

## Schoolgirl 1031

### Chapter 1031: I Defeated Them. She's Awesome

The teacher on duty was a little old man filled with a brimming sense of justice. He was not yet 50 years old but his hair was snow white. To cover that up, he had even kept up with the times and gone to color it black.

He held a baton in his hand—which was actually a branch snapped off of a tree. He was infuriated when he was told that a group of boys was in a gang fight again, so he broke a branch off the tree on his way here and ran over with his hackles raised.

It was the teacher's duty week. How dare the students get into a gang fight right in front of the school gate? Bunch of rascals! Did they not know about the intimidation of the Male Tiger?

Right. This teacher on duty was the head teacher in Longmen Yi Junior High School, Mr. Zhang. Mr. Zhang was usually a strict little old man and liked nitpicking and carping.

Students in school gave him a nickname—Male Tiger. It meant that once Mr. Zhang got his hands on something, he would continually pick on it and get to the bottom of it no matter what. Like a tiger, once it set its eyes on a prey, it was not letting it go. That was how the nickname, Male Tiger, came into existence.

Mr. Zhang himself knew about the nickname the students gave him. Not only was he not enraged, he joked about it as long as the students were not doing anything against the school rules.

Basically, he was strict with a sense of humor, a teacher who could get along with the students. Although he was quite terrifying when he got stern, the students liked him.

There was one thing about Mr. Zhang that was admirable—he put it upon himself to look out for weaker lot. The girls in school, for example, was his assumed weaker group as it was also a fact that girls were physically weaker than boys.

Therefore, when he saw a big group of boys surrounding Yun Jian, it went without saying—to him—that these boys were trying to bully a helpless girl. That was why he snapped a branch in rage and bolted over to knock the boys' heads.

Consequently? The girl actually said that "It's none of their business. I'm the one who got into the gang fight." after he hit all the guys on the head huffing and puffing?

The one in the gang fight was her? What?

Mr. Zhang froze there, staring blankly at Yun Jian with the stick raised in his hand. He was in disbelief.

Getting into group fights was considered a demerit with penalty in school—Yun Jian knew as much. Moreover, Zhang Shaofeng had brought along these guys because of her. She had always been biased to her own people; she would repay a favor with a bigger favor. That was simply her principle in life.

"Where are they? If these boys aren't the ones bullying you, t-then where are the ones who did?" Mr. Zhang was not a gullible man. He looked around and asked Yun Jian.

“Young lady, if these guys are harassing you, let me know. I’ll make sure they dare not do it again!” Mr. Zhang added, thinking that Yun Jian was too scared to speak the truth from being bullied by these guys here.

It was just that Yun Jian interrupted him right after he said that.

“I defeated them,” Yun Jian said with a smile. She flicked the butterfly knife gently and pocketed it after the blades were tucked together in a smooth motion.

“Huh? You defeated them?” Mr. Zhang obviously did not believe what she said and wanted to say more but a voice quipped from the side.

It was a student who was not from Longmen Yi Junior High School but had been an onlooker since the start.

“Heh, little old man, she was amazing just now—she fought 20 over boys alone! And stamped a foot down on a guy’s stomach too! Got a knife up against his neck too—so cool! I saw it all!

Chapter 1032: Performing Hypnosis, It Works The Best

What the student said rang loud and clear in Mr. Zhang’s ears and his expression morphed from disbelief to shock. What did the student just say? This girl—the girl Yun Jian who he thought was bullied by this group of boys had defeated over 20 guys alone?

How... How did something so mystifying happen on a school girl?!

Mr. Zhang was thoroughly stunned.

At the same time, another student spoke up after the first student who was an onlooker did.

“Haha, how could those guys be her rival? Didn’t they say she’s Team Monarch’s Slashing God? Slashing God, come on! I don’t think it’s just those 20 over people. Even if they brought along several hundreds of guys, they wouldn’t stand a chance against her too! She’s basically from the military now!”

When Mr. Zhang was already baffled, he was even more shocked after the second student spoke up.

Wait, what? The recently famous Slashing God from Team Monarch was this girl who... he thought was bullied?

A true old man, Mr. Zhang had heard about Team Monarch’s Slashing God before this but he had no idea she was in their school. Although the matter was a hot topic in Longmen Yi Junior High School, the head teacher was clueless about it.

Yun Jian smiled. She was not scared of getting a demerit or being penalized as she arched a brow looking at Mr. Zhang.

“So this has nothing to do with them,” she took the opportunity to say again.

The school boys who were there were moved when Yun Jian said that. Did she want to shoulder all the responsibilities by herself? Even though the incident did happen because of Yun Jian, all of them did get involved in the fight ultimately.

Being caught by the teacher for fighting in a group fight was a huge demerit!

“So can we go now?” Yun Jian asked Mr. Zhang with a smile; as she spoke, her eyes on the teacher gleamed differently.

Cases of girls fighting were not common in 1999. Most of them had a strong sense of self-restraint during this era, especially for fighting boys. It was on the rare side even if it were now.

Despite being the head teacher for so many years, Mr. Zhang had never encountered something like this. The corners of his lips twitched and he paused from both the shock just now and the current daze he was in before replying a little distractedly, “Huh? Oh... okay... Yeah, go—go on...”

Yun Jian’s eyes were trained on Mr. Zhang all this while but no one realized that she had performed hypnosis on the teacher while she stared at him.

At a time like this, hypnosis worked the best.

Everyone else was a little bewildered at the dazed teacher.

What happened? According to Mr. Zhang’s character, who had the nickname of Male Tiger, he should be furious and grabbing Yun Jian to ask which class she was from so her demerit could be recorded by now.

Yun Jian turned with a smile and waved at Chen Xinyi, Zhang Shaofeng, and Zhang Jian to leave with her.

“Uh, young lady...” Mr. Zhang spoke up again.

The students who were stunned straightened up immediately. What now? Was the teacher settling the score with Yun Jian now?

“Be safe on your way home, yeah!” Mr. Zhang mentioned nothing about the demerit or penalty.

The others who were standing around were dumbstruck.

Mr. Zhang had always been fair and impartial. Why was he not penalizing Yun Jian today and even letting her go?

The students could not figure it out but they came to a unanimous assumption that this must be due to Yun Jian’s identity as Team Monarch’s Slashing God, thus their admiration for her grew even more.

**Chapter 1033:** She Doesn’t Hide It. The Wedding Eve

Yun Jian had already left the place with Zhang Shaofeng and others, leaving the rest to stand there in a trance.

Leaving with Zhang Shaofeng, Chen Xinyi and Zhang Jian, Yun Jian walked along the road of a busy area with them when Zhang Shaofeng eagerly asked her, “Master, were you using hypnosis just now?”

Zhang Shaofeng could actually recognize it? Yun Jian squinted but was not surprised.

Yun Jian had performed hypnosis once in front of Zhang Shaofeng, Chen Xinyi and Ling Yichen, and was even found out by Lu Haoze later. Although Zhang Shaofeng and Chen Xinyi did not question her about it after that, she could feel their immense interest regarding the matter.

As for now, Yun Jian did not plan to hide it from Zhang Shaofeng either, so she turned to glance at him and nodded. "Mn."

She did use hypnosis on Mr. Zhang just now and put him in a daze, making him forget that she had gotten into a gang fight with others. After all, that was not her fault—it was Wang Haitian and Yu Hui seeking her out with their gang.

Yun Jian did not want the school making what happened earlier into a big fuss and chastising or penalizing her right in front of the entire student population. It was not that she was afraid of the punishment, she just did not want unnecessary troubles.

"What? Huh? Grandmaster, you know how to perform hypnosis? I've only ever heard people talk about it!" Zhang Jian was chubby and solid but he was quick to react, corners of his lips twitching as he exclaimed.

Zhang Jian was the one who did not know that Yun Jian knew hypnosis.

"Child, my master knows an array of things! Quit yelling and shouting—it's embarrassing!" Zhang Shaofeng nagged at Zhang Jian and chuckled heartily.

He did not plead Yun Jian to teach him hypnosis as he knew that Yun Jian would teach him what she could and had her own judgement of what she could not or was unable to teach him.

It was also this character trait of Zhang Shaofeng that Yun Jian made an exception and accepted him as a disciple back then.

Ultimately, the group parted ways at an intersection.

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As time flew by in a blink of eyes, Yun Jian went back to her routine of a life after the Labor Day break. Once the beginning of May passed, it would soon be Qin Yirou and Ge Junjian's wedding.

Their wedding was set on May 21st, 1999.

Although this was a second marriage to both of them, it was their first time feeling the pre-wedding jitters.

Whether it was Qin Yirou getting forced to marry Yun Gang or Ge Junjian being forced to marry Hua Yun back then, none of them experienced such emotion. The union, back then, felt like an irrelevant person getting married.

With several days leading up to their wedding now, Qin Yirou and Ge Junjian were both extremely nervous.

Ge Junjian had booked the hotel as well seeing that their date of marriage was approaching. Their wedding would be held in a hotel.

May 18th, 1999—three days before the wedding.

Days felt like years to Qin Yirou as she stayed home. On one hand, she was looking forward to her wedding with Ge Junjian because she knew that the man loved her sincerely. On the other hand, she was scared. After a failed marriage and getting married again, any woman would feel the apprehension like Qin Yirou did.

Even without a second marriage, many women grew anxious right before their marriage, worried that their husbands-to-be would mistreat them and whatnot.

Yun Jian excused herself from school these few days and stayed home to keep Qin Yirou company.. Since her grades were excellent and she was already an internal decision to attend Min City's military school, the homeroom teacher could do nothing about it even if Yun Jian skipped school directly.

Chapter 1034: Here In Longmen City, Where Are You?

"Xiao Jian, we have three more days to the wedding and this heart of mine... just keeps thumping. I don't know if life after marrying Uncle Ge will be delightful..."

Qin Yirou held Yun Jian's hand as her heart thumped anxiously.

A regular woman typically had slight pre-wedding jitters but the symptoms were less obvious with some people.

People were normally anxious at the eve of their wedding, more or less of it stemming from fear. Some more severe cases had gamophobia, the fear of commitment.

Qin Yirou had gone through a failed marriage, so it was not unusual that she had such thoughts now.

"Mom, Uncle Ge is sincere in his feelings for you. Right now, you don't have to worry about anything. What you should do the most is to get a good sleep. I'll take care of everything else." Yun Jian patted Qin Yirou's palm to comfort her, pressing her lips together in a light smile.

"I've sent all the invitations out, so you should get as much rest as you can and just put on the wedding dress prettily on May 21st, mom."

Yun Jian had already completed all the tasks and her words calmed Qin Yirou's anxiety down instantly.

"Oh, Yirou, Officer Ge is a good man. Just trust my judgement!" Dong Ruan who heard Qin Yirou and Yun Jian's conversation entered through the door.

The woman was a high ranking official and was usually busy, but since Qin Yirou was getting married in a few days, she had put all her work aside and taken a week's leave with the plan of accompanying the latter through the process.

She could not do much for Qin Yirou when the latter dropped out of high school in the past. Now that Qin Yirou finally found her happiness, Dong Ruan thought that as her friend, she should stay by her side.

It was not too late to make up for what she did not have the opportunity to do in the past! This time, she wanted her best friend who had gone through youth to middle age with her to get married gloriously!

Why, though, was she feeling a bit reluctant when Qin Yirou was getting married? It was not like it was to a jerk like Yun Gang. Swallowing her possessiveness over her friend, Dong Ruan went to hug Qin Yirou.

“Yirou, I’ll make sure to break Ge Junjian’s leg if you’re unhappy in the marriage!” After decades, Dong Ruan finally said her thought out loud.

Although she sounded a little extreme, Qin Yirou knew that Dong Ruan would not actually break her husband-to-be’s leg. She was saying it to express how important her happiness was to her.

Even if the world was crumbling, there would always be someone like this supporting you silently at the back. She was not your family nor your birth parents but she cared for you from the bottom of her heart.

Friends for decades, their bond would last for life. This was a friendship that they could bring into their resting place with.

Watching Dong Ruan and Qin Yirou, Yun Jian cracked a smile.

It was during then that her phone rang—way to spoil the mood with an incoming call...

Yun Jian cut the call first and left the room, closing the door behind her on her way out. She then fished out her phone again to call the number back. As she did, she made her way downstairs in her flat canvas shoes.

The call connected when she was halfway down the stairs.

“Sister Jian, I’m Diane. We’re here in Longmen City. Where are you?” The voice of the intelligence department leader in Gu Sha Mercenaries, Diane, sounded from the other end of the line.

The higher-ups of Gu Sha Mercenaries had all switched to addressing Yun Jian as Sister Jian.

### **Chapter 1035: The Mercenaries’ Higher-Ups Are Here**

Yun Jian had sent out quite a number of invitations under the name of Gu Sha Mercenaries.

When Gu Sha Mercenaries sent invitations to these important people who made an impact of their own in the world, how could these people possibly not turn up? This was Gu Sha Mercenaries—the organization that paralleled An Hun Group in presence!

It was no longer a question if these big shots across the globe would attend when they were invited by Gu Sha Mercenaries, notable tycoons and mafia bosses would rush to Longmen City in the speed of a rocket even if they were not on the invitation list.

If someone were to ask around, they would realize that established hotels and five-star accommodations in Longmen City were getting filled up.

People who could afford to stay in places like these were usually affluent as regular citizens were simply not equipped with such financial ability or had the need to opt for luxurious five-star hotels. Hence, vacant rooms were common for such places.

Recently, however, not only were these five-star accommodations fully occupied, there was a lot of foreigners sighted!

Yun Jian was well aware about this. It was because some people were scared that they would be late and came to Longmen City in advance upon receiving her invitation.

It was Diane and group's first time to Longmen City, though, so Yun Jian went to her room to get changed into a clean white shirt and fitting pants before heading out after their call.

Si Yi would come back from An Hun Group tomorrow as he had planned to complete the bulk of his work there these few days and take a long break following it.

Yun Jian had asked Diane and group to go to the east station of Longmen City while she took the bus there. The latter had also taken the bus from Gu Sha Mercenaries' headquarters here.

When Yun Jian saw them, they were still standing at the agreed station to meet. There were only three of them who came on this trip and the person who stood in front was Diane, a beautiful young lady in her twenties who had long and smooth black hair.

She had a mixed ethnicity of Country Z and Country Y, so she had a pair of gray eyes despite her lustrous black hair, looking doll-like and gorgeous.

The moment they spotted Yun Jian, Diane and her company ran over. She was the person in the front most position and was the first to give Yun Jian a big hug.

"Sister Jian!"

Among the many departments in Gu Sha Mercenaries, there were three departments that were high in importance—the intelligence department, the assassination department and the investigation department.

Diane was the leader for the intelligence department. As for the male and female standing beside her, they were the leader of the assassination department, Phantom Flame, and the leader of investigation department, Spectral Refiner.

Phantom Flame was a woman while Spectral Refiner was a man.

Diane, Phantom Flame and Spectral Refiner were the heads of Gu Sha Mercenaries' intelligence, assassination and investigation departments respectively, and were indispensable members of Gu Sha's higher-ups.

Phantom Flame and Spectral Refiner had met Yun Jian previously in Gu Sha Mercenaries, so both of them greeted her as "Sister Jian" as well.

"Right, Sister Jian, Elder Snake.Lizard and others will need two more days before they could arrive in Longmen City," Diane who remembered Snake.Lizard's reminder told Yun Jian.

Pressing her lips together and tugging them into a smile, Yun Jian replied after a while, "I know."

"Yun Zhu's elder sister?" A doubtful voice rang at that moment.

Yun Jian arched a brow when she heard the voice. Just as she turned around, she saw Ms. Lu who had come down from a bus greeting her.

Ms. Lu was Yun Zhu's homeroom teacher in school and was also the teacher who had accused him.

Yun Jian narrowed her eyes, not expecting such coincidence of bumping into her here...

### **Chapter 1036: Superficial And Impractical**

Ms. Lu, little Yun Zhu's schoolmates and their parents were witnesses to Yun Jian's shocking act in her younger brother's school the last time. The incident of her killing an assassin on the spot of the school's sports day had become the word of mouth.

This was not the main point, however. People were the most shocked about Yun Jian's identity as the Advanced Special Forces soldier in the military. She was Team Monarch's Slashing God!

Initially, she was known as an ordinary citizen—an underage girl—who killed someone! Ms. Lu should have avoided her like the plague after finding out, or simply be terrified when she saw Yun Jian and would even ask the school to expel Yun Zhu because his elder sister was a murderer.

That was far from the truth. With her title as the Advanced Special Forces and Slashing God from Team Monarch, someone like Ms. Lu were not just unafraid of Yun Jian, she saw her as the exemplar of justice.

Hence, Ms. Lu was all smiles as she went over to the girl.

"Yun Zhu's sister, I didn't expect to run into you here. Are you also here at the east station to take a bus?" Ms. Lu came over smiling.

The Cheshire smile on Ms. Lu's face when she walked over brimmed with endless sense of pandering.

Whether it was the first time she had met Yun Jian or it was during Yun Zhu's school sports day, the teacher had treated the siblings with an uppity attitude. The reason for that was simple. Her impression of Yun Zhu was that he came from a poor family.

Things were different this time. After discovering that Yun Jian was an ASF member—and was the currently popular Slashing God from Team Monarch, Ms. Lu's attitude toward Yun Jian and Yun Zhu took a one-eighty.

Yun Jian was so young yet she was already a member of the Advanced Special Forces! It was inferable that her future would be anything but ordinary.

That was why Ms. Lu called for Yun Jian when she saw her. She intended to suck up to her.

Yun Jian did not bear a good impression of Yun Zhu's homeroom teacher, Ms. Lu. She glanced at the teacher out of the corner of her eye and replied curtly, "Mn, picking up my friends."

Any more words to the woman would be too much to ask for from Yun Jian.



“Oh... Oh, you’re here to pick up your friends!” Ms. Lu raked her eyes over Diane, Phantom Flame and Spectral Refiner before nodding in approval.

Seeing that Yun Jian was leaving, she called out to her again, “Right, Yun Zhu’s sister, Yun Zhu’s doing pretty well in school recently. If he keeps it up, it won’t be a problem for him to snag the excellence award for this semester!”

Ms. Lu knew that all the parents or guardians wished for their children to win the award, so she flashed her trump card in order to pander to Yun Jian. The fawning tone was obvious in her words.

Ms. Lu was the typical person who fawned over successful people while despising anyone who was failing. What she did not know was that Yun Jian did not like being groveled to nor superficial things like this.

“Superficial and impractical. I don’t wish for my brother to get a piece of useless paper. Thank you,” Yun Jian said with a glance at Ms. Lu and turned to usher Diane and others to leave.

What she said stunned the teacher. It was her first time meeting a parent like this!

### **Chapter 1037: Do You Mind If I Attend The Wedding?**

Although Yun Jian was Yun Zhu’s elder sister, she was considered a semi-parent to the boy.

The school had a database where it kept records of the students’ families and Ms. Lu had looked down on little Yun Zhu because she espied that the boy was adopted by Yun Jian’s family. Moreover, Yun Jian was dressed plainly and did not look like how someone from a wealthy family would seem.

It was due to these clues that Ms. Lu did not have much regard for the siblings in the beginning. She had even scoffed at both of them in her mind, ‘What façade are you trying to keep up when you’re poor? What’s there to be proud of?’

Until she found out about Yun Jian’s status, Ms. Lu’s attitude completely flipped around. She had even thought of giving Yun Zhu the excellence award at the end of the semester as an exchange to grovel to Yun Jian.

It was unfortunate that Yun Jian did not even care. What she said just now pointed out Ms. Lu’s hypocrisy as well.

The teacher had encountered parents who rejected her “kind offer” in the past too but not someone like Yun Jian. The girl called her a hypocrite indirectly while she declined the award.

Seeing that Yun Jian was about to leave with her friends, Ms. Lu grew anxious and quickly yelled, “Yun Zhu’s sister, uh, I heard from Yun Zhu that he’s taking a day off from school next Monday, correct?”

Ms. Lu’s holler finally caught Yun Jian’s attention. The latter narrowed her eyes and turned around, leveling her gaze properly at the teacher for the first time, and answered, “Yes.”

Now that Yun Jian’s attention was on her, Ms. Lu quickly added. “Signatures from parents are required for students who applied for days off but since we’ve met today, we can skip this.”

It was Friday today, where little Yun Zhu had gone to Ms. Lu in the morning to verbally inform her that he was taking a day off from school since Qin Yirou's wedding was on the coming Monday.

It was only near noon now. Ms. Lu had left the school to take a bus to the nearby market for groceries shopping as she had no lessons in the morning, planning to return to school after that and make lunch in her teacher's accommodation.

She thought that it was fated that she bumped into Yun Jian here!

Another bootlicking statement... Yun Jian chortled sarcastically.

"Thank you, then." Yun Jian wore a straight face, the blank expression making Ms. Lu's heart lurch.

"I'll leave now if there's nothing urgent. I'm in a rush," Yun Jian stated blandly and turned away. Diane and the other two followed her naturally like they were her bodyguards.

Ms. Lu was perplexed at the sight but seeing that Yun Jian was really leaving, she stopped her again.

"Yun Zhu's sister, is your mother getting married next Monday?"

Students who applied for a leave from their teachers were required to give their reasons. Otherwise, the teachers would not approve it; some might even berate the students condescendingly that this was their trick to skip school.

Hence, Yun Zhu who applied for the leave from Ms. Lu had gotten the habit of stating his reason immediately after the application lest his teacher misunderstood that he had done it for truancy.

"Yes." Yun Jian did not turn around this time, tilting herself a little to side-eye Ms. Lu.

"Ah, hah, I see. It's coincidence that I don't have class the entire Monday. Would you mind me attending the wedding, Yun Zhu's sister?" Ms. Lu asked shamelessly.

Her question without shame was laced with the tone of "you shouldn't be refusing as I'm the teacher".

Chapter 1038: An Additional Mouth, An Initiative To Be Slapped

To be honest, Ms. Lu being able to say something like this meant that she was confident Yun Jian would agree to it. After all, her younger brother, Yun Zhu, was studying in her class. It was not like Yun Jian could reject her.

If Yun Jian did reject her... Sure, she could pick faults on Yun Zhu if his elder sister dared do that!

Majority of the teachers did similar things now, exceptions being genuinely great teachers, of course. It was rare to meet a genuinely virtuous teacher who was impartial and did not fall for wealth and profits, so one ought to cherish the teacher if it happened.

Ms. Lu's victorious expression shocked Diane, Phantom Flame and Spectral Refiner. It was not that what the teacher did surprised the three of them but that... They could obviously tell that Yun Jian loathed the teacher from the moment the latter greeted her—for one.

More importantly, Ms. Lu had already irked Yun Jian so much but she could still stand here in one piece, unscathed! According to Yun Jian's past character, she would have already snapped the teacher's neck by now.

Suddenly feeling three intense gazes on her, Ms. Lu turned to see the trio scrutinizing her without a care for tact. She was bewildered and had even put up a hand on her face to pat around, asking Diane after that, "What is it? Is there something on my face?"

Since the trio stayed behind Yun Jian, Ms. Lu guessed that they must be close to Yun Jian. It was crucial to be friends with the target's friends if one wanted to approach the target. Ms. Lu had thought to get on friendly terms with Diane, Phantom Flame and Spectral Refiner but just as she turned to them and raised the question...

Diane had her arms crossed in front of herself and turned her profile to face Ms. Lu, apparent in her reaction that she was ignoring the latter.

Ms. Lu gulped visibly from that.

How was Diane supposed to answer her if she had to? Could she tell Ms. Lu "I'm not looking at you because you have something on your face but because Yun Jian hasn't sliced your head off despite you spewing so much nonsense; it's a miracle so I'm just doing a double take"?

She had half of Country Z's blood in her. Diane was sure that Ms. Lu would see her as a lunatic if she really said that.

"Cough, cough... Hah..." Ms. Lu had no shame, certainly. When she saw that the trio disregarded her, she coughed in an attempt to cover up the awkwardness.

Right after that, her focus went back to Yun Jian as she asked again, "Yun Zhu's sister, adding an additional mouth of mine to the banquet shouldn't be an issue, right? Haha..."

Ms. Lu said it jokingly and even added a chuckle or two for effect, but it caused the passersby in the station to look at her skeptically. She was trying to make it sound like a joke as she talked to Yun Jian and she assumed that Yun Jian would laugh alongside her when she did.

It was an effective way of communication between adults.

Nevertheless, Yun Jian did not even take into account that she was a teacher and try to chuckle along her. Diane, Phantom Flame and Spectral Refiner watched coldly as well.

Ultimately, Yun Jian spoke up in a drawl, "Oh."

Of course she would not refuse it when someone was pushing their face forward for a slap.

Was this an assent? Ms.. Lu cracked a smile when she heard Yun Jian.

Chapter 1039: Come Get Slapped Together Then

Seeing that Yun Jian agreed to her attending the wedding, Ms. Lu thought that the former agreed to her friendly approach. She checked her silver watch and saw that the hour hand was almost pointing to noon; she knew that she still had classes to teach in the afternoon.

Even when Ms. Lu wanted to pander to Yun Jian, she dared not be late in going back to school for teaching—this was her job that sustained her living!

“Haha, Yun Zhu’s sister, you’re really a good sister!” Ms. Lu chuckled, having recovered from checking her watch.

“So, I still have classes to teach in the afternoon and I need to get back now to prepare lunch and get ready for my lessons later. See you coming Monday, Yun Zhu’s sister.” Ms. Lu was quite excited and turned to leave with that.

A few steps later, she turned back to Yun Jian. “My son’s in kindergarten and gets dismissed earlier. My husband doesn’t have to work on Monday too. They don’t know how to make dinner if I’m not home. If you have seats, can I bring my son and husband along?”

This was blatant begging, begging for her son and husband to attend Qin Yirou and Ge Junjian’s wedding together. It was because Ms. Lu had been nosy enough to ask Yun Zhu where would the wedding be held when she was told that Qin Yirou and Ge Junjian were getting married in the morning.

An obedient child, Yun Zhu answered with the venue right away—Crystal Rhythm Hotel.

Crystal Rhythm Hotel was a four-star hotel recommended by Yun Yi. Back when Yun Jian had first come to Longmen City from Xinjiang Town, it was the hotel Xu Haozhe took Yun Jian and Yun Yi to when he insisted to buy them a meal.

The reason Yun Yi had recommended the place was because the hotel served excellent dishes and was far more economical compared to other four-star and five-star hotels.

Getting high quality service and goods with reasonable prices was simply how people shopped nowadays.

Based on how Yun Jian’s family was doing, they could certainly afford five-star hotels but Yun Yi had recommended Crystal Rhythm Hotel because the food there was truly delicious and fitted everyone’s taste.

When Ms. Lu heard little Yun Zhu saying that Qin Yirou and Ge Junjian’s wedding was in a hotel—Crystal Rhythm Hotel, no less, she was tempted. It was not like Longmen City had a lot of four-star hotels!

While Longmen City had five-star hotels too, Crystal Rhythm Hotel was relatively high in standard. Perhaps it was not expensive among other four or five-star hotels, it was still a luxurious expenditure from the spending perspective of a regular person!

It was impossible for ordinary people to host their weddings in a hotel. This time of the era, especially, people hosted weddings at home where they invited their neighbors and got done with a feast. People who were better off would hire a professional cook to prepare a bigger feast and that was all. No one would splurge for a hotel—a four-star one!

For what it was worth, Ms. Lu, with her meager teacher salary, had never stepped foot in a four-star hotel her whole life. That was why when she knew that Qin Yirou and Ge Junjian were getting married at Crystal Rhythm Hotel, she wanted to bring her husband and son along to take advantage of the opportunity to feast in a four-star hotel.

Moreover, she was Yun Zhu's teacher, so she would not be giving Qin Yirou any red packet—this meant that she was having the meal for free!

Diane who heard them at the side felt like killing Ms. Lu but all she saw from Yun Jian, who had always been the most ruthless, was her wearing an unnerving smile and answering, "Come together then."

#### **Chapter 1040: It's Instant Gratification**

Ms. Lu actually thought that Yun Jian welcomed her attending the wedding with her family when she flashed a smile. After all, attendance at a wedding counted as something auspicious. Ms. Lu also thought that this was a hint that Yun Jian had indirectly accepted her pandering and planned to be on friendly terms with her.

With that in mind, the teacher brightened up even more and engaged Yun Jian in extended pleasantries before bidding goodbye with the latter.

When Ms. Lu left, Yun Jian noted that she still did not ask her for the venue of Qin Yirou and Ge Junjian's wedding. How could she attend the wedding if she did not know where it was?

Intelligent as Yun Jian was, she knew that Ms. Lu must have already gotten the information out of Yun Zhu when he applied for a leave from her to have said what she did just now. Yun Jian's impression of the teacher dulled even more seeing that the latter had no problem setting her own student up.

"Sister Jian, what's up with her? Why didn't you kill her?" Phantom Flame went up to as Yun Jian right after Ms. Lu left.

She seemed nonchalant when she uttered the word "kill", like the word held no significance to her.

A young man who was dressed sophisticatedly walked past and coincidentally heard what Phantom Flame asked Yun Jian. For a woman like her who was pretty, tall and slender—basically a charming woman by current standards—to say "Why didn't you kill her?" so casually, the sophisticatedly-dressed man made a double take at both Yun Jian and Phantom Flame before scurrying away thinking if they were out of their minds.

Phantom Flame was a vicious and feisty woman. It was only expected of her as the leader of Gu Sha Mercenaries' assassination department.

Gu Sha had three main departments—intelligence, assassination and investigation.

Although Phantom Flame was a woman, she managed all the members of the assassination department. To be honest, Phantom Flame's assassination department was the hardest to run among the three groups. This was because the department was made up of all Gu Sha's secret agents and assassins.

Phantom Flame's character was a given due to her status, and she was also the strongest in skills among the trio today.

“Because I’ve found something better than killing people.” Yun Jian stood slightly turned to her side, facing Phantom Flame with her profile. Her smirk made the hearts of the three of them skip a beat.

“Huh? What could be more fun than killing people? Sister Jian, do tell! I want to try it too!” Diane asked quickly, interested when she heard what Yun Jian said.

Yun Jian reeled in her gaze to look at Diane and took a pause before smiling. “Guess.”

She led the way forward with that while Diane and Phantom Flame looked lost rooted to the spot.

To both women who had been at the top of the world, their gratification could only come from killing people who upset them.

Yun Jian thought the same in the past.

Whether it was Yun Jian in the past or Diane and Phantom Flame right now, they thought that the best way to handle people they loathed was to kill them directly. After her rebirth, however, Yun Jian found that the real fun was not killing people for that instant gratification but...

“You two don’t know anything huh! Killing someone who annoyed you gives you only instant gratification. If that person dies, how could they feel the annoyance back? Hahaha!”

Spectral Refiner who had been quiet since just now spoke up and chuckled gracefully before he caught up with Yun Jian’s pace like a poised gentleman.