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Chapter 351: Not Only Would He Return the Kiss, It Would Be a Deep Kiss As Well (1)

With his chopsticks, the boy carefully picked up a quail egg and brought it to the girl's mouth. However, perhaps due to the round curvature of the quail egg, just as the egg was about to enter the girl's mouth, it slipped through his chopsticks and landed on the girl's shirt before kissing the floor.

The girl was appalled. Looking at the oil stain on her shirt, she unhappily plonked her handphone on the table and sulked.

Despite so, the boy remained unfazed. He quickly put down his chopsticks and reached for tissue paper to clean her shirt. Still spotting a smile on his face, he proceeded on to coax her.

As the couple was sitting too far away from Lin Jiage, he was unable to catch the content of their conversation. Nevertheless, he saw that after a very long coaxing from the boy's part, a smile finally returned to the girl's lips.

After which, the boy picked up his chopsticks once more and reached for another quail egg. This time, he was exceptionally careful in ensuring that the food was successfully delivered to the girl's mouth. After she was done eating it, he moved on to pick up another piece...

Taking all of this into sight, Lin Jiage clicked his tongue with a 'Tsk!' before diverting his gaze elsewhere.

This boy... Not only is he a bootlicker, he is also such a lackey!

As these thoughts flashed across his mind, Lin Jiage's gaze unknowingly returned back onto the couple.

This time around, the boy had picked up a slice of turkey and was delivering it to the girl's lips. However, it seemed like the girl already had her fill of food. With her eyes still fixated on her handphone screen, she shook her head lightly.

Seeing that the girl was already full, the boy placed down his chopsticks and cleaned the girl's mouth with a piece of tissue paper. Only then did he finally pick up his chopsticks once more and start filling his empty stomach.

But barely after the boy started eating, the girl fiddling with her phone suddenly moved her lips. She was probably calling the boy's name. The boy looked upward, and following which, the girl leaned up and pecked the boy on his cheek.

Maybe due to the open atmosphere of the canteen, this couple was not as restrained as the couple Lin Jiage saw earlier in the French class.

The kiss left the boy's face beaming with happiness. He quickly picked up a tissue paper to wipe his mouth roughly before leaning toward the girl to stamp his lips on hers...

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This boy... Not only is he a bootlicker and a lackey, he is also a pervert!

With the thought of 'see no evil', Lin Jiage averted his gaze.

This time around, he did not continue scanning the crowd for Shi Yao. Instead, he allowed his gaze to wander out the window.

As he gazed at the scenery beyond, a scenario played out in his mind. What if he and Shi Yao dined together at this canteen as well...

If he, too, fed Soft Bun food and wiped her mouth, and Soft Bun returned the favor with a kiss as well... He would be willing to feed her an entire lifetime worth of food!

But if Soft Bun were to kiss him on her own initiative, would he return the kiss just like the boy?

Tsk! Was that even a question? Of course he would! He would do it even before a huge crowd! It was not as if kissing Soft Bun flouted any law, so why should he not kiss her?

Not only would he return the kiss, it would have to be a deep kiss as well!

At this moment, Lu Benlai happened to finish his meal, and he noticed that Lin Jiage had long put down his chopsticks. So, he asked, "Boss, shall we leave?"

Completely immersed in the scenario he had constructed, Lin Jiage did not reply to Lu Benlai's question.

Xia Shangzhou also turned his gaze to Lin Jiage and chipped in, "Boss..."

He was intending to beckon Lin Jiage back into the dorm to play games, but before the words could reach his lips, he noticed that Lin Jiage's ears had turned red and exclaimed in wonderment, "... Boss, your face is red!"

Hearing those words, Lu Benlai thrust his face toward Lin Jiage and exclaimed excitedly, "Wow, you're right! Boss, what is running through your mind that made your face so red?"

However, Lin Jiage had already regained his senses even before Xia Shangzhou made his comment. Without bothering to spare either of them a glance, he quickly stood up and threw the words "I'm heading to the library" out before grabbing his books and rushing out of the canteen, leaving the two blokes who were glowing with desire for gossip behind.

Chapter 352: Not Only Would He Return the Kiss, It Would Be a Deep Kiss As Well (2)

Lin Jiage was really heading to the library.

He had been working on a project recently, and he needed to acquire some research material in the library.

But before heading to the library, he had to take a detour back to his dorm to retrieve his laptop first.

Despite so, he still arrived in the library rather early, so there were many empty seats around.

Lin Jiage navigated adeptly around the library, and after gathering the books he wanted, he began searching around for a seat.

Usually, he would choose the least eye-catching corner to sit at, and it was no exception this time around either. With the books in hand, he began making his way over to the corner seat. However, while he was still on his way there, he suddenly halted his footsteps as his gaze drifted to a table located at the dead center of the library.

Back then, Qin Yiran had gathered a few thugs to stop Soft Bun at the school gates one evening, and he happened to chance upon the sight. After saving her from the quandary she was in, Soft Bun said that she wanted to head to the library to do some practice paper, so followed her over. As they arrived late, most of the seats were already taken. Left with no choice, he and Soft Bun could only take the utmost center table which was shunned by most students...

Lin Jiage stared at the table which he had once shared with Shi Yao for two seconds before instinctively making his way over and placing his laptop and books on it.

He sat in a daze for a moment, but it didn't take him too long to snap out of it. After he started up his laptop, he plucked in his earpiece and began going through the resources he had taken out.

Meanwhile, more and more people were pouring into the library, filling the seats.

Even when Lin Jiage took the least eye-catching corner seats, he still garnered lots of attention. Now that he had chosen to take a spot where everyone's eyes could easily reach, it caused a huge flurry. Distracted students secretly whipped out their phones and snapped photos of him.

Even so, it seemed as if Lin Jiage was oblivious to the happenings around him. He was still fully immersed in the materials before him as he jotted down the key points in them.

Time flew by swiftly while he was in his studies.

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By the time he finished going through the materials he needed, hours had already passed. Letting out a deep sigh of relief, he raised his head and rubbed the soreness out of his stiff neck.

He closed his eyes for a moment to take a brief respite from his work and allow the fatigue to drain from his eyes before straightening his posture once more.

He was intending to do a final check on the key information he had gathered to ensure that he didn't miss anything out before returning to his dormitory, but just as his eyes fell on his computer screen, his attention was captured by the two people seated right in front of him.

Judging from the intimate distance between the two of them, there was little doubt that they were a couple. From the proximity between them, it was obvious they were a couple.

What the heck was wrong with him today? Why was he able to spot couples no matter where he went?

Or could this be how it had always been, just that he had never noticed it?

As he pondered over this question, Lin Jiage raised his gaze and swept his eyes across the entire library.

Then, he realized that there were indeed quite a number of couples in the library... It turned out that there were actually quite a number of people in G University who had found their significant other?

As Lin Jiage attempted to digest this realization that had just come to him, of the couple sitting right in front of him, the boy suddenly leaned toward the girl and whispered softly in her ear.

The boy had lowered his voice so much that it was impossible to even notice his whisperings if one was not paying close attention.

"Baby, do you know what kind of a person I am?"

The girl shook her head and replied, "I don't know."

The boy: "I am a tacky person..."

Pft, at least this fellow has some sense of self-awareness ...?

With such thoughts in mind, Lin Jiage returned his eyes back to his computer screen, intending to focus his attention on going through the notes he had just made.

Meanwhile, the boy continued whispering, "... When I look at a mountain, all I see is a mountain. When I look at the sea, all I see is the sea..."

Heh... This fellow is not only tacky but humorous as well. Isn't he stating the obvious? Is there anyone in the world who will see the sea in a mountain and a mountain in the sea?

Lin Jiage instinctively shook his head in response.

"... But when I see you, a sea of clouds start to flurry and the ocean tides start to surge..."

Hah...?If this fellow were to present that line to Lin Jiayi, she would claim that only money can make her sea of clouds flurry and ocean tides surge. If it was Soft Bun, she would reply that only food will make the sea of clouds flurry and ocean tides surge.?

A chuckle escaped from Lin Jiage's lips. Following that, he carried on tapping on his keyboard and corrected two spelling errors.

Chapter 353: Hearts and Hugs (1)

"... Baby, I am really blessed to have been able to meet you. For you, I can soar through the Nine Heavens to pick the moon, and descend into the Seven Seas to catch turtles..."

What the... This guy is really getting more and more absurd. Isn't this the textbook example of a swindler? Soaring through the ninth heavens? Why don't you go outerspace and torch yourself with the sun? Descending into the Seven Seas to catch turtles? Why don't you try locking lips with some turtles instead??

It was a second ago that Lin Jiage was still berating the boy sitting in front of him in his heart, criticizing him as if he was a good-for-nothing. In the next, however, the girl sitting next to the boy suddenly leaned in and dropped him a kiss. With flushed cheeks, she replied shyly, "Me too. I am really blessed to have met you as well. I want to marry you when we graduate from this university, I want to bear lots of children for you..."

Lin Jiage's typing fingers shuddered upon hearing those words. His head shot up, and he stared at the couple right ahead of him in disbelief.

As the girl's face was slightly tilted to the side, Lin Jiage was able to catch a glimpse of her expression.

Her face was beaming with both bliss and exhilaration. It was almost as if she had just been given the entire world.

The girl couldn't be said to be a looker, but in this very instant, Lin Jiage found her particularly dazzling.

Does this mean to say that ... ? girls like boys who whisper shallow sweet-nothings?

What about Soft Bun? Does she like such things too?

A great coincidence it was, but just as such a thought surfaced in Lin Jiage's mind, the phone he had placed on the table lit up.

Picking up his phone, he saw that he had received a notification from the <Sexy and Frisky> group.

He tapped into the notification and saw that <Yao Loves Ice Cream> had @'d everyone and posted an image along with it.

The image featured a screenshot from <PlayersUnknown's Battlegrounds>, where she had successfully killed two players.

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Just as Lin Jiage finished looking through the image, a few more messages appeared in the chat.

<Yao Loves Ice Cream>:?[Even though we lost the battle in the end, I managed to avenge my teammates by killing the 2 players who killed them! To be honest, they were low on health then and I was just firing randomly, but I am still happy with my achievement $O(\cap_{\cap})O^{\sim}$]

<Juice>:?[666, Sis Yao is the best!]

<Yao Loves Ice Cream> instantly sent Juice a smiley emoticon in response.

<Expert of the Monkeys>:?[Awesome! All hail Sis Yao!]

<Yao Loves Ice Cream> also instantly replied Expert with a hearty laughter emoticon.

Lin Jiage stared at the newly popped up messages for a while. Remembering the exchange between the couple sitting in front of him, he carefully crafted a message to praise her and hit the 'Send' button.

<111111>:?[Incredible, our upcoming sniper goddess!]

<Yao Loves Ice Cream>:?[Omg, I was just praised by the master! Happy~]

<Yao Loves Ice Cream> sent a 'Red Heart' sticker.

<Yao Loves Ice Cream> sent a 'Hug' GIF.

Red Heart... Hug...

Soft Bun actually sent him a hearts and hugged him...

Staring at the red heart on the screen and the GIF showing two fluffy bunnies hugging each other, a red veil of embarrassment clouded over Lin Jiage's face.

So, it turns out that Soft Bun loves to be praised too...

Moreover, she replied to me with three messages. It wouldn't be good if I ignored her, right?

Therefore, after a short moment of deliberation, Lin Jiage opened up the emoticon menu to search for a suitable emoticon. The first one he found and sent out was a 'Rose' emoticon, followed quickly by a 'Hug' GIF as well.

When the two emoticons had been successfully sent out, the redness of his face had silently crept to his neck as well.

Does... Does this count as a hug between me and Soft Bun?

Chapter 354: Hearts and Hugs (2)

At this moment, Lin Jiage suddenly felt that the greatest takeaway for the night wasn't the information he had spent several hours compiling in the library.

Instead, his greatest takeaway of the night was the couple sitting in front of him... Oh, to be more exact, it was the sweet-nothings whispered by the boy before him...

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By the time Lin Jiage arrived back to his dorm, the clock had already struck eleven.

Having had a long day, Lin Jiage took a brief shower and went straight to bed.

However, he was unable to fall asleep.

Instead, he stared at the ceiling and reminisced about the happenings in the day. The exchange between him and the French lecturer earlier in the afternoon came to mind, especially the words he had asked after Shi Yao returned to her seat.

"If you can choose a person to climb the highest mountain with, drink the strongest liquor with, travel to the furthest land with, hop on the longest train ride with, ride on the tallest Ferris wheel with, enjoy the most beautiful night sky with, wait for the sunrise and sunset with, and challenge all the impossible with... Do you know who you will choose?"

At that moment, Lin Jiage was unsure whether the French lecturer wanted him to answer the question or translate it. So, in a concise manner, he sought clarification, "Do I translate it?"

The French lecturer shook his head and prompted him to simply answer the question.

Lin Jiage nodded in acknowledgement before falling silent. Three seconds later, he answered unwaveringly, "If the choice is in my hands, I know who I will choose."

The French lecturer had been looking at Lin Jiage all this while, but in this instant, his gaze seemed to lower slightly to glance at Shi Yao as he asked, "Who?"

Lin Jiage did not answer.

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Unfazed by the lack of response, the French lecturer continued, "I can roughly guess who it is. However, if you do not mind, I would like some confirmation. Is she whom I have just looked at, as well as the person whom you have just sent a text to?"

This time, without any hesitation, Lin Jiage replied, "Yes..."

Pausing briefly, he added, "She is the one."

It was apparent from the words of the French lecturer that he had noticed his little movements to help Shi Yao cheat. However, perhaps due to the romantic nature of the French, the French lecturer still allowed him to return to his seat with a smile without punishing either of them...

What struck Lin Jiage the most was the French lecturer's question. Each of his words remained firmly stuck in his mind.

Thinking up to this point, Lin Jiage put down his handphone and he turned his body to face the wall.

As he stared fixedly at the wall, a phrase crossed his mind.

I want to climb the highest mountain and drink the strongest liquor with you.

I want to travel to the furthest land and hop on the longest train ride with you.

I want to ride on the tallest Ferris wheel and enjoy the most beautiful night sky with you.

I want to wait for the sunrise and sunset and challenge all the impossible with you.

I want to attend class and sit side by side with you.

I want to have meals and be all chummy at the canteen with you.

I want to visit the library and whisper sweet-nothings with you.

I want to be... I want to be together with you.

If it is together with you, I am willing to do anything.

As long as it is you, Shi Yao.

As the phrase surfaced in Lin Jiage's mind in its entirety, his heart began inexplicably beating faster and faster.

He had never experienced such an intense longing for a certain person nor thing before.

It was a powerful desire that compelled him to run right up to her and claim her for his own.

Lin Jiage pressed his lips together and stared unwaveringly at the wall for a long while when words suddenly escaped from his mouth, "I have made up my mind."

Hearing the words spoken by Lin Jiage, Lu Benlai and Xia Shangzhou jumped up from their beds and asked in unison, "Boss, what have you made up your mind on?"

But as though he had not heard them, Lin Jiage continued to stare at the wall after a few more moments before turning his head to look at Lu Benlai and Xia Shangzhou, "..."

Chapter 355: Rise as the King of Dogs (1)

But as though he had not heard them, Lin Jiage continued to stare at the wall after a few more moments before turning his head to look at Lu Benlai and Xia Shangzhou, "I have decided that I want to be together with her!"

Sensing gossip, Xia Shangzhou immediately probed further, "Who have you decided to get together with? Who? Who? Who?"

Lu Benlai shot a sideward glance at Xia Shangzhou and scoffed, "Your IQ has never failed to appal me, my grandson. Aren't you asking the obvious? Even if you think with your toes, it's obvious that our boss was referring to Little Junior!"

Xia Shangzhou: "Oh? It seems like the physical construct of my grandson is extraordinary. I never thought that his brain would be small enough to fit in his toes! Besides, how can you be so sure he was referring to Little Junior and not me? If it really turns out to be me, I would be able to claim that nearly nine-digits bank deposit for myself..."

Lu Benlai rolled his eyes with disgust written all over his face, "Boss, my grandson is sick in the head and he forgot to take his medicine today. Please don't take his words to heart..."

However, Lin Jiage remained completely nonchalant before the playful banter between Lu Benlai and Xia Shangzhou. Without the slightest fluctuation in his voice, he repeated, "I have decided. I want to be with her."

Lu Benlai, who had always been the more tactful of the two, asked, "Haven't the two of you always been together?"

Xia Shangzhou quickly chirped in as well, "That's right, boss. Aren't the two of you already together even before you were born?"

That is indeed the case, and there's nothing wrong with what they have said...

But other than the child betrothal between our families, there doesn't seem to be any other connection between us.

Is that what they call a glamorous on the outside but dubious on the inside?

The more Lin Jiage thought about the matter, the more determined he was to put his resolve into action. He clarified, "What I meant is that apart from the engagement between me and Yaoyao, I wish to have a deeper relationship with her."

Lu Benlai: "How deep do you want to go?"

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"I know!" Xia Shangzhou immediately caught on. But after a mere three seconds, he deflated in dejection, "Ah, I don't think I know our Boss' measurements..."

Lu Benlai, "Old Xia, I would have never thought that you are actually an old pervert! But I like it! Boss, I'll support you! I will sponsor you an entire month's worth of rubber as a show of?my sincerity!"

Xia Shangzhou: "What? My grandson sure knows how to play it cheap! In that case, I guess I can only contribute by helping to offset our Boss' hotel expense. But boss, my finances are limited, so I can only subsidize a night's worth of hotel expense as a gesture of my sincerity!"

What the ...? What in the world are these two blokes going on about?

Lin Jiage cleared his throat and interrupted their line of thought, "Lecherous! What I meant by a deeper relationship is to make Yaoyao my true fiancé!"

Lu Benlai: "How is that any different from what we have just said?"

Xia Shangzhou: "I don't see any difference either. Isn't going deep an important phase in making her your true fiancé as well?"

Did these two fellows grow up soaked in a tub filled with carnal lust?

Lin Jiage: "To put it simply, I want to confess to Soft Bun!"

Unable to tolerate their nonsense any longer, Lin Jiage further emphasized, "Confess, do you understand that? I'm not as shallow as you lot!"

"We get it... But isn't it normal to visit a hotel after confessing too? When that time comes, won't the two of you still have to come into intimate contact?" Xia Shangzhou remarked with a knowing nod. "Little Lailai, it seems like another man will soon be born in our Room 501!"

Lu Benlai: "And not too long after that, I'll mature as a man too. By then, you will be the only boy left in this dorm with only Jill as company..."

Chapter 356: Rise as the King of Dogs (2)

The sudden stab that came out of nowhere invoked Xia Shangzhou's rage, "Grandson, is it possible for anything nice to come out from your mouth? If you don't have anything nice to say, just shut your mouth. Even your fart sounds nicer than the things you say!"

Lu Benlai: "I am merely speaking the truth. Just think about it. When we have gatherings in the future, Song Chaoxi will bring his girlfriend, I will bring Leng Nuan, and our Boss will bring Little Junior, leaving you all alone..."

Xia Shangzhou: "What is wrong with being alone? When all of you marry out, I will be the King of Room 501!"

Lu Benlai: "Tsk! Are you sure you will be a king and not a lonely, single dog?"

Xia Shangzhou: "What do you even know? Have you ever heard of the phrase, 'Only those who have eaten all of the dog feed in the world will be able to rise as the King of Dogs'! Woof, woof, woof...?¹?"

"You have given me a deeper understanding of the term, 'The man who reaches the peak of shamelessness is infallible'!" Lu Benlai rubbed his temples with his fingers as he turned to Lin Jiage in a bid to change the topic, "Boss, have you thought of how you will confess to Little Junior?"

"Not yet..." Lin Jiage shook his head, "... That's why I am here to consult the both of you."

Xia Shangzhou: "This... I don't have any experience in confessing either. Why don't you ask Song Chaoxi? He's the one who has had a girlfriend since our freshman year..."

Without the slightest hesitation, Lin Jiage refuted his suggestion, "Song Chaoxi's way is not reliable."

Back when Song Chaoxi was still in his freshman year, he went out to party with his current girlfriend. One night, the two of them had too much to drink and ended up making a bet with one another.

One asked, "Do you believe I will sleep with you?"

The other replied, "If you are so great, come and try sleeping with me then!"

After which, the two of them really ended up sleeping with one another, and shortly after, they got together with one another...

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It was obvious that this wouldn't work with Soft Bun and him!

Xia Shangzhou: "That's true. Song Chaoxi's case was obviously physical intimacy first and feelings later. How should our boss confess to Little Junior then?"

"I know!" Lu Benlai exclaimed excitedly. Whipping out his handphone, he shared, "We have to rely on the wisdom of romance novels in these kinds of moments. I have recorded down all of the most classical confession scenes from the novels I have read. Boss, let me read them out to you..."

"In <Bringing the Nation's Husband Home>, the male lead brought the female lead back to their campus and confessed at the school field. He prepared a field of colorful lanterns and an expensive diamond ring..."

"The male lead in <Back Then, I Adored You> confessed in his own backyard. He prepared many balloons and hung notes containing sweet whisperings beneath them. Furthermore, he kept the ring in his mouth, delivering it right into the female lead's mouth when they kissed one another..."

"In <A Billion Stars Can't Amount To You>, it was the female lead who confessed to the male lead, but I think we can still take reference from it. In the novel, upon receiving an award, the female lead stepped onto the stage and made the confession of the century to the male lead, saying that she could forsake everything in the world for him..."

"In <To The Love Of My Life>, when the male lead confessed, he dug up all of the photos he had taken with the female lead ever since they were young and displayed it all out. He even got a helicopter to scatter rose petals from the sky..." "…"

Lu Benlai prattled on for a very long time, quoting more and more scenes from the novels he had read. When he finally came to the last of his list, he asked, "... Boss, take your pick. When you are done, I will use the remaining ones to confess to my wife."

Chapter 357: I Love Being In the Center of Attention (1)

Xia Shangzhou: "I think the first one sounds not bad. I like it!"

Lu Benlai: "I prefer the fourth one. Doesn't it sound romantic?"

Xia Shangzhou: "But the third one isn't too bad either... Making a confession right before the entire world, how touching is that!"

Lu Benlai: "Now you talk about it, the second one is wonderful as well. Notes of sweet whisperings hanging beneath countless balloons—just imagining the scene would fill my heart with sweetness!"

Xia Shangzhou looked at Lin Jiage: "So Boss, which one do you want?"

Disdain tainted Lin Jiage's eyes, "I will not choose any of them."

Lu Benlai: "Eh? Boss, I thought you wanted to confess to Little Junior. How are you going to confess if you aren't going to choose from any of the options?"

"I am going to confess, but how can I use the methods of others to confess to Soft Bun?" As Lin Jiage spoke, a haughty and prideful air drifted from him. "My Soft Bun is one-of-a-kind in this world, so everything that I'm going to give to her should be the same as well!

"That's why, I'm going to think of my own way to confess to Soft Bun. This is my way of expressing my sincerity to her.

"Not only so, I'm also going to make it the best confession of all. It's going to be more beautiful than all of those which Little Lailai spoke of!"

After finishing his piece, Lin Jiage tossed behind these words, "Forget it, I'm wasting my breath asking you two such a question. I just need you two to help me when the time comes."

Following that, he lay down on his bed, and cushioning his head with both of his hands, he stared at the ceiling and began conceptualizing his plan to confess.

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It was a Tuesday afternoon, and Shi Yao didn't have any classes.

After having her lunch, she returned back to her dorm and rested for half an hour. Shortly after she opened her eyes once more, she received a notification from <111111> asking her to play.

Jiang Yue and Leng Nuan had gone out to watch a movie, and He Tiantian was watching a Korean drama with her earpiece plugged in. With nothing to do on this leisurely afternoon, Shi Yao accepted Mister Numbers' invitation. She got onto the game and entered the room he had shared.

When they first started playing, there was nothing different from usual.

They had turned on their voice chat, so they could vaguely hear the noises coming from each other's side. However, they didn't really chat much.

On the third game, Shi Yao jumped off together with Mister Numbers, and after landing on the ground, she quickly entered a nearby room.

Her luck was incredible for this round. She actually managed to stumble upon two Level 3 Helmets in that room!

After picking up the Level 3 Helmet, she naturally called for <111111>, asking, "I have an extra Level 3 Helmet over here, do you want it?"

"I'm coming..."

Shortly after Mister Numbers' reply, Shi Yao heard the sound of glass shattering. After which, Mister Numbers appeared right before her.

He bent down to pick up the Level 3 Helmet before heading off to the other houses to gear up.

On the other hand, Shi Yao continued exploring the room before heading on to the next one.

As if the System was looking over her, in the next few rooms that she explored, she actually found two 8x CQBSS Scope!

Very naturally, she shared one of the 8x CQBSS Scope with Mister Numbers.

Afterward, shortly after entering the third safe zone together with Lin Jiage, Shi Yao found a hiding spot which she was deeply satisfied with, but in the next moment, an air drop landed right in front of her.

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Did she just get smashed in the head by an air drop?

Shi Yao opened the air drop and found an undamaged Level 3 Helmet, Level 3 Armor, AWM, and AWM bullets inside.

AWM was the most powerful sniper rifle in the game.

Shi Yao didn't know how to snipe, so without even giving it a thought, she carried the AWM to Mister Numbers and passed the rifle and the bullets to him.

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As the game proceeded on to the final circle, Mister Numbers abandoned his car and brought Shi Yao into the safe zone on foot.

Directionally challenged, there were often times when Shi Yao thought that she was following behind Mister Numbers when, in truth, she was traveling in the opposite direction.

Every time such an incident happened, she would require Mister Numbers' reminder before she changed her direction and ran back in the direction where Mister Numbers was.

Unfortunately, running around recklessly in the final circle could easily draw fire upon one. As a result, Shi Yao would often be preyed upon while she was making her way toward Mister Numbers

At times like this, it was always Mister Numbers who would save her.

As they were playing Duo mode, Mister Numbers would often in a position where he would have to face two players simultaneously. Even though his aim was very accurate, it was inevitable that he would be shot from time to time. As such, by the time they reached the second last circle in this game, Mister Numbers' armor and Level 3 Helmet had already been destroyed.

It was just a second ago that the completely defenseless <111111> had remarked that he didn't have any armor left when in the next instant, an air drop fell right in front of the clueless Shi Yao.

It went without saying that Shi Yao opened the air drop without any hesitation, and she immediately shouted out to Mister Numbers, "There's an intact Level 3 Helmet and Level 3 Armor here!"

Mister Numbers quickly made his way over to Shi Yao and picked up the Level 3 Helmet and Level 3 Armor. After which, he led Shi Yao into the final circle.

Hiding behind a massive boulder, Shi Yao watched quietly as Mister Numbers killed off the six remaining players in the final circle and successfully carried her to a chicken dinner.

While Shi Yao ended the game with an unimpressive record of 0 Kills and Damage Dealt of 10, she still couldn't resist bragging to Mister Numbers, who had achieved an astounding score of 21 Kills and Damage Dealt of more than 2000, "Don't you think that there's still some value to my existence?"

"Value?" It did not take long for Mister Numbers' response to sound in her earpiece. "Are you sure that there's value to your existence?"

There was a slight pause before Mister Numbers continued on, "Oh, there is. You did deal 10 damage in the match, so there's still a little bit of value in your existence?"

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With a pout on her lips, Shi Yao retorted indignantly, "My value of existence is way more than a bit! You should know that all of the good equipment and items you were lacking in this match all came from me!"

"Even without your equipment and items, I can still carry you to a chicken dinner!" At this point, it seemed like Mister Numbers had begun drinking water. After a moment of 'gudong gudong', he continued, "The very value of your existence lies in exposing my location!"

Shi Yao was caught by surprise by Mister Numbers' remark. As she brought an apple to her mouth, she replied with a baffled "Hah?".

Lin Jiage did not think too much about Shi Yao's "Hah?". As he started the next game, he replied with deliberate slowness, "You aren't able to run away from the poison properly, and you often end up darting around recklessly. And when you get noticed by the opponent as a result of that, you end up exposing my location..."

Lin Jiage was planning to follow up with an "I didn't see through your value of existence, but I did see you dragging me back..." statement, but before those words could escape from his lips, he consciously halted himself.

Yesterday night, at the library, he had learned a new skill from the couple sitting right in front of him praising Soft Bun. Yet, in a moment of inattention, he ended up reverting back to his usual venomous tongue...

Berating himself for his lack of conscientiousness, he anxiously combed through his mind for an emergency solution to the crisis. Roughly two seconds later, he replied, "... However, I love being in the center of attention. It's all thanks to you that I'm able to receive such a feeling!"

Chapter 359: Your Pauses Were Wrong (1)

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Ah? Why does something feel very off here?

Judging from her previous experience, Mister Numbers should have been building up to a finishing move to utterly destroy her.

Shi Yao munched on an apple as she pondered for a couple of seconds before asking doubtfully, "But... didn't you say these words earlier?"

Imitating <111111>'s tone, she repeated his earlier words, "Value? Are you sure that there's value to your existence?

"Oh, there is. You did deal 10 damage in the match, so there's still a little bit of value in your existence?"

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On the other side of the screen, Lin Jiage patted himself on his shoulder to compliment himself on his fast response. Heaving a huge sigh of relief, he took a sip of water to calm down his beating heart.

But the words that soon followed from Shi Yao's mouth horrified him so much that he nearly choked on his water.

This was a true crisis! Before he realized what he was doing, he ended up blurting words that he shouldn't have...

Placing the cup of water in his hand back down, Lin Jiage's mind swiftly churned into action before he spoke up, "You're right. I did say those words earlier. However, your pauses were wrong...

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"This was how I said it earlier...

"Value? Are you sure there's value to your existence? Oh, there is!

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"You did deal 10 damage in the match, so there's still a little bit of value in your existence?

"However, you interrupted me before I could finish my second sentence. I was going to say that 'That's a gross understatement! You are so full of value of existence that it's already going off the charts!"

Before Shi Yao could continue picking bones from his words, Lin Jiage took the initiative to explain the later lines as well, "As for the line I mentioned later on about how I can carry you to a chicken dinner even without equipment or items, what I meant is that you should keep your equipment to yourself and protect yourself well. It doesn't matter whether I have equipment or not. Even if I'm on the verge of death, as long as you give me a gun and bullets, I'll still carry you to a chicken dinner by hook or by crook!"

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On the other side of the screen, Shi Yao couldn't help but realize that this was the first time that Mister Numbers had said so many words to her at once. A frown furrowed on her forehead as she stopped munching on her apple.

Somehow, something seemed to be getting weirder and weirder over here?

This was especially so when Mister Numbers tried to explain himself. She actually felt bootlicking and lackey vibes from Mister Numbers?

As these thoughts surfaced in Shi Yao's mind, she couldn't help but ask doubtfully, "Why do I feel like you are acting a little weird today? It feels like something is really off over here..."

"Is it?" It didn't take long for <111111>'s voice to sound through the earpiece. His voice was as elegant and refreshing as ever.

But the keen Shi Yao could sense a hint of tension in Mister Numbers' voice. It felt like... cautiousness? He seemed to be a little cautious in the way he spoke, as if guarding against something.

Shi Yao was just about to reply affirmatively to the question when she suddenly received a call.

Picking up the phone, it was from the deliveryman. The other party was urging her to head downstairs to collect her package.

But other than the huge snack care package she had bought off the net just yesterday night, she didn't recall buying anything else recently! Furthermore, she had been keeping close track of the huge snack care package, and the distributor hadn't even released the goods yet...

The perplexed Shi Yao hung up the phone and began making her way out of her dorm. At the same time, she sent a private message to <111111> via WeChat:?[I'm heading downstairs to collect a package.]

Mister Numbers' response was very concise:?[Okay.]

After receiving the response, Shi Yao kept her phone and began rushing down the stairs.

The package for her was huge. When she signed the delivery slip, she noticed that there were no details written on it other than her address. At that moment, her wariness deepened.

Chapter 360: Your Pauses Were Wrong (2)

As soon as Shi Yao returned back into her room, she tore open the package. What she saw left her startled—the package was completely filled with clothes!

He Tiantian happened to come out of the washroom at this moment. Upon seeing the huge package of clothes before Shi Yao, she remarked in envy, "Waa, Yaoyao! Did you strike the lottery? You actually bought such a huge box of clothes!"

Shi Yao shook her head and replied, "It's not me. I didn't buy it."

"Ah? If you weren't the one who bought it, who else could it be?" He Tiantian asked as she picked up one of the clothes and took a look at its tag. "These clothes aren't cheap, and they are all in your measurement. Yaoyao, tell me the truth. Are you being courted by a wealthy man?"

The utterly confused Shi Yao wasn't in a state to reply to He Tiantian's questions. Instead, she flipped through the clothes in the box, and finally, at the very bottom of the box, she found a card.

There was a line of words written with exquisite penmanship in the card: [I have bought clothes for you, Lin Jiage.]

"Hm? There is actually a card in here. What does it say?" He Tiantian asked as she leaned over to take a peek.

However, before she could catch a clear glimpse of the words on the card, Shi Yao had already tossed the card aside, picked up her phone, and sent a message to Lin Jiage:?[*Why did you buy me clothes*?]

Perhaps it was because Lin Jiage's phone was right next to him, Shi Yao swiftly received his response:?[You asked me for it.]

[When did I ask you for clothes?]

[Yesterday]

Yesterday?

Shi Yao frowned. She was about to ask him when she had asked him yesterday, but before her fingers could even reach her phone screen, she suddenly remembered the words she had dumped furiously on Lin Jiage right after the French lesson: "... if you can't stand looking at my clothes, you can either avert your eyes or get me new ones!"

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He couldn't possibly have taken those words she had spoken out of rage seriously, right?

Shi Yao hesitated for two seconds before replying:?[During the French lesson yesterday?]

Lin Jiage:?[Un]

It was really just as what she had thought!

Shi Yao didn't know if she should laugh or cry at such a situation.

[It was only a retort I made out of anger because you said my clothes were ugly. I didn't mean for you to really buy me clothes.]

Lin Jiage:?[I know.]

Shi Yao:?[!!!]

Shi Yao:?[If you knew, why did you still buy me clothes?]

Lin Jiage:?[Apology]

Alright, he did go overboard with his words yesterday, so it's only right for him to apologize. But surely he doesn't have to apologize like this?

Shi Yao grumbled beneath her breath as she crafted out a message in response to Lin Jiage's words:?[I'll accept your apology, but I can't take your clothes. I'll return them to you.]

As if imitating Shi Yao's earlier triple exclamation mark, Lin Jiage replied with a?[???]?.

Lin Jiage:?[Are you intending to have me wear those clothes?]

Shi Yao:?[...]

Shi Yao:?[You could refund those clothes.]

Lin Jiage:?[Too troublesome]

Too troublesome? There was actually a person in the world who found it too troublesome to get back the money he had spent?

Shi Yao began typing on her phone, intending to tell Lin Jiage to pass the receipts to her and she would help him process the refund. However, barely after she had typed out a single word, she received another message from him.

Lin Jiage:?[I don't have the habit of taking back spent money. You can either keep the clothes for yourself or throw them away into the rubbish bin.]

Shi Yao was silent for a moment before typing a reply back:?[Thank you]

Lin Jiage didn't respond anymore, so Shi Yao placed her phone down.

Seeing that Shi Yao was no longer busy, the gossipy He Tiantian leaned in and asked mysteriously, "Yaoyao, tell me the truth. There's new development between you and Senior Lin, right?"

Not thinking too much into it, Shi Yao thought that He Tiantian was just asking a casual question, so she quickly refuted her statement, "There isn't."