhuofeng said.

Old Mrs. Han immediately said, "Eat less. Despite your nice face and fine body, you still can't find a girlfriend. If you get fat, it will be even harder for you to get a girlfriend. Although you are going to be a director instead of an actor, you shouldn't relax on maintaining a good physique."

Grandma instructed Han Zhuofeng, "You have to remember this. Chubbiness ruins any form of beauty!"

Han Zhuofeng was speechless. "..."

Other people's grandma would tell their grandchildren to eat more and whenever they see their grandchildren, they would say that their grandchildren had lost weight.

Why was his grandma different?

"It's the Spring Festival. Just let him do whatever he wants. He has worked hard. He hasn't been eating well and has been sleeping on set. If he gains weight, he will become skinny again when he joins another film production," Lin Liye said with a smile.

"True." Old Mrs. Han pondered and thought that the job was pretty suitable for Han Zhuofeng.

She then asked him, "When are you going on set again?"

Han Zhuofeng opened his mouth and said, "Grandma! I have only been back for a few days! It's the new year! Can you not talk about things that are so exhausting?!"

"But of course, I've been pretty busy recently, and I'll be busy again after the Spring Festival, so I'll be losing some weight sooner or later," Han Zhuofeng quickly said.

Chapter 3352: Don't Treat Him Like a Kid

"Eh? I thought you were already done working, what are you busy with?" Lin Liye said.

Han Zhuofeng scratched his head. He had just entered the preparation stage.

He was still looking for the other cast members.

He had found a few screenwriters to discuss the script together.

While they were discussing the script, they listed out the necessary props.

And then, as they made changes to the script, they changed and deleted items in the list accordingly.

In addition, they had to look for a filming location. They had to rent an indoor studio and set up green screens for special effects.

This entire preparation would take at least four to five months.

And so, they could take their time looking for suitable cast members.

In addition, you had to build a foundation and make sure you were attractive so that the actors and actresses would be willing to accept the role.

In addition, auditioning would be troublesome as well.

If they were nobodies, they wouldn't be able to help improve the box office revenue.

However, Han Zhuofeng didn't want to hire a popular celebrity. There were many young famous celebrities, but those celebrities may behave in a pompous manner without the skills to back it up. Despite lacking in skills, they may have a lot of requests and misbehave.

Of course, there had been good ones as well, but he wouldn't know them.

After all, he didn't have the money to test them slowly.

The pay was another issue.

Famous people would usually demand very high remuneration. He wanted to save as much money on paying the cast members so that he could use most of the money on the film production.

He really couldn't afford to pay good actors or famous actresses who could boost the box office earnings.

As such, he spent a long time thinking about this and realized that he had no choice but to find a good actor whom most people knew and wouldn't ask for high pay.

This was a dilemma. They had to be famous and good at acting.

And people might not have a very strong desire to watch a movie starring this person!

This meant that it would be difficult for them to watch this movie in the theatres.

In addition, Han Zhuofeng himself was just a beginner. He was not famous and couldn't attract any audience.

Aside from doing other preparations for the film production, Han Zhuofeng was worried about the auditions even when he was asleep.

Even with Lu Man and Yan Zhiqing in the movie, there was still so much missing.

Because Han Zhuofeng didn't even have a firm foundation, he didn't even know what to say to the elders.

He couldn't say what he was doing and be proud of it.

Han Zhuofeng's plan was to tell his family after the preparations were done, and they were about to start filming.

So, when Lin Liye asked about it, Han Zhuofeng shook his head and said, "I'm going to play with the fireworks."

He then left in a hurry.

Han Dongping said angrily, "This kid! He's already so old, yet why is he still acting like a kid? All he does is play!"

Han Zhuofeng had already rushed outside. Han Zhuoling was the last one to leave, and he said to Han Dongping, "He is doing something serious. It just started, so he's very stressed about it. I think he just doesn't know how to tell you about it. He will most likely tell you when things are already on track."

“Dad, stop treating him like a kid. Zhuofeng has grown up, and he works very hard,” Han Zhuoling said.

Han Dongping froze and stopped talking.

Han Zhuoling immediately led Shi Xiaoya outside.

Han Zhuofeng was in the courtyard and had taken out all the fireworks he had bought.

“Brother, help me light the fireworks. Let’s set a million fireworks off at the same time!” Han Zhuofeng exclaimed.

Han Zhuoling responded with a roast, “There are only five fireworks. How can you say there are a million?”

Han Zhuofeng laughed and said, “Money’s tight. I wanted to save money. But since it was the new year, the festive new year vibe is crucial, right? Since I’m the one who buys fireworks every year, I have to buy fireworks this year as well. So, I thought about it and bought five.”

When Han Zhuoling heard this, he felt so bad for his little brother.

“You have grown up!” Han Zhuoli commented emotionally.

His little brother was previously someone who had no idea of this world’s hardships.

But now, he was even willing to live frugally for his job.

“Elder Brother, each of you will be in charge of lighting fireworks. I will be in charge of lighting one.” Han Zhuofeng said.

Before the two elder brothers could say anything, Han Zhuofeng said, “I am the youngest, so I should be protected and loved.”

Han Zhuoling didn’t know what to say. “...”

Han Zhuofeng was speechless. “...”

Alright then. They wouldn’t argue with this little brother of theirs.

And so, both of them held two lighters with one in each hand.

Han Zhuofeng took one in his hand.

When Han Zhuofeng counted to three, they lit the fireworks in their hands.

They then rushed to the door.

They all stared at the sky together. Soon, they started seeing fireworks rushing up to the sky along with explosive, crackling noises.

The beautiful fireworks bloomed in the night sky.

They were looking up.

Many colors glowed in the night sky, brightening up their faces.

As the colors of the light changed, the light reflected on their faces changed as well.

Han Zhuoli looked down and saw a warm glow reflecting on Lu Man's face.

Lu Man suddenly covered her stomach and said, "I think they are patting my belly."

"Does it hurt?" Han Zhuoli quickly asked.

"No." Lu Man shook her head and said with a smile, "I think they are happy. It's like they want to clap their hands. They must have heard the sounds of the fireworks, and they're very eager to see it as well, but sadly, they cannot."

Han Zhuoli burst into laughter. "These two kiddos are quite the busybodies."

When the fireworks stopped, the two babies became quiet again.

The five then went back to the dining room.

The elders were thinking about what Han Zhuoling had said.

Han Zhuoling said that Han Zhuofeng was still not done with the preliminary steps, which was why Han Zhuofeng felt embarrassed to tell the family members about it.

He wanted to tell the family members when everything was already on track.

It was fine if they didn't know.

However, they found out through Han Zhuoling that Han Zhuofeng was busy doing something, but they had no idea what he was doing.

This made them very curious.

Based on what Han Zhuoling had said, Han Zhuofeng was having a difficult time doing his work recently.

If they had known about it, they would have tried to help.

If the family didn't have that capability, and the child had no other choice but to continue to live with the burdens and stress...

Even if the family wanted to help, they wouldn't be able to do so.

They wouldn't be able to do anything.

However, the Han family was different.

They were capable. Their son wasn't having fun and messing around. He was actually doing something serious.

If they could help, why wouldn't they?

Why would they make life so difficult for their child?

That was completely unnecessary!

For example, if the family had a company and refused to let the kid join the company...

And they even forced him to work somewhere else...

Old Mrs. Han and the others didn't think that it was good.

So, they waited for Han Zhuofeng and the other four to come back inside.

Grandma immediately asked Han Zhuofeng, "Zhuofeng, you didn't answer our question earlier."

"What are you so busy with?" Old Mrs. Han asked.

Han Zhuofeng scratched his head, feeling reluctant to say anything.

Han Zhuoli immediately said, "Just tell us. You can ask Grandpa, Grandrandma, my parents, Uncle, and Aunty to invest in your project."

Han Zhuofeng was speechless. "..."

"What's going on? Tell us." Shen Nuo urged.

Chapter 3353: Ambitious

"When did you become so hesitant? What can't you say?"

"Yeah." Lu Man reminded, "You shouldn't forget that my dad is here. He can make all the soundtracks for your movie."

"Eh?" Han Zhuofeng didn't think about this.

He had only realized this good news when Lu Man reminded him.

He would be able to save the money he would have had to spend on hiring someone to do the music arrangement for the movie!

Even if he tried, he would not be able to find someone at the level of Wang Juhuai.

And now, he would obviously be able to get a discount from Wang Juhuai!

Previously, Han Zhuofeng was feeling troubled. He wanted to find an actor or actress who could boost box office earnings, but he didn't have enough money to afford such an actor or actress at that level.

There had to be someone whom the audience would perceive as a grandiose existence, right?

Han Zhuofeng thought that Wang Juhuai would be this grandiose presence.

When they started promoting this movie and when they showed the list of movie credits...

When people saw that Wang Juhuai was the one who had composed the music...

Just the thought of it made Han Zhuofeng feel emotional.

He wanted to laugh out loud.

So, Han Zhuofeng stopped keeping everything a secret.

He then very honestly told them the things that he had been busy doing.

“That’s a surprise.” Lin Liye was really surprised, “I didn’t expect you to be busy with that.”

Her son was very ambitious!

“I started investing in it when I had the idea. But then, as I started investing more into it, it grew into something I couldn’t bear. However, it had already started. If I abandoned it halfway, everything I had invested would go to waste. Thankfully, Eldest Brother and Second Elder Brother found out about it and gave me money.”

“Son, I can’t believe you kept this a secret.” Lin Liye said.

No matter how much she had to invest, she would do it to support her son’s dream.

Lin Liye then asked Han Zhuoling and Han Zhuoli, “How much did you two invest?”

Han Zhuoling said, “Zhuofeng was scared that it would be difficult for us to explain to the board of trustees if we were to use the company’s money to invest and if the film’s gross revenue turned out bad.”

“Therefore, each of us personally gave him fifty million. However, I am guessing that this amount of money would only be enough for the beginning stage of preparation for the movie, such as the filming equipment. Filming equipment and tools that can produce high-quality films are very expensive.”

“This is a story with a futuristic theme. The things in the future cannot be achieved by technology today. You can only use your imagination to make a futuristic design. This meant that there will be a lot of testing and adjustments.”

“With all these things combined, the money will be used up before you even realized it,” Han Zhuoling said, “It is because we do not have the experience. Things would have been better if we had experience.”

“That is true. I have seen that video explaining the CGI sci-fi movie made by Hollywood. It’s that crystal dog. They first made a model that is the exact replica of what you see in the movie.” Shen Nuo nodded and said, “If you want the movie to be good, you must have such creativity.”

“Zhuofeng will be the first to eat the crab this time. That is good.” Old Mr. Han said.

Shen Nuo then said, “My family will invest 50 million. You can tell us when you need more.”

Lin Liye said, “We will give 50 million as well, but you have to be frugal. Don’t waste money trying different things because you think you have a lot of money now. Even if you have not raised a lot more money, you have to be frugal.”

“Definitely!” Han Zhuofeng immediately nodded.

Old Mr. Han added, “Let’s all invest the same amount. We will give 50 million as well.”

Han Zhuofeng didn’t expect to get 250 million within a night.

This amount of money couldn't be compared to the funding for movies made in foreign countries. If you converted the currency, those films would have funding of over billions.

However, compared to the funding for the films in this country... You didn't even have to check the actual production cost for those big commercial movies in the country...

In comparison to the production budget publicly announced by the film crew of those movies, Han Zhuofeng's production budget would rank within the top five of the most expensive movies.

Of course, the money he hadn't spent yet wouldn't count.

"Be frugal. I think this amount is enough for me to finish the film." Han Zhuofeng said.

Of course, if he were to blindly test things out like he had enough money, he would definitely run out of money.

But since this was his first film, Han Zhuofeng still had to save as much money as he could.

"You should save money, but you shouldn't sacrifice filming a perfect scene because you wanted to save money. Come find us if you do need money," Old Mr. Han said.

"Alright." Han Zhuofeng nodded emotionally.

Before Han Zhuofeng could even ask, Lu Man said, "Dad, if the movie needs soundtracks..."

Wang Juhuai could clearly tell that his daughter was going to give him away...

Immediately, he smiled and said, "Sure. You can count on me for the soundtracks."

"Uncle, thank you!" Han Zhuofeng quickly said, "Then... can you give me a discount?"

"I will do it for free," Wang Juhuai said.

"No." Old Mrs. Han immediately interrupted, "You can support him, but we cannot let anyone on our side lose out on profits. You can give him a discount, but you can't do it for free."

"Sure." Wang Juhuai nodded and said, "Then I will do it based on the discount my daughter gives you. I will give you the same discount my daughter will give you."

Old Mrs. Han smiled and nodded. "That is good. That is good."

Previously, Zhuofeng was worried about funding. He couldn't sleep at night and felt like there was no way out.

He was really scared that he would have no money at all, even though he still hadn't started filming.

Clearly, it was better to talk to family members about your issues.

His family was so supportive today.

Han Zhuofeng immediately felt really confident.

No matter how hard it would be, he would no longer fret and would no longer be afraid.

Han Zhuofeng's preparation for his film created many topics of conversation for everyone.

Everyone in the family knew about it now.

Han Zhuofeng had nothing to hide.

He told them about the struggles he was currently facing.

There were mainly some issues with the design.

“Because this is a futuristic theme, the spaceship can’t be like the current ones. It has to look futuristic. However, it can’t be based entirely on imagination. You can’t ignore reality completely. This is why it is difficult.”

“As for the jump through different dimensions, the CGI is not too complicated. There are references we can use when the spaceship jumps to another dimension. However, we will need to consult an expert on the knowledge of dimensions.”

The group all started giving suggestions and advice as they listened to Han Zhuofeng talk about these things.

Han Zhuofeng then noted all of them down.

Soon, it was past 12.

Lin Liye and Shen Nuo went to cook the dumplings.

Xia Qingwei helped.

And then, they served the dumplings.

Lin Liye brought the last plate of dumplings out and said with a smile, “We mixed up everything. The ones that Lu Man wrapped are all mixed up in the pot.”

“And so, it’s all about luck now!” Lin Liye said, “Who will be the lucky one to eat the dumplings wrapped by Lu Man?”

Chapter 3354: Xie Jiling Visited

“I hope Zhuoli eats them all.” Shen Nuo directly gave Han Zhuoli a very pleasant blessing. “Even if he doesn’t get all of them, I hope he gets most of them.”

“Maybe it will taste good.” Lu Man walked over with Han Zhuoli and took a seat.

Han Zhuoli had always been a fan of Lu Man’s food.

But this time, he was resisting vehemently.

“So let’s see who eats it first.” Han Zhuoli smiled and said, “The best thing would be if you ate it yourself and thought it tastes delicious.”

Lu Man thought to herself. If she really ate it first...

She would say it was delicious even if it wasn't.

In the end, Lu Man was actually the first one that got to eat one of her creations.

Lu Man luckily picked the dumpling filled with spicy strips and cheese.

Unexpectedly, it didn't taste horrible, but it wasn't exactly great.

In addition, the cheese was stretchy.

"Yes. This is delicious," Lu Man said with a grin as she said, "Although my dumplings seem like some sort of dark cuisine, they really taste good. Do you want to give it a taste?"

"No." Han Zhuoli rejected it without any hesitation.

Obviously, the two babies in Lu Man's womb didn't like it either.

To show their objection, they thumped in the womb.

Lu Man quickly endured the pain. Her expression remained the same as she continued grinning at Han Zhuoli.

Han Zhuoli thought it was suspicious. He suddenly leaned over and ate the remaining half of Lu Man's dumpling.

Han Zhuoli was speechless.

How was it good?!

As expected of the actress Lu Man, she was able to keep her countenance straight.

"You will definitely be an Oscar-winning actress," Han Zhuoli said confidently to Lu Man.

Everyone laughed when they heard this.

However, none at this table were spared. They all got to taste Lu Man's bizarre dumplings.

Whenever they got a taste of Lu Man's dumplings and then got a taste of the normal dumplings, they would feel as though the normal dumplings tasted like heaven.

After that, everyone went home.

With the exception of going back to Lu Man's family home and getting food with Wang Juhuai and Xia Qingwei, Lu Man and Han Zhuoli stayed home for the entire time.

The day before the Spring Festival holiday came to an end, Han Zhuofeng came to visit Han Zhuoli.

He even brought along Yan Zhiqing and Wei Wucai.

Previously, Han Zhuofeng had been staying at the Han Family Home. While he was there, Yan Zhiqing and Yan Beicheng visited the Han Family to wish the Han Family a happy new year.

Han Zhuofeng immediately asked Yan Zhiqing if she could accept a role in his movie.

After Yan Zhiqing had finished filming this newest movie, she received a lot of invites to many other films.

But Yan Zhiqing wanted to rest for a while. She didn't want to start working immediately.

Therefore, aside from choosing a script, she was also choosing one with a schedule that would suit her timeline.

So, when Yan Zhiqing was invited by Han Zhuofeng, she didn't care about the pay or anything.

She mainly cared about whether she liked the script or not.

It would be good if she could play a favorable role in a movie with a script that she liked.

When she heard what Han Zhuofeng said, Yan Zhiqing immediately felt intrigued

She immediately called her manager Mou Danqiong.

She indicated that she wanted to accept this role.

Mou Danqiong could only say that Yan Zhiqing was being impulsive.

The movie didn't even have a script yet. Despite that, she still wanted to be part of the film production.

In Han Zhuofeng's words, the pre-production would take a long time.

He had no idea when they might start filming.

In addition, it was also a very difficult pill to swallow.

The project could easily end halfway through pre-production.

But Yan Zhiqing was able to accept it without any hesitation.

If it were someone else who told Yan Zhiqing about it, Mou Danqiong would have adamantly rejected that person.

However, the person was Han Zhuofeng.

Although this was his first time being the director, Han Zhuofeng was backed by the powerful Han Family.

Mou Danqiong still had a lot of faith in the Han Family.

Since Yan Zhiqing liked it, Mou Danqiong agreed.

Even if it got canceled halfway, it wouldn't affect Yan Zhiqing's career.

However, when Mou Danqiong heard that Yan Zhiqing was going to give Han Zhuofeng a friend discount, Mou Danqiong could only say that Yan Zhiqing was capable of doing whatever she wanted because she was rich.

For the sake of her acting career, she was going to work for free.

Anyway, Mou Danqiong did not disagree with Yan Zhiqing's decision.

So, on the last day of this holiday, Han Zhuofeng wanted to discuss the roles in the movie with Yan Zhiqing and Lu Man.

But Yan Zhiqing and Wei Wucai still wanted to go on a date.

And so, they could only choose to go on a date at Lu Man's house.

The corner of Han Zhuoli's eyes twitched.

This was a good holiday. He wanted to just be lazy at home on the last day of the holiday.

However, his dream was shattered.

When Lu Man heard that Han Zhuofeng was struggling to decide on who the cast members would be, she smiled and said, "Do you think Zhiqing and I are not enough to boost your box office earnings?"

Han Zhuofeng was speechless. "..."

"No. You two definitely are capable," Han Zhuofeng said, "But we still need an actor; otherwise, it'll be too imbalanced."

"That's easy. Just look at the recent movies with good reviews. You can create a list of the celebrities who have just become famous and evaluate their acting through those recent films with good reviews."

Lu Man said, "Of course, don't just focus on the main character. There are many actors who can do a good job in acting. They might not be the main character, but even as supporting characters, they have made lasting impressions and are favored by the audience. As long as the audience loves him and his acting, then he is good enough."

"Since he had recently risen to fame, his pay won't be very high. After all, the remuneration is still decided by the number of works they have done. Therefore, you can take this opportunity to sign a contract with him."

"As for the other actors that can guarantee high box office earnings, you can ask them to do a cameo. They can show their face and say a few lines. That won't be expensive," Lu Man said.

"Yes, yes, yes." Han Zhuofeng nodded.

Lu Man was clearly the more thoughtful one!

Although Han Zhuofeng had been learning from a director, he never got to be a true director.

However, the directors that Han Zhuoling and Han Zhuoli had arranged for him were very famous directors.

The well-known directors had never been in need of investments and were never in need of funds for film production.

Actors were even willing to lower their salaries to be part of their films.

Because those directors never had to worry about money, Han Zhuofeng didn't know what to do when being frugal was a necessity.

Han Zhuofeng wasn't worried about promoting the film before it was shown in theatres.

Because Lu Man was here...

"Alright. Stop disturbing your elder sister-in-law. Your elder sister-in-law is about to give birth," Han Zhuoli reminded.

He was asking Han Zhuofeng not to make Lu Man work too hard.

"Definitely!" Han Zhuofeng immediately agreed.

Han Zhuofeng had the funds. As such, he immediately started working on the tasks for the pre-production.

Lu Man was two months away from giving birth.

With peace of mind, she stayed home for the remaining two months.

Because Xia Qingwei was worried, she would come and keep Lu Man accompany during the day.

Just in case of an emergency...

On this day, Xie Jiling visited the house.

Lu Man had asked Xie Jiling to come and visit.

Lu Man heard that Xie Jiling had officially started school last September. She was a first year college student.

Lu Man was amazed that Xie Jiling actually left home and started traveling at such a young age and had already experienced so many dangerous situations.

But actually, Xie Jiling was just a girl who had just turned 18.

Xie Jiling happened to be in B City as she was a college student at the University of B City.

Unexpectedly, Xie Jiling excelled academically.

Chapter 3355: Caused By External Force

Ever since Lu Man found out that Xie Jiling was studying in B City, she had been thinking about this.

Previously, even when she was pregnant, she was still able to move around conveniently. And so, she often went to visit Xie Jiling at the University of B City.

However, at that time, Xie Jiling was on leave for a mission.

Xie Jiling would travel around during holidays.

When it was the Spring Festival, Lu Man also contacted Xie Jiling.

However, at that time, she was at Xie Family's ancestral home.

In addition, she seemed to have received a lot of work requests.

Yesterday, Lu Man received a call from Xie Jiling.

Because school was starting soon, Xie Jiling came back.

Lu Man then remembered that she wanted to invite Xie Jiling to have a meal at the house.

Xie Jiling came back to B City by herself. And she would definitely get bored staying at the dorm.

The other students were gradually coming back, but some of them were still out.

And so, Xie Jiling came over today.

Xia Qingwei did not know that Xie Jiling had helped Lu Man before. Xia Qingwei also had no idea what Xie Jiling was capable of doing.

However, she really liked Xie Jiling, as she was a very honest and straightforward girl.

When Xie Jiling came into the house, Xia Qingwei immediately welcomed her with enthusiasm.

"Eh?" Xie Jiling suddenly murmured.

She stared at Lu Man's wrist.

Xia Qingwei just so happened to step into the kitchen at this time. Lu Man then asked, "What's wrong? Is there something wrong with this beaded bracelet?"

The beaded bracelet was a gift from Xie Jiling. It was meant to protect Lu Man from being disturbed by negative energy.

It would help her keep a calm state of mind and remain energetic.

Xie Jiling gifted this to Lu Man when she found out about the pregnancy.

The beads weren't some valuable jadestone. It could have been because Xie Jiling had attributed the beads...

Although the beads weren't good jade stones, the surface of each bead was reflective.

If you looked at each one closely, you would notice that each one looked bright and smooth.

If you observed carefully, you would then notice that it was just a normal jade stone.

It might have been because of this beaded bracelet, but since she became pregnant, she neither lost her appetite nor had a bad sleep. She hadn't suffered at all.

She was very healthy. The results would come back positively whenever she was on her checkups.

Normally, things would become really difficult near the end of pregnancy.

The pregnant lady's limbs would become really swollen. Her feet would swell up.

A pregnant lady also wouldn't be able to sleep comfortably.

However, Lu Man suffered from none of those.

Her limbs remained skinny. Even when she was pregnant with twins, her increase in weight did not cause her any burden.

Her sleep quality was really good as well. She had never woken up in the middle of the night in fright.

She had never gotten any leg cramps, too.

Some people would feel depressed before the expected date of birth. Yet, she didn't.

Anyway, ever since she started wearing this bracelet, she felt mentally and physically well.

Because Lu Man trusted Xie Jiling, she kept wearing it.

Even when she showered and slept, she never took this bracelet off.

"Did you realize that the light on the beads has darkened?" Xie Jiling pointed at the beads as she said, "There is only a faint glow left. It's very weak. When this glow disappears, this beaded bracelet will become an ordinary bracelet. It will become useless."

"However, this shouldn't happen. The things I make last forever. The energy in these beads would only be exhausted if something has been attacking you, and they were being repelled by the beads."

Xie Jiling lowered her voice and said, "Did anything happen to you recently? Anything out of the ordinary? Even if it is something that is so minor and small but is something bad, you have to tell me about it."

Lu Man pondered for a while and said, "No. I even told Zhuoli that I felt so peaceful ever since I started wearing this bracelet. Pregnant ladies are more emotional. Even very small things can cause big mood swings. However, that hasn't been the case for me."

Xie Jiling nodded and said, "Because the bracelet still has some energy. However, the energy is too weak now."

"Fortunately, I came to visit today. Otherwise, it would have been bad." Xie Jiling whispered.

Lu Man asked nervously, "What is the reason? Perhaps... perhaps my soul is shifting again?"

"No. Don't worry. Your soul has completely merged with this body. That situation will not occur again. This time, the damage is caused by an external force."

Xie Jiling took off a bracelet from her wrist and put the bracelet on Lu Man's wrist.

"This bracelet is an heirloom of the Xie Family. It is very powerful. It is different from your beaded bracelet, which has a finite amount of energy. The energy in the bracelet you are wearing was added by me. However, this other bracelet naturally contained such energy and has the ability to recharge."

"However, it's not a guarantee that there won't be any issues. Although the beaded bracelet can recharge, the rate is not as fast as the rate of exhaustion. Whenever the energy in this bead is exhausted, the recharge rate will become slower," Xie Jiling explained.

“However, the good thing is that the beaded bracelet has an abundant amount of energy. Even if some of the energy is exhausted, the remaining energy should be enough to generate more energy.” Xie Jiling said.

“If you gave me this beaded bracelet, what are you going to do? In addition, this is your heirloom, so it’s very important. You are always in a very dangerous position because of your missions and requests. You need the energy from this bracelet.”

“I am not accepting any work recently. You should do an investigation into what’s going on with you. You are pregnant and will be giving birth soon. You absolutely cannot be in danger. Even if the delivery of the babies happened smoothly, this issue still has to be resolved. If this issue remains unsolved, what if this threatens the safety of the two babies as well?”

Currently, the two babies were Lu Man’s weaknesses.

She didn’t really care about herself.

However, if this would involve the children, Lu Man had to think carefully about this.

“In addition, for the past years, I have been nurtured by the beaded bracelet. Even if I am not wearing the beaded bracelet, I will not be harmed by any ordinary beings,” said Xie Jiling.

She then put the beaded bracelet on Lu Man’s wrist and took the previous bracelet off.

“And even if I am able to add more energy to this other one, it will still take time. You have to be protected right now. You can give it back to me when I have fully investigated what’s going on here,” Xie Jiling whispered.

Lu Man nodded and accepted it.

Xie Jiling held the beaded bracelet as she said, “Since that thing was repelled by this beaded bracelet so many times, it should have left its mark on the beads.”

“Let me search for it.” Xie Jiling stood up.

Lu Man said in surprise, “Are you leaving now?”

“Yes. Since I noticed the issue, it would be best to resolve it quickly. Otherwise, there might be trouble in the future.” Xie Jiling said.

“You don’t have to rush. I am fine now, right? Just leave after the meal.” Lu Man suggested.

“No. I can’t stop worrying about it,” Xie Jiling said.

At this moment, Xia Qingwei came out with a bowl of fruits.

“Jiling, are you leaving now?” Xia Qingwei asked.

“Something came up. I have to resolve it,” Xie Jiling answered.

“What is the emergency? Can’t you take care of it after the meal?” Xia Qingwei said, “Kid, it’s rare for you to visit. Why are you in a rush to leave? The cooking is already done. Even if you have to leave to do that task of yours, you should leave after the meal.”

Chapter 3356: Died of Fright

“It is lunchtime. If you decided to work without eating, then you will be hungry even after lunchtime. Do you want to starve while working?”

Without listening to Xie Jiling’s explanation, Xia Qingwei dragged Xia Qingwei back and said, “Listen to me. If it is not absolutely urgent, you should eat first.”

Xie Jiling stared at Lu Man.

She thought about it. Since the beaded bracelet was still there, Lu Man should be fine for now.

And so, she finally sat down.

However, Xie Jiling was still thinking about it.

So, she quickly ate lunch and left.

Before she left, she said to Lu Man, “Elder Sister, I will tell you when the issue is resolved.”

“Alright. You be careful out there.” Lu Man nodded.

Xie Jiling left Lu Man’s house. She didn’t leave right away.

She stopped in front of Lu Man’s door and retrieved a compass from her bag that was twice as big as her palm.

She placed the beaded bracelet on the compass.

The beaded bracelet and compass showed a faint white glow.

The light would turn brighter and darker in a rhythmic manner.

And then, the beaded bracelet stopped glowing.

Xie Jiling then put the beaded bracelet away, leaving the compass out.

The needle in the center of the compass shook for a few seconds before it started spinning very quickly.

The needle spun for over a dozen seconds before it gradually stopped and pointed in the northwest direction of the courtyard.

Xie Jiling lifted the compass and started searching in that direction. She noticed that the grass in the corner of this courtyard was withering.

Grass would truly appear withered during winter.

However, the patch of grass in this area was clearly different.

Xie Jiling took out a small bottle and sprinkled some rice-colored dust on the grass on the ground.

She then took out four taoist papers and buried each of them in the corners in the north, south, east, and west directions.

She closed her eyes and felt her surroundings.

The bad energy had already been eaten up by the power coming from the taoist papers.

At the same time, the taoist papers in the four corners started spreading gentle waves of energy.

Starting from the four corners, an invisible protective layer started forming in the sky.

The layers gathered and met in the center, forming this transparent sphere shape that enveloped the entirety of Lu Man's house.

Only Xie Jiling could sense this protective layer.

No one else could sense it. Even those bad things could not sense it.

If that thing came here again, it would not be able to force its way into Lu Man's house.

Xie Jiling then left and started following the compass to search for the source of this wave of negative energy that she had picked up on the beaded bracelet.

She continued walking. Soon, she walked through half of the city.

Eventually, she arrived at a neighborhood of villas.

This neighborhood of villas obviously had wealthy people residing in it.

The security here was very strict.

When the security saw Xie Jiling, they immediately stopped her.

"Little girl, are you here to see someone?" When the security officer saw that Xie Jiling looked small, fair, and pretty, his attitude became much nicer.

Xie Jiling lowered his head and glanced at the compass, pointing into the neighborhood.

She then asked the security officer, "Uncle, do you know all the residents in this neighborhood?"

"Yes. We do," the security officer said, "There aren't many residents in this neighborhood. We are required to recognize each resident. Before nonresidents of this neighborhood are allowed to step into this neighborhood, they must register and state the house they are visiting, and the resident of that house must verify the information."

Xie Jiling nodded and asked. "Have you recently sensed anything wrong with the residents? For example, they might look really lethargic or very exhausted, or they might be very easily scared or paranoid?"

When the security officer heard this, he thought about it and realized that there were such instances.

But the security officer did not tell Xie Jiling right away.

Instead, he asked, "Why are you asking these things? Why are you here?"

Xie Jiling said seriously, "I am here to resolve it. Uncle, if you know, tell me honestly."

"Little girl, you are here to cause trouble, aren't you? Leave!" However, the security officer was unconvinced.

The security officer didn't dare to reveal the residents' information.

But when the security officer pushed Xie Jiling, she didn't budge even an inch, despite her petite figure.

Xie Jiling then said, "Uncle, based on your expression, something bad must have happened to a resident here, right?"

"If you know, you have to tell me. If not, the issue will exacerbate and might even threaten that resident's life. In fact, it wouldn't just be that resident. It will implicate the other residents as well."

Xie Jiling still didn't know why that grudging spirit would bother the resident here.

Indeed. The thing that was trying to harm Lu Man was a grudging ghost.

However, a grudging ghost was only made from people who died with a grudge toward someone.

Some died while feeling like someone had wronged them. Some were ruthlessly killed.

Anyway, none of them died because of their own doings.

Their resentment would grow after they die, and they would eventually become a grudging spirit.

A grudging spirit would first seek its murderer.

However, the resentment would grow whenever it successfully took someone's life.

If it weren't saved and converted, its resentment would urge it to harm more people.

It would search for the murderer's family and anyone similar to its murderer.

It would even target innocent strangers because those strangers appeared at the location where it had been murdered, or those strangers were wearing similar clothing as its murderer or had similar characteristics with its murderer.

As the grudging spirit killed more people, the resentment would only become greater. When the resentment grew to a certain level, the grudging spirit would be unsavable, and it had to be destroyed.

And Xie Jiling just didn't understand how Lu Man was related to the residents here.

"You are so young, yet you are talking about these supernatural things. I am telling you. The government is trying to eradicate pornography and illegal publications, crack down on illegal activities, and break away from superstition. Stop talking nonsense." The security officer warned.

Xie Jiling was just about to say that she wasn't being superstitious when a voice rang.

"Little girl, how did you know there was something wrong with the residents here?" someone asked.

"I might look young, but I am very experienced." Xie Jiling immediately straightened her back.

That person still didn't look assured. "You have a teacher, don't you? Can you ask your teacher to talk to us?"

Of course, Xie Jiling couldn't ask her teacher to come here.

She then answered, "You can tell me first, and I will ask my teacher how this should be resolved."

That person then dubiously said, "I am a helper for a resident here. The things you mentioned did happen to our neighbor.

The helper had been secretly listening to the conversation between Xie Jiling and the security officer.

This little girl looked really young and unreliable...

But everything she said was right.

"Our neighbor's son and daughter-in-law just died. The daughter-in-law died in the fire, while the son was severely injured. They managed to save his life and stabilize his condition, but he suddenly died. And I heard he died of fright," the helper said.

Chapter 3357: You Can't Deal With It

"How did you know?" Xie Jiling asked.

"The helper of that house told me. His parents and the helper are the only ones left in the house. I heard about it when I was chatting with the helper. However, that helper has already resigned."

"She told me that the house was haunted, and she didn't dare to stay anymore. She resigned in a hurry. However, that family hired another one after a few days. The new helper has no idea about anything, but I think she will also quit in a few days."

"We heard the neighbors screaming in the middle of the night. During the day, the couples would get paranoid and talk about some ghost."

The helper rubbed her arms and said, "We felt scared living next to their house. It's fine hearing them talk about it during the day, but we have to listen to them scream at night."

"Our neighbors have hired someone to help with this, but it was of no use. They are planning to move to another place," the helper said, "But if there were truly something, moving to another place would be useless. Maybe that ghost is targetting them."

When Xie Jiling heard this, she thought this story sounded familiar. It was as though she had heard it somewhere before.

"Is the surname of that family He?" Xie Jiling asked.

The helper replied in surprise, "How did you know?"

"The son and daughter-in-law who died must be He Zhengbai and Lu Qi, right?" Xie Jiling said.

The helper was surprised. "They are!"

Xie Jiling thought to herself. "Great. What a coincidence."

She had just discovered how this was connected to Lu Man.

But she just didn't know if the vengeful spirit was Lu Qi or He Zhengbai.

"Elder Sister, can you guide me there to take a look at things?" Xie Jiling said to the helper.

When the helper heard this, she was so happy.

You could tell that Xie Jiling was young at first glance.

However, the helper was not young.

She was not at the age to be called elder sister by Xie Jiling.

Didn't it mean that she looked very young?

The helper was exhilarated.

The security officer at the side was secretly criticizing how Xie Jiling, despite her young age, was such a good bootlicker.

She was such a hypocrite at such a young age!

"Take me there to see what's going on so that I can talk to my teacher about it," Xie Jiling said.

The helper really wanted to solve this issue. If this continued, their house would never have a day of peace.

In addition, who knew when their house might end up becoming the unfortunate one?

She had been doing this job for a long time. The employer was generous and friendly as well.

She was very comfortable doing this job, so she didn't want to look for another job.

The helper thought about it and said, "Sure. Come inside with me."

The security officer then allowed Xie Jiling to step into the neighborhood.

Xie Jiling held the compass as she followed the helper, and the place matched up with the direction that the compass was pointing.

This meant that the He Family was the culprit.

"There it is. That's the house." The helper stopped and said to Xie Jiling.

"Thank you." Xie Jiling lifted the compass and stepped in front of the He Family's house.

The needle on the compass started spinning crazily.

It was spinning at a much faster rate than when she was at Lu Man's house.

It was spinning so quickly that it felt as though the compass would break at any time.

At this moment, Xie Jiling heard a panicking voice nearby. "Master, we are counting on you now. We have tried asking so many people, and they were all useless."

Xie Jiling turned and saw He Qingyang and Yang Lin standing on the left and right side of a middle-aged man that had the aura of a sage that practiced taoism.

"We thought it would be fine if we moved to another place. The people we previously hired couldn't do anything. So, we temporarily stayed at a hotel. Since there are bound to be many people in a hotel, we thought it would be fine and that it wouldn't follow us." Yang Lin's face looked so pale, and her cheeks were sunken.

There were dark circles under her eyes, and it seemed like she would break down at any point.

"It still followed us when we went to stay at a hotel." Yang Lin was about to have a mental breakdown.

Even He Qingyang had lost so much weight.

He didn't even dare to go to the office.

Even if he went there, he would appear sickly in his mental state.

If someone saw him, they may start spreading some stupid rumors.

With his current mental state, he wouldn't be able to do anything in the office.

Therefore, He Qingyang simply didn't go.

But he didn't dare to stay in the house as well.

Even when it was daytime, the house felt eerie and uncomfortable.

And it was even worse at night...

Whether he was at home or the hotel or anywhere, he couldn't sleep.

"Yes! Master! You have to help us." He Qingyang begged as well, "We can only count on you."

"Don't worry." The "master" walking in the center said confidently, "I don't know who are the scammers you have found. But in this line of work, a lot of people are incapable and only know to fool other people."

"Because of their lies, many innocent people died. This time, since you found me through CEO Wang, I will resolve your issue, so you do not have to worry."

The "master" humphed coldly and said, "I have dealt with countless vengeful spirits. Such little things are no match for me."

The three conversed with each other, and they soon arrived in front of Xie Jiling.

When they saw Xie Jiling standing in front of the He Family's house...

He Qingyang asked, "Who are you?"

Xie Jiling turned and said, "Did you ask him to restrain the ghost?"

When the “master” saw the compass in Xie Jiling’s hand, he mocked, “Little girl. Are you learning to restrain ghosts at such a young age?”

“You can’t deal with this one. It has too much vengeance,” Xie Jiling said.

The “master” was very unhappy to be looked down on by a little girl in front of his clients. “If I can’t deal with it, do you really think that a young girl like you can deal with it?”

“Go away! Hurry up and leave. Don’t cause trouble here,” the “master” said angrily, “This is not an event that a pretentious young girl with a compass can participate in. Leave now, and don’t disturb me.”

Xie Jiling started scrutinizing the “master.” She was staring at him so much that the “master” started losing his temper. “What are you looking at?! What a rude young girl! Leave now! If you get into danger because you refuse to leave, I am not helping you!”

Xie Jiling stopped looking at him and said, “Although you are not a scammer trying to trick people. You do have some skills. However, you are only capable of dealing with ordinary spirits.”

“I can sense that the ghosts you have dealt with in the past weren’t vengeful spirits. They were normal ghosts of people about to be reincarnated.” Xie Jiling narrowed her eyes and said, “It doesn’t matter if you are unable to differentiate between vengeful spirits and normal ghosts, or if you can differentiate them but you still intentionally restrained those normal ghosts, it still means the same. And it means you have blocked their paths.”

“If you can’t differentiate them, it means that you didn’t learn well. However, if you were able to differentiate them, but you still did what you had done, it means you are evil.”

At this moment, a hint of panic could be seen in the eyes of this “master.”

Chapter 3358: Don’t Act Like You Are Very Capable

Obviously, he didn’t expect Xie Jiling to recognize that.

Xie Jiling knew that he had done that intentionally.

He had blocked someone’s path to reincarnation.

“You did it intentionally.” Xie Jiling said coldly, “You thought that would increase the number of ghosts you have banished and use it as leverage for getting customers. But you don’t have the ability to banish a ghost. You can only banish souls.”

“You have no idea that what you have done ruins your merit in life. When you die, your merit will drop below negative, and you will go to hell,” Xie Jiling said coldly.

“The things you have done have damaged your luck. Whenever you do something like this, you are reducing your luck. When your luck is reduced to zero, even ordinary ghosts can take your life.”

However, if that ghost were to take your life, that innocent ghost would then have blood on its hand. It would be tainted with vengeance and become a vengeful spirit.

And if that innocent ghost went to hell, it would suffer even more.

Initially, the innocent ghost could follow normal procedures and leave for the underworld to wait for its reincarnation. However, because of the “master,” it would have to suffer first. Even if it were to reincarnate, it would not reincarnate into anything good.

Was this fair to the ghost?

Because of scumbags like this “master,” many innocent souls were harmed.

“You are not capable of banishing ghosts. However, because you studied the art of taoism, you would have a protective layer of Qi around your body. Even if you were to face this vengeful spirit, you will not receive any physical harm despite your inability to banish her.”

“However, you have exhausted a lot of your Qi, and you barely have any left. Even with the Qi you have left now, you will not be able to protect yourself against that vengeful spirit.”

“Therefore, I ask that you leave immediately if you wish to live,” Xie Jiling said.

She had done all she could for this “master.”

Even if this “master” had done such bad things, she still wanted to save his life.

But even if he lived to see another day, Xie Jiling had no intention of letting him harm any more innocent ghosts.

But then, this “master” was actually unappreciative.

He became really hostile and started scolding Xie Jiling. “Nonsense! You are a little girl spurting lies! Are you not ashamed of what you just said?!”

The “master” appeared really angry, but because of what Xie Jiling said, he felt like escaping.

It might have been because, despite Xie Jiling’s young appearance, she was speaking with such confidence.

In addition, she was right about so many things.

For some reason, this “master” didn’t dare to look down on Xie Jiling.

The “master” turned and roared at He Qingyang and Yang Lin, “Did you hire this little girl? If you didn’t trust me, why would you bother seeking my help?”

“Even if you don’t trust me and you intend to hire someone else to help, you didn’t have to hire such a young girl!” The “master” said angrily, “Are you trying to humiliate me?”

“Since you can’t trust me, then you can let her handle it. I do want to see how she can solve this for you.”

With a wave of his sleeve, the “master” shouted, “Whatever happens today is out of my jurisdiction!”

With this, he was going to leave as soon as possible.

But then, He Qingyang and Yang Lin didn't understand that the "master" was trying to do something good.

The two grabbed the "master" by his arm.

Yang Lin started begging. "Master, you can't leave! We didn't hire this little girl! We don't even know her. We don't know why she appeared outside our house."

He Qingyang hastily said, "Yes. Master, ignore her. Don't worry. We won't let her get in your way. You can't leave us be!"

Yang Lin turned around and started scolding Xie Jiling. "You are such a funny little girl. We never asked you to help. Why are you causing trouble for us here? Even if you are interested in this, you should learn from a teacher. Don't act like you are very capable."

"This is not a joke," Yang Lin said angrily.

In Yang Lin's opinion, Xie Jiling was just messing with them.

They finally found a master that looked very capable.

Yang Lin thought that the issue would definitely be resolved this time.

She would never allow this girl who came out of nowhere to mess things up!

The "master" showed an awkward expression.

He wanted to leave, but these two refused to let him go.

But they had already paid him, so he couldn't actually leave.

And this "master" was hoping that the Goddess of luck would be on his side.

He had seen so many disasters.

Should he take a little girl's nonsense seriously?

He had been doing this for a long time, and he had never screwed up.

He had never seen the kind of vengeful ghost that Xie Jiling had mentioned.

This little girl had to be exaggerating to scare people!

He was already so old and had done this work for so many years now, yet he had never encountered one.

Yet, this young girl had encountered one?

Immediately, the "master" no longer felt scared.

He immediately thought that the young girl said that because she just wanted to scare him away and steal his clients.

“If you didn’t hire her, then it’s fine,” the “master” said, “It’s the afternoon, and the sun is still really bright. The vengeful spirit won’t come out. Let me check your house first and set up a spell formation.”

Hearing this, He Qingyang and Yang Lin immediately felt confident.

This “master” was clearly very professional.

The liars that they hired previously came by only to stick a talisman and sprinkle some water.

Some would set up a table for doing spells and make lots of noise. Nevertheless, it was useless.

They were even mocked by their neighbors.

Yang Lin let out a sigh of relief when she saw how reliable this “master” was.

She was hoping that he could banish that thing and restore their peaceful life.

As for the little girl who was clearly a scammer, Yang Lin promised that she would do everything to stop this girl from causing trouble.

But then, at this moment, Xie Jiling asked, “Can I go inside to check things out as well?”

“Why are you causing trouble for us again?!” He Qingyang berated angrily.

“Just allow me to learn. I won’t take any money. I’ll look,” Xie Jiling said, “I might not be skillful enough, but I do have a teacher. I am sure I can help in some way, right?”

“In addition, an extra person means extra help. I am not asking you to pay me. You are getting two helpers when you are paying for one,” Xie Jiling said, “In addition, even if something happens to me, you will not be held accountable.”

If it weren’t because Xie Jiling was certain that this vengeful spirit was harmful to Lu Man, Xie Jiling wouldn’t have bothered.

Her service was usually very expensive!

Only people like He Qingyang and Yang Lin would doubt her abilities.

However, she was too lazy to explain.

The “master” thought that Xie Jiling was exaggerating and trying to scare him. However, he realized that it would be better if Xie Jiling accompanied him as he could use her as a scapegoat if something bad were to happen.

Chapter 3359: Her First Price Was Five Million

The “master” then felt more at ease.”

Yang Lin’s eyes flitted to the side. Regardless, she wouldn’t lose anything if Xie Jiling also went inside.

As such, she stopped talking.

The “master” thought about it and said to Xie Jiling, “You can come along, but don’t cause trouble when I am doing things. Just behave yourself. Don’t create more mess for me.”

“If you are in danger, I won’t help you,” the “master” said.

“I know.” Xie Jiling agreed in a soft tone.

Yang Lin said impatiently, “Master, please go inside and take a look at it.”

“Let’s go,” the “master” said.

Yang Lin then held He Qingyang’s arm, and both of them opened the door, stepping into the house with the “master.”

The new helper they hired asked to take the day off as she didn’t dare to stay in the house anymore.

And so, there was no one in the house.

When they all stepped into the house, Xie Jiling immediately felt a gust of eerie wind.

The “master” couldn’t help but shiver as well.

The entire villa was cold and eerie.

Even laymen could sense that something was wrong with this place.

Xie Jiling lowered her head and looked at the compass on her palm. The needle on the compass was spinning crazily.

The electromagnetic field in every corner of this house was caused by the ghost.

This was the first time the “master” had ever seen a place with such eeriness. As such, he couldn’t help but feel slightly dumbfounded.

This had never happened before when he was catching ghosts.

Although it wasn’t noon, it was still 2 pm, and the sun was warm enough.

Although it was winter, the sun was shining very brightly. Even with the gust of wind blowing, it was very bright outside.

Yet, the inside of the house was like another world.

The “master” hesitated and no longer dared to advance any further.

Although this “master” was incapable, he could sense that this eeriness would increase as you advanced further into the house.

The “master” felt his knees go weak. He Qingyang, who was behind him, was shivering as he reminded, “Master?”

The “master” could only force himself to continue walking inside.

Xie Jiling didn’t follow them.

She changed her direction. When she changed her direction, the speed at which the needle on the compass spun changed as well.

The “master” swallowed nervously and didn’t dare to make another step forward.

He admitted that he was scared. Could he still say no to this job?

At this moment, the “master” couldn’t bother with Xie Jiling.

He did not even realize that Xie Jiling had gone to the living room downstairs.

He Qingyang and Yang Lin had been focusing on the “master” since the beginning.

But when they saw that the “master” stopped moving, both of them felt their hearts racing.

They were hoping that this “master” would not be like the other unreliable ones.

But then, the two noticed that Xie Jiling was different.

Xie Jiling wasn’t scared like them.

Xie Jiling seemed to be unaffected by this eeriness.

She was holding the compass and was moving around the living room.

She had checked every corner.

The two didn’t dare to yell at her.

Considering Xie Jiling’s courage, what if she was actually capable?

They thought about what Xie Jiling said earlier.

The two then had a little more faith in Xie Jiling.

This was their last resort.

Of course, most importantly, the two were so scared that they could no longer talk.

Xie Jiling took the compass and checked everywhere downstairs.

She then went back to where Yang Lin and He Qingyang were. “The eeriness downstairs are traces left by the vengeful ghost when it flew past that area. The eeriness feels the strongest upstairs.”

Xie Jiling then asked He Qingyang and Yang Lin, “Is your bedroom upstairs?”

The two quickly nodded.

Xie Jiling didn’t bother with that “master.” She took the compass and went upstairs.

He Qingyang and Yang Lin didn’t dare to stay with this unreliable “master.”

Although it was more dangerous upstairs, they thought it would be safer to be with Xie Jiling.

And so, the two followed Xie Jiling upstairs.

The “master” was left alone, and he didn’t dare to stay downstairs as well.

So, he hastily followed behind them.

Xie Jiling walked in front and found the bedroom without anyone’s help.

As expected, the eeriness was the worst in this place.

Xie Jiling turned and said, “I can deal with it, but I have to wait for it to come out at night. Do you trust me?”

At this moment, they saw Xie Jiling carrying herself with such confidence. She didn’t seem scared at all.

She didn’t seem like those scammers.

The one who stuck the talisman and sprinkled water in the house left so quickly.

Initially, they thought that the scammer just wanted to escape.

However, they finally realized that the scammer quickly left out of fright.

The one who had been doing spells was the worst. He didn’t even dare to step into the house.

He must have sensed that something was wrong and started doing spells outside of the house.

And the “master” this time didn’t seem reliable as well.

And so, when they heard Xie Jiling speak, He Qingyang nodded and said, “Can you actually deal with it? You have to help us.”

“Don’t call it help,” Xie Jiling said, “I am not helping for free.”

“As long as you can eliminate it, we will pay you.” He Qingyang said quickly.

They could afford it.

“Five million.” Xie Jiling stretched her hand out.

Of course, Xie Jiling wouldn’t need to go through a lot of trouble to deal with a vengeful ghost at this level. She didn’t actually have to ask for so much.

Of course, her price depended on her mood.

If it were a rich person, she would ask for more.

She would ask for less money if it was an ordinary person.

Anyway, this price was always acceptable.

There was no actual conflict between the He Family and Lu Man.

He Zhengbai, the one who had a conflict with Lu Man, had already passed away.

Therefore, Xie Jiling didn’t ask for ten million.

She just asked for five million.

He Qingyang froze. He didn't expect the price to be this expensive. He had spent 600,000 on that "master."

He thought that the price of service in this line of work was rather high.

But he didn't expect this line of work to earn so much profit.

He didn't expect a little girl to ask for five million.

This was beyond his prediction.

When Xie Jiling saw that He Qingyang didn't answer, Xie Jiling said coldly, "You can also rely on the "master." You have already paid for his service. Obviously, you can't waste it, right?"

The "master" didn't dare to stay downstairs and hurriedly followed upstairs.

When he came upstairs, he heard what Xie Jiling said.

The "master" felt speechless.

He thought he was asking too much when he priced his service at 600,000.

But this young girl was even greedier.

Her ability had surpassed his ability!

However, the young girl had actually used him as a negative example.

When He Qingyang heard what Xie Jiling said, he looked back at the "master."

He saw that the "master" had already forgotten to show the attitude of a superior person.

Immediately, he no longer had any hope in this "master."

He then said to Xie Jiling, "Alright. Five million then!"

Xie Jiling handed them a contract and said, "Sign it."

He Qingyang felt speechless.

"You take contracts with you anywhere you go?" He Qingyang asked.

"Of course, you never know when you might encounter an emergency. So, I bring one with me anywhere I go," Xie Jiling explained, "Look. Isn't it useful now?"

He Qingyang was speechless.

Yang Lin also didn't know what to say.

"It will come out at night, so there's no rush. You have a lot of time to read the contract and sign it afterward."

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He Qingyang saw that Xie Jiling was very experienced. This was obviously not her first rodeo.

What did that mean?

It meant she was experienced!

She was young, but she had seen a lot.

As long as Xie Jiling had the experience!

He Qingyang took the contract and carefully read each page.

There was no issue with it.

The contract stated very fair terms.

It even stated that Xie Jiling wouldn't be accepting any payment if the ghost wasn't removed.

After the removal of the ghost, the payment had to be given within a day.

He Qingyang checked it and signed it after he thought it was fine.

Xie Jiling took the contract and signed her name.

She then took out a pen and did some drawings like the ones you would see on talisman papers.

He Qingyang and Yang Lin didn't understand it, but they thought that this drawing had a very deep meaning.

But then, when Xie Jiling was done drawing that talisman drawing, the red symbols disappeared from the contract.

Both He Qingyang and Yang Lin thought that their eyes had betrayed them.

Xie Jiling then put the contract away and said, "My talisman drawing is very useful. I'm not worried that you'll go back on your word. I don't even need to see a lawyer with this contract. You will just be doomed. Anything you do won't work out."

"There will be trouble in your life, career, and family. You lose a large amount of money. Of course, all of these things will stop when you compensate me. Therefore, you have to remember to pay me back within the time limit," Xie Jiling said honestly.

He Qingyang was speechless.

Yang Lin didn't know what to say.

The things this little girl said were strange and unbelievable, but it made them feel scared.

However, it all depended on what she was capable of doing tonight.

If she were truly able to remove the ghost, they would definitely pay.

People in business care about these things.

“Don’t worry. If you are capable of removing it, we will not go back on our word,” He Qingyang immediately said.

Xie Jiling nodded and said, “Then wait here until it arrives at night.”

“Can you get rid of this room’s eeriness first?” Yang Lin asked.

For some reason, Yang Lin felt much more relaxed after staying with Xie Jiling for quite a while now.

She no longer felt scared like earlier.

However, she had no idea whether it was truly because of Xie Jiling or not.

Xie Jiling then said, “I can’t clear this eeriness yet. The vengeful ghost is here every day. The eeriness and vengeful aura brought by the ghost has already filled this house to the brim. If I were to clear this aura now, your house will be clean. But when it comes back, it will be aware that you have found someone to deal with it. It will be prepared, or it might just run away. It wouldn’t be good if it snuck back into the house again later on.”

“You don’t want to be in fear at all times, not knowing when it might appear again, right?” Xie Jiling said.

He Qingyang and Yang Lin immediately stopped talking.

“Therefore, endure it,” Xie Jiling said, “When I banish the ghost, I will clean this house for you immediately.”

Xie Jiling then added, “Consider this my after-sale service. I won’t be charging you for this.”

He Qingyang didn’t know what to say.

Yang Lin was speechless.

“But since you hired me, what are you going to do with this master?” Xie Jiling pointed at the “master.”

He Qingyang was just about to answer when the “master” interrupted, “I have already collected the payment. There are no refunds. And I do not have any policy of providing refunds for no reason, especially if it’s within seven days of payment.”

Hearing this, He Qingyang and Yang Lin felt even more strongly that the “master” was unreliable.

Xie Jiling didn’t even ask for payment. She was collecting payment after she banished the ghost.

If it didn’t succeed, she wouldn’t collect the payment.

She seemed more like the real deal.

In their opinion, this “master” seemed more like a scammer.

Xie Jiling didn’t react that much. She simply allowed He Qingyang and Yang Lin to decide.

Yang Lin thought about it and said, “Since he is not taking any refunds and we have already spent six hundred thousand, we can’t just let him leave.”

The “master” instantly had a change of expression. “What do you mean? Are you going to lock me up?”

“No. What we meant was that you have to help as well because got paid,” He Qingyang said.

“This little girl was paid more, so she naturally has to do more. But you got paid as well, so even though you got paid less, you should not leave without doing anything. Therefore, it should be okay for you to be her helper, right? Since you got paid, we can’t let you leave without doing anything,” He Qingyang said.

“If not, give us back the money.” Yang Lin said.

When the “master” heard this, he realized that he couldn’t leave.

Immediately, he felt really hesitant.

He was deciding if he should leave or keep the six hundred thousand.

“Think carefully. If you don’t stay and left with the six hundred thousand, we will tell CEO Wang that you are a liar. People who do business in this field usually believe in these things. And people in your line of work are in demand,” He Qingyang said.

“If I tell my friend and my friend tells their friends and the word spreads, you will never earn money from people again,” He Qingyang said.

Earn ordinary people’s money?

Those ordinary people might not even be able to take out a hundred thousand, not to mention a few million.

The “master” also realized that he would then have to price his service a few thousand or tens of thousands.

He couldn’t do that!

The “master” thought to himself. If he really gave the refund and left...

And He Qingyang told others that he was a liar who got scared when the situation became critical and fled after giving a refund.

He would then become known as someone unreliable in the social circle of this business.

The “master” was extremely loyal to money.

As such, the “master” decided to overcome his fear and responded, “Sure. Then I will stay and help the little girl.”

Xie Jiling showed a faint smile at the “master.” No matter how the “master” stared at Xie Jiling, he still thought that Xie Jiling’s smile appeared very creepy.

“Then... are you going to set up anything?” Yang Lin asked worriedly.

If Xie Jiling weren’t setting up anything, Yang Lin would just feel worried.

“Do you not eat at night?” Xie Jiling asked.

“The sun is still up. We are still going to wait for a while. It’s best to eat before the sky darkens.” Xie Jiling said.

“We don’t have the appetite to eat. I am really worried that I might start puking again if I see it.” Yang Lin said.

“Yes, we don’t want to eat. Just do the setup,” He Qingyang said.

“Sure.” Hearing this, Xie Jiling stopped insisting.

She first went into their bedroom.

Xie Jiling took out a notebook. It was a notebook she had been using to take notes during class.

However, she didn’t have any papers right now, so she couldn’t bother to care so much about the details.

She tore two pages off the notebook.

She then drew on the paper. In He Qingyang’s opinion, what she drew looked like messy drawings.

And then, Xie Jiling carelessly scrunched both papers into balls.